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New Floor

.At last the new floor has been installed, thanks to the generosity of many contributors and the hard work of fund raisers.

In order to keep our floor looking attractive, there are a few simple rules for all who use the hall.

- Do NOT use bleach or any other cleaning agent on the floor; the caretaker has a special cleaning agent.
- Avoid spillage as far as possible and mop anything up as quickly as possible. If necessary use a damp, but NOT wet mop. Please do not bring buckets or other containers with large quantities of liquid into the hall, in case they get knocked over.
- Please sweep up all dry debris to avoid it being trodden in and scratching the surface.

Irvine Banyard

It is with great regret that we report the sad death of Irvine Banyard, a member of the Institute Committee and Vice-President of The Coopersale Horticultural Society.

Irvine was born in Leyton and moved to Coopersale with his wife and children many years ago, A very keen gardener, he was a regular exhibitor at the village horticultural shows.

Irvine left school at fourteen and worked in Lloyds of London. After four years, he was called up and served with the Desert Rats in North Africa, Burma, the Middle East and Italy. After the war, he married Rita and returned to Lloyds, where he worked his way up through the insurance world to become a founding partner of Sea-Scope.

Irvine was very artistic and enjoyed amateur dramatics, being business manager for Forest Amateur Dramatics for many years.

He was a kind and friendly gentleman, who will be missed by many. We extend our deepest condolences to his wife Rita and their family.

Old Time Music Hall

In response to popular demand and at enormous expense to the management, we are delighted to announce that the talented and internationally renowned band of local entertainers – **Chiefly Yourselves** – will once again be performing in Coopersale Social Institute.

The concert, which will be arranged on similar lines to last year's event with a light supper provided, will take place on Sat 13th November. Ticket will be £10 per person and there will be a raffle and bottle stall.

Tickets for this popular event will be limited, so don't delay and reserve your tickets early (contact Doreen – 576498, Tina - 578521, or Chris - 572568. If you want to sit with a group of friends, please make sure that you book all your seats at the same time.

Horticultural Society

The next show will be on Sat 18th September. The main classes in the Autumn Show will be Chrysanthemums and Dahlias; there will also be competitions for seasonal flowers and vegetables, with prizes for nearly 60 different classes.

In the floral art section entries are invited for an arrangement called "**Autumn Bliss**" and another "**Autumn Leaves**".

The Domestic Section will consist of competitions for Banana Cake, Dundee Cake and Cherry Cake, Scotch Eggs, Apple Pie, Mince Pies and Sausage Rolls. There are also competitions for Savoury Pasta, Vegetarian Pizza and Pickled Vegetable.

Please contact the CHS Secretary, Mrs Beverley Jackson, 77 Parklands (577252) for a copy of the show rules and entry form. Even if you don't exhibit, why not come along and see what you would have been up against and maybe have a go next time.

The society meets monthly on Monday evenings at the Coopersale Social Institute Hall. On 20th September. Matthew Harrison will give a Hanging Basket Demonstration and on 18th October Simon Jackson will talk about Dog Breeding. The AGM (followed by a quiz) will be held on 6th December. New members and visitors are always welcome.

Membership is still remarkably cheap at £2 per year (£3 for a couple). Subscriptions can be paid to the Treasurer, Miss M Clarke, 16 Vicarage Road, Coopersale, Epping, Essex. Please make cheques payable to 'Coopersale Horticultural Society'. Alternatively you can pay at the monthly meetings.

To join the society contact Miss Clark, or come to any of the Monday evening meetings.

Suggestions Wanted

The Coopersale Horticultural Society's regular shows include a section for Children and Juniors of different ages, with a variety of prizes. There are usually competitions for works of an artistic nature and preparation of food. Unfortunately the number of entries has been dropping recently and it has been suggested that the items which children have been asked to produce are either insufficiently interesting, or too difficult for the age specified.

If you have young children (or grandchildren) and have some suggestions for suitable competition items for future shows, please contact the CHS secretary, Beverley Jackson (577252), or any other member of the committee.

Group 2000

Group 2000 welcomes new members to our meetings which are held every 3rd Wednesday of the month at Coopersale Social Institute at 8pm.

We had a lovely evening on July 21st – “Essential Pampering” by Claire, a qualified nail technician who also happens to live in our village. Every member of the club had their nails painted beautifully and also a hand massage. We were most impressed. Claire does this and much more, also doing home visits; her number is 570928. Trust me, you will enjoy the experience.

In August we had a pub evening meal at The Moletrap, which we all enjoyed.

The topic for our next meeting on September 15th has yet to be decided, but we will meet as usual at 8pm.

Rosemary Willis (575827)

Coopersale Children's Home

Many will remember the Children's Home at Forest Side (opposite Oak Glade). Mary Wildman who was a housemother there for many years has written an account of life in the home, which contains many interesting tales and is illustrated with many photographs.

This is a delightful and moving account of the lives of children whose own parents were unable to care for them for a variety of reasons. Although most of the stories relate to life within the home, there are interesting descriptions of life in and around Coopersale and of shops in Epping which have almost all disappeared.

“Other Peoples Children” is available from Epping Bookshop or from Peta Archer, 7 Parklands. The cost is £3.99 and profits from the sale will go to the Cats Protection League.

Help Needed

Many will have seen the letter in the Epping Guardian a few weeks ago pleading for help in maintaining our village churchyard.

Few of us today live in the same place all our lives and therefore do not have parents or other relatives in the local churchyard, but many no doubt would be sad to think that the churchyard in which their loved ones are buried was neglected and overgrown.

Thanks to the untiring efforts of a small and mostly elderly group of volunteers the grass is being kept under some sort of control, but additional help would be appreciated, ideally on the last Saturday of each month. However if that isn't convenient, but you would like to help, contact Mary Knight (572812) or Arthur Loy (572405) to find out how best to contribute.

If you have trouble reading this Chronicle ring Chris on 572568 and ask for a large print version.

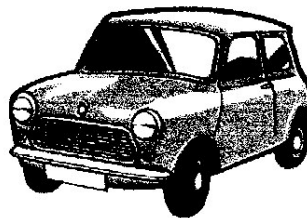
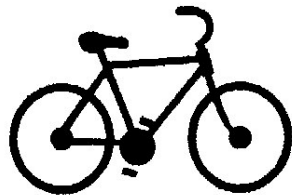
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Fancy Dress Dance

There will be a fancy dress dance in the Institute Hall on Sat 23rd October, 8 – 11:30pm.

Tickets are available from Doreen Pavitt (576498)

Bring your own food and drink. Fancy dress is optional.

Tell us What's Happening

If you want anything published in the December 2004 issue, please send your contribution to:

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(e-mail Scribe@coopersale.org.uk)
or hand it to any member of the Committee before 15th Nov.