

# ERMINE NEWS

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## SHROVE TUESDAY

### A.G.M. (East and West)

On Tuesday, March 1st, the Annual General Meeting of the Parish will be held at St. John the Baptist Church Hall at 7-30 p.m. The agenda will include the election of Churchwardens, a review by the Vicar on the work of the past year, including plans for the future; a financial report, and the election of the Parochial Church Council for the next 12 months.

As this will be Shrove Tuesday, refreshments will be served, and every effort made to see that this important meeting is a happy social occasion.

If you are C. of E. and 17 years of age or over, you are entitled to vote, and it is your responsibility to do so. First, make sure that you are on the Electoral Roll. This will be on view at both churches between February 1st and 15th, and your name can be added to it during this period by filling in one of the forms provided.

Nominations for the P.C.C. should be made in writing to the Secretary, Mr. S. Appleby, 37 Chatterton Avenue.

## Thursday Evenings

Any adult who would like to be prepared for Confirmation or who would just like to learn more about the Christian faith is invited to come to the meetings held at St. John's House on Thursday evenings at 7-45 p.m.

## SPORTS GROUND

### A START THIS SPRING

The Council has approved the plans, loan sanction has been obtained from the Ministry, and tenders are now being sought for the £10,500 project of the Ermine Recreation Ground off Woodhall Drive.

### Pavilion and Swings

The first task will be to erect the five feet high metal railings round the site, and the work of levelling can then begin.

A Sports Pavilion and public lavatories will be erected off Sudbrooke Drive, and adjacent to them will be a car park and Children's Playground. The children will have the traditional and much loved amusements of slide, four swings, see-saw, merry-go-round and ocean wave.

### Variety of Pitches

Lying off Woodhall Drive will be the main Senior Football Pitch, 105 x 65 yds., and on either side of it

will be the main Cricket Table, and a secondary cricket pitch.

On the Laughton Way side of the field there will be the four hard tennis courts and the hard surface for Netball. Three other areas will be marked out, one 80 x 50 for Organised Games, another 100 x 55 for Senior Hockey or Junior Football and the third 90 x 55 for Junior Football or Junior Hockey.

### Bowling Green

In an interview with Mr. Adlington, the City Engineer, who kindly made the above details available, the Vicar asked why there was no provision for a bowling green for the older members of the community. Mr. Adlington replied that the Recreation Ground was primarily intended for children but that a bowling green might be built on the site off Ravendale Drive, although no definite plan had been made for this area as yet.

## A CHRISTIAN FAMILY

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- (b) Joins in the worship of Almighty God on Sundays in church ;
- (c) Joins in common prayer and Bible reading, and grace at meals ;
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## St. John's Community Centre

The St. John's Community Centre A.G.M. will be held on Monday, March 7th, and nominations are to be made in writing to the secretary, Mr. J. Flintham, 90 Queen Elizabeth Road, by March 5th.

### Social Hour

A new group has been formed for ladies, who, if they wish, can bring their children with them. The group haven't decided upon a name yet, but they meet every Wednesday afternoon between 2-30 and 4-0 p.m. There are various games and activities for those who wish to join in them, and Miss Janet Ashton takes a Keep Fit Class at each meeting. Membership is 2/6 a year, and a weekly charge of 3d. is made to cover the cost of refreshments.

### Drama Group

St. John's Drama Group have now started rehearsals for their next production, "Lord Richard in the Pantry," by Sidney Blow and Douglas Hoare. This fine play will be presented on the 29th and 30th of April.

Associate Membership Cards are now ready, 5/- single, 7/6 double, and 2/6 children under 15, from Mr. J. Parker, 12 Willingham Avenue.

### Mayor's Visit

On the first day of January the Youth Fellowship held its Christmas Party. We had among our guests this year Mr. Wright, who is the Youth Organiser in the city, a few of the Youth Councillors, and some of the boys from the Borstal Institution at Morton Hall, near Swinderby.

The Mayor of Lincoln, Councillor F. W. G. Todd, visited our club on Friday, the 8th January, to answer questions put to him by members of the Youth Fellowship. A.D.S.

### Evergreen (West)

Councillor and Mrs. Eccleshare were present at a tea which they gave to members of the club on January 11th. Councillor Eccleshare said that he had called them together in this way in order to impress upon them two points which were of some concern to him. One was that they should all strive to increase the membership of the club as there was so much to be gained from meeting together in this way. Two, that they should do all that they could for elderly folk who were unable to get out to the meetings. One valuable suggestion that he made was that those who had a television set should invite some elderly person to come in for an hour each week to some programme which was of interest to them.

### Evergreen (East)

New Year's Eve started our Club on its way to happiness with traditional mince-pies and cakes; the cakes given by Mrs. Cotterel.

Committee Meeting is on the first Thursday of every month and anyone interested will be welcome.

Mrs. Baker has taken over the Library from Mrs. Maxted, to whom we offer thanks for her past good work.

Once again we assisted the Young Wives' Party by washers-up and baby sitters, and on January 14th held an American Tea. W.E.B.

### Husbands came too

On January 5th, the Mothers' Union held a dinner at the Grand Hotel. The husbands were invited as guests to what was a most entertaining and enjoyable evening.

The husbands were out again the following Tuesday to the annual Young Wives' Party. An excellent buffet supper was followed by some very energetic square dancing.

## ST. JOHN BAPTIST

Family Communion 9-15 a.m.  
Evensong 6-30 p.m.  
Baptism — 1st Sunday in the month  
(two weeks notice to the Vicar)  
3-45 p.m.

## ST. JOHN EVANGELIST

Family Communion 10-45 a.m.  
Evensong (2nd Sunday in the month)  
i.e. February 14th 6-30 p.m.

## Calendar

February.

- 7 Epiphany 5.
- 9 Young Wives, 7-45 p.m. Dr. Goodlad, "Your Children and You."
- 14 Septuagesima.  
Evensong, St. John E. 6-30.
- 15 St. J.E. Management, 7-45.
- 16 Sanctuary Guild, 2-30 p.m.  
Mothers' Union, 7-45 p.m.
- 20 Servers' Meeting, 6-30 p.m.
- 21 Sexagesima.
- 23 Young Wives, 7-45. "Pressure Cookery."
- 24 St. Matthias. H.C., 6-30 a.m.
- 28 Quinquagesima.

March

- 1 A.G.M. of the Parish, 7-30 p.m.
- 2 Ash Wednesday.  
Holy Communion, 9-15 a.m.  
and 7-45 p.m.

## St. John's Register

Baptisms.—January 3rd.

Barbara Jean, daughter of Peter and Joan Marshall.

Elizabeth Anne, daughter of Eric and Betty Cooper.

Caroline Janet, daughter of Reginald and Margaret Otter.

Graham, son of Douglas and Sheila Eady.

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