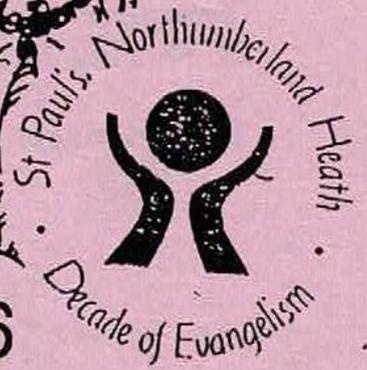


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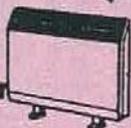
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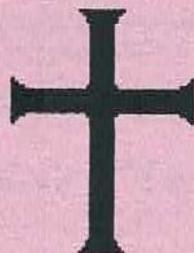
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JULY DIARY.....

1.



7 PENTECOST 6

- 9.00am Holy Communion (1662)
- 10.30am Family Service. "I am the Bread of Life"
(John 6:1-15, 25-35)
- 6.30pm Lord's Supper. "Living for God" (1 Peter 4:1-11)

10 EVENING OF PRAISE : Churches Together in Erith

14 PENTECOST 7

- 9.00am Holy Communion (ASB)
- 10.30am Family Parade Service. "I am the Light of the World"
(John 1:1-9 and 8:12)
- 6.30pm Evening Worship. "Suffering for being a Christian"
(1 Peter 3:8-22 and 4:12-19)

21 PENTECOST 8

- 9.00am Holy Communion (1662)
- 10.30am Family Communion. "I am the Good Shepherd"
(John 10:1-16)
- 4.00pm Fellowship Tea
- 6.30pm Evening Worship. "Caring for one another"
(1 Peter 5:1-13)



24 "SENIOR" FUN DAY

28 PENTECOST 9

- 9.00am Holy Communion (ASB)
- 10.30am Family Service. "I am the True Vine"
(John 15:1-17)
- 6.30pm Evening Praise. "I am the Door"
(John 1):1-10)



31 CHILDREN'S FUN DAY



MAGAZINE DEADLINE FOR AUGUST is 7th JULY to Jane Stafford
FELLOWSHIP TEA - 21st JULY - See Derrick or Marion

2. *Jonathan Writes*



I am writing this having just come back from the Erith Water Festival. The day has been sunny, for the most part, and crowds flocked to the various stalls and attractions down by the waterfront. There is a very real sense in which water brought life to Erith. There will still be those who remember the days when Erith's position on the banks of the River Thames led to work in the boatyards and on the barges unloading from larger ships anchored further out; and in the industries based on the goods brought in by sea. The river brought life to the town.

Water is often used in the bible as an illustration of the work of God in people's lives. The prophet Ezekiel has a marvellous vision of the river of life flowing out from the east end of the temple in Jerusalem. It was the East end of the temple that contained the 'Holy of Holies', the room where the ark of the covenant was kept; the room which was filled with God's presence. So this river of life was flowing from the very presence of God.

In his vision Ezekiel was led along the bank of the river as it flowed towards the salty Dead Sea. He saw how the fresh water of the river brought life wherever it flowed, with swarms of fish even where the river entered the salty sea. In the same way the Lord can bring freshness of life to us if we let the Holy Spirit flow through us. Our part is to make sure that nothing blocks the channel and stops the flow.

Ezekiel also sees that there are fruit trees of all kinds growing along the banks of the river, and that their leaves never wither, nor does their fruit fail. I once saw just that as I travelled down the River Nile across the Sahara desert. In places where there had been no rain for years palm trees and other plants were growing beside the river because they were able to send their roots deep down to tap the river water and sustain life. They survived in hostile, adverse conditions because their roots were able to tap the water which brings life.

I am very conscious that there are many in our church family, and also in our local community I am sure, that are facing adverse and hostile conditions at present. These may involve illness, difficulties at work, financial problems or a host of other things. Sometimes all we can do is to tap in to the source of the water of life - Jesus Christ

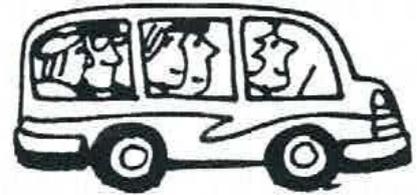
JULY PRAYER DIARY

- 1 Second Alpha training day. Pray for ongoing organisation of the course.



- 2 Margaret and Ron Richards as they organise the "Open Gardens". Pray too for their work (with helpers) on the church grounds.

- 3 The Finance Committee and meeting tonight. Pray for ongoing discussions of church finances.
- 4 Churchwardens - Elizabeth and Brian.
- 5 Play Group and meeting tonight. Pray for Lesley and her helpers and their Christian witness to children and parents as they care for and teach the children.
- 6 Nora McGill and her team of "flower ladies". Thank the Lord for their gifts.
- 7 Alan Hunt and the choir. Thank the Lord for their time and gifts used to God's glory.
- 8 Those who are ill, especially longterm and pray for their carers.
- 9 The bereavement lunch tomorrow. Pray for friendship and fellowship and people may come to know the Lord.
- 10 Churches Together in Erith and evening of praise.
- 11 Government: Local and national and the Christian witness there.
- 12 Len Hollingsworth and his staff and pupils starting on a return visit to Romania. Pray for safety of travel, ease of border crossings, good health.
- 13 Elderly and housebound.
- 14 Uniformed organisations. Pray for the leaders and organisation of camps etc in the summer.



- 15 Preparation for and those undertaking marriage. Pray that couples may make their marriage vows as lifetime promises.

- 16 Information technology. Pray that advances will not lead to distortion of truth or compromise of justice.
- 17 Those with financial problems and suffering debt. Pray for those undergoing emotional stress and anxiety resulting from financial crises.
- 18 Our church leaders - George Carey, heads of other denominations and groups of churches and leaders of other Christian ministries that as they meet and pray, genuine unity in the truth and love of Christ will grow.

- 19 Our family life at St Paul's and that we can be a witness in the community.
- 20 Our schools as they close for the summer. Pray for rest and refreshment of teachers. Pray for parents at home with their children.
- 21 Fellowship tea. Thank the Lord for the enjoyment experienced and pray for ongoing work.
- 22 For those on holiday. Pray that families can enjoy times of rest and recreation and perhaps be a time for relationships to strengthen and grow.
- 23 BECHA. Pray for Brenda Reid and her work there. Pray for families in desperate need of accommodation.
- 24 "Senior" fun day. Pray for enjoyment and friendships to grow. Pray for preparation and organisation.
- 25 Those people going on outings over the summer, e.g. schools, clubs, church groups etc. Pray for safety of travel.
- 26 Junior Music Club. Thank the Lord for those taking part and pray for enjoyment with learning.
- 27 The caring professions, e.g. nurses, doctors, etc. Pray for those working long and irregular hours.
- 28 The Summer Sunday School in church. Pray for the helpers and the children attending.
- 29 PCC and tonight's meeting. Pray for guidance in decision-making and sense of unity.
- 30 The staff at St Paul's - Jonathan and Renée, lay readers Steven and Lauraine and pastoral assistants Marion and Ingrid.
- 31 The children's fun day - pray for safety, organisation and enjoyment through learning.



We are sorry to hear that Nora McGill has been very poorly these last few weeks. We hope that by the time she reads this, she will be back to good health again. Our special love and prayers to you Nora from all your pals.

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6. **Thank You**

It's great to be able to sit down and write (briefly !) to all my friends at St Paul's. Most of you know that I have been very ill; some will know that my heart and lungs stopped beating on three separate occasions and that I was "brought back to life". I want to thank all of you who have prayed for me over the past five months - I can assure you that the power of prayer works. The knowledge of being prayed for is tremendously uplifting. There have been times when I didn't expect to live; and times when others including the doctors & nurses expected me to die. Your prayers; my stubborn will, and my Saviour have ensured that the gift of life is still mine to enjoy. No cigarettes for 2½ months! Can you believe it? Can I believe it ?? And **no more** if I am to take full advantage of my last chance. There is still some way to go in the medical recovery plan. I have to go to one of the London hospitals (probably Guys) for treatment to a lung, then it should be back to Q.M.'s before I am released into the real world again. If you are able to, please continue to pray for me; in this period I have searched my soul and looked back at my life, and with God's help I am ready to do His will and to give Him the glory for all he chooses to do through me. I can tell you that the words of the Footprints prayer are true: I know I was carried through my recent ordeal by the one living God, Jesus Christ. May God bless each one of you. Come & visit me if you can spare the time and think of me & do continue to pray for me.

Michael Scrase

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We would like to thank our friend's of St Paul's Church, for the cards and messages of sympathy received on the passing of our dear Mum, Phyllis Weeks. We would also like to thank all who joined with us and our family for Mum's funeral service. In spite of the sadness of our loss, it was a wonderful reminder to each one of us that death is not the end of everything; it is for Christians, the beginning of a new life "... with Christ which is far better". It was a great joy to be able to share this service with so many of the friends whom Mum had loved, and shared fellowship with, over so many years; and we would like to say a special 'thank you' to Jonathan & Renee for organising and leading the service and to Sue, Brenda and Linda for taking part. In addition we owe a great debt of gratitude to the ladies who so ably provided refreshments for us after the service, enabling us to share many precious memories with family and friends, some of whom had travelled long distances to be with us, and some we had not seen for a number of years. Finally "thank you" to those friends who have ministered so lovingly to Mum in both her spiritual and physical needs, especially during these past 8 months. Words cannot express our gratitude to three dear people without whom Mum could never have remained at home for as long as she did, but in the words of our Lord Himself -" ... *inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto me.*" Thank you, and may God bless you all.

From *Marion, Daphne and Sheila.*



Flying Angels

'MUM, how do bananas come to this country'? Unlike the child who asked this question, many people never think about how many of the things we take for granted are brought to our shops and supermarkets. Around 90 percent of everything we import comes to us by sea. Without ships and those who work on them, life would be almost unrecognisable.

'Father, how do the islanders get to church'? 160 years ago, a boy's question led his clergyman father John Ashley to meet the fishermen and farmers of Steep Holm and Flat Holm in the Bristol Channel. He then visited a large fleet of sailing ships in Penarth Roads. From that boy's question flowed the work of the Missions to Seamen.

Now that ministry is worldwide and expanding. Full time staff work out of centres in some 90 ports, and honorary chaplains work part time

-PATRICK FORBES
Missions to Seamen



in around 200 other ports. We are an Anglican society yet we work with members of other church traditions. In an average year our chaplains visit 56,000 ships, welcome 700,000 seafarers to our centres, visit 3,000 seafarers in hospital and help in over 1,000 justice and welfare cases.

On Sea Sunday, July 14 we ask churchgoers throughout the world to pray for seafarers and those who minister to them. They face danger, loneliness and separation from their loved ones for months at a time. They depend on the Missions to Seamen. And we depend on you.



Our trouble is we want the peace without the Prince.

-Addison Leitch



The best way to prepare for the coming of Christ is never to forget the presence of Christ.

-William Barclay

OUR SUPPORT OF HOSPICES

On my becoming a Churchwarden in 1972, one of the many things pointed out to me by my predecessor was that traditionally St Paul's had for a considerable period raised funds and supported St Christopher's Hospice and that the alms collected at the Christmas Eve communion service went to the Hospice. I don't think that at that time I knew anything about St Christopher's or even of its existence. In remitting monies and receiving acknowledgements and Annual Reports I gradually learnt about the Hospice, its work and about its founder, Dame Cicely Saunders.



Dame Cicely had worked as a nurse at St Joseph's Hospice in Hackney. She had a vision of how much more could be achieved and was motivated to found her own hospice. She was told that the first step would be to become qualified as a doctor. The challenge was accepted, she became qualified and, after a long period of hard work and fund raising, founded St Christopher's in 1967. She

became Medical Director and still plays a very active role today as Chairman of the Foundation. She has been called "the woman who changed the face of death". Motivated by her faith, she believes that God is present in every suffering and every death. She is well-known in Great Britain as the pioneer of the hospice movement, which is now recognised worldwide.

St Christopher's Hospice is a Christian Foundation with a staff and team of volunteers of many denominations or none. It is a Medical Foundation working to improve the quality of life remaining for people with advanced malignant and other diseases such as motor neurone disease and AIDS. It is open to all who need its care, regardless of race, creed or their ability to pay. Many patients attend Out Patient Clinics and come to the Day Centre.

There is a long term programme of clinical research into the relief of pain. There are some 62 patient beds, two full time Chaplains and a medical staff of six.

We are pleased to now be able to support our own local hospice - Greenwich and Bexley Cottage Hospice - which has now been open for over two years following many years of devoted hard work and fund raising by its founders, Pat Jeavons and Don Shurroch. It already has 11 beds and the aim

is to increase the number to 18 or 19. There is plenty of space in the building. The main problem is the substantial costs involved. The NHS pays for 41% of running costs, but the hospice still needs to raise £500,000 a year.

It is wonderful to see the way the hospice movement is growing so much over the country and helping to fill such a need for tender loving care for the terminally ill and for the relief of pain. We now have the Ellenor Foundation at Dartford, The Lion's Hospice at Northfleet and a planned Children's Hospice at Bobbing in Kent.

Derrick Blacker

We pray that the movement will continue to grow,
and that we at St Paul's
will be able to support and assist in its growth.

PROCEEDS TO OUR HOSPICES

ADVANCE NOTICE This year the **Church Garden Party** will be held at the Vicarage on **Saturday 3rd August** from 2 to 4pm. **Ann Easter** would welcome **EARLY** offers of Cakes, Bric-a-Brac and Plants to sell. Please contact her on **01322 347981** with offers of help. More details later. Make a note in your diary Now!



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Congratulations to Alan & Joan Dear as they celebrate their **Ruby Wedding Anniversary** on the 30th June. Love and good wishes to you both as you celebrate this happy occasion.





Postcards from...

Ever wondered how to update the "old favourite bible stories" we learnt about in Sunday School? One way is 'Postcards'. Some of our teenagers were asked to assume the role of a bible character and write a postcard from them. Here is a small taster of the result:

To John:

I am sorry for not showing up for my annual side burns trim, only Delilah got someone to do it for me whilst I was asleep! Besides, I've heard the prices have gone up. Anyway, got to go as I'm due down the gym.

Yours, Sam.

P.S. Sorry for pulling the door off its hinges last time!

(Samson, by Stephen Luff)

CHECK THE YOUTH COMMITTEE NOTICE BOARD AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR MORE POSTCARDS. CAN YOU WRITE ONE FROM A BIBLE CHARACTER? TINA CHATTINGTON WILL BE PLEASED TO ACCEPT ANY CONTRIBUTIONS, WHICH CAN BE LEFT AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH FOR COLLECTION.

Wot-ever Next

Full marks to those who, after seven days, could still remember the main points from the Wot Next talk. Tim Mungeam from Oasis Trust spoke about "Decision to Disciple". Accepting Christ as our Lord and Saviour is not the end of the story. We have a choice to be like either Linford Christie or a spectator in the stands. Linford is a good athlete because he persistently trains, it affects his whole lifestyle and he knows the daily routine must continue if he is to perform at his best. Meanwhile, the spectator sits and watches, longing to excel but not daring to see where their abilities will take them. What about us as Christians? Are we running the great race of life for God's glory, are we not yet convinced we have the ability to win or are we afraid that others might laugh at us? We have been specially chosen to run the race, given all the



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training equipment we need and have God's promise of the ultimate victory. What more could we ask for? Be bold and determined to leave the stands and get down onto the race track.

For further reading: Heb.12:1-3; Phil.3:12-14; 2Tim.4:7,8 and Hymn: Fight the Good Fight, verses 1 & 2.

Read All About It....

The hot-news-latest from our correspondent in Tanzania, Andy Hunt, is on the Youth Committee notice board at the back of the church. What an eye-opener!

Deanery Kids Fun Afternoon



Saturday 18th May 1996 - Christ Church Bexleyheath.

This event held for 6 - 11 year olds, focused this year on the 'Holy Spirit', and the children enjoyed participating in various activities relating to the theme.

These included Candle Holders, Windmills, Head Dresses, & Potato Cuts. I wondered why there was a look of relief on the Committee's faces at our planning evening prior to the afternoon, when I volunteered to be responsible for the potato cuts. Not having a clue at the time as to what this entailed. I now know, and still have, the remains of paint under my fingernails! With 30 plus children in 5 groups, & each child competing for the most shapes on a blank piece of paper, keeping order became increasingly difficult.

There was a distinct difference between the behaviour of the boys and the girls. The boys perception of success being to load as much paint on the potato cuts as possible and then

to give the impression of someone behind a Post Office Counter, date stamping a parcel. **FORCE = FUN.** Whilst the girls were much more mature and made beautiful shapes of doves and flames very delicately. With Tina C. working the badge machine (How many fingers did you lose?) and also providing the musical accompaniment, the afternoon proved a great success and we hope the children discovered in various ways that the Holy Spirit brings such fun

Tim Luff

FOOTNOTE: Will Tina's T-shirts ever be paint-free again !!



WE ARE SURVIVORS

(for those born before 1940)

12.

We were born before television, before penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, plastic, contact lenses, videos, freebies and the Pill. We were before radar, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams and ballpoint pens; before dishwashers, tumble dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip-dry clothes and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first and then lived together (how quaint can you be?). We thought "Fast Food" was what you ate in Lent. A "Big Mac" was an oversized raincoat and "crumpet" we had for tea. We existed before house-husbands, computer dating, dual careers and when a "meaningful relationship" meant getting along with cousins. And "sheltered accommodation" was where you waited for a bus.

We were before day care centres, group homes and disposable nappies. We never heard of FM radio, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts and word processors, yoghurt and young men wearing earrings. For us "time-sharing" meant togetherness, a "chip" meant a piece of wood or fried potato, "hardware" meant nuts and bolts and "software" wasn't a word.

Before 1940 "Made in Japan" meant junk, the term "making out" referred to how you did in your exams, "stud" was something that fastened a collar to a shirt and "going all the way" meant staying on a double-decker to the bus or tram depot. Pizzas, McDonald and instant coffee were unheard of. In our day, cigarette smoking was "fashionable", "grass" was mown, "coke" was kept in the coal house, a "joint" was a piece of meat you had on Sundays and "pot" was something you cooked in. "Rock music" was a Grandmother's lullaby, "Eldorado" was an ice cream, a "gay person" was the life and soul of the party and nothing more, while "aids" just meant beauty treatment or help for someone in trouble.

We who were born before 1940 must be a hardy bunch when you think of the way in which the world has changed and the adjustments we have had to make. No wonder we are so confused and there is a generation gap today...

BUT By the grace of God, we have survived. What a hardy lot we are!

Congratulations.

We are delighted to record that our Churchwarden Elizabeth Hunt has just passed her Part 2 City & Guilds Creative Embroidery Exam. Many congratulations from us all and continued success in the future.

We hope to hear of other exam successes from members of St Paul's.

Betty's Welsh Cakes - a Swanton Road Delicacy !!

8 oz SR Flour
 4 oz Marg or Butter
 2½ oz Sugar
 2 oz Currants
 1 egg (size 2)
 approx 2 tbls milk

Mix to a stiff dough
 Roll out to about ¼ inch thick.
 Cut into small rounds.
 Cook in a thick bottomed pan or
 on a lightly greased griddle for
 about 3 mins on each side.
 Leave to cool on wire rack.

NOTE: Take care not to overheat pan or griddle. *Betty Garrett*
 (Traditional Recipe as passed down from Mrs Garrett Senior.)

OFF THE PEG?

'I'm glad that you bought yourselves a microwave', my daughter breezed knowledgeably. 'You and Mother will find that it saves you so much work'.

There it was, looking like a safe deposit box, on top of our kitchen worktop. With her usual expertise, our daughter cooked us a dinner....in a few seconds! 'But you need some puddings', she advised, 'Supermarkets have them. Just ask for microwave puddings. They take only 40 seconds.'

I wandered the supermarket; couldn't find any. I asked. The assistant was delightful. She led me to the section, and showed me three little puddings in a carton, all ready for my new cooking device. I chose, paid for it, and left.

'M-m! Not so bad', said my wife. Apart from the ease of cooking, I wasn't too impressed.

'Not so good as the old bread and butter puddings you used to make'.

On Saturday morning, the man from our village shop opened our back door. Quietly he placed our weekly grocery order inside the porch. Then he tapped gently.

'About the vegetables your wife ordered', he began.

'What's wrong with them'? I asked. 'The cabbages weren't very nice this week' he whispered. 'They were a bit past it. So I've brought you some brussels instead. I'm sure they will suit you better. I know you both like them'.

At the supermarket, I had made my own selection. The staff had merely tended my wishes.

But the owner of the local shop had delivered what he thought best for us, personally to our door.

He had known our needs.

Just like God does.

'Instead, give first place to his Kingdom...and he will provide...'

Matthew 6:33 (TEV)

ERIC GREEN

14.



TRAVELLING SAINT

Many people carry a medallion every day but few people can explain why they have a 'St Christopher'.

St Christopher's Day is 25 July but very little is known about the patron saint of travellers. Legend says that Christopher was a very large, strong man who wanted to spend his life serving the greatest possible master. He worked for many people but none of them was the greatest or the strongest.

One dark night he was carrying a child across a river when the child became so heavy that even he could hardly struggle through the swirling waters. The child was Christ and in carrying him Christopher had been carrying the whole world. This story probably comes from the fact that the name 'Christopher' means 'one who carries Christ'. It would be nice to think that we are all 'Christophers' and carry Christ with us wherever we go and whatever we do.

Travelling Words

All the answers to this quiz begin with the letters CAR - so can you say which car...

1. covers the floor?
2. is a type of toffee?
3. gets sung at Christmas?
4. is a vegetable?



Answers at the bottom of the page.

Why can't a car play football?
Because it's only got one boot.

Who lived in Arabia and invented flavoured crisps?
Sultan Vinegar.

Why did the motorist drive his car in reverse?
Because he knew the rules backwards.

1. carpet 2. caramel 3. carrot 4. carrol
5. cardigan 6. carnation 7. carmine
8. caravan

ERITH RIVERSIDE FESTIVAL 2nd JUNE 1996 15.



If I see another sheet of paper needing to be photocopied. I shall go mad ! What with copies required for the Opening Ceremony, the Morning Celebration, the Afternoon Celebration, and the Programme details, it seemed a never ending task. No wonder Jesus had to perform miracles, the scribes of 200 years ago would have been pulling their hair out at having to hand write Songsheets for crowds of thousands. But what a glorious day! the hymn which was sung at the Opening ceremony was 'How Great Thou Art', very apt. Our "stage" this year started out as a Port-a-cabin, but with a few imaginary alterations, was converted to a mobile platform, decorated on the day with banners, drapes, and bunting and proved to be very effective. Our programme for the day included music from our newly formed band "Selah" who considering they had only practised together for a fortnight beforehand were brilliant! Other acts included; mimed dancing (impressive), sketchboard, poetry, songs and a sketch using a couple of very lifelike puppets. Adjacent to our stage, the Ark Bookshop had a stall selling various Christian merchandise with an added attraction of a balloon race in aid of a charity... .. But ! the most important and encouraging results of the day were the number of people who stopped to watch and listen. Two people in particular were; firstly, a lonely man from Sidcup, searching for a fellowship. He is coming back to the Heath to 'try out' some fellowships with a view to finding somewhere that suits his spirituality. And secondly a young Mum who lost her husband when he was just 37 years of age. She with her children were joining in the singing with great enthusiasm. She was given a tract 'Journey into Life' and looked forward to meeting us again at our next Open Air Meeting in Erith Town Square on 29th June. These I believe are the main purposes of the Festival; to be witnesses for our Lord, an attraction for those in need, and to provide a sense of hope and direction for those with whom we make contact, which will in return give us great blessings as we continue to serve Him.

Praises to our Lord and Saviour.

Tim Luff

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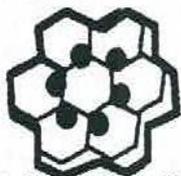
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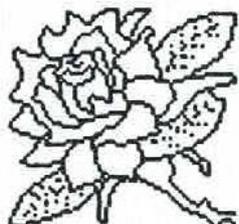
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Focus at Home "Something a bit different", 22.5.96

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P.S. Some may know the Foxes from the days when they led house parties near Tunbridge Wells.

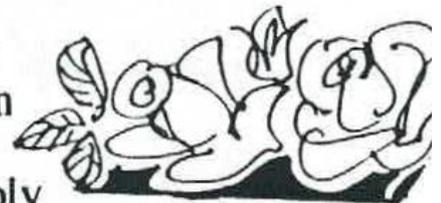
Focus in the Field. Visit to "Finchcocks", 29.5.96

28 Focus members and friends set out to spend the day together at "Finchcocks", a private house and gardens in Goudehurst. After a safe arrival, followed by coffee, we were given a brief history of the house by Katrina Burnett (owner's wife) which was to be followed by an amusing and informative recital by Richard Burnett on a selection of his ancient keyboard instruments, ranging from one of the early harpsichords to a pianoforte and barrel organ. He managed to make the 1½ hours come alive and a comment from one person was "no more watching Top of the Pops. I must learn about classical music." Lunch followed this, either in the restaurant, or a picnic in the warm sunshine in the garden. Afterwards we were able to see the exhibition of instruments in the house, spend our money in the shop on gifts, CDs etc, and walk in the 13 acres of gardens and grounds before returning home. I, and I hope others, enjoyed the day of relaxation and friendship and being able to learn more about these instruments. Richard Burnett has over 90 old instruments, of which 36 (I think) are playable following a large restoration project.



Georgina Thompson

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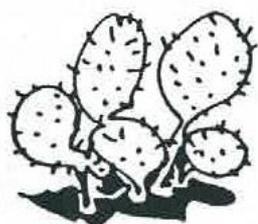


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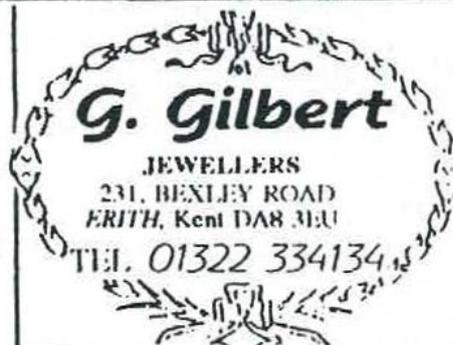
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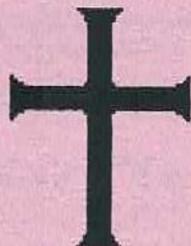
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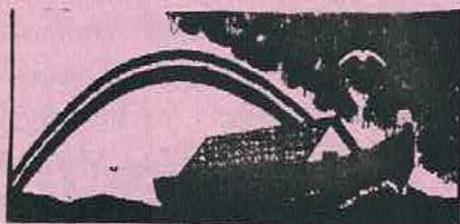
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