

Bletsoe Sparrow Club.

A Public Meeting was called on Nov. 1st, 1910, in the Bletsoe Schoolroom, which was attended by over thirty men, and a Sparrow Club was formed, and the following rules passed :—

1. The Club to be called "Bletsoe Sparrow Club."
2. There shall be an annual subscription of not less than 2/6 from honorary members, and 3d. from working members.
3. Only house-sparrows shall count, and none but members shall receive payment.
4. The sparrows (or their heads) shall be brought to the Secretary once a week (Friday, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.). An account shall be kept till June 30, when payment shall be made at the rate of 1d. for four old birds, 1d. per dozen eggs, 2d. per dozen young birds.
5. A general meeting shall be called at the end of the season to settle accounts and dispose of surplus funds.

A Committee was elected—Chairman, the Rector, Rev. R. H. Moss; Secretary, Mr. A. S. Green; Treasurer, Mr. F. Campion; with Messrs. H. Payne and R. Ingle.

Bletsoe Sparrow Club rules, 1910

During 1910 it is reputed that sparrows reached plague proportions, and clubs were formed to promote control of their population. This notice sets out the rules of the Bletsoe club. The committee chaired by the Rector, represented most of the farmers of the parish.

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