

**NORMANDY
CORONATION
CELEBRATIONS
1953**



Souvenir Programme

QUEEN ELIZABETH

THE SECOND



"I DECLARE before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great Imperial family to which we all belong. . . . God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share it."



These words, spoken by the Queen when, as Princess Elizabeth, she celebrated her 21st Birthday, may well be recalled at the time of her Coronation.

This joyful occasion is not only a time of celebration, but also of dedication. In the presence of high dignitaries and representatives of her whole people throughout the Commonwealth, Her Majesty will make her vows and be consecrated in the exalted position to which she has acceded. The Queen has already shown devotion to duty and signal service to her peoples. May the admiration and loyalty of her subjects be the measure of their devotion to Her Majesty's cause.

LONG LIVE THE QUEEN!

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

THE village of Normandy forms a ward of the civil Parish of Ash and Normandy. It includes the Hamlets of Flexford and Christmas Pie - which mark its southern boundary, and Wyke - which forms its western boundary. The eastern boundary is defined by the course of the Stanford Brook, which is a tributary of the River Wey, encircling Henley Park (an estate which was granted by Queen Elizabeth I to the Earl of Essex) and Cobbett Hill, which nameplace commemorates the connection of the village with the famous William Cobbett who lived and farmed in Normandy and died there in 1835. The northern boundary joins Pirbright across the commons of Cleygate and Pirbright through which, in medieval times, it was linked with the vast Windsor Forest.

The name Normandy and its possible connection with the Norman Conquest is largely a matter for conjecture. Situated within the territories of the famous Earl Godwin who was a vigorous antagonist of the Norman invaders, it is not impossible that some Norman soldiers on active service on foreign soil saw, through homesick eyes, a resemblance in their surroundings to their native terrain.

Wyke (the village is sometimes referred to as Wyke and Normandy) has an historical record in Domesday Book where reference is made to "the Hall belonging to this Manor in the time of King Edward", and particulars are given of the demesne of Wyke (or Wucha). An extract is preserved in the records of the Parish Church. The ecclesiastical district of Normandy is named Wyke and was constituted by an Order in Council on the 30th October, 1847, when the new parish was formed "of the hamlet of Wyke which is a detached portion of the Parish of Worplesdon" and adjoining parts of the parishes of Worplesdon, Ash and Wanborough. This determined the boundaries of the civil district as before mentioned.

A. A. C.

SATURDAY, MAY 30th, 1953

**WYKE AVENUE CHILDREN
TEA PARTY**

SUNDAY, MAY 31st, 1953

UNITED SERVICE

ON THE SCHOOL RECREATION GROUND AT 3 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 1st, 1953

**NORMANDY CHILDREN
TEA PARTY**

Coronation Day, June 2nd , 1953

A Grand Fete and Children's Sports Meeting

will be held at

WESTWOOD LANE, NORMANDY

At 4 p.m.

OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY BY THE CARNIVAL QUEEN



BABY SHOW. DISPLAYS BY SCOUTS AND GUIDES. SIDE SHOWS.

FUN OF THE FAIR. DANCING ON THE GREEN

ANKLE COMPETITIONS. . JUDGING OF DECORATED VEHICLES.

FANCY DRESS PARADE. HORSE RIDING DISPLAY.

DISPLAY OF GYMNASTICS BY THE YOUTH CLUB.

PRESENTATION SOUVENIR GIFTS TO CHILDREN UNDER 16
YEARS OLD



Admission 6d, or by Souvenir Programme 1/-.
Children under 16 years old free

PROGRAMME

Coronation Day, Tuesday, June 2nd, 1953



3.00 p.m. Parade at Village Hall.

3.30 p.m. Procession will proceed to Fête Ground, Westwood Lane.

4.00 p.m. Fête will be Officially Opened

FANCY DRESS PARADE.

Class 1. Children up to 16 years of age.

Class 2. Adults. over 16 years of age.

DECORATED VEHICLES.

Class 1. Private Cars

Class 2. Trade Vehicles.

Class 3. Decorated Cycles.

Class 4. Decorated Prams.



Refreshments and Ices will be available from 4.30 p.m.

All entries for events to be made at the Secretary's Tent.

SPORTS PROGRAMME

1. Toddlers' Handicap. Mixed. 30 yds. Under 5 yrs.
2. Boys under 7 yrs. 40 yds.
3. Girls under 7 yrs. 40 yds.
4. Boys over 7 yrs., under 11 yrs. 75 yds.
5. Girls over 7 yrs.. under 11 yrs. 75 yds
6. Boys over 11 yrs., under 14 yrs. 100 yds.
7. Girls over 11 yrs., under 14 yrs. 100 yds.
8. Boys over 14 yrs., under 16 yrs. 100 yds.
9. Girls over 14 yrs., under 16 yrs. 100 yds.
10. Sack Race. 50 yds. Boys over 7 and under 14.
11. Sack Race. 50 yds. Girls over 7 and under 14.
12. Sack Race. 50 yds. Boys over 14 and under 18
13. Sack Race. 50 yds. Girls over 14 and under 18.
14. Mixed Shoes Race. Boys over 7 and under 14.
15. Mixed Shoes Race. Girls over 7 and under 14.
16. Veterans' Handicap Race. 75 yds. Males over 50.
17. Veterans' Handicap Race. 75 yds. Ladies over 50.
18. Wheelbarrow Race. 40 yds. Lady and Gent.
19. Tug-of-War. Teams of 6 or 8.
20. Obstacle Race. Boys over 7 and under 14
21. Obstacle Race. Girls over 7 and under 14
22. Slow Cycle Race. Boys over 7 and under 14.
23. Slow Cycle Race. Girls over 7 and under 14.
24. Novelty Events, time permitting.

Normandy Coronation Festival Committee

THE Committee, to whom has been entrusted the arrangements for the Coronation Celebrations in our Village, was called into being by the PARISH COUNCIL, who invited representatives of all local Organisations to serve upon it.

The Membership comprises:-

Mr. A. A. Cook (Chairman)

PARISH COUNCIL

Mr. G. Joyce (Treasurer)

CHURCH COUNCIL

Mr. A. N. Govey (Secretary)

VILLAGE HALL

COMMITTEE.

Mr. Scannell, The British Legion (Normandy Branch).

Mr. D. Roberts, Normandy Cricket Club.

Capt. F. E. Cradock, Conservative Association. Normandy.

Mr. A. J. Instone, Labour Party.

Mr. K. Hawkins, Amateur Dramatic Society..

Mr. P. Ryan, Village Hall.

Mr. Watson, Boy Scouts.

Mr. W. Olley, Gardening Association.

Mr. H. Smith, Headmaster, Wyke Schools.

Mrs. Chant, Mothers' Union.

Mrs. Pickering, Infant Welfare Society.

Mr. Dyson, Wyke Avenue.

Mr. Owen, Wyke Avenue.

Rev. A. L. Jones, Vicar. St. Mark's Church.

Mrs. A. Steel, Women's Institute.

Mrs. A. Govey, Women's Institute.

Mrs. E. Moore, Women's Institute.

Miss E. Turner, Girl Guides.

Mrs. Sheering, Wyke Avenue.

Miss McMillan, Wyke Avenue.

Mrs. Giles, Waldens Cottages.

Mrs. Bowman, Waldens Cottages.

Mrs. Ewings, Waldens Cottages.

Mr. Church, Waldens Cottages

Mr. Taylor, Elm Hill Cottages.

Mrs. T. James.

Lt. Col. W. Thorn, Conservative Association.

Mr. W. Henry, Trustees, Village Hall.

The Committee wish to all a happy and memorable celebration of an historic occasion.