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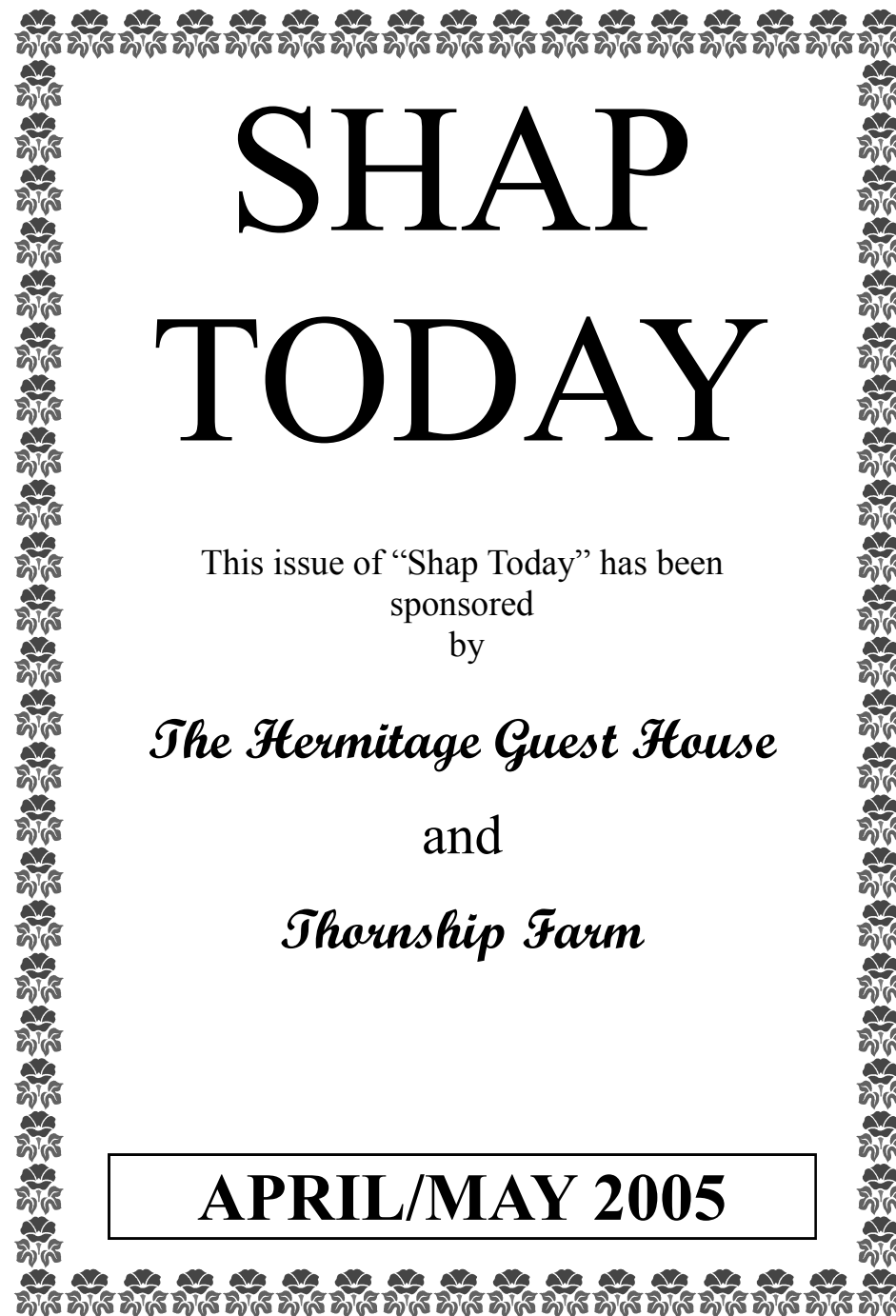
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From the vicarage

Thank you to all who were part of our Easter celebrations. It is a most special time. Every age group had some hand in how we celebrated this great time. At the childrens' activity day we had more of the Easter story this year as well as the usual crafts and Easter eggs. I can use the egg as an Easter symbol but must admit to being a bit lost when kids start talking about the Easter bunny! We have also explored the passion story in school and it aroused a lot of interest when it was suggested that were Jesus to come to Shap today he would arrive on a Harley Davison. When we talked about what he might borrow to ride upon one child said "Why borrow a donkey when you can borrow a Porsche?" News to me.. Now own up --- who in Shap has got a Porsche? And in the absence of Jesus may the vicar have a borrow?

The children always give food for thought... Easter is good time to share with them. For everyone there is so much for them to enjoy in our village, with all its various activities, sharing special seasons within the church year and exploring the life of Jesus Christ is a privilege I enjoy. I feel sad that in society today there are so many children who never get the chance to enjoy childhood let alone be part of a caring community.. Or know anything of Jesus Christ. Come to think of it there are probably a few adults who could learn a thing or two from the littlies.

Our little Sunday club grows.. Thanks to the work of a few dedicated helpers. The old police house is hardly big enough some Sundays. Pity we cannot say that about the church. I wish I could wave a magic wand so that the building was warmer, more adaptable.. In the middle of the village (and of course had a loo.) Meantime God's work goes on... I hope you read the enclosed letter. Best wishes Carole

Ps. Don't forget about the Porsche

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