

Coveney and Little Downham Have Talent

In 1963 a picture of Mr and Mrs G Cobbin, of Mill House, Little Downham, on holiday at Cromer, won £50 as second prize in a national snapshot competition organised by a vitamin product firm.

The photographer was Mr Leslie Holland of Ely.



THURSDAY, 18th MARCH, 1965
"Miss Coveney"



A dance to select "Miss Coveney 1965" was held in Coveney village hall on Saturday evening, arranged by the entertainment committee, when a good company danced to the music of the Mike Bunting Band. Miss M Crisp was chosen as Miss Coveney with Miss B Gimbert and Miss L Oehl were runners-up.

Sixteen-year-old Linda Harrison of Cannon Street, Little Downham, has earned herself the chance of winning a prize of £500 - £1000 by winning a section of

the "People" national talent contest while on holiday at Butlin's Ocean Hotel, Brighton. Linda, who studies music with the Ross School of Music, Soham, and has always wanted a stage career, received a great ovation from the packed audience with her rendering of Musette Waltz which gained first place in the straight vocal section of this nationwide search for new young talent. As a result of her success Linda will receive a silver trophy and an all-expenses-paid holiday later in the year to compete for a place in the finals in London.

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**Linda in
£1,000 bid**





April 1968: Pymoor girls came 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their village's Carnival Queen competition at a special dance at Pymoor School on Friday. Miss Sandra Brown is the new queen and is seen in our photograph flanked by Miss Cynthia Saberton (left),

runner-up and Miss Lilian Winters, who was third. Twenty girls took part in the competition. MC for the evening Mr Roy Brown, and music for dancing was provided by the Brian Lesley showband.

***ELAINE (18) IS
ISLE DAIRYMAID***

April 1971: The Isle of Ely's new dairymaid is an

18 year old bank clerk from Little Downham, Miss Elaine More. Elaine, a member of Ely Young Farmer's Club, won her title at the annual Dairymaid dance at Littleport on Friday evening. Runner-up was Miss Christine Crane, also of Little Downham. Altogether there were 10 competitors. Elaine, who won £10 prize money, will now take part with eight other winners in the Dairy Princess of East Anglia competitions at Woodhall Spa on June 15th.



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Attractive trio

An attractive trio indeed are these three winsome lasses — Jean Mulley of Little Downham, chosen as Coveney Carnival Queen on Saturday, with runner-up Christine Alsop (right) and Jean Stearman, placed third.

They were picked at a dance in the Village Hall by Mr. Leslie Evison, secretary of Ely NFU branch, and his wife.

A large crowd enjoyed an evening of dancing to the music of the Turquoise Rainbow. In a competition prizes were won by Mrs. B Levey and Miss Pat Broker.



April 1972: Nicola Tyler an 18-year-old ground hostess from Little Downham became the 1972 Isle of Ely Dairy Maid on Friday evening. Nicola, who lives at 54 Main Street, was one of only six girls who entered the personality competition and she will now go forward to the East Anglia and East Midlands regional final which is to held at Ely Maltings.



Guides win top award



January 1975: A notable first for these two members of the Little Downham Guide Company. For Teresa Morse, left, and Kathleen Wilkin are the first members of the company to gain the coveted Queen's Guide award, in this the Diamond Jubilee year of the Girl Guide movement. The badges were presented by the Cambridgeshire County Commissioner, the Hon

Margaret Fox at a special concert to mark the Jubilee celebrations.

Robin Pearl