

NUTWOOD NEWSLETTER

At the 1990 AGM the decision was taken to discontinue the *Followers' Notes* and to reduce the *Nutwood* to an occasional publication consisting of Specials only. To keep the membership abreast of happenings in and around Rupert's world a new publication was conceived which amalgamated all that was best about the *Notes* and *Nutwood*. In November 1990, the month of Rupert's 70th birthday, the Followers published the first *Nutwood Newsletter*. It was a great success and to this day maintains the high standard of excellence set by Tony Shuker's *Nutwood*.

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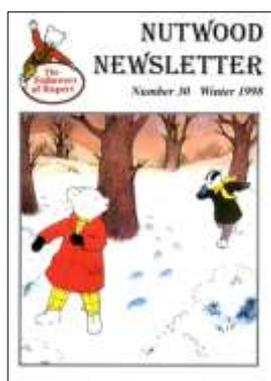
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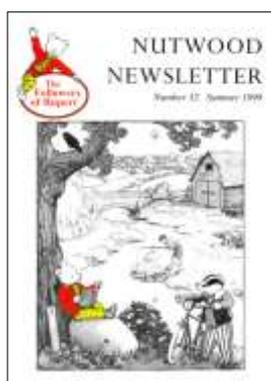
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Marjorie Owens - Bibliography	15	John Beck
Picture Additions/Omissions etc.	15	Phil Toze
Follow Rupert (top: Rupert’s Christmas Tree (B91); bottom: Rupert and Bingo (B85); Rupert and the Magic Dart (B84))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.31 – Spring 1999
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Blue Mountain’ (B81))



Editorial	2	The Editorial Panel
Competition Result	2	Kyria Olympios
Annual Meeting	3	John Beck
Fun To Learn Rupert	3	Mike Williams
Family Matters	4	Rosie Phillips
Rupert Annual – A Best Seller	5	
Rupert in the Express	6	Raymond Cassidy
Followers on the Internet	7	
Rupert Rarities	8	Howard Brayton
Snippets	9	
Uncle Ben, Auntie Emma and Joan	10	Raymond Cassidy
Bestall Rarities	13	Brian Nelson
Nutwood Advertiser	13	
Nutwood Postbox	14	
Barford Weekend	15	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1947 annual ‘Follow Rupert’ page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.32 – Summer 1999
(Cover adapted from the 1947 annual puzzle page)



Editorial	2	The Editorial Panel
Honorary Members	2	John Beck
Barford Annual Meeting	3	John Beck
Rupert and the Travel Machines	4	Alan Murray and John Jones
Rupert in the Express	8	Raymond Cassidy
Charitable Support	9	John Beck
Jenny Kisler	10	John Beck
Raffle Prizes	14	John Beck
Formal Notice of the 1999 AGM	14	John Beck
Regional Meeting Report	14	The North West Correspondent
Nutwood Postbox	15	Editorial Panel
1949 Rupert Annual	15	John Beck
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the Rocket Plane’ half title (BO6 – 1946 annual))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.33 – Autumn 1999
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Hobby Horse’ (BO15 – 1948 annual))
(Includes Index)



Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Followers AGM Report	2	John Beck
Lucy Matthews	3	John Beck
Annual Meeting Report	6	Roger Coombes
Rupert at Canterbury	7	John Beck
Rupert in the Express	8	Raymond Cassidy
Rupert and the Travel Machines	10	Alan Murray & John Jones
Rupert and the Windmills	14	John Beck
Rupert Annual no.64	15	Raymond Cassidy
Favourite Rupert Pictures	16	John Beck
Rupert “Inaccuracies”	17	John Beck
Spring Meeting at Barford	17	John Beck
Nutwood Postbox	18	
Father Bear’s Occupation	19	John Beck
Madonna and Rupert and Paul McCartney	19	
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the New Pal’ (B96))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.34 – Winter 1999
(Cover – original painting by Gina Hart)



Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Barford Spring Meeting	2	John Beck
Rupert Story Development	3	John Beck
Alfred Bestall Exhibition Visit	3	John Beck
Rupert and Jack Frost	4	Michael Ward
Christmas Competition 1999	7	
Rupert's Christmas Thrills	7	
Very Fine is '49!	8	Kyria Olympios
News from the North-Western Group	8	Tiger Lily of the North West
The Rupert Look	9	
Rupert Merchandise	9	
Rupert in the Express	10	Raymond Cassidy
Rupert Annuals Abroad	11	Brian Crutchley
Could It Be?...Revisited	12	Valerie Haworth
Puzzled?	12	
Nutwood Portrait	13	Phil Toze
The Monster Rupert Mystery	13	John Beck
Nutwood Postbox	14	
Annual Meeting Memories	15	Photographs by Caroline & Christine Dobbin

Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert and the Cough Drop' (B125))

Nutwood Newsletter no.35 – Spring 2000
(Cover adapted from 'Rupert and Peter' (B22))



Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Rupert Annual, a Best Seller Again	2	
Annual Meeting 2000	3	Tony Griffin/John Beck
Rupert, Schools and Schoolmasters	4	Raymond Cassidy
Rupert, Alfred and Motorbikes	7	Bob Payne
Monster Rupert Mystery Unravalled	8	John Beck
1973 Annual Cover Prints	8	The Followers Committee
Rupert's Hospital Visit	9	Tony Griffin
Rupert Mountain Climb	9	John Beck
Rupert in Parent Magazine	9	
Rupert in the Express	10	Raymond Cassidy
Bestall Artwork Exhibition	11	Matthew Heaton
The Windmill and Rupert and the Dutch Boy	12	Kipling Hedley
Rupert Spring Cleaning	13	John Beck
Barford Spring Meeting	13	The Followers Committee
Dreamland Differences	14	John Beck
Rupert Events	14	
Favourite Rupert Pictures	15	Tim Shelton-Jones
Rupert and Podgy's Wish	15	
Rupert and Dan Dare	16	Roger Coombes
Nutwood Advertiser	16	Brian Nelson
Rupert in the Mail on Sunday	16	
Rupert Quiz	17	
Nutwood Postbox	18	
Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert's Picnic Party' (T38))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.36 – Summer 2000
(Cover adapted from the 1955 annual puzzle page)



Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Rupert's Mountain Climb	2	
Annual Meeting 2000	3	Tony Griffin/John Beck
Rupert in the Express	4	Raymond Cassidy
1973 Annual Cover Prints	5	
Alternative Annual Cover	6	John Beck
Christmas Competition Results	7	
Elves Et Al	9	Alan Murray/John Jones
Formal Notice AGM 2000	15	John Beck
North West Group Report	15	Tiger Lily
Beatlefan Magazine	15	John Beck
Rupert and the Publications Officer	16	Alan Murray
Rupert and Rollo	18	Phil Toze
Favourite Rupert Pictures	20	Mike Williams
Followers Bloom in the Spring	21	Valerie Haworth
Nutwood Postbox	22	
Stockcheck	23	
Rupert Exhibition	23	Editorial Panel
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1949 annual 'Follow Rupert' page)		

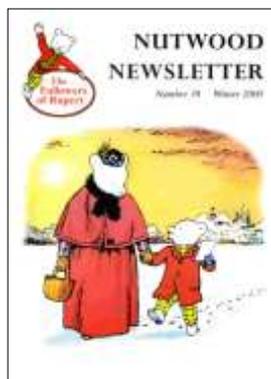
Nutwood Newsletter no.37 – Autumn 2000
(Cover – draft sketches by Alfred Bestall, possibly for 'Rupert and the Blunderpuss')



Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
The Chairman's Annual Report	3	Matthew Heaton
Rupert AGM 2000	4	John Beck
Nutwood Advertiser	4	
Rupert Articles	4	
Alfred Bestall Day	5	Michael Ward
Member's Annual 2000	6	Valerie Haworth
The Annual Rupert Raffle	7	Alan Murray
Barford 2000 – A New Member's View	8	Val and John Franklin (and Bernie)
Charitable Donations	8	
Contact with Followers Officers	9	
The Paul McCartney Rupert Movie	9	
The Rupert Annual no.65	10	Roger Coombes
Gina Hart Artwork Exhibition	12	
The Followers Library	12	
Obituary – Raymond Cassidy 1933-2000	13	Margaret Heaton
Rupert in the Express	14	Roger Coombes
Rupert and the Old Gentleman	16	Howard Ripley
1950 Annual	18	Alan Murray
Rupert Bear B.A.	19	Alan Murray
Rupert Embroidery Card	19	John Beck
Rupert at 80	20	John Beck
Canterbury Signing	20	John Beck
Orders for 1950 Reproduction	20	
Rupert Annual Colouring Anomalies	21	John Beck
Aladdin's Cave	21	Lily V. C. Navak

Rupert Index Update	21	John Beck
Nutwood Postbox	22	
Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert and the Magic Whistle' (T57))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.38 – Winter 2000
(Cover adapted from 'Rupert and the Goblin Cobbler' and coloured by Gina Hart)



Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
The Canterbury Signing	3	John Beck
Barford Spring Weekend	3	
Christmas Presents from Christmas Past	4	Rosie Phillips
Confessions of a Lapsed Rupert Fan	8	Peter Cross
Cooking Alfred Bestall Style	9	
The Mountain Climb	9	
Rupert and Santa's Helpers	10	Michael Ward
Rupert Publicity	13	
Nutwood Binders	13	John Beck
Rupert in the Express	14	Roger Coombes
Rupert's Party Trousers	15	
Coon Island Endpaper Print	15	
Charitable Donations	15	
Reindeer and Rika the Reindeer Girl	16	Phil Toze
Rupert Colour Contests	18	
The 1973 Annual Brown Face Myth	18	
Nutwood Postbox	19	
Dates for your Diary	19	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1951 annual 'Follow Rupert' page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.39 – Spring 2001
(Cover adapted from 'Rupert and Raggety' (B185))



Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Publication Binders	3	Editorial Panel
AGM and Annual Meeting 2001	4	The Followers Committee
Library Additions	5	The Followers Committee
Rupert goes Missing in Canada	6	
Dr. Lion's Maid	6	
Barford Spring Meeting 2001	7	John Beck
"OK" with Rupert	7	Anita Greenaway
Rupert – The Key Piece in the Jigsaw	8	Mary Cadogan
Rupert's Sci-Trek	14	Roger Newell
Bestall Rarities	17	
The "Rupert Index" Update	18	John Beck
AGM Raffle	18	Alan Murray
Rupert Appearances	19	
An Early Rupert	19	
Rupert in the Express	20	Roger Coombes
Nutwood Postbox	22	
Rupert Christmas Cards	23	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1990 annual 'Follow Rupert' page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.40 – Summer 2001
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Magic Dart’ (B84))



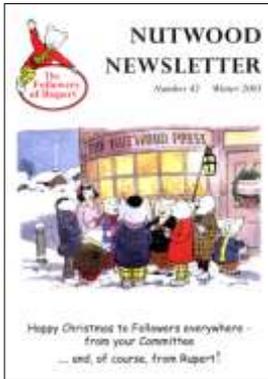
Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Rupert Fashion	2	
The 2001 Annual and AGM	3	Tony Griffin
Rupert in Cyberspace	4	Alan Murray
Monkey Puzzled by Mary Tourtel’s Beppo	6	Barry Barnes
Formal Notice of the 2001 AGM	9	John Beck
The Sage of Um	10	Michael Ward
Rupert Appearances	11	
Rupert and Inflation	12	Gordon Bramham
Followers in the Spring	13	Tigerlily
Rupert Raffle	14	
Binders	14	John Holt
Alfred Bestall Map	15	
Rupert in OK Magazine	15	Anita Greenaway
Rupert in the Express	16	Roger Coombes
Rupert Postbox	18	
Rupert Activity Book No.1	19	
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert Goes Hiking’ (T68))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.41 – Autumn 2001
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and Ottoline’ (JH58) to show John Harrold at Canterbury)



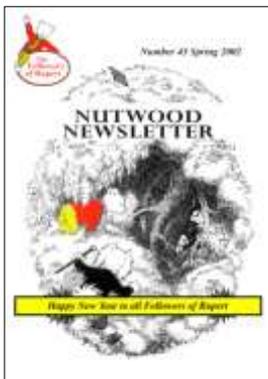
Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
AGM Report	2	John Beck
The Canterbury Signing	3	John Beck
Followers Publicity	3	
18th Followers Annual	4	John Swan
Rupert and the Paper-Folders	6	Dave Venables
Rupert Christmas Cards	7	
The “Nelson” Rupert Books	7	John Beck
Rupert and John Harrold	8	Roger Coombes
The Rupert Embroidery Card	12	
1951 Annual	13	Alan Murray
Rupert and the Express	14	Roger Coombes
The Real Nutwood	15	
Rupert and the Critics	16	Alan Murray
Rupert v. Mickey	22	Gordon Bramham
Nutwood Postbox	23	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1990 annual ‘Follow Rupert’ page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.42 – Winter 2001
(Cover adapted from original artwork for a Jon Davis Christmas card)



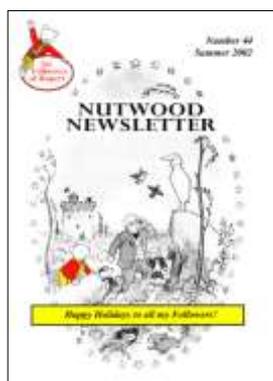
Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Sales – Stop Press	2	
The Canterbury Signing	3	The Followers Committee
Rupert in “OK” Magazine	3	Anita Greenaway
Rupert and the Critics – Reaction 1	4	Mike Williams
Rupert and the Critics – Reaction 2	6	(Ms.) Gerry Smith
Rupert and Nutwood	7	The Wise Old Goat
Rupert in Cyberspace	7	
The 2001 Rupert Annual (No.66)	8	Roger Coombes
Barford Spring Weekend	10	John Beck
A Puzzle for Christmas	11	
Rupert by Another Name	11	
Rupert in the Express	12	Roger Coombes
Rupert in Holland in the War	13	
A Rupert Exhibition	13	The Followers Committee
Rupert v. Mickey	14	Gordon Bramham
Nutwood Postbox	15	
Follow Rupert (original artwork by Gina Hart)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.43 – Spring 2002
(Cover adapted from the 1980 annual title page)



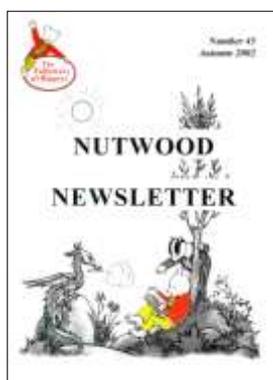
Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Doris Campbell	2	
Barford Spring Meeting	3	John Beck
Mentions of Rupert	4	John Beck
Annual Meeting 2002	5	Tony Griffin/John Beck
Rupert’s Lost Years	6	Kipling Hedley
Rupert Observations	12	Brian Stewart
Rupert and Friends	14	Editorial Panel
The Nelson Books Facsimiles	15	Melanie Allen
Rupert in OK!	17	Anita Greenaway
Rupert in the Express	18	Roger Coombes
Charitable Contributions	19	
Rupert at the Dentist	19	
Back Issues - Sales	20	The Followers Committee
Christmas Day	21	Alice Berry
Where are the Chums?	22	Editorial Panel
Nutwood Postbox	23	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1976 annual contents page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.44 – Summer 2002
(Cover adapted from the 1970 annual title page)



Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
2002 AGM – Formal Notification	2	John Beck
The 2002 Annual and AGM	3	Tony Griffin/John Beck
A Rupert Artist Remembers	4	Jenny Kisler
Spring Meeting – Barford	6	Tiger Lily
Nutwood Advertiser	7	
Charitable Contributions	7	John Beck
Rupert Boxes	7	
Rupert in the Daily Express	8	Roger Coombes
Rupert in OK!	9	Anita Greenaway
The Cae Gel Project Update	10	The Followers Committee
Rupert Annuals as a Gift	10	
Canterbury Museum	10	
Eunice Watkins	11	
Nutwood Postbox	11	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1950 annual ‘Follow Rupert’ page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.45 – Autumn 2002
(Cover adapted from the 1947 annual title page)



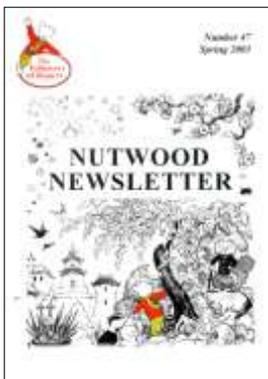
Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Nutwood Advertiser	2	
AGM 2002	3	John Beck
Rupert in OK!	3	Anita Greenaway
The 19th Follower’s Annual	4	Mike Williams
Rupert the Rebel?	6	
Committee Contacts	7	John Beck
Gina Hart Art-cells	7	
Rupert Illuminated	8	Kipling Hedley
Where are the Chums?	11	Phil Toze
Rupert and Nursery Characters	12	Michael Ward
The Other 1952 Annual	15	John Beck
The 2002 Rupert Annual (No.67)	16	Roger Coombes
Rupert in the Daily Express	18	Roger Coombes
Rupert Christmas Cards	20	
1952 Facsimile	21	Alan Murray
Rupert Annual Signing at Canterbury	22	The Followers Committee
Mary Tourtel’s Grave	22	
Nutwood Postbox	23	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1971 annual ‘Follow Rupert’ page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.46 – Winter 2002
(Cover – original Gina Hart artwork)



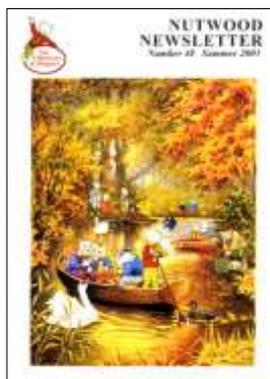
Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Dates for Your Diary	2	The Followers Committee
Shedding Light on “Rupert Illuminated”	3	Jenny Kisler
Canterbury Signing 2002	3	The Followers Committee
Rupert Annual Endpapers	4	John Beck
Barford Spring Meeting	4	Doreen James
Rupert in Kent	5	The Followers Committee
Rupert Exhibitions	5	The Followers Committee
Favourite Rupert Pictures	6	Michael Ward
Rupert in Canada	7	Caroline Dobbins
Christmas Presents	7	Editorial Panel
Rupert Mentions	8	
Rupert Annual Mystery	9	John Beck
Rupert in the Daily Express	10	Roger Coombes
Nutwood Postbox	11	
Follow Rupert (Original Gina Hart artwork)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.47 – Spring 2003
(Cover adapted from the 1954 annual title page)



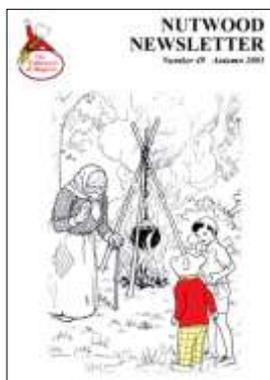
Editorial	2	Editorial Panel
Annual Meeting 2003	2	The Followers Committee
Rupert Knitting Pattern	4	The Editor’s Office boy
Rupert – and The Future?	4	
Rupert in the “Austerity Years”	5	Gordon Bramhan
Newsletter Space Fillers	6	The Space-filler Elf
Rupert and Joan	7	Kipling Hedley
Marjorie Owens	10	John Beck
Barford Spring Meeting	11	Doreen James
If You Go Down To Liverpool Today	11	Valerie Haworth
The Sanctity of Nutwood	12	John Beck
The Long Dark Teatime of The Soul	13	Donald Tilston
Rupert in the Daily Express	15	Roger Coombes
Rupert in OK! Magazine	16	Anita Greenaway
My Favourite Pictures	17	Valerie Haworth
Back Issues Sales Update	18	Michael Ward
Nutwood Postbox	19	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1946 annual puzzle page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.48 – Summer 2003
(Cover – original Gina Hart artwork)



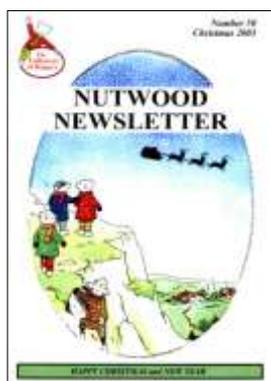
Editorial	2	The Editorial Panel
Newsletter Contact	2	The Followers Committee
The 2003 Annual Meeting	3	Tony Griffin (Annual Meeting Organiser)
Rupert in Canterbury	4	John Beck
Formal Notice of the Followers 2003 AGM	4	
Hidden Rupert Stories	5	Brian Nelson
Rupert Raffle 2003	5	Alan Murray (Chief Raffle Gnome)
Rupert and Marc	6	Alan Murray
The Life and Works of Alfred Bestall	8	Mary Cadogan
Rupert Board Game	10	The Editorial Panel
Barford in the Spring	11	Tigerlily
Rupert in the Daily Express	12	Roger Coombes
Canterbury Group Meeting Report	13	The Followers Committee
North West Group Meeting	14	Tigerlily
The Byron Studios	14	The Editorial Panel
Nutwood Postbox	15	
Follow Rupert (Original Gina Hart artwork)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.49 – Autumn 2003
(Cover adapted from a painting page in the 1936 annual)



Editorial	2	The Editorial Panel
The Followers AGM	2	John Beck
The Canterbury Signing	3	The Followers Committee
A Junior Rupert Club	3	Valerie and Eddie Tarbuck
The 2003 Annual Meeting	4	Roger Newell
New Christmas Cards	5	The Followers Committee
Bestall's Dragons and Beyond	6	Kipling Hedley, with Alan Murray
Morwenna	11	Caroline G. Bott
Bestall - and that other Bear!	12	John Beck
The Byron Studios - continued	13	The Editorial Panel
Rupert in the Daily Express	14	Roger Coombes
The Rupert Annual	16	Roger Coombes
Rupert and the History Lesson	19	Alan Murray
Early Rupert Ephemera	20	The Ephemera Elf
Rupert Returns	20	Daily Express press release
The Alfred Bestall Biography	21	Peter Cross
Nutwood Postbox	23	
Follow Rupert (adapted from a painting page in the 1936 Annual)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.50 – Christmas 2003
(Cover adapted from the 1966 annual title page)



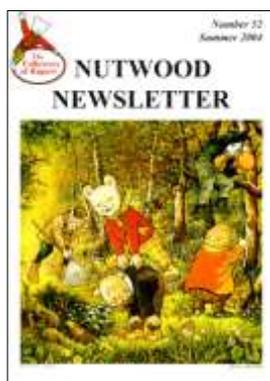
Editorial	2	The Editorial Panel
Followers Membership	2	Shirley Reeves (Membership Secretary)
Canterbury & District Group Meeting	2	The Followers Committee
Canterbury Signing 2003	3	Roger Coombes
Barford Spring Meeting	4	The Followers Committee
North West Group Meeting	4	Tigerlily
Nutwood Advertiser	4	The Followers Committee
Who's This?	5	Alan Murray
Calendar Girls Chums	5	Alan Murray
Christmas Contest 1936	6	The Editorial Panel
Rupert Got There First	6	John Beck
Musically Following Rupert	7	Roger Newell
Rupert in the Daily Express	8	Roger Coombes
Rupert in OK!	9	Anita Greenaway
New Rupert Stories	10	The Editorial Panel
Missing Rupert Picture	11	Phil Toze
Followers AGM 2004	11	Tony Griffin
Ruzz of the Eggspress	12	The subversive Office Elf
Christmas Competition 2003	13	
A Rupert Pattern	13	The Ephemera Elf's Assistant
Nutwood Postbox	14	
Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert's Christmas Tree Game' in the 1960 annual)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.51 – Spring 2004
(Cover adapted from 'Rupert and the Spring Chicken' (B151))
(Includes Index)



Editorial	2	The Editorial Panel
Barford Spring Meeting	3	
The Junior Rupert Club	3	
Where Were You When?	4	The Nutwood Car Booter
Christmas Competition	5	The Competition Elf
My Rupert Room	5	Ingrid R. Bane
Rupert in the Daily and Sunday Express	6	Roger Coombes
Rupert in OK!	7	Anita Greenaway
2004 AGM and Annual Meeting	8	The Followers Committee
AGM Raffle	9	The Followers Committee
Macca's Rupert Annual	9	
A Rupert Hand Puppet	10	
Nutwood Postbox	10	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1954 annual 'Follow Rupert' page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.52 – Summer 2004
(Cover: ‘Having Fun’ – an original painting by Gina Hart)



Editorial	2	The Editorial Panel/The Followers Committee
2004 AGM	2	John Beck
Our 21st Annual Meeting	3	Tony Griffin
Rupert in the Daily Express	4	Roger Coombes
Rupert in OK!	6	Anita Greenaway
Barford in the Spring	7	Bingo
Annual Raffle	8	Alan Murray’s Raffle Secretary
Newsletter Assistance	8	The Editorial Panel
Rupert Remembered	9	John Beck
North West Group Meeting	9	Tigerlily
A First Look at the New Annual	10	Editorial Panel
Future Nutwood Content	10	The Editorial Panel
Alfred Bestall Celebration	11	Bingo the Pup
The Real World?	11	John Beck
Follow Rupert (adapted from the Adventure Series no.36 ‘Follow Rupert’ page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.53 – Autumn 2004
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Dragon Pills’ (B117))



The Daily Express Rupert League	2	John Beck
Editorial	3	The Editorial Panel
Rupert AGM 2004	4	Roger Newell
The Followers’ 2004 AGM	6	The Followers Committee
The Alfred Bestall Biography	6	John Beck
Royal Doulton Rupert Series	7	Senior Imp New Items Department
Charity Rupert Badges	7	Editor’s office imp
Denizens of the Deep	8	Alan Murray and John Jones
Buying Rupert Books	16	
Nutwood and Newsletter Back Issues	16	The Editorial Panel
Real Rupert Places	17	Alan Murray
The Junior Rupert Club	18	
Canterbury Signing at the Museum	18	John Beck
The 2004 Rupert Annual	19	Roger Coombes
A Spring Meeting in Beddgelert	21	
Rupert in the Daily Express	22	Roger Coombes
Rupert Christmas Cards	23	
Rupert in Warwick	23	The Christmas Card Packing Elves
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1967 annual ‘Follow Rupert’ page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.54 – Winter 2004
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Blue Moon’ (BO31 – 1956 annual))



Annual Cover Quiz	2	Erik Warwick-White
Editorial	3	The Editorial Panel
Alfred Bestall Biography	3	The Print Room Apology Elf
Memories of Alfred	4	Michael Edmonds
Rupert and the Sky Pirates	7	Roger Allen
Canterbury Signing	9	Roger Coombes
Alfred and his Annual Covers	10	Gordon Bramham
Rupert in the Daily Express	12	Roger Coombes
Rupert in OK!	13	Anita Greenaway
Tourtel Rarities	13	John Beck
Stop Press – 2005 AGM	13	
Nutwood Postbox	13	
Rupert and the New, Old Book	14	Alan Murray
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the Blue Moon’ (BO31 – 1956 annual))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.55 – Spring 2005
(Cover adapted from the 1964 annual ‘Follow Rupert’ page)



Picture Quiz	2	
Editorial	3	The Editorial Panel
Tourtel Auction	3	The Followers Committee
Annual Meeting 2005	4	The Followers Committee
Spring Meeting at Beddgelert	4	
Flying Snowmen	5	John Beck
Following a Follower	6	Jane Johnson-Booth
A Summer Visit to Rake Court	8	The Followers Committee
Rupert and the Christmas Clangers	9	Alan Murray
Bestall’s Great Eagles	10	Kipling Hedley and John Jones
North West Group Meeting	15	Tigerlily
Rupert at the Cartoon Art Trust	16	Roger Coombes
A Chinese Puzzle	17	Julia Stanbridge/Phil Toze
Rupert in the Daily and Sunday Express	18	Roger Coombes
Rupert and his Parents’ Attitude to his Adventures	19	Julia Stanbridge
Nutwood Postbox	22	
Picture Quiz Answers	22	
Rupert Book Tokens	23	John Beck
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1954 annual title page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.56 – Summer 2005
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Waffle Fly (BO8 – 1947 annual))

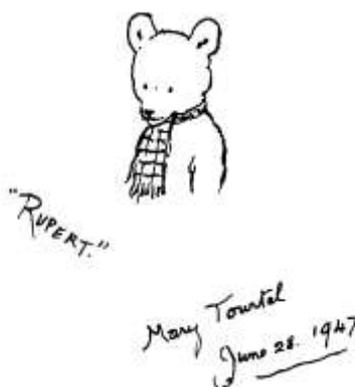


Doctor Chimp’s Sudoku Puzzle	2	Phil Toze
Editorial	3	The Followers Committee
2005 AGM	3	John Beck
The 2005 Annual Meeting	4	The Followers Committee
West Midlands Group	5	Doreen James
Best of Bestall	6	Peter Cross
More Rupert at the Cartoon Art Trust	7	Roger Coombes
The Unknown Alfred Bestall	8	Ed Brown
Rupert in the Express	8	Roger Coombes
The 2004 Rupert Annual	10	Ottoline and the Old Professor
Raggety Makes an Impression	11	Phil Toze
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the Blue Mountain’ (B81))		

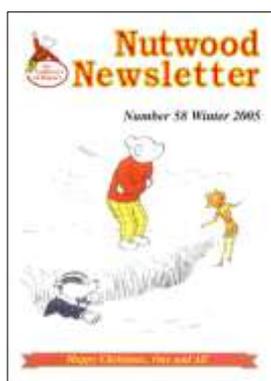
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Our 2005 Annual Meeting Photo Album	2	Roger Newell and Christine Dobbin
Editorial	3	The Editorial Panel
Stop Press	3	
Followers Annual Meeting 2005	4	Roger Newell
AGM 2005	5	John Beck
Canterbury Signing	5	The Followers Committee
New Christmas Cards	6	The Editorial Panel
The Junior Rupert Club	6	The Followers Committee
Rupert and the Sunday Express	7	Mike Williams
A Date for your Calendar	10	Jack Sammons
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Drawings by pupils of Cuiken School, Penicuik	15	
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(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Blue Mountain’ (B81))



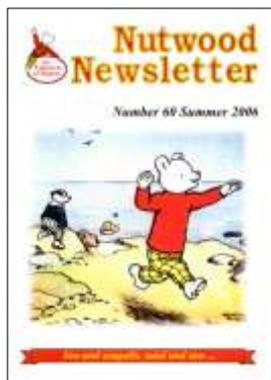
Phoebe, a snowman and Super Rupert	2	
Editorial	3	The Editorial Panel
Editorial II	3	The Wise Old Goat
Rupert on eBay	4	The Interweb Elf
Canterbury	4	The Followers Committee
An Unusual Raffle Prize	4	The Editor
James Henderson (1925-2005)	5	John Beck
The 2005 Rupert Annual – No.70	6	Roger Coombes
Rupert in the Express	8	Roger Coombes
Rupert Ephemera	9	John Beck archive
More Rupert Ephemera	9	John Beck
Uncle Polar Bear	10	Phil Toze
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Nostalgia Time Again – The 1957 Facsimile	11	Alan Murray
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(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Old Hat’ (B172))



Picture Gallery	2	
Editorial	3	Editorial Panel (and Dinkie)
Annual Meeting 2006	3	
Rupert Bear – First Contact	4	Mike Williams
Rupert at Surbiton	6	Roger Coombes
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Followers’ Forum	7	The Wise Old Goat
The Rupert Annual 2006	7	John Beck
Rupert and the Women in his World	8	The Editorial Panel
Rupert as an Investment	9	The Nutwood Bank Manager
Nutwood Binders	9	Followers Sales Elf
Stockroom Clearance	9	The Followers Committee
Bestall Exhibition at Kingston	9	
Rupert in Stitchery	10	Edith Lussen
Rupert in the Express	11	Roger Coombes
News of Rupert’s Future	13	Nardis Roscoe (Entertainment Rights)
Beatrix Badger	14	Phil Toze
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Daily Express Announcement about the New Rupert	15	
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Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and Odmedod’ (B50))		

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(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert, Bill and the Merboy’ (B89))



A Blue Plaque for Alfred Bestall MBE	2	Margaret Heaton
Editorial	3	John Beck (Acting Editor)
Official Notice of AGM 2006	3	John Beck (Secretary)
Our 23rd Annual Meeting	4	The Followers Committee
Picture Changes	5	Phil Toze
Mary Cadogan	5	The Followers Committee
Getting to Know Rupert	6	Susan Heitman (Australia)
Cartoon Museum	7	John Beck
Rupert Junior Club	7	The Followers Committee
My Grandfather Worked for Greycaines	8	Roger Allen
A Nutwood Map	9	John Beck
Rupert Articles	9	Editorial Assistant Elf
Rupert in the Daily and Sunday Express	10	Roger Coombes
Rupert in OK	11	Anita Greenaway
Rupert and the Metal Horse	11	Phil Toze
The Rupert Raffle	12	The Raffle Gnome
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Rupert and Dr. Brain	14	Phil Toze
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Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the Woffle Fly’ (BO8 – 1947 annual)		

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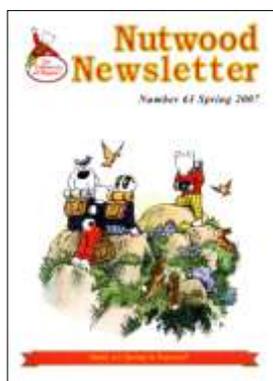
Warwick Photo Showcase	2	Roger Newell, Caroline and Christine Dobbin
Editorial – from the Chairman	3	John Swan
AGM 2006 official report	3	John Beck (Secretary)
Followers Annual Meeting 2006	4	Roger Newell
Treasure from the Jumble Sale	6	Chris Sturrock
eBay Offerings	6	The Interweb elf
New, Younger Rupert...Some Thoughts	7	Alan Murray
Rupert and the Couplet-Gnome	8	Alan Murray
Rupert in the Daily and Sunday Express	9	Roger Coombes
Rupert Index Update	10	B. P. Barnes & Phil Toze
Rupert Annual 2006	12	Roger Coombes
Annual Rupert Signing at Canterbury	14	The Followers Committee
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(Cover adapted from the cover of the 1956 annual)



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Editorial	3	The Editorial Panel
More Pictures from Canterbury	3	Michael Ward
Nutwood and other Place-names in the Rupert stories	4	Julia Stanbridge
Nutwood Postbox	8	
Rupert First Contact - Revisited	9	Michael Ward
An Absence of Egos	10	Peter Cross
Putting You in the Picture	11	
Rupert in the Daily and Sunday Express	12	Roger Coombes
Good Golly!	13	Dawn Taylor
When We Were Very Young: The 1958 Facsimile	14	Alan Murray
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1960 annual 'Follow Rupert' page)		

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(Cover adapted from the 1964 annual 'Follow Rupert' page)



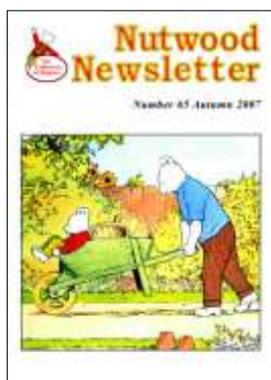
The Rupert Raffle	2	The Followers Committee
Editorial	3	The Editorial Panel
Golly as he appears in the Rupert annuals	3	Dawn Taylor
Alfred Bestall's Views on Illustrating and Writing for Children	4	John Beck
Bottled Sunshine	5	Lisa Judah
The 2007 Annual Meeting	6	The Followers Committee
What do Rupert, Tim and Roger have in common	7	
Comic Idea for Adventure Series Stories	7	Michael Ward
The Two 'Sirs' of Nutwood	8	Phil Toze
Rupert in the Daily and Sunday Express	10	Roger Coombes
Rupert in OK Magazine	11	Anita Greenaway
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Teddy bears make it to Broadway	13	Michael Ward
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Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert and the Spring Chicken' (B151))		

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(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Lost Boat’ (B43))



Drawing Rupert	2	John Beck
Editorial	3	John Beck (Acting Editor)
Our 24th Annual Meeting	4	The Followers Committee
Hidden gems in the <i>Daily Express</i> archives	5	Phil Toze
Official notice of AGM 2007	5	John Beck (Secretary)
Rupert in the Daily and Sunday Express	6	Roger Coombes
Do you know?	7	
Bestall’s Rupert pictures	8	John Beck
Helping Rupert’s cousins	9	The Followers Committee
Rupert on TV in the 1970s	10	Michael Ward
A Golly quiz	10	Dawn Taylor
Happy Birthday – with Rupert	11	Kathleen Wilson
Your number’s up, and don’t you forget it	11	Shirley Reeves
Dib, dib, dib – Bestall’s Scouts...	12	Michael Ward
Rupert and the Post Office	13	The Nutwood Postmaster
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Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1940 annual contents page)		

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High hopes as Stuart Trotter takes over the reins	2	John Beck
Editorial	3	The Editorial Panel
AGM 2007	3	John Beck (Secretary)
Followers of Rupert AGM	4	Roger Newell
Impressions of a first-time attendee	6	Dawn Taylor
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Rupert and the Wonky Weather	8	Alan Murray and John Jones
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A source of natural wisdom – Rollo’s Gipsy Granny	14	John Lester
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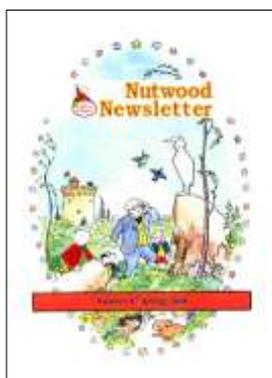
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Rupert in Canterbury	2	Roger Coombes and Michael Ward (pictures)
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<u>A</u> note from the Wise Old Goat	3	The Wise Old Goat
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<u>R</u> ecord prices for Rupert at auction	6	Mike Williams
Making Ninky	8	Christine Bemrose
<u>T</u> he Rupert Annual 2007	10	Roger Coombes
<u>T</u> he colours in my Rupert book	12	Phil Toze
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<u>N</u> utwood Postbox	39	
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Annual FAQs – and Stuart’s first cover	2	Anna Bowles
Editorial	3	Newsletter Editorial team
Annual Meeting 2008	3	Tony Griffin
Magic mystery paintings	4	Ruth Sear
Your chance to win a Steiff Rupert	5	
Egmont’s first fax is a beauty	5	Alan Murray
Rupert and the missing strings	6	Ruth Sear
Mary’s magical world	7	Daphne Foreman
Not just cows at Milton Keynes	7	Courtesy <i>MK News</i>
Brief encounters	8	John Lester
Wendy, another Rupert Artist	9	The Wise Old Goat
Renewing the enjoyment of Rupert Bear	10	Ruth Sear
Alfred’s visions of the future	11	Pamela Stones
Rupert and the seasons	12	John Swan (Chairman)
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What’s Rupert ever done for me?	13	Noel McLachlan
An unrecorded Kisler story	13	The Wise Old Goat
Original Gina artwork to win	14	The Chief Gnome
Going over the top	14	
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An interesting anomaly	15	The Wise Old Goat
Rupert in the Express	16	Roger Coombes
Nutwood Postbox and Postbox Extra	18	
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(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Young Imp (B100)’)



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Editorial	3	The Editorial Elf
Rupert’s tropical shells	3	The Office Imp
The Holiday Express	4	John Beck
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Official notice of AGM 2008	4	John Beck (Secretary)
Further Adventure Series information	5	The Wise Old Goat
Annual Meeting 2008	5	The Followers Committee
A case for collecting Rupert Adventure Series	6	Gordon Bramham
Publications containing articles about Rupert, Mary Tourtel and Alfred Bestall	9	Ruth Sear
The Friends of Rupert	10	Phil Toze
Junior Rupert Club	11	
A sad, disappointing visit to the village that rejected Alfred	12	Philip Reeves
Rupert at the BFI	14	Roger Coombes
Nutwood characters - Rosie	14	Phil Toze
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Getting it wrong	15	
<i>Rupert and the Tattered Clothes</i> – an early John Harrold story	16	
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(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Crystal’ (BO36 – 1960 Annual))



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Editorial	3	Editorial Panel
AGM 2008 Official Report	3	John Beck (Secretary)
Questionnaire	3	The Followers Committee
News from the Junior Followers	4	Aunty Val
Limited Edition Rupert Annual 2009	4	
At the Followers’ silver anniversary meeting	5	Mike Williams and Gill Williams (pictures)
Publications with Rupert reference	8	John Beck, Richard Ball, Mary Cadogan, Beryl Percival
Rupert considers a career in dressage...	9	Submitted by Wilma
Canterbury signing 2008	9	
My first Annual Meeting	10	Adam Taylor and Michael Ward (pictures)
Rake Court visit	11	John Beck
The Grand Raffle Draw	11	The Raffle Elves
Binders and boxes for your Rupertania	11	
The Rupert Calendar 2009	11	The Followers Committee
Why Rupert lives but Teddy fell	12	John Lester
Rupert saddles up for the BHF	16	Derrick Jurd
Birthday with Rupert	17	John Beck
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(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the New Boat’ (B156))



The magic of Mary	2	Daphne Foreman
Editorial	3	John Beck (Secretary)
Cartoon Museum news	3	John Beck
Rupert in <i>Artists & Illustrators</i> magazine	3	John Beck
Is Rupert now a <i>super</i> -icon?	4	Gordon Bramham
Other Rupert Christmases	6	Phil Toze
Newspaper painting contests	7	Pat Carr (and John Beck)
<i>Rupert’s Icicle Bicycle</i> – an Alex Cubie story	8	
A ‘must have’ for your party	15	Editorial elf
Red-faced?	15	Mrs. Badger
The Rupert Annual 2008	16	Roger Coombes
The dark side of Giles	18	Maev Kennedy
Rupert in the <i>Daily Express</i> and <i>Sunday Express</i>	20	Roger Coombes
Mystery of Cubie omission from Egmont list	21	Margaret McCance and The Wise Old Goat
Fast forward three years: <i>the 1963 facsimile</i>	22	Alan Murray
<i>Rupert and the Christmas Trail</i> – Lucy Matthews’ first story	24	
News from the North-West Group	29	Tiger Lily
Rupert’s chums – first acquaintance	30	John Lester
Another satisfied customer	32	Joy Cooper
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Magazines and newspapers with Rupert reference (contd.)	34	Mike Williams
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The Rupert raffle	3	
Jon Davis is alive and well	4	
New Rupert books	4	John Beck
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1952 predictions come true	5	Courtesy of Terry Slade
A visit to Rake Court	5	
Newsletter Binders	5	
The Jester and Rupert	6	Roger Allen
Rupert in the <i>Daily Express</i> and <i>Sunday Express</i>	9	Roger Coombes
Memorable millinery	10	Ruth Sear
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Rupert takes the biscuit	13	John Beck
Whatever happened to Rex and Reggie Rabbit?	14	John Lester
Was Alfred under pressure?	17	
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Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and Podgy’ (B83))		

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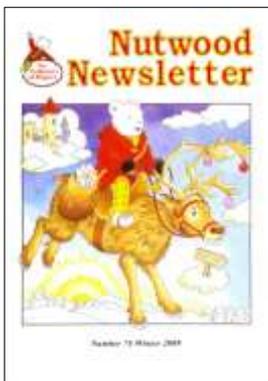
2009 Annual Meeting	2	The Followers Committee
2009 Followers’ AGM – official notification	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	The Editorial Panel
Who’s wearing Rupert’s trousers	3	
The Rupert raffle	4	John Beck
Mrs. Tiger, the quintessential seaside landlady	5	Phil Toze
Be inspired by Alfred’s Welsh cottage	5	Valerie Tarbuck
Problems: why do they usually occur in spring and autumn?	6	Ruth Sear
Painting competition	9	
Let’s hear it from the readers	9	
An evolution of Foxes	10	John Lester
Rupert and the Honey Bees (a Chaplain/Cubie story)	14	The Wise Old Goat
Doreen identifies some more Rupert ephemera	20	
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Nutwood – is it a healthy place?	23	Ruth Sear
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There are mentions of Rupert in:	33	
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Some scarce Rupert items	2	The Wise Old Goat
This year's Canterbury signing	2	
New Christmas cards packs at bargain prices	2	
Idea for a great Christmas gift	2	Membership Secretary
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
AGM Report	3	John Beck (Secretary)
Painting and punting	4	Mike Williams
Children's painting competition results	5	Aunty Val
Attention mums and dads, nans and granddads ...	5	Valerie Tarbuck
Future content	5	The Editorial Panel
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From a Follower's Warwick journal	8	Roger Newell
Picture Parade	10	Roger Newell and Christine Dobbin
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Rupert in the <i>Daily Express</i> and <i>Sunday Express</i>	14	Roger Coombes
The Activity and Music books	16	The Wise Old Goat
<i>Fun with Rupert</i> and <i>A Year with Rupert</i>	17	Roger Coombes
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Enjoy Alfred's cottage at a 15% discount	19	
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The Chairman's seasonal message	3	John Swan
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
The SMART way to collect	4	Mike Williams
A tale of two Annuals	8	John Lester
2010 Annual Meeting and AGM	9	The Followers Committee
Nutwood's strange weather	10	Ruth Sear
Golly! Who am I?	13	Jeremy Shirley
Rupert and the Inventor's Rocket (JH3) (JH/FC)	14	The Wise Old Goat
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Nutwood Newsletter no.75 – Spring 2010
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The Bestall gift	2	John Beck
Rupertian fun in the snow	2	
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
A new book about Rupert	3	John Beck
The Annual Meeting 2010	4	Followers Committee
The Rupert Raffle	5	The Raffle Gnomes
Mr Bear as gardener	6	Ruth Sear
The extra Guides	7	Peter Watson
Rupert, Sherlock and Tarantino – a likely story	8	John Swan
My favourite story	9	Peter Watson
Still Following 79 years later	11	Robert Whiter
Rupert, the Rupert Fund and the ‘Mk’ Badges	12	Shirley Reeves
More 1969 Rupert pottery	15	John Beck
More classic Rupert: The 1965 facsimile	16	Alan Murray
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The rarely seen Granny Guineapig	21	Phil Toze
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(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and Morwenna’ (B138))



2010 Annual Meeting	2	Tony Griffin (Organiser)
2010 Followers’ AGM	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	The Wise Old Goat
Chairman’s Report	3	John Swan (Chairman)
The Rupert Raffle	3	The Raffle Elves
Rupert’s baby chums	4	Ruth Sear
Let’s hear it from the readers	7	The Editor
Algy Pug – Rupert’s best pal?	8	John Lester
Rupert and the Coons	12	John Woods
Another brown faced 1973?	14	John Beck
Special Rupert T-Shirts	14	Tony Griffin
The Rupert Companion	14	The Wise Old Goat
Water – a favourite element in Rupert adventures	15	Mike Williams
Report from the North West Group	21	Tiger Lily
That Bird – problem solved!	21	Roger Bemrose
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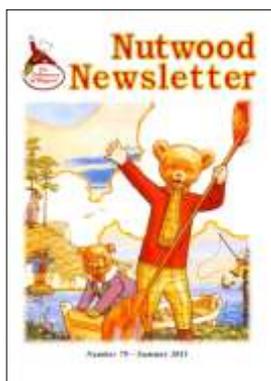
Chairman's Report and Seasonal Greetings	2	John Swan
Editorial and Followers' News	3	
Annual Meeting 2010 – A Follower's View of the Day	4	Roger Newell
AGM photos	6	Roger Newell and Christine Dobbins
Ian Robinson talks to the Followers	7	Roger Newell
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A big hello to all Followers from Jackie Lee	8	Jackie Lee
Junior Club update	9	Valerie Tarbuck
Nutwood Birthdays – Any Happy Returns?	10	John Lester
Making Golly	14	Christine Bemrose
From Blackpool to Bournemouth – Rupert at the Police Conferences	15	Shirley Reeves
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Nutwood Newsletter no.78 – Spring 2011
(Cover adapted from 'Rupert and the Spring Chicken' (B151))
(inc. 'Rupert and the Imps' Plot' (P43) insert)



Brian Stewart obituary	2	John Beck
Important notice to Followers	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	Wise Old Goat
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New Rupert items planned	3	
Edward Trunk – a useful friend to have	4	John Lester
Redrawn Stories	9	Phil Toze
Brian Stewart: A tribute from John Harrold	12	John Harrold
The Rupert Companion by Ian Robinson	14	Roger Coombes
Alfred – ahead of the game again	15	Lily Duckling
Alfred Bestall at Chris Beetles' Gallery London and the Bodleian Library, Oxford	16	Roger Coombes
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Rupert Classic: The 1966 Facsimile	18	Alan Murray
Accidents will happen!	20	Ruth Sear
The Nutwooders: Family life? – Not as we know it!	25	Pauline Cripps
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How popular is our Little Bear?	31	
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Nutwood Newsletter no.79 – Summer 2011
(Cover adapted from the 1941 annual cover)
(inc. post-Bestall three story insert)



2011 Annual Meeting	2	
2011 Followers' AGM – official notification	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	The Wise Old Goat
A Message from the Chairman	3	John Swan (Chairman)
The Rupert Raffle	4	
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Rupert and Bill on holiday	6	Ruth Sear
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Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert and the Red Egg' (B49))		

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(Cover adapted from the 1949 annual cover)
(inc. post-Bestall two story insert)



Christmas cards; Rupert Website	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Chairman's Christmas Message	2	John Swan
The 2011 AGM; Rupert on Radio 4	3	Wise Old Goat
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
Annual Meeting, Warwick 2011 – a follower's journal	4	Mike & Gill Williams; Caroline & Christine Dobbin
More News from Warwick (Junior Club; Rupert Raffle; Christmas Cards)	8	Valerie Tarbuck; Roger and Christine Bemrose
Notice of Valerie Tarbuck's passing	8	
The 2011 Rupert Annual: No. 76 a review	9	Roger Coombes
Rupert's Annual Snowcover	10	Gordon Bramham
Rupert's Christmas Presents	12	Ruth Sear
<i>Rupert's Who's Who</i> by Phil Toze a review	17	Roger Coombes
Newsletter Binders are Back	17	Followers' Committee
Opinion: Where Now Rupert?	18	Alan Murray
Jenny Frost and Jill Frost	22	Phil Toze
Rupert in Punch	23	
Rupert, Bingo and Black Bob	24	Ruth Sear
Charity pins; Frank Parker (1927-2011)	26	
A Rupert (Murdoch) Cartoon (by Tony Hall)	27	Roger & Christine Bemrose
School visit to Nutwood	27	Christine Sturrock
To so many of us Rupert was an inspiration....	28	Terry Jones; Ruth Sear; Keith Pugh
Is Rupert a pert and rather vulgar manikin?	29	Ruth Sear
Membership Problems	29	Tony Griffin
Nutwood Postbox	30	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1974 annual 'Follow Rupert' page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.81 – Spring 2012
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Spring Adventure’ (B135))
(inc. early-Harrold two story insert)



The world of Rupert continues across the oceans...	2	Photo by Rodney Barker
Christmas goodies of the past	2	
The 2012 Annual Meeting	2	The Followers Committee
Rupert Raffle	2	The Raffle Gnomes
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
New Followers' Website	3	Bingo the Webmaster
An Internet Newsletter	3	The Followers Committee
Chairman's report	4	John Swan (Chairman)
Good Golly	4	Alice Berry
"The Illustrators"	5	Mike Williams
Rupert and Cats	6	Ruth Sear
Fun at the AGM	10	Alan Murray
And a look at some more bears	11	Paul Schilling
Some Nutwood Curiosities	12	John Lester
The Mysterious Case of the Missing Podgy	13	Geoffrey Gower-Kerslake
What's Daddy's Job?	13	Phil Toze
Omedod	14	Phil Toze
Rupert and Family History	18	Ruth Sear
Baby Badger	20	Phil Toze
Rupert cards by Royle	22	Wise Old Goat
The North-West Group Meeting	23	Tigerlily
Conversation Corner revisits Warwick	23	
Nutwood Postbox	24	
Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Little Bear's Adventures' (Rupert Gets Captured) (T3))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.82 – Summer 2012
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and Neddy’ (Adventure Series no.12))
(inc. post-Bestall two story insert)



2012 Annual Meeting	2	John Beck
2012 Followers' AGM	2	John Beck (Secretary)
New Website Progress	3	The Internet Elf
Guest Editorial	3	John Swan (Chairman)
2012 Rupert Annual	3	John Beck
Rupert Raffle	4	The Raffle Gnomes
Rupert Notelets	5	Nutwood Sales Department
Nostalgia	5	John Beck
Any horse fanciers out there	5	
Rupert and Dogs	6	Ruth Sear
Blackbird	11	Phil Toze
After Bestall – The Characters of John Harrold	12	John Lester
Rupert Badges	16	
Another Rupert fan identified	16	
Junior Club update	16	Eddie Tarbuck
How Sailor Sam came to live in Nutwood	17	Ruth Sear
Rupert in the Daily and Sunday Express	18	Roger Coombes
Nutwood Postbox	21	
Follow Rupert (adapted from Adventure Series no.12 'Follow Rupert' page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.83 – Winter 2012
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Windwhistle’ (B133))
(inc. Cubie two story insert)



Chairman’s Christmas Message	2	John Swan
Website Progress	2	The Internet Elf
The 2012 AGM	3	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	John Beck (Secretary)
The Followers' AGM and Annual Gathering, Warwick – August 2012	4	Roger Coombes; photos by Christine Dobbin
Rupert Raffle	10	Roger & Christine Bemrose
Junior Club	10	(Uncle) Eddie Tarbuck
Have you seen the Notelets?	10	
Whatever became of..... Percy Fox?	11	Phil Toze
Rupert and Fireworks	12	Ruth Sear
Rupert’s Flights of Fancy	16	Mary Cadogan
Rupert and the King of the Birds	19	Mike Ward
Rupert soaps by Morny	21	John Beck
Christmas party fun with Rupert	22	Val Franklin
The 2012 Rupert Annual: No.77 – a review	24	Roger Coombes
Christmas Wrapping paper/Glitterfun	25	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Lily Duckling – revisited	26	Tony Shuker
Spreading the Word!	28	John Beck
Rupert and Brown and Polson	29	John Beck
Followers' membership offers	29	
Nutwood Postbox	30	
Rupert and The Gooseberry Fool	31	Ruth Sear
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and Robo’ (ST9 – 2011 annual))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.84 – Spring 2013
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and Simon’ (B127))
(inc. post-Bestall two story insert)



Obituary – Eddie Cole – Follower no.1	2	John Swan
Chairman’s Report	2	John Swan (Chairman)
Annual Meeting 2013	3	John Beck
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
The 2013 Raffle	3	The Raffle Gnomes
Rupert and Royalty	4	John Rupert
Rupert and the Coronation	5	Alfred Bestall
Nutwood Badger Cull Averted	11	<i>The Valley Messenger</i>
Ephemera Corner	11	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Only on Sundays – Rupert’s Weekly Adventures Part 1	12	John Lester
Did Rupert inspire James May?	16	<i>Radio Times</i>
Mention of Rupert in other publications	17	
Alfred Bestall/Doris Campbell correspondence	18	John Beck
Happy 30th Birthday to the Followers!	19	The Editorial Team
The Attraction of Magnets	20	Ruth Sear
Classic Tales of Rupert by Alfred Bestall	23	Roger Coombes
Stop Press	23	
More Royal Connections	24	Phil Toze
Rupert and Brown and Polson	25	John Beck
Rupert Raffle 2013	25	The Raffle Gnomes
Nutwood Postbox	26	
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the Young Dragon’ (B88))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.85 – Summer 2013
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Blue Balloon’ (BO10 – 1948 annual))
(inc. post-Bestall two story insert)



Obituary – Brian Nelson	2	John Beck
2013 Followers' AGM – official notification	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	John Beck
Annual Meeting 2013	4	The Followers' Committee
Chairman's report	5	John Swan
A brief update on Rupert at Jeyes	5	The Editorial Panel
Only on Sundays – Rupert's Weekly Adventures Part 2	6	John Lester
Rupert's Adventures in the Future	9	Lily Duckling
The Scottish Rupert League	10	John Beck
Ephemera Corner	11	John
John Harrold – Work After Rupert	12	Mike Williams
Rupert Raffle 2013 – some of the goodies to win	15	The Raffle Gnomes
Rupert sees Blue	16	Ruth Sear
Rupert in the <i>Teddy Bear Times</i>	18	
Alfred's pre-Rupert Artwork	19	John Swan
Redrawn Stories	20	Phil Toze
Doreen in the Dailies	21	The Editorial Team
Real Rupert Places – how many are there?	22	Lily, the Newsletter Elf
Nutwood Postbox	23	
Rupert website	23	The Website Elf
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1947 annual title page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.86 – Winter 2013
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Toy Scout’ (B132))
(inc. post-Bestall two story insert)



Chairman's Christmas Message	2	John Swan
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
The 2013 AGM	3	John Beck (Secretary)
The Followers' AGM and Annual Gathering	4	Valerie Howarth – pics by C & C Dobbin/PD Stones
Warwick – August 2013		
Rupert Raffle	7	Roger & Christine Bemrose/ The Followers Committee
The 2013 Rupert Annual: no78 – a review	8	Roger Coombes
More Royal Connections for Rupert	9	Courtesy of Richard Ball
Scottish Rupert League – an exciting follow up	10	Shirley Reeves
Rupert in Space	11	Tigerlily
Rupert and the Chinese Cracker	11	Alfred Bestall
Rupert in Foreign Publications	25	Rosie Phillips
Did Rupert give you the Reading Bug?	26	
Follow Rupert Every Day - Rupert in the Daily and Sunday Express	27	Roger Coombes
A Foray into Fancy Footwear	31	Ruth Sear
Nutwood Postbox	34	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1959 annual title page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.87 – Spring 2014
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Backroom Boy’ (B119))
(inc. post-Bestall two story insert)



Rupert artist Jon Davis awarded MBE	2	
Chairman’s Message	2	John Swan
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
The Followers' Raffle 2014	3	
Need help at the AGM?	3	
My First Year with Rupert	4	John Lester
Ephemera Corner – Rupert Play Stage	8	The Ephemera Archive Elf
’Rastus Mouse	9	Phil Toze
Some Oddities	11	Ed
Scottish Rupert League and Children’s Club	12	John Swan
Do you use the Followers' Library	16	Louise Hopkins
Alfred sees the future - again	18	Alfred’s Soothsaying Elf
Website update – www.rupertbear.co.uk	19	
Followers' Sales	19	
A little publicity for the Followers	19	
Nutwood Postbox	20	
Happy endings	22	Ruth Sear
Rupert drives on!	23	
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the Sketch Book’ (B120))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.88 – Summer 2014
(Cover – original Paul Schilling artwork)
(inc. post-Bestall two story insert)



2014 Annual Meeting – A message from the Chairman	2	John Swan (Chairman)
2014 Followers’ AGM – official notification	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	John Beck (Secretary)
The Followers' Raffle 2014	3	
Need help at the AGM?	3	
Schools and Schoolmasters in Nutwood – Part 2	4	Roger Coombes
Rupert Raffle 2014	8	
Tom Who?	9	
Yet again Cubie puts Rupert in a futuristic adventure	9	
There’s nothing new about walking on a ceiling!	10	Ruth Sear
Early Bestall Photographs	11	John Beck
Ottoline Otter	12	Phil Toze
More about Ottoline	15	Lily, with apologies to Phil
The 2014 Rupert Annual: No 79	15	Tony Griffin, Sales Officer
Followers' Sales – great new items!	16	
Something Beginning with ‘S’	17	Tigerlily
Rupert items by Royle	18	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Rupert Parodies	20	John Beck
Rupert’s Brown Face and Adrian Mole	22	Mike Williams
More Rupert influence!	22	
Nutwood Postbox	23	
STOP-PRESS.....	23	
Follow Rupert (by Paul Schilling, based on Adventure Series no.18 ‘Follow Rupert’)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.89 – Winter 2014
(Cover adapted by Paul Schilling from ‘Rupert and the Lost List’ (B176))
(inc. Freddie Chaplain three story insert)



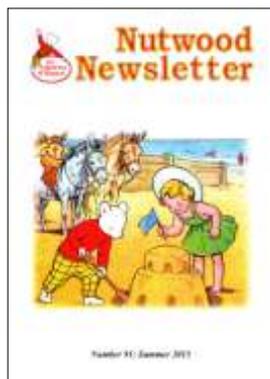
Chairman’s Christmas Message	2	John Swan, Chairman
Followers' 2014 AGM	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
Freddie Chaplain’s Address Book	3	The Archive Elf
The Followers' AGM and Annual Gathering	4	Alan Murray
Warwick – August 2014		
The 2014 Rupert Raffle	7	Valerie Haworth
The Rupert Annual (No 79) 2014	8	Roger Coombes
Pssst....who said that?	9	
Rupert’s Bonfire (coloured by Paul Schilling)	10	Alfred Bestall
Bestall Letters	23	
A letter from Alfred	24	John Swan
Ottoline’s Roots	25	Adam Taylor
Schools and Schoolmasters in Nutwood – Part 3	26	Roger Coombes
Ephemera Corner	30	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Identifying with Events in Rupert’s Life	31	Ruth Sear
Earl’s Son Evolves Under Bestall	32	Peter Watson
Rupert’s here again!	33	
Nutwood Postbox	34	
Mary Cadogan 1928-2014	35	Roger Coombes
Follow Rupert (original artwork by Paul Schilling)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.90 – Spring 2015
(Cover – original Paul Schilling artwork)
(inc. Freddie Chaplain two story insert)



A few words from our Chairman	2	John Swan
A letter from a very special ‘Follower’	2	Lucy Matthews
Editorial	3	John Beck
We introduce the new Eagle Eye Award	3	
Rupert Raffle 2015 – super prizes to win	4	
Website Update	4	The Website Elf
Wow, don’t miss this!	5	
Doubling Up – The Return of Two-picture Rupert	6	John Lester
Instalments		
The New Rupert Annual	11	
Rupert items by Royle	12	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Rupert and the Frog Song – Early Days	13	John Beck
Sara Jackson – Rupert Story Scriptwriter	14	John Beck
Follow Rupert, but take an Ordnance Survey Map	16	Ruth Sear
Ephemera Corner – Rupert Sketch Pads	19	The Ephemera Archive Elf
What do you hoard?	20	
Rupert at Isle of Wight Pop Festival	21	John Beck
Follow Rupert Every Day – Rupert in the Daily	22	Roger Coombes
and Sunday Express		
Jack-in-the-Box	26	Phil Toze
A history of annual size	27	John Lester
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the Go-Kart Race’ (ST12, 2014 annual)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.91 – Summer 2015
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and Neddy’ (Adventure Series no.12))
(inc. Freddie Chaplain two story insert)



2015 Annual Meeting – A message from the Chairman	2	John Swan (Chairman)
Sales News!	2	
2015 Followers' AGM – official notification	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
Omedod's Odyssey	3	
Followers' Annual Meeting at Warwick	4	
Rupert Raffle 2015	5	
Rupert in Flight	6	Phil Toze
A Nutwood Map	9	The Archive Elf
Chaplain Archive – 1976 Rupert Annual	9	John Beck
Rupert and Doctor Moreau	10	Mike Williams
Rupert items by Royle	13	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Early Mary Tourtel Artwork	14	John Beck
The 80th Rupert Annual: 2015	15	
Rupert and the Shooting Star	16	Phil Toze
Colouring Contests and Painting Pages	18	Ruth Sear
Have pud will travel	20	
More Odds and Ends	21	
Another famous Rupert fan identified	21	
Something Ending in cheating	22	Tigerlily
Ephemera Corner	22	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Robin Ray – Rupert Fan	23	The Archive Elf
Nutwood Postbox	23	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the Adventure Series no.12 ‘Follow Rupert’ page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.92 – Autumn/Winter 2015
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and the Windwhistle’ (B133))
(inc. Freddie Chaplain three story insert)



The Presents Mix-up	2	Phil Toze
Followers' 2015 AGM	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Guest Editorial	3	John Swan, Chairman
The Followers' AGM and Annual Gathering	4	Mike Williams
Warwick – August 2015		
Annual Picture Gallery – photos by Caroline & Christine Dobbin, Gill Williams and Peter Stones		
The 2015 Raffle	9	Valerie Haworth
Rupert & Terence Stamp	10	Michael Ward
The Rupert Annual 2015 – No. 80	12	Roger Coombes
Poker Night At The Squire's	15	Adam Taylor
Rupert and the Little Men (coloured by Paul Schilling)	16	Alfred Bestall
Rupert and the Broken Plate	31	The Archive Elf
Bestall and the Brocks	32	Ruth Sear
Rupert in Flight Part 2	34	
Ephemera Corner	36	The Ephemera Archive Elf
21st Birthday – North West Group celebrates!	37	
Festive Rupert items by Royles	38	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the Hazel Nut’ (B139))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.93 – Spring 2016
(Cover – original Bestall artwork (courtesy Ray Bolt) coloured by Paul Schilling)
(inc. Freddie Chaplain two story insert)



Rupert gets a mention (Ffestiniog Railway)	2	Robert Bull
Obituary: Tony Shuker	3	
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
Bestall's Depiction of Family Life – part 1	4	Mair-de-Gare Pitt
A long-distance Follower	8	
Terence Stamp. Oooops.....Sorry Mike	8	
Rupert and the March Hare	9	Roger Allen
A Bestall Certificate	11	John Beck
The First Followers' Annual Meeting (1984)	12	John Beck
Rupert in Flight Part 3	14	Phil Toze
Alfred Bestall's Rupert at War Part 1	17	Stephen Bigger, 2009
Nutwood Postbox	23	
Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert and the Blue Mountain' (B81))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.94 – Summer 2016
(Cover adapted from 'Rupert and Baby Badger' (B36))
(inc. Freddie Chaplain two story insert)



2016 Followers' AGM – official notification	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Meeting of the North West Group	2	Tigerlily
Guest Editorial	3	John Swan (Chairman)
The Adventure Series	4	John Lester
The Rupert Scarf	7	
Followers' Annual Meeting at Warwick	8	
The 81st Rupert Annual: 2016	9	
Bestall's Depiction of Family Life – part 2	10	Mair De-Gare Pitt
On the Trail – of Rupert's publishers "over the Pond"	14	Valerie Haworth
Rupert Raffle 2016	15	Tigerlily
Weymouth Rupert promotion 1971	16	John Beck
Memories of Tony Shuker	18	Margaret Heaton
Rupert in Flight Part 4	20	Phil Toze
Alfred Bestall's Rupert at War Part 2	22	Stephen Bigger
Rupert – nearly the film star!	26	
Nutwood Postbox	27	
Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert and the Coral Crown' (ST13, 2015 annual))		



Nutwood Newsletter no. 95 – Winter 2016
(Cover painting adapted from Bestall's 1982 Selfridges' poster)
(inc. Freddie Chaplain three story insert)



Trade Catalogue for 1954 Rupert Annual	2	John Beck
Followers' 2016 AGM	2	John Beck (Secretary)
A message from the Chairman	3	John Swan, Chairman
The Followers' Annual Meeting 2016	4	Roger Coombes
Saturday Evening Annual Gala Dinner	7	Pamela Stones
Gala Dinner photographs	8	Caroline Dobbin and Peter Stones
Rupert at Selfridges	10	John Beck
A Heart-stopping Moment	11	Ruth Sear
Alfred Bestall's Rupert at War Part 3	12	Stephen Bigger
Rupert Christmas Cards	13	The Packing Elves
Bestall Railway Poster	13	John Beck
Rupert, Edward and the Paper Chase	15	Alfred Bestall
Gillian Chapman coloured panel from Tourtel's "Search for the Magic Key"	27	
The Rupert Annual 2016 – No. 81	28	Roger Coombes
2016 Followers' Raffle	30	The Followers' Committee
Raggety – Tree Troll or Tiresome Tramp?	31	Mike Williams
Rupert in Flight Part 5	33	Phil Toze
Nutwood Postbox	36	
Festive Rupert items by Accord	37	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Rupert at Fenwick's	38	John Swan
Ephemera Corner	39	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert and the Winter Woolly' (B164))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.96 – Spring 2017
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(inc. Freddie Chaplain two story insert)



The NN 96 Cover Picture	2	John Beck
Warwick 2017/Fabulous 2017 Raffle	2	
Membership news	2	Tony Stanford
Chairman's Message	3	John Swan
Website News	3	The Website Elf
The Wild Goose Chase	4	Ruth Sear
An Interesting Find	5	John Beck
Rupert in the Floods	6	Alfred Bestall
Something else of interest...	20	
The Continuity of Rupert?	21	Rod Prescott
Nutwood Postbox	21	
Follow Rupert (adapted from 'Rupert and the Spring Chicken' (B151))		

Nutwood Newsletter no.97 – Summer 2017
(Cover adapted from ‘Rupert and ‘Rastus’ (B80))
(inc. Freddie Chaplain two story insert)



Project 56	2	Paul Walker
2017 Followers’ AGM – Official notification	3	John Beck (Secretary)
A message from the Chairman	3	John Swan
Lepidoptery and Entymology (sic)	4	Ruth Sear
Rupert and the Secret Boat	7	The Archive Elf
Rupert Activity Books	8	The Archive Elf
Rupert’s New Pal	12	John Beck
Important News: Membership Administration	13	Tony Stanford, Mem. Sec.
Rupert, Rupert the beer/Rupert in <i>Auf Wiedersehen Pet</i>	14	Michael Ward/John Swan
Unique Raffle Prizes for 2017	15	One of the Raffle Gnomes
A Sinister Story – not what you expect	16	Roger Allen
Treats and Goodies for Warwick 2017	19	
Rupert and Model Railways – thought for the day	19	Roger Allen
Rupert in Flight	20	Phil Toze
Nutwood Postbox	23	
Follow Rupert (adapted from ‘Rupert and the Magic Dart’ (B84))		

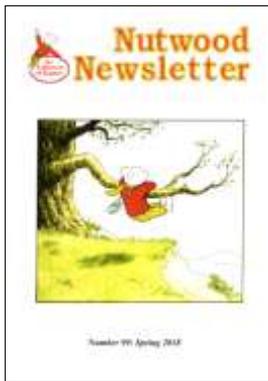
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A message from the Chairman	2	John Swan, Chairman
Editorial	3	John Beck and Pam Stones
2017 Followers’ AGM	3	
The Followers’ Annual Meeting 2017	4	Mike Williams
The 2017 Raffle	7	Valerie Haworth
Warwick 2017 – Picture Gallery	8	Christine Dobbin/Gill Williams
Alfred Bestall’s notes for a talk	10	Roger Coombes
Where are our Members?	14	Tony Stanford
Rupert loses his Coat	16	John Beck
Obituary – Norman Nelmes	16	
Festive Rupert items by Royle	17	The Ephemera Archive Elf
Rupert anticipating the future yet again...	17	
The Rupert Annual 2017	18	Roger Coombes
Rupert Collectables	21	
Mr. Bear’s Job	22	Geoffrey Gower-Kerslake
Every picture tells a story (Sunday Times article)	22	
Winter Postbag	22	
Follow Rupert (adapted from Adventure Series no.23 – Rupert and the Snow Sports)		

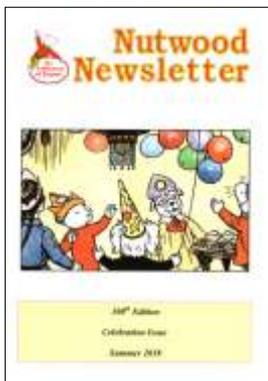


Nutwood Newsletter no.99 – Spring 2018
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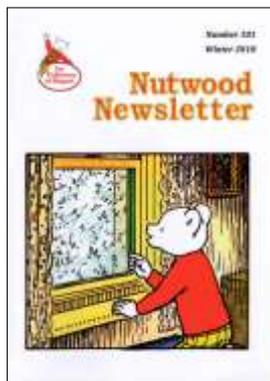
An Appeal to the Followers	2	Howard Smith
Membership Renewals	2	
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
Rupert and the Three Guides	4	John Lester
Warwick 2018 – Come and join the fun!	7	
Bestall and the Golden Age of Children’s Literature	8	Mair de-Gare Pitt
Collectables – A letter from AEB	10	
North West Group Meeting	11	Tigerlily
Real Rupert Places – are there more out there?	11	
Rupert cards by Royle	12	
Greycaines Limited	13	Roger Allen
Princess Bunny – a story by Mary Tourtel	14	John Beck
Bendy Rupert	15	The Ephemera Elf
Mrs. Otter	16	Phil Toze
The Pied Piper	17	Ruth Sear
Nutwood Postbox	19	
Follow Rupert (adapted from the 1998 annual ‘Follow Rupert’ page)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.100 – Summer 2018
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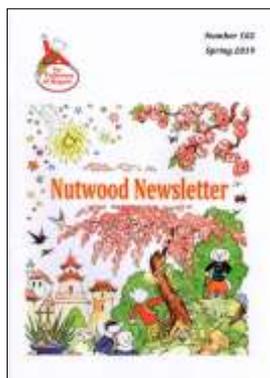
Some Business Information	2	John Beck (Secretary)
Editorial	3	John Beck (Editor)
A message from the Chairman	3	John (Swan)
Where is Nutwood Church?	4	Roger Coombes
North West Group Meeting – 25 th March 2018	6	Tigerlily
Followers’ Annual Fun Day 2018	7	
Rupert Reminiscences	8	Mike Williams
Rupert in Esperanto	12	The Archive Elf
First Meeting with Rupert	13	Tony Stanford
We never know where we’re going to find a Rupert fan – Mike Read	13	
Where to Now, Rupert Bear?	14	Alan Murray
A well known Rupert fan gets a mention	16	Chris Evans/Daily Mail
Rupert and the Distant Music	17	The Archive Elf
Newsletters Revisited – Between Memory and Imagination	18	Terence Stamp
Septimus and his Space-Ship	20	John Swan
Altered Reprints in the Daily Express	22	Phil Toze
Eagle Eye award	24	
1970’s Rupert Stage Shows	25	John Rupert
Rupert Belt	26	The Ephemera Archive Elf
A case for the celebration of Rupert’s centenary....	27	Roger Munro
Follow Rupert in the Nutwood Newsletter (cover images of NN 1, 23, 28, 52, 68 & 84)		

Nutwood Newsletter no.101 – Winter 2018
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(inc. Freddie Chaplain single story insert)



Roger Allen obituary	2	Roger Coombes
A message from the Chairman	3	John Swan
Warm up to Warwick	4	Lily Duckling
The Followers’ Annual Meeting 2018	4	Roger Newell
Warwick 2018 – Picture Gallery	7	Roger Newell, Christine Dobbin and Pamela Stones
Another wonderful gathering drew to a close	9	Lily Duckling
Rupert and the Santa Trail	11	John Beck
The Rupert Annual 2018 – No.83	12	Roger Coombes
Update on Bears!	14	
Rupert in Norfolk	15	Roger & Christine Bemrose
Do you celebrate Rupert’s birthday?	15	
Something to Make you Think! From the 1998 Annual	16	Roger Allen
More Rupert Reminiscences	18	Mike Williams
Who’s scared of Rupert? – <i>Guardian</i> Oct. 2014	22	Provided by Louise Hopkins
People influenced by our Little Bear	22	
Followers share some photographs	23	
Some free advertising for a Cafe in Ilfracombe	23	Geoff Warner
The 2018 Raffle – a report	24	Chief Raffle Gnome, Valerie Haworth
Supplement 23 – a correction	24	John Beck
North West Group Report	25	Lily Duckling
Rupert Christmas Cards	25	Christmas Card Packing Elves
Ephemera Corner	25	The Ephemera Archive Elf
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