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Miss Grouville 2009 – Rachael Labey



Photograph by Nigel Errington

Over ninety people gathered at the Royal Jersey Golf Club in April for a dinner to choose Miss Grouville. Most members of the Grouville Battle of Flowers Association and helpers of the enormous float building community event were there, together with some welcome new faces.

Grouville had a healthy number of four entrants in the line up for Miss Grouville; they were Charlotte Bowman, Hannah Buesnel, Rachael Labey, and Jenny Winspear.

This year's competition went under a different format to other years when there was a panel of four judges to choose who should be crowned as 'Miss' of our parish. The judges were Constable Dan Murphy, Sue Coutanche, Veronica Fox and Wendy Lange-Smith. Previous years have followed a more inclusive judging system where the audience has chosen who they want to represent the parish. The jury, as it were, is still out as to which system is better and no doubt the committee will mull it over in time for next year's competition.

After a very good meal, Mike Labey did a really splendid job as compere; his wit and humour only marginally

over-shadowed by Cathy Moisan, who had free rein of the microphone during the raffle draw. Both personalities made for a very entertaining evening.

Eventually, after a couple of rounds of questions, Rachael Labey was crowned Miss Grouville for 2009 with Charlotte Bowman a close second. The Grouville Gazette would like to wish both girls good luck in the forthcoming year and to thank Hannah Buesnel and Jenny Winspear for being such good sports.

More pictures of the event are inside this issue. We also have a variety of stories and notices of events coming up. Let us not forget the Parish in Bloom Competition is nearly upon us again. That means we have all got to do our bit in keeping our gardens, hedgerows, lanes or flower tubs in tip-top condition.

Other new writers have submitted articles, which we are always grateful to receive. These add a new dimension and new views. It also means you, the community, are participating in writing your magazine: just as it should be.





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Book Review: Dreams of my Father by Barack Obama

Reviewed by Pat Guegan

I first saw this reviewed in our national daily paper during the presidential campaign and looked forward to reading it. It was some time later when he had been confirmed as the Presidential Candidate that I was able to read and thoroughly enjoy this book.

A story of race and inheritance it was fascinating to read about the man behind the President. His background is very diverse and one hopes that this will give him the insight and the knowledge to fulfil his duties as "a man of our time". There is no doubt that he is charismatic and a powerful speaker. The son of a white American mother and black African father, he was educated in Hawaii and lived for a time in the Philippines when his mother married his step-

father. He has spent some time in both Catholic and Muslim schools during his education and on leaving College he drifted into social work in the needy areas of Chicago before deciding to go to Law School and from then on his path was set for the White House.

This is an enthralling book and I cannot wait to read "The Audacity of Hope" billed as "thoughts of reclaiming the American Dream". Judging by what he has achieved so far I am confident that he will be successful.

Back to Down-Under

Sad story. Picture restorer, **Ronnie Pace**, is a true victim of our times and the recession will see him shortly departing for New Zealand. Jersey-born Ronnie had a successful picture framing business in 2006 in St Helier but left for New Zealand for a change of environment and the lure of work at the National Library in Auckland, but with the assurance of ample work from the Guernsey Museum should he return. Work was plentiful in New Zealand and he restored pictures for the Auckland Archives and privately at Lake House Art Centre, Takapuna.

Timing was bad for Ronnie to return to Jersey; the recession happened and one promise of work was retracted just before he boarded the plane. He set up his picture framing business at Jersey Pottery but found renting a house and studio expensive. Previous promises of work were no longer forthcoming due to financial cutbacks and his expenses exceeded his income. He loves Gorey and would prefer to live and work here but could not survive in the current economic climate.



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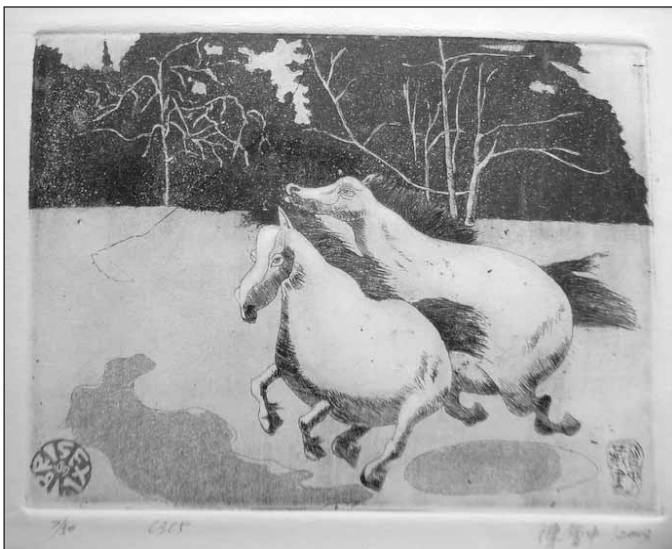


Ronnie Pace, Picture Restorer

However, there may be a happy ending. If Ronnie does his sums right he may sell his four bedroom house in New Zealand to enable him to buy a two bedroom flat in Jersey, so watch this space.

Local Exhibitions

Showing at the White Space Gallery, Jersey Pottery, Gorey Village from 7 – 20 June 2009, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. is an Original Print Exhibition, a group exhibition featuring original prints by local artists together with contemporary UK, American and Australian printmakers. Several Grouville residents' works will be on show – Paul Kilshaw, Jenny Gruchy, Helen Barnes and Janet Meise, and other local artists include Maurice Boots and Gerald Palmer. The exhibition will give the Jersey public a chance to view an eclectic collection featuring a diversity of print-making methods including monoprints, etchings, woodcuts and cardcut prints.



Etching at Original Print Exhibition

Gemma Eve, illustrator, is currently preparing appliqué textiles and drawings for an exhibition from 19th July to 1st August featuring local scenes and animals with humour. Her work is witty and fun and a good exhibition to bring the kids to.

Other exhibitions coming up at the White Space are Ian Smith 21–30th June and the Art Exhibitors Guild 2–9th August.



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Family Pages

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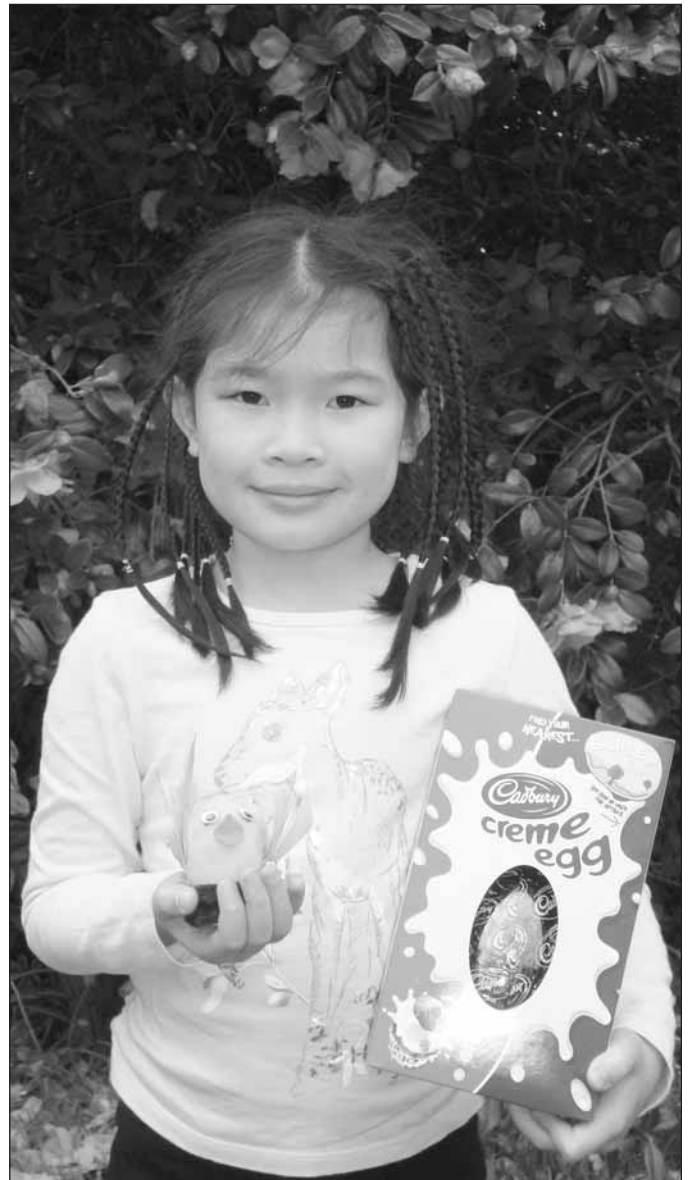
The winner of the decorated egg competition was 7-year-old Lydia Higginson of Grouville School.

Lydia is a very busy bee, as apart from going to school, she goes to tap dancing with her best friend, sings in a choir and plays the baritone and the flute.

Well done Lydia! Good luck with all the music and the tap dancing.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN EAST JERSEY SUMMER FETE SATURDAY 13TH JUNE

The fete is being held on Saturday, 13th June in the grounds of the Catholic Church of St Martin from 10.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Usual stalls, teas, lunches, bouncy castle etc.



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12th Grouville Brownies

by Helen Barette

5 Grouville Brownies continue to keep busy. We have recently been working on the Girlguiding UK Change the World project. This encouraged units to link up with a charity and we chose Kidscape. This has seen us having discussions, doing craft work, having a cake sale and learning relaxation exercises. All designed to help us to raise our self-esteem and be confident about saying no to bullying.

We also had a number of girls enter sewing in the Eisteddfod again this year. They are to be congratulated for producing some excellent tapestry and felt mice.

This September sees the start of the Centenary year for Girlguiding Jersey. There are exciting activities planned for each month of the celebrations, starting with the launch party on 5th September.

We continue to run as a full pack with a growing waiting list. If you would like to add your daughter to the list please ring me (851995) or I can put you in touch with other Guiders who have spaces available at their units.



Le Rocquier PTA

by Peter Monamy

Le Rocquier School PTA continues to hold 'first-Saturday-of-the-month' car boot sales. However, in the 'Summer' months of June and July, an extra event is to be held mid-month. Extra events are to be held on 20th June and 18th July 2009. These are really "recycling events" by another name, as one man's cast-offs can become another's prized possessions. Stallholders benefit from disposing of unwanted or surplus items for cash, whilst eager and wily customers often come away with super bargains they couldn't hope to get in the high street! The Car Boot Sales at Le Rocquier School are held for the benefit of the PTA and, ultimately, the students attending the School. There is no need to book pitches for PTA car boot sales, simply turn up on the first Saturday of each month (except December and January) after 7.30am and we'll find you a space. The event is advertised in the Jersey Evening Post both the week before and the day before each event, and also in the 'weekly/daily diaries' of the J.E.P., BBC Radio Jersey, Radio 103fm and Channel Television.

Other fund-raising efforts by the PTA are –

- Monthly draws of a 100 Club, for prize of £50 (plus £5 for every 10 members over 100), with £100 and £10 respectively in December – just in time for Christmas!
- A petrol discount scheme with Falles Garage, both at Longueville Road and at the Airport Road – just ask for the discount to be applied to the school's account when you buy your petrol.
- The PTA's own share number at the Channel Islands Co-Operative Society – **313660**.

All the PTA'S work is designed to support the school in whatever way it can. Members of the Committee are drawn from parents – both past and present – members of the teaching staff and, not least, representatives of the students themselves (exams permitting!).

A recent development for the PTA has been its acceptance to membership of the Association of Jersey Charities. Regular newsletters are received from the Association's secretary and the school, in common with other Association members, has benefited from items gifted from various benefactors.

A major event on the PTA calendar is the annual St. Clement Quiz, which was held at the Parish Hall on Thursday, 21st May 2009. Once again, a number of PTA teams took part in this fun event, organised by the St. Clement Sports Club.

The PTA looks forward to seeing all readers of the Grouville Gazette at all its events throughout the year. Happy bargain hunting!

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Jersey People Abroad

Graduation – Natalie Kemp (née Guegan) –
University of Queensland

by Pat Guegan

Natalie left Jersey in January 2005 to study medicine in Brisbane at the University of Queensland on the MBBS Graduate Course.

Natalie is the daughter of Pat and Robin Guegan and the granddaughter of the late Fred and Joyce Banner.

Soon after moving to Brisbane Natalie was featured in the Grouville Gazette as a Grouvillais abroad.

In December 2008 Natalie graduated as a doctor and her family travelled to Australia to celebrate with her.

During her studies she completed work placements/electives in Queensland, Brunei, Berkshire and Jersey. Natalie even found time to marry Matthew Kemp, of Winchester, in Jersey at the Church of Our Lady and the Martyrs of Japan, St Martin, in September 2008.

Natalie and Matthew then returned to Brisbane in November for her to complete her studies.

Following her Graduation Natalie and Matthew moved to Adelaide, South Australia, where Natalie is working as a First Year Intern at Flinders Medical Centre and Matthew is teaching music to children with special educational needs.

Natalie plans to specialise in paediatrics and would very much like sometime in the future to try to return to Jersey to practise.



A proud Natalie holds her scroll

Duck Pond Nursery News

by Belinda Calvani



Firemen showing how it is done

Our very successful topic for the term has been 'People Who Help Us', which enabled us to arrange visits to the nursery by the Fire Service, the Ambulance Service, the Honorary Police, a Refuse Collector, a parent who showed the children how to bath her baby and another who talked about her work as a doctor. We also went on a bus trip courtesy of Connex.

Our Book Week coincided with World Book Day and visiting readers included The Foundation Stage Advisory Teacher, Fiona Vatcher from the Jersey Child Care Trust, the Children's Librarian and several parents and friends of the nursery.

We have planted Jersey Royals, carrots and flowers and even enjoyed a snowy day! We are looking forward to sunny summer mornings in our Wild Garden.

The nursery has opted into the Early Years Funding Scheme and will be accepting children who are eligible for funded places from September.



Helping the 'bin' man

Gorey Youth Club

by Chairman John Le Maistre

The youth club has really taken off since the arrival of Toni Holford. Toni along with her dedicated team of helpers and volunteers, are opening the club on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, as well including some sessions during the holiday periods. Indeed, the daytime sessions during the spring half term proved particularly popular especially by those who enjoy a game of football in the hall.

Tuesday sessions for juniors, ages 10, 11 and 12 are to open shortly. Jo Thorpe, a keen helper, has been recruiting volunteers to help her with this session. She could still do with a couple more and there is always room for other volunteers on other nights, particularly Mondays and Fridays, so if you feel you could help please contact the club, (details below).

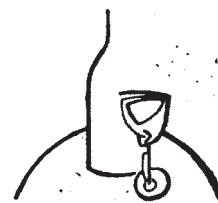
Toni is organising powerboat, sailing and fishing activities for the summer holidays through the youth service. At the time of writing these activities are just in the planning stages but there may still be time to get on one of these exiting courses now. Please do hurry and phone Toni to see if there are places still available.

The facilities at the club are superb and we are now allowing the club to be hired for private functions. Apart from providing facilities for those who want to avail themselves, this initiative also raises money for the club, which in the present climate is extremely important. If you are looking for premises in which to hold functions please think of the club and get in touch. Typical charge for the sports hall, lounge/coffee, kitchen and art and craft room for a children's party for three hours would be £30 or whole day hire of the building £70. Various charges apply for individual parts of the building by the hour such as the dance room, art and craft room, sports hall or kitchen. Long-term block bookings may be possible provided they do not clash with club activities. For further information please contact the club.

The club members are also looking for any unwanted equipment such as musical instruments, sports gear, fishing rods, etc so if you have anything that is of reasonable quality up in the attic, in the garden shed or garage that you no longer use please think of the club.

Toni is keen to make the club very much part of the community and the club hosted a very successful coffee morning at the parish hall. This was an enjoyable event and it also raised money for club funds. The club is also hoping to hold a car boot sale on the common (with the kind permission of the tenants of the common). Please support the club either by booking a pitch or coming along and searching out a bargain!

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Welcome to the World of Politics

by Deputy Carolyn Labey



The Bailiff, Sir Philip Bailhache is due to retire from office at the end of June. As a Grouville resident he will understandably wish to spend more time at home and in our wonderful parish. Sir Philip has been in office since before I was elected. He has been my President in the Assembly and I have been his Deputy in the parish. I have also served as a member of his consultative panel during that time. He has been a fantastic man to work with, very kind and good humoured and I shall miss him enormously. We will probably find, as happens to a lot of States Members when they leave office, that they grow taller as the weight of responsibility is lifted from their shoulders. I say 'enjoy and don't find too much to do until you have had time to relax a bit first.' He will be succeeded in office by the current Deputy Bailiff, Michael Birt who will be sworn in on 9th July.

The Migration proposals and measures are currently being worked upon. I sit on the Scrutiny Panel looking at these proposals and apart from an extra mountain of papers to read, I acknowledge these proposals are desperately needed. I believe they should be in place before we agree on a new Island Plan. We also need an up-to-date Census as I fail to appreciate how we are meant to decide on the housing needs before we have accurate data. The last Census took place in 2001 and the next is due in 2011.

The Eastern Cycle track. My group have had several meetings with Ministers and Officers recently. Now that it forms the strategic plan of five departments, there is more willingness to progress as and when monies allow.

And last but not least, GST. In the back-drop of electricity going up by 24% in January and global food price increases by 13% last year and so far this year rising by 11.3%, I tried again to get GST off food and domestic energy. I know many people who make up 'Middle Jersey' are feeling the GST pinch even more acutely with interest rates on savings now nearly zero. A new Assembly was formed in December and many new members were given the opportunity to fulfil their election promises four months after being elected to office.

In my six years in the States I have never been through such a manipulative debate. Nonsensical opinions being banded about, questionable letters being written in the JEP. Arguments being put forward that if exemptions are introduced on life's essentials – food and domestic heating - the economy will be wrecked, suggestions that more States departments would spring up to cope, threats that tax allowances would have to be scrapped or, worse, the GST rate would have to go up. All of these arguments are – to be polite – very dubious.

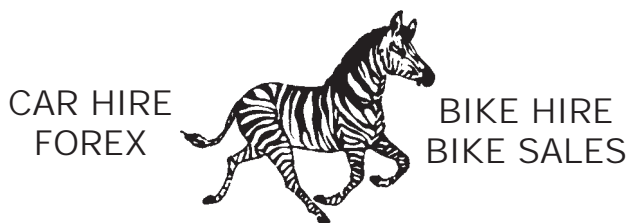
The facts are that a total of 3 more staff might be needed between Treasury and Customs, exempting some items will not wreck the economy and it would be up to the States to decide how to make up the £6 million lost if we exempted food and domestic heating. I suggested introducing the long awaited "Blampied proposal" which is the deemed rent that foreign-owned companies would pay in lieu of tax from next year when we go to 0/10. Or what about a Windfall Levy? So when an agricultural field is given planning permission for, say, 20 houses and its value increases from £45,000 to £3.5 million overnight, a tax is raised on the gain. So you see there are many other options before we get rid of tax allowances or raise the GST rate from 3%.

I brought my proposition back at this time because I thought it was the right thing to do to help our community in these difficult times. I feel especially that 'Middle Jersey' - the people who work hard, pay their dues or those who try to live on fixed incomes - get overlooked at times.

I would like to thank the very many parishioners and Islanders who contacted me offering their support.

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Jersey Pottery on the table at top London department store

by Jonathan Jones

Five of Harrods restaurants will be dishing up food on Jersey Pottery ceramics. The high-profile London department store has appointed Jersey Pottery to design and supply their crockery.

Since January the Fish Grill restaurant has been serving up dishes on Jersey Pottery's Fruit de Mer range. Following a meeting in London with head chef James Wierzelewski, Jersey Pottery was asked to provide bespoke ceramics for another four of their restaurants.

Manon Fradin, Design Director at Jersey Pottery, interpreted the existing Mediterranean range on ceramics for the Pizzeria restaurant and last week was awarded the contract. Jersey Pottery designed and had manufactured a pizza plate uniquely for the project.

Harrods Food Hall is very busy with 27 restaurants and has an extremely high profile. This contract demonstrates Jersey Pottery's ability to deliver unique designs at the highest quality in an international market place. Jonathan Jones, Director at the Jersey Pottery said: "I am delighted that Jersey Pottery has been appointed to run this high-profile project and shows what we can design and deliver for top clients around the world. It is

more exciting that James Wierzelewski sees a huge potential in creating an eating experience coupled with retail potential that clients will hopefully buy into and take home with them as well. In these uncertain global times it is rewarding to receive such visible contracts."

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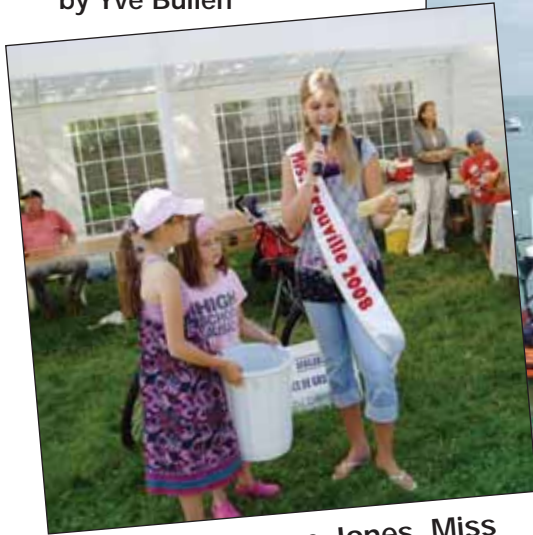


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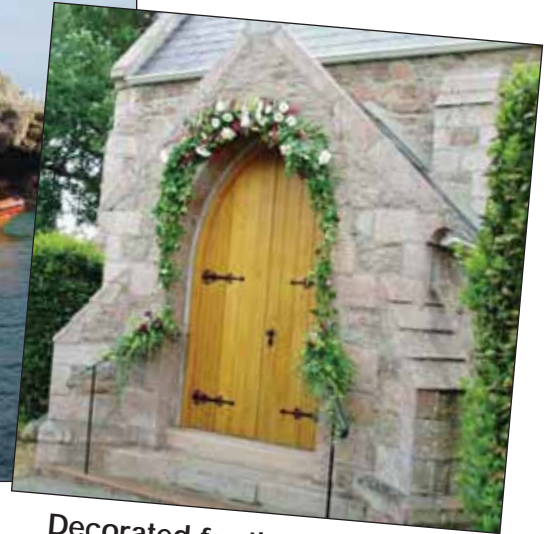
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Hannah Roynon-Jones, Miss Grouville drawing the winning ticket at Tour de Grouville 2008



St Helier and St Catherine Inshore Lifeboats at Blessing of Boats



Decorated for the wedding of Ann-Marie Le Masurier to Jonathon Hibbs

June is a very busy time for St Peter La Rocque, two major events in the parish take place during this month and we end with our Patrons' Feast Day, Saint Peter and St Paul's Day on 29th June.

The Tour de Grouville 2009 took place on Sunday 7th June on Gorey Common. Each entrant qualified to enter the lucky draw for a prize of a bicycle and we also had a super raffle. It was a great Family Fun Day, which everyone enjoyed as they covered the two walking and two cycling routes, one long and one short. Tea, coffee and sandwiches were served afterwards and much enjoyed as a reward for everyone's efforts

The Blessing of Boats takes place on Sunday 21st June beginning at 5pm at La Rocque Harbour. We are delighted that La Ronde Band will provide the music, playing for about half an hour before the Blessing and accompany-

ing our hymn singing. St Helier and St Catherine Inshore Lifeboats will once again be in attendance and the collection will be shared between St Peter La Rocque and the St Catherine Lifeboat.

On Saturday 4th July we are having a Car Boot Sale on Gorey Common starting at 8am. To reserve a pitch (£8.00) please contact Mrs. Le Quesne, Tel 853869.

St Peter La Rocque is becoming a popular choice for weddings; recently La Rocque girl Anne-Marie Le Masurier, whose father is a local oyster fisherman, chose to marry Jonathan Hibbs in the Fishermen's Chapel. We have another wedding on Saturday 22nd August and on Sunday 23rd the chapel will be open in the afternoon from 2.30 to 5pm so come and enjoy the beautiful wedding decorations.

Miss Grouville Competition



Some of the crowd at the packed Miss Grouville dinner



The four Miss Grouville contestants



Mike Labey acting as compere to Charlotte Bowman

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Barbecued Trout

(or any other firm fleshed whole fish)

by Bruce Willing

(Serves 4)

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Marinade

- Soy Sauce – 1 tbs
- Cooking sherry – 1 tbs
- Lemon juice – 1 tbs
- Olive oil – 1 tsp
- Garlic – 1 clove, crushed (or a squeeze from a tube)

Method

Whisk the marinade ingredients together and, placing the fish in a large Pyrex dish, spread the marinade over the fish and in its body cavity. Leave overnight, or for at least 2 hours.

Bring your BBQ to a heat of about 200°C. Then using the indirect method (no heat in the centre of the grill; if you have a gas grill, turn off the centre burner) place the marinated fish in the centre of the grill for 7 minutes. Turn and repeat for 7 minutes.

Take the fish off the grill (it will not be charred at this heat!) and rest it for 5 minutes. Take portions off the bone and serve with Jersey Royals and a green or mixed salad. Enjoy!

Shoplifting or Relief?

An 80-year-old woman was arrested for shoplifting. When she went before the judge he asked her, "What did you steal?"

She replied, "A can of peaches." The judge then asked her why she had stolen the can of peaches and she replied that she was hungry.

The judge then asked her how many peaches were in the can. She replied, "6."

The judge said, "Then I will give you 6 days in jail."

Before the judge could conclude the trial, the woman's husband spoke up and asked the judge if he could say something. The judge said, "What is it?"

The husband said, "She also stole a can of peas."



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Blooms and Blisters

by John Le Maistre



Lots of fun on the dump!

As with all worthwhile projects there is a great deal of work that goes on behind the scenes and the Britain in Bloom competition is no different. The Grouville in Bloom team have been working hard over the last six months preparing for this summer's judging. Over the last few months we have been preparing the planters, sowing and replanting them, providing the Grouville school with sunflower plants for the children to grow for the competition as well as planting daffodils on some of the hedgerows. The photo shows the men (and Jill Le Maistre) including Procureur Wally Labey in the foreground and Bob Hambly and John Mawson in the background emptying last year's planters ready for re-painting.

The local Jersey in Bloom competition is being judged during the week of the 6th to the 10th July with Grouville being judged on the Wednesday morning starting at the Parish hall at 9.00. We will have to be on the top of our game to continue our winning streak as the other parishes are putting more effort into their respective entries year on year. We are in the process of finalising our route, which hopefully will include even more of the Parish.

We are back in Britain in Bloom this year as a finalist in the small town category and this will be judged during the first two weeks of August. The aim, of course, is to repeat our success of 2007 when we gained a gold award and won our category over all. We have a lot to show off including our wonderful countryside, the floral displays throughout and the general cleanliness of our Parish, due not least to the hard work of the adopt a lane volunteers and the one or two of you who regularly patrol the beaches and collect litter.

We are again running our garden competition for small, medium and large gardens. We would love to have some new entries this year so consider entering your garden. Application forms are available from the Parish Hall.

It is not all hard work; we are holding an American

themed July the Fourth barbeque at Les Pres Manor on that day. Everyone, helpers, friends and parishioners are welcome. The last two similar events have been a great success so please do come along. Tickets are available from the Parish Hall.

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A Volunteer's Tale

by John Speller

There seeming to be a huge demand for volunteers at present, I wondered what parishioners are, or have been, involved in. There must, I thought, be some interesting stories out there. Maybe we can hear some of these.

For example, during the war, as an evacuee in Somerset, I volunteered to become a member of Civil Defence. We were generally too young or too old for the Home Guard who I recall were farm labourers armed initially with pitch-forks.

Being quite young I was appointed the unit messenger. However, I recall being shown how to crawl towards a blazing incendiary bomb pushing a sandbag in front of me until I could simply place it on top of the offending device, which would promptly stop burning (or so they assured me).

My duty as a messenger became useful one day when I discovered a large unexploded bomb stuck upright in a field being gently sniffed at by a circle of inquisitive cows. Unfortunately my message was not, at first, well received by the farmer.

"Don't ee be giving me that one," he told me. (This was Zomerzet, remember).

Eventually he agreed to take a look and I still recall him running from the scene with a panic-stricken expression on his face.

"Ee were right, there be a bomb there."

Fortunately all ended well when the bomb disposal people arrived and blew it up. Mind you we had to leave the farm and lie down behind a bank for protection. That is until the farmer got impatient and stood up.

"They be all gone," he said. "Arrr, they be having us on." So we all stood up just as the bomb went off. The blast nearly knocked us flat again.

Actually the missile was one of ours, a so-called friendly bomb that had stuck in the bomb bay of a Lancaster. I believe the idea had been to shake it loose over the Bristol Channel.

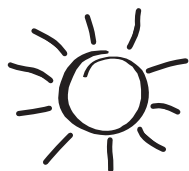
Nowadays I am a volunteer at Durrell, and am in my fourteenth year helping in a small way to save animals from extinction. Lots of interesting happenings there, especially in their 50th year, but that's another story.

Oh, and I help with the distribution of the Grouville Gazette, so I have not entirely neglected the Parish.

So, can we hear stirring stories of voluntary duties from other Parishioners?

MISSING PHOTOGRAPH GROUVILLE PARISH CHURCH CHOIR 1977

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Summer Gardening in Grouville

by Rebecca Ransom

Summer in Grouville is fabulous; it doesn't matter where you live in the parish most of us get great light and great growing conditions, even if it is sometimes a little bit windy.

We have all seen the great gardens at Chelsea this May and perhaps have had loads of superb ideas from them. However, please remember that those gardens are catwalk gardens and very rarely offer true practical solutions unless you have a rich soil, very little wind and a neutral ph plus an awful lot of money.

Consider your future expectations for your garden, your time availability, who in your family will want to use it and what they will want to use it for, and then consider the site as a whole before you start throwing money at it. In ten years when the kids have grown up you may want to turn it into an allotment or flower garden, so think long and hard before you brick over that gorgeous earth.

I will not lecture you further on garden design, but will give you a few thoughts for this summer and maintaining the patch you already have.

Jobs for the summer

Hoe your garden regularly to allow the feature plants to cover the area where the weeds would like to be!

Apply a thick mulch layer to borders to keep down weeds and keep in water. Mulch is a good layer of compost or bark that is biodegradable. You can use chippings but make sure you have got rid of all of your weeds first.

Fruit trees: if your fruit trees are burgeoning with fruit then thin them out a little, this will allow the tree to place more of its efforts in fewer fruits but to make them bigger and juicier. Also, if you have wall-trained fruit then shorten the leaders and side shoots so that they can also place all their energy into producing great crops.

In early summer place out pheromone traps for codling moths (this sounds good doesn't it), but it simply means you are going to catch the boys with glue.

Never spray insecticide on a fruit tree that has gone into flower. You will kill the pollinating insects. Think of your bees.

Keep sowing your crops of lettuce, radish, spring onion etc. I do a half row at a time so that I am not flooded with crops in any one week.

You can sow your courgettes, pumpkins and marrows outside now. Even if you don't use them the pumpkins are just plain fun for everyone.

Trim back plants that have flowered such as Aubretia, Heuchera, and Geranium to keep them tidy and encourage growth for next year.

Feed either using a liquid feed (I like Maxicrop) or a granular feed mixed with compost and layered near the plants.



High summer in the garden

Water your plants in the early morning or early evening, never at the hottest part of the day, and if possible use collected water or water you have saved from the house (but not water with chemicals or washing-up liquid in).

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Parish Personality Portrait No. 8

Alan Le Maistre OBE by Al Thomas

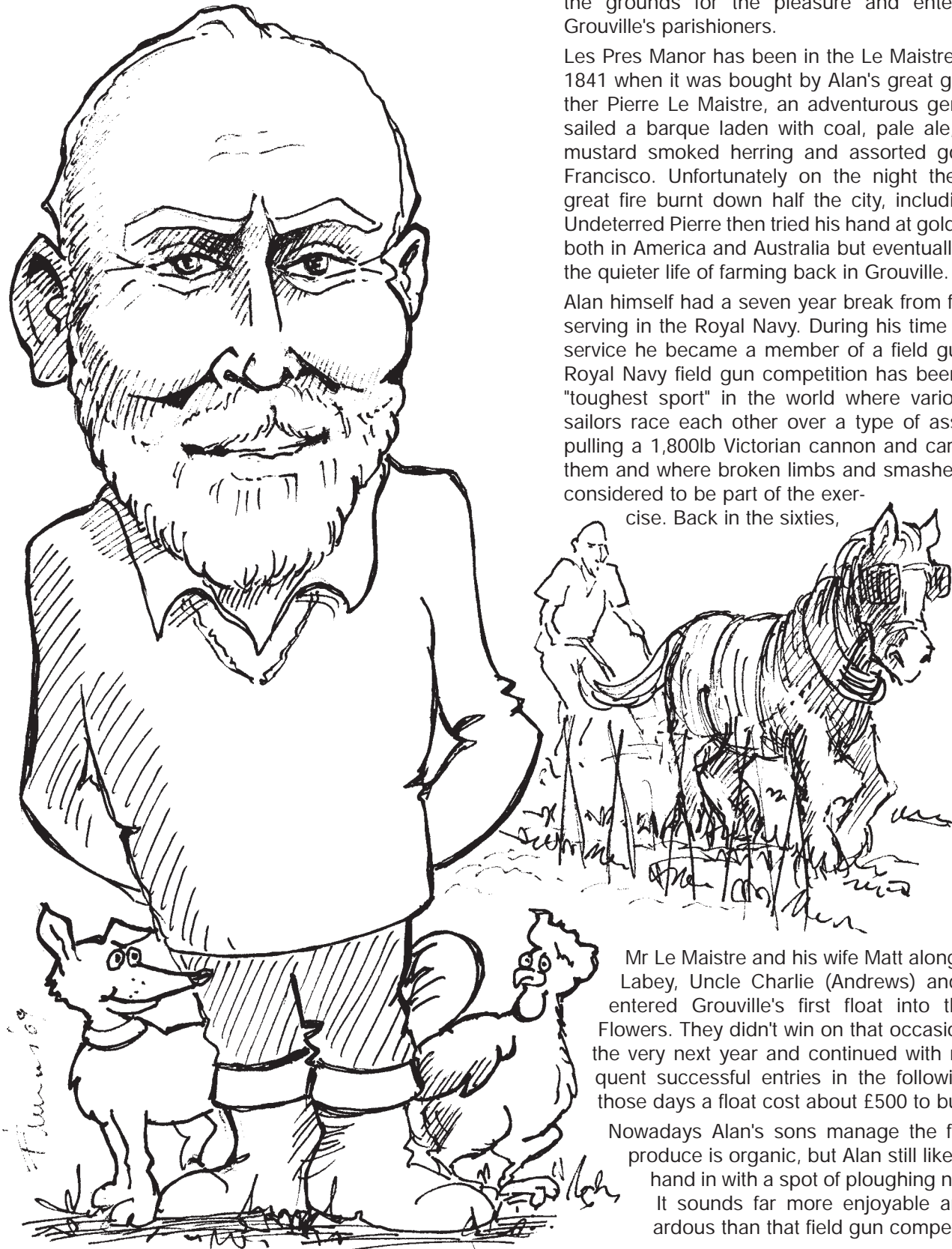
Not many of us can say we have been invited onto the Royal Yacht to dine with the Queen Mum but Alan Le Maistre as the then Connetable of the Parish and his wife, did just that.

Over the years Alan has served the Parish in a very full and productive way and we will all have met him at some

time or other in one of his varied roles. Possibly during his many years in the honorary service including his time as Connetable. Or as a lifelong farmer, or maybe his involvement in the Battle of Flowers. Many more will know him through the Fete days at Les Pres Manor where for many years now the family have opened up the grounds for the pleasure and entertainment of Grouville's parishioners.

Les Pres Manor has been in the Le Maistre family since 1841 when it was bought by Alan's great great grandfather Pierre Le Maistre, an adventurous gentleman who sailed a barque laden with coal, pale ale, iron bricks, mustard smoked herring and assorted goods to San Francisco. Unfortunately on the night they docked a great fire burnt down half the city, including the ship. Undeterred Pierre then tried his hand at gold prospecting both in America and Australia but eventually returned to the quieter life of farming back in Grouville.

Alan himself had a seven year break from farming while serving in the Royal Navy. During his time in the senior service he became a member of a field gun crew. The Royal Navy field gun competition has been termed the "toughest sport" in the world where various teams of sailors race each other over a type of assault course, pulling a 1,800lb Victorian cannon and carriage behind them and where broken limbs and smashed fingers are considered to be part of the exercise. Back in the sixties,



Mr Le Maistre and his wife Matt along with Marion Labey, Uncle Charlie (Andrews) and Eric Baker entered Grouville's first float into the Battle of Flowers. They didn't win on that occasion but did so the very next year and continued with many subsequent successful entries in the following years. In those days a float cost about £500 to build!

Nowadays Alan's sons manage the farm and the produce is organic, but Alan still likes to keep his hand in with a spot of ploughing now and then. It sounds far more enjoyable and less hazardous than that field gun competition!





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Compiled by
Bruce Willing

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Rev. Mike Lange-Smith Tel: 853073

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- 10.30 a.m. Family Worship or Communion
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- 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Thursday:

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- 10.30 a.m. Eucharist or on 1st Sundays Family Service
- 6.30 p.m. Evensong

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The Assumption, Gorey Village:

Sun 6.00 p.m. Sunday Mass



Summer Specials

by Bruce Willing

The arrival of summer sees two outdoor services in Grouville, both different in character and purpose.

The first is the "Blessing of the Boats" on the afternoon of Sunday 21st June, at 5.p.m. La Rocque Harbour. This celebrates our heritage of boats and, in particular, fishermen at La Rocque, for whom St Peter La Rocque chapel was built in 1853. This is the third annual service and will be taken by the Dean of Jersey, the Reverend Bob Key. If you have a boat and would like it blessed, please bring it along. Otherwise, just join us in the open air, near to mid-summer and enjoy a service of thanksgiving for all those who go to sea and in particular the RNLI, which provides an essential support and rescue service.

The second outdoor service is Lammas at Les Prés Manor at 10.30am on Sunday 2nd August, replacing our normal family service in the Parish Church. Lammas is all about celebrating the fruits of our farmers' labour and it focuses on bread made from the harvest's first flour. Its origins are Celtic and it is a wonderful opportunity both to give thanks for the hard work of the people who feed us and to see a working farm at the height of summer.

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A Diocesan Day Out

by Jenny Gruchy

The phone alarm call woke me sharply at 0500 hours followed closely by the reminder call on my mobile – I had put the kettle on by the time the third call (traditional alarm clock) came – I was taking no chances – I would pick up the Rector at 0555 hours. Instructions from Daphne Key had been very clear: Be through check-in by 0625 hours for our flight to Southampton.

At the airport a motley group of vicars and hangers-on seemed to like each other and joshed pleasantly together. Dress varied from the full black suit and stiff dog collar, through jackets, chunky jumpers down to jeans and a crumpled rugby shirt with trainers. (Why are we so intrigued by the clergy en masse?)

I met Judy, alone from her parish, and we managed to get lost trying to find our gate... it was only 0635 hours. On board Blue Islands Charter to Southampton the ripples of conversation were about our failure to do homework: Winchester had spoken - all delegates had received a fearsomely bulky package - 53 pages of densely typed pre-conference light reading. I noted one of the sub-headings, "Our Diocese: Simplicity, Clarity and Flexibility" and began to toy with the idea of a little retail therapy in Winchester.

Our smooth, pleasant flight was interrupted with the news that fog had closed in over Southampton; we

would circle 'in the holding pattern'. I drifted off to the sight of the white cliffs of the Isle of Wight and the Needles shining in the morning sun. I woke to the sight of the white cliffs of the Isle of Wight and the Needles shining in the morning sun... still feeling befuddled I wondered briefly if we had somehow come to a standstill in mid-air... Our pilot announced our immediate return to Jersey. Was I correct in sensing a lifting of the spirits, a frisson of excitement such as my sister and I experienced on occasion when our return to boarding school was delayed by fog? Louder chat and laughter in the aisles, the odd mention of St Ouen's Bay, pottering in the garden, the Rugby, 'a free day'. And it really was a beautiful day – the calm sea, a tiny yacht in the vast blue, Guernsey and the islands twinkling in the sunshine. And we were going home.

As I mused on the drawbacks of island life – that stretch of water – I felt good about Jersey – the island of my birth. Rather than plunge down into the grey fog of Southampton we would spend the day on the island. Yes, some people had made a huge effort to make the day a success and there was disappointment. But we would still move forward in faith. There was Judy – a new friend. The view of land and sea stretched below us in the sunshine. And it was nobody's fault. God does indeed give us 'all good things richly to enjoy'.

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Grouville Football Club News

by Bob Richardson

In this report I look back to the past football season and look forward to the future.

The Past (2008-09) Season . . .

This season has been one of mixed fortunes for Grouville Football Club. The successes were:

- ✓ Men's 1st Team reaching the final of both the Collins and Wheway Cups
- ✓ Men's C Team retaining the Division 3 title
- ✓ Parish Team reached the Trinity Shield final
- ✓ Under 18's winning the Division 2 title
- ✓ Under 14's winning Division 2 title and reaching in Brian Beckett final
- ✓ Creation of Girls' section (Under 12's)

The not so good news was:

- ✗ Men's Reserve team relegated to Division 2
- ✗ Withdrawal of Ladies team

These teams could not function without the hard work completed by the team managers/coaches, so the club thank the following officials for their hard work:

- Men's teams – Ian Horswell, Jason Byrne, Richard Dustow and Scott Henry
- Junior section – Eric Griffin, Joe Byrne, Darren O'Connell, Toni Cardoso, Aaron Travers and their assistants.
- Girl's section – Kayleigh Alexandre and Tim Jones

The Future (2009-2010) Season

Firstly the club's **Annual General Meeting** will be held in June.

The club will be running the same number of teams and will be looking to increase the **Girls (Under 12) section**. Any girls in school years 6 through to 10 are welcome to attend the sessions on a Saturday morning at Le Boulivot, between 10 and 11.30a.m. Contact kally948@hotmail.com or Tel: 07797 820880 (weekends and evenings) or look at the JFA Website: www.jersey-fa.com or Grouville FC website www.grouville-fc.co.uk



The Grouville Football Club First Team: this season's Mens' C Team – Division 3 Champions

Additional Practice Area Purchase and Development Project

This project is entering its final phase with just the services and floodlights yet to be installed. This phase will commence once planning permission is obtained and finance is available.

The club is still fundraising so the **Sponsor a "Perch"** scheme is still active. At the time of providing this report £9,500 has been raised thanks support provided by the following sponsors:

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Thanks to all of you who have supported this project. **"Perches"** are still available for sponsorship so please visit www.grouville-fc.co.uk for more details and find out on how you can support your parish football club.

During the 2008-09 season the club played 154 games, providing football for 177 players. Remember all of the latest club news, results etc. can be found by visiting our web site: www.grouville-fc.co.uk





Grouville Rifle Club Juniors Win Trophies

by David Le Cuirot

The Club Junior team has achieved success this year by winning the Jersey Small-bore Shooting Association Junior league, having remained undefeated all season. The last time that the Club won the Harris Junior Trophy was 28 years ago, so this is real achievement, not only for the Club, but also for the Parish.

Some of the Junior team members of all those years ago are now the 'veterans' of the club; Junior coach Peter Le Cuirot being amongst them has encouraged and coached the Juniors in the matches throughout the season. The Junior squad have been runners up in the league for the past two years so, at long last, they have managed to clinch the trophy.

The Club has tried very hard over recent years to build up a good Junior team and it is hoped that they will go on to repeat their success by winning the Senior Division trophies in the future years ahead. Those who have shot in the Junior squad this season and contributed to winning the Junior league include Jon Frain, Jeremy Le Maistre, Ashley Morris, Edward Egre, Jonathan Rolfe, Michael Lawrence and Fabien Amy.



Jonathan Rolfe, Edward Egre, Ashley Morris and Fabien Amy collecting the League trophy and winners medals at the J.S.S.A. Dinner

Not only were the team successful in winning the league, but they also went on to win the trophy for Grouville versus the best-of-the-rest of all the other Juniors in the other Clubs that compete in the league. This is a rare achievement and on the night Grouville managed to excel themselves by scoring one of the highest team scores of the season. So congratulations to them and we hope that they will go on to defend their title in the next season, which commences in October.

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Parish Hall News

By Peter Falle, Rebecca Maindonald
and Julie Le Quesne

Visite Royale

Parishioners should note that "Visite Royale", the Royal Court's visit to the Parish, has been confirmed for Wednesday 19th August. This historic and traditional event involves the whole of the Royal Court, the Bailiff or Deputy Bailiff, Jurats and other officials, numbering about 40 persons, who will, as part of the event, require land owners to ensure that hedges are cut and trees do not overhang the public roads, i.e. the same as for a Branchage.

Branchage

The dates for the 2009 Branchage have been set for Thursday 9th July and Thursday 10th September. Land owners and occupiers are reminded that hedges, branches and overhanging trees should be trimmed back to give a clearance of 12 feet over main roads and by-roads and a clearance of 8 feet over footpaths. Please ensure that all trimmings are removed from the roads and footpaths.

Electoral Forms

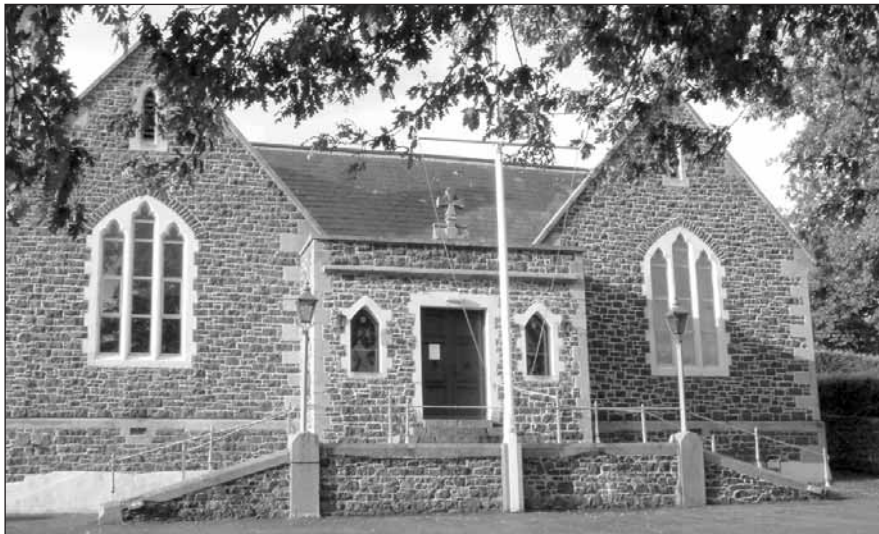
We will be sending out electoral forms over the next few months, which we ask are completed and returned to the Parish Hall. We would also like to remind all 16 and 17 year olds that they can also register to vote!

Payment of Rates

Parishioners will have received the 2009 Notice of Assessment, detailing the amount in quarters, which in turn sets out your liability for both the Parish and Island Rate for the coming year. This is based on all owners and occupiers of property in Grouville as of 1st January and, irrespective of whether or not you vacate the premises, your liability to pay rates for the whole of 2009 remains. The bills for your rates will be sent out early in July and is payable on demand and if not paid promptly a 10% surcharge will be levied.

Dogs

The Connétable would like to remind all dog owners of their responsibilities as this has recently become a problem within the Parish and he requests that they pick up their dog's mess from all beaches, parks and public areas when out walking their dogs. We would also like to remind dog owners that they are obliged by law to obtain a dog licence for every dog aged over six months old, each year from the Parish Hall. Failure to obtain a licence could result in being summonsed and fined.



REGULAR WHAT'S ON

Mothers & Toddlers	Tues. 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m
Collette	854760
Eluned	863455
Bridge Club	Wed. 2.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.
Mrs. A. Burnett	730924
Mrs. M. Le Maistre	852773
W.I.	Second Tuesday in each month; 7.45p.m.
Mrs Betty Hambly	853846
Senior Citizens	Last Friday in every month
Nelly Le Bredonchel	854065
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	Grouville Parish Hall 12.20 - 1.00

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The Connétable

– an Ancient Title with a Local Police Force to Support it

The earliest mention of the appointment of Connétable was in 1462, as recorded in Bois Constitutional history of Jersey. Supporting this position is the Honorary Police Force with its Centeniers, Vingteniers and Constable's Officers. Together they, with the two Procureurs and the Surveillants (Church Wardens) make up the Municipality that organises and oversees the management of the Parish. This municipality is an intrinsic part of our island's culture and the largest part of it is the Honorary Police. It is this area that I want to encourage parishioners to understand and hopefully to join.

Grouville has been fortunate in having a dedicated and efficient Honorary Police Force since earliest times with a long history of community policing, which also includes assisting the States Police when necessary. The tasks on a day-to-day basis include traffic at weddings, funerals, fetes and any local events that need them. Therefore, when you next pass one of these events, please look for the man in the yellow coat that has given up his leisure time to assist in the orderly running of the parish roads.

This is only a part of the job and our officers have been active in the apprehension of drug smugglers and major road accidents as a part of their pure policing roles and responsibilities, including the prosecution of offenders in court. In addition they often assist our fellow Parishes at major events, such as the Battle of Flowers and in an emergency they can be called upon to assist the civil power. It is certainly a satisfying and very responsible job that fulfils the parish culture of voluntary service

A new volunteer is given a period of training in-house and with our colleagues in the States Police, which is of benefit not only to the Parish but also to the individual who is learning from their long-term expertise and is inheriting a vital role in our parish community. It is also a very rewarding and interesting change to one's normal life, with the added bonus of knowing that you are helping others.

There is also a social aspect as the Honorary Police organise functions and their senior citizens' lunch is now famous with about 150 attendees each year at Christmas.

We have a small number of vacancies at the moment. Age and gender are not a bar for those aged under 71 and if you would like to be a part of this vital team and learn more about this ancient role in our parish, please contact myself at the Parish Hall or Paul Godel our Chef de Police.

Finally I would like to congratulate Centenier Nick Andrews, Centenier Paul Godel and Vingtenier Chris Osgood on receiving their letters of commendation from the Bailiff on 30th April; a wonderful recognition of service in support of the people of our Parish.

It is an enjoyable, fulfilling and rewarding honorary job; you will not be disappointed! Please have a look at the website to see for yourself: <http://www.jerseyhonorary-police.org>

THE PARISH ADMINISTRATION

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