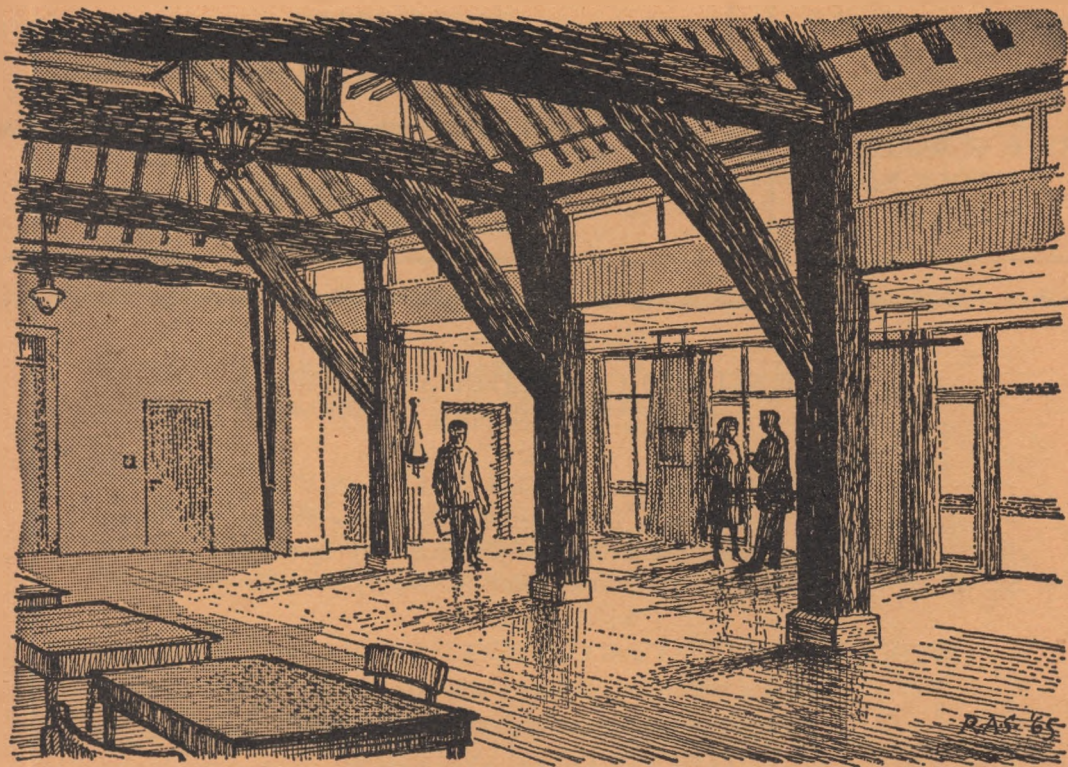


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EDITORIAL

Our readers, as well as the Editor, will probably be glad to return to the regular Bulletin format after our special Community Association edition.

The Membership Drive was well worth while. We are grateful to Mr. W. E. Larkin, who organised it, and to the canvassers and backroom helpers who participated so well. We also thank all those who so kindly welcomed our representatives and became members of the B.C.A. The support given will give great encouragement in the fund-raising efforts for the Extensions to the Barn Hall.

Village Day and Festival were well patronized. Some of the proceeds will be allocated to the maintenance of the Hall but we hope that a substantial sum will go into the Building Fund. The response from organisations and clubs was magnificent. The local traders supported the occasion with their usual generosity. We are indebted to all who came and all who helped.

TO ALL B.C.A. MEMBERS

Bookham Community Association A.G.M.

Tuesday, October 27th, 8.15 p.m.,
Barn Hall.

We hope that many of our new members, as well as our old, will come along and make this a lively meeting.

AGENDA

1. Reports.
2. Election of officers.
3. Election of Vice-Presidents.
To date — Messrs. C. Beddous, S. E. D. Fortescue, W. Bell, G. Everett, R. Marshall, A. Marson, B. Stockwell, A. Harrison.
Mesdames B. Oldershaw, D. Cuddeford, M. Longhurst.
4. Election of Representatives of Individual Members to Council of Association.

Present Members: Mesdames Stratford, Medway, Catt, Godwin.

Messrs. Larkin, Rombach, Cuddeford, Flowers, Catt, Freeman, Bruce, Clark, Preston, Dr. Thorley, Dr. Sowerbutts.

5. Tea Interval.
6. General Business.

Please bring their agenda with you. Nominations in writing for Officers and Individual Members' Representatives will be welcomed in advance by the Hon. Sec., 48 Downsway.

B.C.A. CLUBS

AUTUMN SEASON

Bookham Gramophone Club will open its season on Thursday, September 10th, at 8 p.m., with a concert on records presented by its Chairman, Mr. A. E. Jeal. It meets again the

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following Thursday (17th) and thereafter fortnightly until April. The Club's equipment is under constant watch by its technical expert, Mr. F. W. Morris, and, on his advice, it hopes to replace the Amplifier in the near future. Unlike some clubs which have a waiting list for members it can absorb additional members immediately. Visitors are always welcomed, particularly as they usually end up by joining the Club after they have experienced the pleasure and relaxation of listening to music presented in so many different ways by people with wide and varied interests.

Bookham Bowling Club goes indoors in September and members enjoy the game, for which special equipment has been obtained. They meet in the friendly atmosphere of the Barn Hall on most Mondays in the season and find that just as much skill is needed inside as on the outdoor rinks at the Dorking Rd. Recreation Ground. Membership is growing rapidly. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Mr. Charles Flowers

Members of the Club won a number of coveted awards at the Surrey Area Show but its big triumph was to secure the second prize in the inter-society class, competing against many long-established groups, on the theme of "The Pendulum Swings."

The Bridge Club, which meets every Monday, with the exception of the first Monday in the month, is so popular that it has had to fix a ceiling of 70 members. It has already contributed £50 to the Barn Hall Building Fund by organising Duplicate Drives and has a target of £100 which it hopes to reach soon. Association." W.P.A.

Old and Modern Sequence Dance Club is the new title adopted by the Olde Tyme Dance Club to correct the wrong image it may convey to some people as a relic of the Victorian era. Modern rhythms are the basis for the many new dances that are initiated by the Federation and taught at the weekly meetings on Wednesdays. These begin on September 2nd., but new members are always welcome and can, if they so wish, come along at 7.30 p.m. when experienced dancers are present to help with informal instruction.

Anyone interested is invited to the Folk Dance Club which meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 8 p.m. in the Congregational Hall from September 14th.

Bookham Flower Arrangement Group Reaches its Peak. The membership of this flourishing club, of which Mrs. S. McLeod is now chairman and Mrs. E. Smith secretary, has grown to

the point where the club has been obliged to start a waiting list. Among its numbers are several accomplished and qualified arrangers. Mrs. J. Owen, who is on the Committee of the club, entered the competition at the Ideal Homes Exhibition and won a First and Third Prize.

A date to be entered in the diary of all flower lovers is Saturday, November 28th, when the Christmas Show will be held. petition.

New Secretary for the Camera Club is Mr. R. G. Morgan, of Fetcham. He succeeds Mr. J. A. Carver, who has held this post for 3 years and now becomes Chairman. During this period Mr. Carver has worked hard to build up the membership which has now nearly doubled. Standards, too, have risen and this is reflected in the successes gained in competitions, the most outstanding being to reach the Semi-Finals of the Surrey Competition.

The Club meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. at the Great Bookham County Junior School, commencing September 3rd. Visitors and new members are welcome at any meeting. Activities cover Talks, Demonstrations, Practical Evenings, Discussions, Competitions, Colour Section, Outings, Projects, Photographic Journals.

Those who visited its 24th annual Exhibition in the Barn Hall must have been impressed

not only by the technique of the prints but by the mood so subtly caught by the photographer, for example the peace conveyed by L. Neil's 'Evening Solitude' and the whole gamut of emotion from defiance to despair in P. Razzell's 'The Immigrant'. Pictures like the 'Pollen Hunter', 'Stag Beetle', 'Sea Shells' gave new meaning to natural objects.

The Scottish Dancers. Mr. W. P. Ashton has taken over the secretaryship of the Scottish Dancing Club and we have received from him this appreciation of the former secretary which we are delighted to publish.

"The Club was formed on February 10th, 1959. Its first secretary was Mr. G. R. Marshall, M.B.E., and for eleven eventful years he has served the Club as scribe, as tutor, as member of a highly successful demonstration team, and as an esteemed and well-loved friend. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall now live in Weybridge, and Bob Marshall feels that distance from Bookham, amongst other reasons, prevents him from continuing as secretary of the Club. Members regret his resignation but we are happy to know that he will remain with us as an active member. We are grateful, too, for the help given to the Club over more

than a decade by Iris Marshall. If all the contributions Iris has extracted from willing victims for the White Elephant Stall and the like were put end to end they would surround the Barn Hall, many, many times. Both Mr. and Mrs. Marshall have been untiring in their support for the Club and for Bookham Community Association. It is in large measure as the result of their endeavours that, in the eleven years since its formation, the Club has contributed more than £1,000 to the funds of the Association."

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ROUND AND ABOUT

The Musicians' Workshop?

We have been questioned about this event which was organised during the Village Festival by the Bookham Folk Dance Club. Mrs. Thomas, its secretary, tells us that it was an open session for all instrumentalists wishing to learn some of the old, traditional folk tunes. Instructors were present to give individual tuition and there was ample opportunity for the musicians to practise together. The idea arose from the obvious delight of the children in joining with the Folk Dancers in their display last Village Day. In the afternoon, after "The Workshop" the instrumentalists played for the Children's Dance.

Medau Rhythmic Movement

is frequently spoken of, but rarely seen. As its name implies, it is a graceful exercise and attractive to watch. Not all the sequences can be performed on grass but much use was made of hoops, balls and clubs. Other Groups, as well as the Bookham ones participated under the direction of Mrs. J. Parmiter, who is the leader of the Bookham Women's Institute's classes. She tells us that Medau is suitable for women of all ages. Those of us who may be losing our figures were interested to watch and, perhaps, encouraged to take it up.

Over Sixties A.G.M. The Treasurer, Mrs. E. Cameron, was able to give the satisfactory news that there was a balance in hand of £104 which will enable the Club to indulge in occasional 'treats', but, more importantly, guarantees the annual summer outing to the coast, including tea and lunch. It is noteworthy that this good financial situation is due, for the most part, to members' own efforts and the generous contribution made by the L.U.D.C. towards the rent of the Hall.

The Officers and Committee are the same as last year, except that Mrs. B. Oldershaw has joined as a representative of the Community Association.

The appreciation of the members for the devoted service given by the Secretary, Mrs. Mary Longhurst, and the Chairman, Mrs. Thelma Weston, was signified by loud applause.

It was emphasised that the monthly visits of the County Council Chiropodist, Mrs. J. Ackroyd, were of great value.

Diamond Jubilee of Guiding Movement. The Bookham District of the Girl Guides Association have participated fully in the 1970 celebrations.

The highlight of the year, however, took place on May 16th at Twickenham. It was the historical Pageant — Reach for the Star — directed by John Padgham in which all the

Guides from Greater London and Surrey North took part. Our own Bookham Guides presented the Elizabethan era. Mrs. Edith White was their producer and adviser on costumes and thanks are due to her and the parents and supporters who made up the costumes. More than a 100 of our local Guides played in the scene and travelled to Twickenham in special coaches. A chartered train was laid on by British Rail from Bookham and stopped at stations en route to pick up other brownies, parents and friends.

We all enjoyed the opportunity to see a re-enactment of the Bookham part of the production on Village Day.

It is hoped that 1970 will also be marked by a start on the construction of the long hoped for Guide Hut. All planning permissions have been finalised and it is anticipated that there will be sufficient financial backing. Premises are urgently needed. The Guide Movement has always been strong in the village and it is going from strength to strength. In the last 12 months the membership has increased by 100. They deserve a permanent home.

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affiliation to the Community Association. The motion was carried by a significant majority of 48 votes to 5. Both bodies should be strengthened by this action. The Residents Association will have a voice on the Council, the governing body of the B.C.A., which is composed of delegates from 33 affiliated organisations, 11 B.C.A. clubs and representatives of individual members of the B.C.A. itself.

The Community Association will gain from the experience and strength of the Residents Association and the contribution it can make from its unique knowledge of local planning and the deliberations of the Leatherhead Urban District Council.

The Television Triumph for the Choral Society earlier in the year added zest to the Spring Season which culminated in the Leith Hill Festival.

We have asked the Secretary of the Society to give us his personal impressions of this outstanding occasion:

"Many residents will have seen, possibly without expecting it, the recent appearance of Bookham Choral Society on television in the B.B.C. 'Omnibus' programme on Vaughan Williams. No doubt round many screens in the village there were exclamations of 'Oh! There's Mrs. So-and-so' as certain individuals came very recognisably into view. Commiserations to

those who did not have the gratification of seeing friends or relatives in their brief glory!

"The Editor has asked me to give a few impressions of the event from the point of view of the participants. Perhaps our first reaction was keen interest in a new and rather special experience. We had a briefing visit from the producer a few days before the recording was made. For the performance we assembled in St. Nicolas Church under the very hot glare of banks of lamps, and were initiated into further mysteries concerning clap-boards and synchronisation of sound and vision. We were allowed a few dummy-runs to steady our nerves and voices. For the 'pukka' run the sound and vision were recorded separately. First we were marshalled in the arrangement which best suited the microphones and a sound-tape was made. We were then re-disposed to suit the cameraman, our sound recording was played to us and we went through the motions of singing to it. This may seem false, but it was not actually so because we found it much easier to sing out again than to pretend to sing. I am sure the illusion was pretty complete.

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Congratulations to Mrs. E. Knight who, for the second year running, was a prizewinner at Ewell Technical College. The award was for her performance in the City and Guilds Examination in Advanced Domestic Cookery. She is now completing the final examination which will give her a teaching certificate. Her studies are in the Department of Home Economics, Social and Health Studies.

Although no longer residing in Bookham, Mrs. E. Knight and her husband are well-known in the neighbourhood. For a long time they were keen members of the Scottish Dancing Club. Distance has severed this link but we still see them quite regularly at the Community Association Dances.

A Cup for the outstanding Actress, was awarded to 16-years-old Ann Griffiths in the first round of the County Youth Drama Festival covering the

Leatherhead and Epsom District. Ann played the difficult part of the ageing actress, Judith Bliss, in an excerpt from Noel Coward's "Hay Fever" put on by the Bookham Youth Centre. A certificate of honour was also presented to the Bookham Youth Centre Drama Group for the best team effort.

The Youth Centre playing in the Finals at Haslemere in a well appointed theatre setting.

With such promising young actors and actresses coming on in the village and with a first-rate Bookham Dramatic Society presenting, as they did in their May production of "My Three Angels," such outstanding entertainment, it is surely high time we were able to start construction of the projected stage at the Barn Hall.

First of Women Mounties. Close on two years ago we reported that Miss Ann Macpherson, of Eastwick Drive, had been accepted for training by the Metropolitan Police. 21-year-old Ann has now become, with one other colleague, the first police-woman on horseback in the Metropolitan Force, thus breaking into another male stronghold. She is now on her six month probationary course at Imber Court, learning to perform the same duties as the men, including the cleaning and grooming of the horses. When they have completed the course the two recruits

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First ever member from Bookham W.I.s of the County W.I. Executive is Mrs. Audrey Edwards. Her co-option to this important Committee is a great honour for Bookham and a tribute to her competence.

Congratulations, also, to Mrs. P. Salmon who has been co-opted to the Executive sub-committee for Art.

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Early in the 1920s the Lord of the Manor of Great Bookham, Mr. H. Souchon, planned to sell his estate—Eastwick Park — with the intention of living abroad, but it was only when a new entrance road (known today as "The Park") was made into Eastwick Park from Church Road, that residents became aware that not only had Harvey Estates, Ltd., acquired portions of the parkland but also the rights over the Waste of the Manor known as Great Bookham Common, an area at that

time much favoured by Gypsies who found it a convenient venue to congregate before moving on to Epsom Downs for Derby Week; the land was used for grazing and the purpose of acquiring these rights was to possess the timber—fine oak and ash trees—which it was learnt that the Contractors intended to cut down and remove.

A hurried meeting of a few prominent residents was held and, as a result, Mr. Souchon was requested to halt the sale of the Manor Rights over the Common. To save the Common from this pending vandalism the residents were given 3 weeks to raise £1,200 and buy back the rights. The population of Bookham at that time was about 2,000; it was essentially a rural area and £1,200 in those days was a very large sum to raise, particularly in only 3 weeks. But it was accomplished and by not more than 23 subscribers, but those who gave loved Bookham and gave generously.

The present generation has reason to be grateful to those residents who—almost 50 years ago—saved the Common from destruction and presented the Rights into the keeping of the National Trust for all time.

A strip of the land—the Waste of Little Bookham—to the west of Great Bookham Common and extending as far as Hundred Pound Bridge still remained in private ownership, and the Lord of the Manor, Mr. H. C.

Willock-Pollen, noting what had taken place in Great Bookham, generously presented to the National Trust the Rights held by him over Little Bookham Common.

Shortly after this gift, in order to bring together the whole area of Common land lying to the north of Bookham, Mr. R. R. Calburn of Eppingham presented to the National Trust the third portion, some 33 acres, known as Banks' Common.

The National Trust, as is its custom, brought into being a Management Committee consisting of local residents to be responsible for the maintenance of this whole area, in consultation with their Area Agent at Polesden Lacey.

No account of the early days of Bookham Common would be complete without reference to David Longhurst, Common Keeper for 30 years; he it was who opened up the foot and bridle paths, cleared undesirable undergrowth and did so much to preserve the Commons from despoilation by man and vermin.

And today—1970—this good work is being continued with equal vigour by Keeper Eric Youngman.

For this information we are indebted to L. R. Hutchison, Esq., M.C., of Little Bookham.

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Victor L. Austin, O.B.E.

The death of Mr. V. L. Austin in March, after a short illness, was a shock to his many friends in Bookham. He seemed to be recovering well from his serious operation last year, he was in good spirits and was again taking up some of his previous activities which he had been obliged to curtail.

He was an outstanding figure in the neighbourhood. He had great integrity and a deep sense of service. To the various positions of authority he held in the locality he brought dignity and unfailing courtesy; he was truly a good neighbour, ready to help in any emergency. His devotion to duty earned our respect and his many acts of kindness won our affection.

He came to live in Bookham sixteen years ago, a short time before his retirement from a senior post in the Civil Service when he was awarded the O.B.E. He and his wife were quickly absorbed into local life. As a lifelong Conservative he naturally first joined the Great Bookham Conservative Association, of which he became Chairman, later Vice-President, and in December he was made first President.

The Bookham Community Association had his active and continuous support. For a number of years he was in

charge of the Bulletin Distribution, then he became a Vice-President, and was President from 1966 to '68, when his skill in negotiation helped to resolve the difficult situation created by controversy concerning the Barn Hall Backlands. Right to the end he attended meetings of the Association's Council and enjoyed the quiet relaxation of the Gramophone Club evenings.

Gardening was, for him, an engrossing hobby. The garden of his home in Eastwick Drive was a delight to all who passed by, and in his greenhouse he reared a wide variety of colourful and exotic plants. He was a keen member of the Eastwick Allotments and Garden Association and Vice-President of the Garden Society, regularly exhibiting in the Shows.

Those of us who were privileged to be his friends will remember certain characteristics which made up his distinctive personality. He loved reading on a wide range of subjects; he had a special admiration for Sir Winston Churchill, whose portrait had a place of honour in his house, and who typified for him the indomitable and independent British spirit; although himself a committed Conservative he had a great tolerance and respect for different opinions; he had a profound affection for his old school — Rochester Mathematical School, one of the noted day grammar schools of ancient

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