

HEMMICK



DAVID SMITH AND CINDY BRIERLEY

“Hemmick is situated on the outskirts of the village. It was built in 1974 and bought soon after by Rosemary Phillips. She named the house after a beach in Cornwall known as “A little piece of heaven.” Rosemary went into a Retirement Home in 1993 and Cindy Brierley and David Smith were fortunate to be able to buy the property.

“Hemmick” consists of approximately three acres. It has a large garden with an orchard and two paddocks.

Cindy and David moved from Sussex after ill health forced them to abandon their sheep milking enterprise and a career as a sales executive. They now keep eight Jacob sheep for pleasure and cross breed them with a local ram. Most of their time is spent working on the home, which is currently being extended, and gardening. They produce most of their own fruit and vegetables.

They have an uninterrupted view of fields and enjoy all aspects of the surrounding countryside, where they also walk Oscar, the golden retriever.

Horse Racing is a passion, and they rarely miss a visit to Wincanton Races, or the local point to points.

They are enthusiastic supporters of most village events, and thoroughly enjoy village life.

COATES COTTAGE



JOHN AND VERONICA SUTTON

John and Veronica moved to the three hundred year old cob cottage in 1996. Ever since their move they have been busy restoring the cottage to its original state by taking down the lean-to conservatory and open stairs, added by previous owners and stripping the open Inglenook fireplace back to the cob.

The Cottage is always full to bursting with family and friends as John and Veronica have two daughters, a son-in-law and granddaughter who all enjoy visiting, not to mention their close friends who are also regular visitors.

John has his own Steel Erection Business which takes him all over the world. Veronica recently retired from working in the business and now finds herself twice as busy!

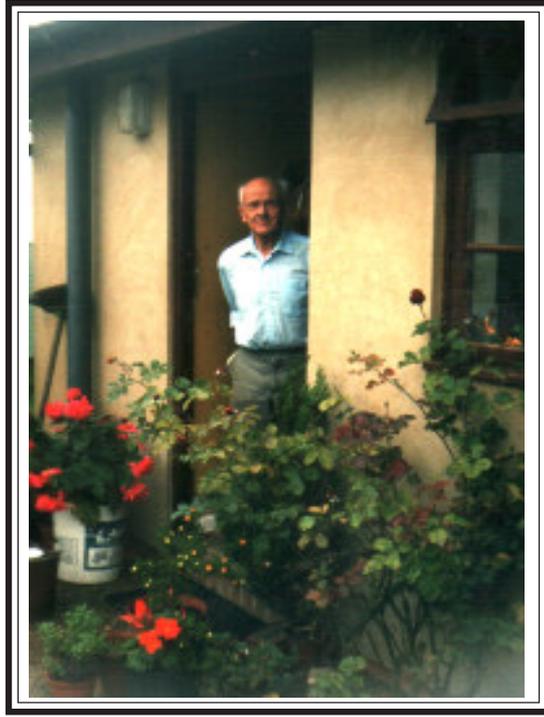
Their transport is a Mercedes 230 Picnicmobile. They shop mainly at Tesco's in Blandford apart from fresh produce which they buy from Fruit and Vine in Sturminster and both enjoy browsing around Harts General Store.

Sherborne's Pack Monday Fair is a favourite event, and they support many other events in the local area.

They find a good way to familiarise themselves with the area is "The Good Pub Guide" which they are currently working their way through.

They both enjoy pottering in their secluded garden and get their guests involved as well.

“MILLER’S GREENE”



WILL MILLER.

ROGER, MARY, KEVIN AND SCOTT LEAMON

The bungalow and annex is built on land that originally belonged to Will Miller, and the name is a combination of Will's name, and Mary's maiden name, 'Green', to convey the fact that the land is also part of a Greene Lay line. The bungalow is set in three quarters of an acre of garden, mostly down to grass, flowerbeds and a pond complete with water plants and a statue, all safely fenced in. The back of the Bungalow has uninterrupted country views and it is the last building before the lane peters out into a track leading to fields. Prior to 1987 Will and Mary lived in a caravan on the land. Roger drew up the Building plans for a house when he and Mary decided to get married, however when Planning Permission was withheld it was developed as a bungalow with annex.

Will's grandfather was a shepherd at Church Farm, he in turn was born at Church Farm Cottage, moving to Coates cottage when he was 4 yrs old and attending the village school. The family moved to Kitford where Will farmed for many years after his father retired to Leigh Lodge. In later years however Will provided an invaluable local taxi service. Will is a keen cricketer playing for the original Club, and also, many years later for the current Club at Marsh Farm.

Roger and Mary have two boys, Kevin (11 years) and Scott, (6.5 years) who both currently attend Hazelbury Bryan School. Roger is a Milking Parlour Service Engineer employed by a local Company in Sturminster Newton, and Mary is a qualified Play assistant, working part-time for two Pre School Groups at Hazelbury Bryan and Pimperne.

Roger uses a work's Renault Van, and owns a Landrover County, but the family car is a Maestro. Mary shops locally in Sturminster, but likes to visit Yeovil for items such as clothes. Public transport is out of the question as in such a rural area it does not cater for the everyday needs of a busy family. Will drives a Ford Sierra that he also uses for ferrying people to and fro to hospitals, and also to the Methodist Chapel.

Will runs the Chapel, with the help of Mary, which entails opening it for services, cleaning, and maintaining the garden. They also host an annual Garden Party in the grounds of Miller's Greene at the beginning of August to raise funds for the Chapel. Mary, with Annette Newman organised a children's club at the Village Hall one day in the Easter holidays and they plan to extend it to a few more days during the summer vacation.

Roger, Mary and the boys cut the grass at Woolland churchyard, and Kevin is Roger's right hand man, with a knowledge, far beyond his years, of most things mechanical. Roger also takes on gardening in his spare time! Mary is a member of the Village Hall committee. Leisure time is a luxury, and Mary enjoys playing Bingo, and because of all her activities, finds herself attending a lot of meetings, for the Pre-School Group, the Chapel, and the Village Hall. Roger and the boys all enjoy fishing. Kevin plays cricket for the Ibberton Junior Team, and is a member of the School Cricket Team that won the South West Championship at the County Cricket Ground in Taunton. Scott is a ball of energy, and no doubt will follow in his older brother's footsteps!

Mary has lived in and around the village for most of her life, and both she and Roger enjoy living in a village community amidst lovely surroundings, where the boys can play freely and safely in and about the lanes.

Will has many memories of the village and its surrounding area, but now he enjoys pottering in his beautifully kept garden.

THE MILLENNIUM YEAR

FUND RAISING PROJECTS AND EVENTS

ANNUAL VILLAGE EVENTSs

THE VILLAGE BARBECUE

VILLAGE MILLENNIUM EVENTS

A Committee was convened by Derek Old to co-ordinate projects and events for the village to mark the Millennium. The Committee consisted of Annette Newman, Derek and Kay Old, Johanne Jacks, Sara Bayliss, Stan Harris, Graham Parsons, Jane Abell, and Penny Mott. Their brief was to implement plans and ideas for the village's Millennium Celebrations.

They initially held an Open Meeting to gain the views of the villagers at which the then Footpath Commissioner John Kirtley put forward a plan to designate a network of Millennium Footpaths. John had already collected £1200 towards re-establishing existing parish footpaths and replacing styles with "Kissing" and Hunting Gates. He proposed obtaining a grant from the County Council to print leaflets defining the walks.

The meeting established that the central focus of the celebrations would be a party for everyone in the village, scheduled for Midsummer.

The Committee decided to present a specially designed porcelain mug to every child in the village in the 16 years and under age group and a competition would be held to find an appropriate design. Debbie Aldous's design was selected and used on fund raising notelets and the mugs. The designs submitted by local children are shown on the following pages and Annette Newman undertook to oversee the production and distribution of both products.

A book was planned to stand as a record of villagers and their lives in the Millennium year. A tree has been planted to replace one originally sighted where the signpost now stands at The Cross.

The various fund raising ideas were a Table Top Sale, Family Skittles Evening, Dog Show and Quiz Night all of which were successfully implemented

The events proved great fun for young and old and ignited a community spirit in the village.