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Editorial

Congratulations to the Pumfrees, latest winners of our monthly crossword competition, and a great many thanks to the Red Lion, who over the years has supplied our readers with the very best crossword prize (free Sunday mains for two at the Pub) in the whole of the country, this including the Nationals with their circulation in the hundreds of thousands. Read all about it on page 14, where we've just added one condition: that winners need to collect their prize the next month — otherwise it gets a bit chaotic. A big thank-you to Toni and Dave, who at the same time have transformed our Pub beyond recognition and made it into such a warm, welcoming place, long may it last!

How come when we humans carefully offer free gifts to the animal world, it's always the **WRONG** animals that collect? Yes, we hear that Mr and Mrs Jackdaw are extremely pleased with the new "Owl" Residence in the Church Yard, and we can say from our own experience that Mr and Mrs Squirrel are also very satisfied with the latest Mark III "squirrel proof" so-called "Bird Feeder" in our garden. Apparently, this one is more fun than the last effort, with a bit of squirrel Morning Pilates thrown in for free together with breakfast....

Congratulations, latest Quiz-winners The Outcasts (their very first win after a great many years of trying, so they say), Everybody's Doing It (but guess what it is — we await further communications on the Letters page), don't forget the Village Assembly where you can have your say in where the CIL money goes, and see you the VILLAGE FEAST — it should be really good this year!

Caroline Matheson

Cover Picture: A Mandrake Root by Jonathon Rosen
(see note on page 2)

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Letters to the Editors



Dear Editors,

Moveable Feast

As always the Moveable Feast was a much enjoyed event, with three courses at three separate venues and raising a grand total of £200 for St Mary's Church. Grateful thanks go to Betty, Chrissie and Colin for hosting courses, to everyone who provided the delicious desserts and for all the entertaining and engaging conversation that filled the evening. Hopefully see you all again next year!

Janet Willmott

Dear Editors,

QUIZ NIGHT

Thank you to everybody who came to the village quiz. Although we were a few tables less this time, the feedback was that everyone enjoyed it. Congratulations to our first time winners, The Outcasts. We would like to thank Janet Willmott for standing in as quiz mistress again, which may we say, did a very good job. Watch out Andrew, who we understand, was messing about on the river with son Ryan, hope you both had a great time.

Thank you to April who organised the raffle and to everyone who donated prizes. The ladies in the kitchen did a great job again, thank you Betty, Shirley, Linda, Jo and Sheila. Please put this date in your diaries, 15th October, which is the date of our next quiz. We raised £220 for St. Mary's Church, so thank you very much.

Lynne and Jenny

THE Mandrake ROOT

Mandrake does have the most fearsome reputation. Its long, pointed root can grow three to four feet long. Members of ancient civilisations thought that the bifurcated hairy root looked like a devilish little person, sometimes male, sometimes female. The Romans believed mandrake could cure demonic possession, and the Greeks, for some reason, used it in love potions. It was also widely believed that the mandrake shrieked when it was pulled from the ground – so loudly that its screams would kill anyone who heard it. Animals such as a dog would be tied to the base of the plant with a rope. The owner would retreat to a safe distance. When the dog ran away, and pulled up the root, the owner would be safe but the dog would die.

Native to Europe, Mandrake (*Mandragora Officinarium*) is part of the notorious nightshade family which includes peppers, tomatoes, and potatoes, along with deadly nightshade and belladonna.

(With acknowledgement to Wicked Plants by Amy Stewart)

**SWAFFHAM PRIOR
ANNUAL VILLAGE ASSEMBLY**

**WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY 2016
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm**

AGENDA

Welcome & Apologies for Absence

Approval of Minutes of Meeting dated 27th May 2015

County Council Report

District Council Report

Parish Council Report

Additional Village Reports including:

The School & School Governors

Youth Club

Beaver, Cub & Scout Groups

Burwell Tigers Football Club

CIL Monies

The Community Land Trust

Village Hall Management Committee

Parochial Charities

Swaffham Prior Community Car Scheme

Update by Hill Residential on Development in Rogers Road

Open Question Time

BON MOT NUMBER SIXTY FIVE

**“It was very good of God to let Carlyle and
Mrs Carlyle marry one another and so make only
two people miserable instead of four.”**

Samuel Butler (1835-1902)

From our Reporter at the Parish Council Meeting

At this PC meeting I felt like a real newspaper hack. Going away early the next morning meant I had to get the copy into the editorial offices that night. I looked at the Agenda and said to Peter Rand sitting next to me in the Public Gallery – “This will take exactly 40 minutes”. And it would have done if someone had not wittered on – it took 41 minutes.

Public participation brought the aforesaid Peter to the fore. He is restoring the village sign and is doing a fantastic piece of work, though it is taking much longer than anticipated. But it is a labour of love, and for Peter it is “such a lovely sign.” Nearer the time of completion Peter will do a piece for the *Crier* explaining all the intricacies and challenges involved. He explained many of these to the PC who were dazzled. I shall not steal his thunder, but will pass on one piece of wisdom which is that epoxy resin is much better than Knotting if there is an especially awkward knot. He did ask if anyone had detailed photographs of the sign as quite a lot had rotted away and would need restoring. Steve said he has a number of close up photographs, which he would email through. While on stage, and wearing his Village Hall hat, Peter mentioned the holes in the Village Hall driveway and car park. Steve will ask Martin Meade to attend to them.



The minutes were approved after the extensive minute 1901 was replaced. Do read this in the Clerk's report as it is so very important for the village. David Brown of the CCC also mentioned some important developments and decisions, and villagers with an interesting mind will also wish to read this.

Mr Rigby of CCC transports had sent an email to David Brown on the previous day about parking at the school. I only partially heard his message but the PC response was not especially grateful, and, as one member said “It's like getting blood out of a stone”.

Lucy Frazer MP, offered to visit during the summer vacation. To say there was little interest would be exaggerating,. One member suggested it could be interesting to have a discussion and ask questions of a member of the governing party – but not a bit of it.

After much serious discussion £350 was awarded to the Queen's Birthday Celebration. Meantime another £24028.10p CIL money has come in.

Number 12 on the Agenda was “Councillor Vacancy”. How the tongues wagged around the village. “Who has gone do you think” and everyone went chugger, chugger – and got it wrong. It was in fact David Almond who has moved to Snailwell, though he hopes to be back one day. Mike Malster had in a letter already applied for the position but there is a procedure whereby the vacancy must be advertised for minimum of 28 days. The PC was very pleased to have one enthusiast on the list, and then worried if four wanted to apply and one asked for an election – “cor, we don't want that, it costs money”. Another method would be to interview each candidate in turn and then have a vote to elect the winner. That would make a very interesting report.

Normally “accounts for payment” is rather a boring formality. This time it was enlightening. There was a dispute between Steve and the Clerk over a cheque which the Clerk had made out. “Scrap that” said Steve and write a new one. This appeared to be a bit cavalier I thought as it had taken so long to get the last chequebook. The problem had occurred because HMRC is now doing its job extremely well in clawing back all the tax people have been avoiding.. One of the disputed cheques was made out for £45 to the Inland Revenue. No, no, said Steve, it has to be £45.10p because HMRC are claiming 10 pence which we underpaid a year or so ago.

There are always some gems in the “Clerk’s report” and the “Parish Councillor’s Reports”. Firstly it seems a man with a camera was seen prowling around Coopers Green. When accosted by a resident he said he was from the Planning Department and “I’m not going to tell what I’m doing” – so it was reported. (This is another reason why you should read 1901 of the Clerk’s minutes). Then concern was raised about the car for sale at the top of Cage Hill. ECDC had been contacted and we were told that the car was taxed, legal and on a piece of public land; and there was nothing that could be done about it. The Clerk suggested that an easy way to get rid of it would be to “buy it”.

The state of the cemetery tap and its problems was a long saga with Andrew Camps and Steve tackling the problem in their different ways – one with a big hammer and the other being more technical and getting wet. But, for the moment, all is now well. Mark mentioned the potential danger of moss on tarmac footpaths. Steve said a yearly spray is applied and he will remind ECDC Highways at Witchford about the need for a spray now. Sandra asked whether people are allowed to put dog poo in an ordinary bin. It appears they are, and this clears up a question that many people may have had.

At the very end Peter Rand asked whether the PC website could be linked up with the local Facebook which now includes 223 people. The PC thought it an interesting idea will look into it. I muttered to Peter that I was a bit nervous about Facebook, and he said “Don’t you think that people want to know what you had for breakfast.”

Alastair Everitt

New Whippet Bus Service 115

New trial bus service providing faster and direct journeys between **Newmarket Road Park & Ride** and **Addenbrooke’s Hospital**, via Barnwell Road, Sainsbury’s, Cambridge Leisure and Hills Road Sixth Form College.



St Cyriac's Church

with the Churches Conservation Trust

Pop Up Afternoon Tea Shop

Open 2pm to 5pm
 Saturday 14th May
 Saturday 28th May
 Pop in for tea and cake



Cantilena Summer Concert

'Give me some music'

Saturday 9 July, 7.30pm

Church of St Cyriac and St Julitta, Swaffham Prior, CB25 0LD

An evening of unaccompanied choral music in this beautiful ancient church in Swaffham Prior, celebrating the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death, the Queen's 90th birthday, and the 60th anniversary of Gerald Finzi's death. Featuring works by Finzi, Vaughan Williams, Byrd, Dowland, and John Rutter.

Director Daniel Spreadbury

Refreshments available.

Tickets £10 (free admission for under 18s) on the door or contact Caille Sugarman-Banazsak 01223 813918 or Steven Aronson 01223 812823

website: www.cantilenasingers.org

(Programme subject to change.)



Join POP (Proud of Prior)

for another

COMMUNITY LITTER PICK!

**Meet at the bottom of Cage Hill
Under the Village Sign**

**Saturday 14th May, 2016
10.00am**

**Accompanied Children Welcome
Hi Vis Jackets provided
You participate at your own risk
Your Safety is YOUR responsibility**



**Please bring your own gloves if you wish
All other equipment provided**

**Come and join friends and
Neighbours on this tidy up**

Look forward to seeing the results!



Saturday 21 May 2016
Swaffham Prior Village Hall

Village Feast

Feast opens at **1.30pm** with Maypole Dancing and closes at
4.00pm with the traditional Egg Throwing

* Barbecue * Bar * Cream teas *
* Fancy dress parade * Molly dancing *
* Fortune teller * Extreme bears *
* Treasure hunt * Gurning * Bowling *
* Tomobola * Book stall * Lucky dip *
Cake stall * Bric a brac * Raffle *
* Football * Stocks *



Plus more stalls and attractions and
the ever popular “Family challenge”

*All contributions for the book stall, bric a brac
and tombola gratefully received*

Saturday, 11th June, 2016



By kind permission of
Mrs Marcia Miller and Prof. Desmond McConnell
you are cordially invited to

Picnic & Proms in the Park

to celebrate the occasion of the 90th birthday of
her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
on Baldwin Manor Field, 80 High Street from 3pm to 6pm
followed by a post-proms party at The Red Lion

Booking forms (together with a
voluntary £5 donation) can be
collected c/o Well House, 50 High
Street

Dress: Crowns, tiaras, red/white /blue.

Bottisham Summer Evening Tennis

Bottisham Tennis recommences 27 April and then every summer Wednesday evening from 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm (cost £3 pp)

We play mixed doubles of a variable standard on the school carpet courts, usually 3 sets of 30 mins each, swapping at each changeover.

Players have to book by email each week to ensure we get 8 or 12 players. Bookings taken on a first come first served basis.

New players are welcome, please contact Charlie Platten to book (charlie.platten@gmail.com). NB, no bookings are taken through the school Sports Centre.

C Platten

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BULBECK



SUMMER
THEATRE

proudly presents

‘THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE’

by Gilbert and Sullivan

Wednesday 15th – Saturday 18th June 2015

Evening performances at 7.30pm and a Saturday matinée at 2.30pm

Doors open 45' before each performance

Downing Farm, Station Road, Swaffham Bulbeck, Cambridge CB25 0NW

Ticket prices Wednesday £8, Thursday £9, Friday and Saturday £10, matinée £7,

via our website www.sbsummertheatre.com

or from Caille Peri 07541 554845; e-mail sbst.tickets@gmail.com

On-site parking; facilities for wheelchair users; licensed bar

For further information contact Ruth Dennis on 01638 730659 or

info@sbsummertheatre.com



A Home Fit for an Owl - cont...

Our first update on the newly erected owl box in St Mary's churchyard reveals that a pair of Jackdaws have hijacked the box and have taken up residence! Nesting material was discovered around the tree very shortly after the box was installed close to the church, so sadly it is unlikely that there will be any Tawney Owls for us to observe at close quarters this year. Apparently it is quite common for this to happen, as both Tawney Owls and Jackdaws favour the same style accommodation, so we will not interfere but wait patiently until next year. However, I'm reliably informed, that if an owl wants that box badly enough, those Jackdaws will be "evicted". We will have to wait and see.

Janet Willmott

SWAFFHAM PRIOR PARISH COUNCIL

Councillor Vacancy

If you are interested in becoming a councillor, then please contact the parish clerk. Your time will be well spent and there are no real barriers to becoming a councillor. The council usually meet on the second Thursday in the month for no more than two hours depending on what needs to be discussed and council meetings are open to the public.

A parish, town or community council is the closest level of local government to the community. It is a local authority in its own right that makes decisions on behalf of the residents in its “parish” and has a District/County or Unitary authority hierarchy that sits above it. Councillors are elected but are unpaid for their time. Becoming a parish, town or community councillor is a rewarding experience and often described by those that get involved as a way of giving something back to their community.

Qualifications - any person can be elected as a councillor if they are

1. a British national, commonwealth citizen or a euro-national on the day they are nominated *and*
2. 18 years of age or over *and*
- 3 a) on the day they are nominated and thereafter they continue to be a local government elector for the area of the authority *or*
- 3 b) has during the whole of the twelve months preceding that day occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in that area *or*
- 3 c) their principal or only place of work during that twelve months has been in that area *or*
- 3 d) during the whole of those twelve months has resided in that area *or*
- 3 e) in the case of a member of a parish, town or community council has during the whole of those twelve months resided either in the parish or community or within three miles of it

Disqualification

A person is however disqualified from being elected or being a councillor if they

- a) hold any paid employment or office in the authority that they seek election *or*
- b) are the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or other interim order *or*
- c) have within five years before the day of election or since their election been convicted of any offence and has had passed on them a sentence of imprisonment of at least three months (whether suspended or not) without the option of a fine *or*
- d) has been found guilty of corrupt or illegal practices or responsible for incurring unlawful expenditure and the court ordered their disqualification.

Paul Catling – Clerk to the Parish Council:

Tel: 07040 908743 (Voice Mail only). **Email:** clerk@swaffham-prior.co.uk

Website: <http://www.swaffham-prior.co.uk/pc/>

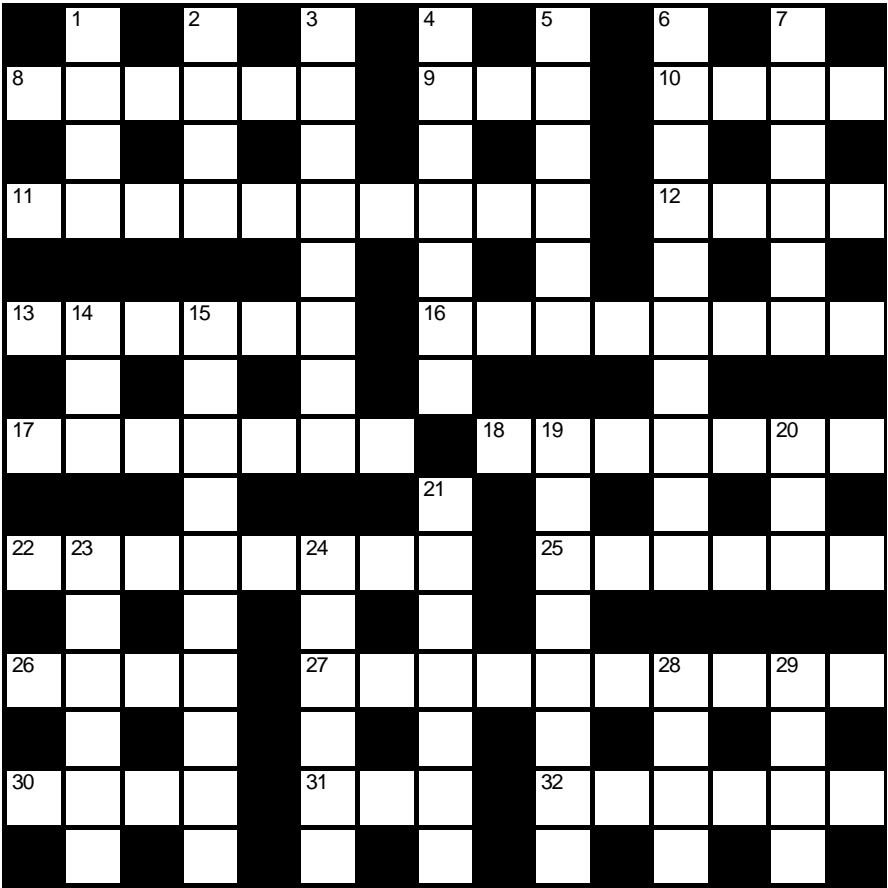
Crossword Number 131

Compiled by

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OUNCE

This month's puzzle is a simple cryptic crossword. Send your answers to the editors by 18 May 2016. The first correct solution out of the hat will win a free Sunday lunch main course for two next month at the Red Lion (generously donated by the pub management). See full terms and conditions on the Crier web site and overleaf.



Name:.....		
Address:.....		
.....		Tel:.....

Across

- 8 Capital to find chav a natty tie (6)
- 9 Spoil Mother, we hear... (3)
- 10 ...and hear again admirer of Narcissus (4)
- 11 Resolved, Nauru veto a decorative style (3,7)
- 12 Thrown cubes are cold (4)
- 13 Straggle about with both paws (6)
- 16 Rusty, at a crumbling collection of figures (8)
- 17 Atwood's work used as road marker (7)
- 18 Unfortunate disease at marine resort (7)
- 22 Current verses about deep crack (8)
- 25 Tin or letter, for example, as first batsman (6)
- 26 Achiever in Colorado eruption (4)
- 27 Chef Ben ran awkwardly for vegetable (6,4)
- 30 Originally make elements liquid, to 6D (4)
- 31 Pull ear (3)
- 32 Dull and heavy, Potter's Mr Fox follows direction to heartless chap (6)
- 7 Old Harry did everything amiss, ruining the start it's said, in mild dismay (2,4)
- 14 Green when bird abandons flashy bird (3)
- 15 State categorically that donkey joins first lady with speed (10)
- 19 Cerise symbol of Chinese zodiac used to expel evil spirit (8)
- 20 The German cutting tool (3)
- 21 Author Jules, for example, bent on reprisal (7)
- 23 Troublemaker in fatal chariot error (6)
- 24 Cunning! Article, iron, enters without risk (6)
- 28 Rings British Telecom to order footwea. (4)
- 29 "Jason's Ship" wins Oscar (4)

Down

- 1 Just blonde (4)
- 2 Fruitless American states (4)
- 3 Limo leaves calamitously mangled TV series (8)
- 4 Plunge 999 meters before Queen's final score (7)
- 5 Injury when Garfunkel returns Thurman (6)
- 6 30A processed 12A sequel (10)

Solution to crossword no. 130

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We congratulate Jo Pumfrey, the winner of last month's competition, who will receive her prize certificate from the editors. Honourable mentions go to Jenny Brand, Robert Nunn, Sue Richards, Grant Smith and Trish Whitehead.

Ways and Means

In Fenland, should you need to move
by land, you'd likely take a *drove*,
but if by water's your abode
you'll find you're living on a *lode* -
a *staithe* that is, for Norfolk folk
who seem quite happy up a *loke*
bedecked with couch grass, docks and fennel
you'd not see in a northern *gennel*.
In southern parts, the climate's fine
but watch your back in Blackgang *Chine*,
whereas, in Scotland, you will find,
what we call *alley*, they call *wynd*.
The Scousers' *ennog* is a *jitty*
to a Brummie, in their city,
whilst the worthy folk of York
will call them *snickets* when they talk
of what a Sussex burgher calls
a *twitten*, if between two walls.
Enquiring of a narrow lane
could really drive you quite insane
or round what Dundee calls the *pend*
but Geordies know as *chare*. You'll end,
if you're not careful, on a road
that proves the wrong and wynding lode.

Wulsin

The Alzheimer Story. A Sufferer's Request?

Do not ask me to remember;
Don't try to make me understand.
Let me rest and know you're with me;
Kiss my cheek, and hold my hand.

I'm confused beyond your concept;
I'm sad and sick and lost.
All I know is that I need you,
To be with me at all cost.

Do not lose your patience with me.
Do not scold nor curse nor cry.
I can't help the way I'm acting,
can't be different if I try.

Just remember that I need you;
That the best of me is gone.
Please don't fail to stand beside me,
Love me 'till my life is gone.

Anon

Best Wishes from,
The Isle of Skye.
Ophir.

The Saffham Crier Crossword Terms and Conditions

1. The prize is a free Sunday lunch main course at the Red Lion public house in Saffham Prior for the winner and one guest. This prize is generously donated by the management of the Red Lion whose decision in all matters relating to the prize is final.
2. The prize certificate must be presented to the Red Lion before taking the meal.
3. The certificate is valid for the calendar month following that in which the crossword appeared: i.e. February for January's crossword, etc. The expiry date for this certificate is printed on the front of the certificate.
4. The certificate is not transferable.
5. The certificate is only valid if it has been signed by the Crier Editor or Crossword Editor.

EVERYBODY IS DOING IT

Yes, everyone is celebrating the 400 years since the death of Shakespeare – arguably the world’s greatest playwright. Therefore it is a good year to raise a number of questions about this quite extraordinary man. Below, very much in brief, I raise just a few of the questions which have never been explained.

1. Not one play, not one poem, not one letter in Mr Shakespeare’s own hand has ever been found. This is in spite of his time being divided between London and Stratford when some kind of correspondence may be thought to have been a necessity.
2. His will mentions no books, plays, poems, or literary effects of any kind. Nor does it mention his shares in the Globe and Blackfriars theatres.
3. He grew up in an illiterate household. Both his parents witnessed documents with a mark.
4. His two daughters were both illiterate.
5. We know nothing of Shakespeare’s childhood, upbringing or possible schooling from 1565- 1581. The only references are to his baptism in April 1564 and his marriage licence in November 1582.
6. Then come what are known as the “lost years”, 1585-1593. 1593 was the year when the polished *Venus and Adonis* was published.
7. Neither his family nor anyone else in Stratford knew he was a playwright or poet.
8. The works show an extensive knowledge of law, philosophy, classical literature, history, mathematics, astronomy, art, music, medicine, horticulture, heraldry; of military and naval terminology and tactics; of etiquette and manners of the nobility; of English, French and Italian Court life; of Italy; and of pastimes such as falconry, equestrian sports and royal tennis.
9. The works are based on a myriad of ancient and modern sources, including works only available in French, Italian, Latin and Greek.

So little is known about Shakespeare, apart from a number of business dealings (some very petty), allowing scholars a wonderful never ending opportunity to fill the famous “lost years” with whatever conjecture they wish. And they do.

This is my second foray in the *Crier* into what is known widely as the “Authorship Question”. Last time it was hotly contested by one, who, towards the end, produced what he thought would be a conclusive argument. “What do we know about Chaucer?” he triumphantly asked. Oh dear, what a question, when so much is known about Chaucer. At the other end of the scale, very eminent historians respond to the “Authorship Question” by saying that Shakespeare was “a natural genius”. As far as they are concerned, the phrase “natural genius” answers all the points raised above.

I have mentioned only a fraction of the questions about Shakespeare’s authorship. Perhaps the simplest one to answer first, would be, why he allowed his two daughters to remain illiterate.

Meanwhile, the celebration of the world’s greatest playwright continues – quite rightly.

Alastair Everitt

Etheldreda Craft & Food Fair

Sat 4th June
Palace Green, Ely
10am – 5pm



40 Stalls, Traditional Games, Raffle,
Champagne and Pimms,
Afternoon Teas

in aid of Ely Cathedral Choir Tour Fund



LODE HALF MARATHON & 3 MILE FAMILY FUN RUN (ARC Race Permit No. 16/268)

****CHIP TIMING FOR BOTH HALF MARATHON AND FUN RUN****

The 6TH Lode Half Marathon is fast approaching and this year our charity is the Arthur Rank Hospice (charity no. 1133354). Over the last 5 years we have had great support and raised over £15000 for charity and local causes.

ENTRY is now open so if you are a runner please get your entry in as soon as possible. If you are not a runner but would like to help with **stewarding** please get in touch.

It is being held on **Sunday 6th November 2016** at 10 a.m. - our race HQ is the Passage Hall in Lode. The Family Fun Run will start at 10.15 a.m. The course is flat and takes you from Lode village, along the "Lodes Way" to Wicken Fen and back, with water stations along the way. Trophies will be awarded and each runner who completes the course will receive a medal.

(see our website for further details and on-line booking form -

www.loderunners.co.uk or contact Tessa Shrubbs on 01223 811812 or email: lode-farm@aol.com)

Many thanks to the following companies who are sponsoring this year's event:

Mead Construction & Plant Hire from Swaffham Prior, **Bush Sales, Ridgeons Timber & Builders Merchants, Halls of Cambridge, Bottisham Village Stores, Sweatshop Cambridge.**

ASCENSION DAY

7.30pm

Communion service

Thursday May 5th

St Cyriac & St Julitta's Church
Swaffham Prior

Palestrina's Mass and motet:
Ascendo ad Patrem

Phillips'
*Ascendit
Deus*

sung from
the Tower



Gibbons'
*O clap
your hands*

Conductor:
Ian de Massini



Your local family friendly **LodeStar Festival** begins Friday 2nd of September!!!

LodeStar brings you the very latest National and International acts and in its eight year it has grown by word of mouth and support from the community, that's you! Gates open at 10am and close Monday 5th September at Noon.

Book your tickets now online www.lodestarfestival.com or phone 01223 813 318.

The Festival has grown enormously booking international headliners such as Sir Bob Geldof, Catfish And The Bottlemen and Razorlight. Book tickets to LodeStar 2016 and start your 3 days and 3 nights journey now to discover:

- Exciting new artists performing live music
- Family fun on a large wide open completely flat lawn-like fields
- Creative crafts and colourful market stalls
- Great workshops
- Captivating theatre and top entertainment
- Explore outdoor activities
- Amazing quality food and drink
- Chilliest camping area and the warmest atmosphere
- Archery
- Power kiting
- Face painting and more right on your doorstep!

Drinks from the local Calvors Brewery 'LodeStar' golden pale ale, English lager, Aspoll's cider and a host of bespoke caterers offering wholesome tasty food at reasonable prices!

What do people say about Lodestar?

"A real gem of a Festival. Cutting edge music with relaxed and friendly atmosphere" Anthony from festival kidz

Affordable 3 or 1 day tickets, 15-17yrs reduced, 14yrs and under **FREE!**

LodeStar Festival "for lovers of life" not to be missed, **Book now!**



Going to Church

In the process of updating our Electoral Roll, we have discovered that there are people in the village who would like to go to a church service but are unable to get there, whether to a service in another church in the Benefice or one in St Mary's. To address this, we have set up a designated phone number for you to call which is:

07553 151585

If you would like a lift or just want somebody to go with you to church please ring and we'll make the necessary arrangements. There is no charge for this service.

[NB This is separate from SPCCS, the village car scheme]



Cambridgeshire Handyperson Service

Age UK Cambridgeshire are delighted to offer a new Handyperson service covering the whole of Cambridgeshire. The service is aimed at people aged 65 and over or those with a disability. The new service is now up and running.

An Age UK Trusted Assessor will visit you in your own home to complete a Well-being and Home Check assessment. Grab rails can be provided and installed free of charge and any handyperson works will incur a charge of **£25** per hour plus the cost of the materials used. We are also able to offer Keysafe installations which will be charged at **£45** including supply of the item. All works will be carried out by approved Age UK contractors.

Examples of the types of handyperson works we can offer are:

- Fixing dripping taps
- Making telephone cables and extensions safe
- Changing light bulbs (unless these can be fitted during the Home Assessment)
- Replacing a fuse
- Small carpentry work
- Changing curtains
- Hanging pictures
- Putting up shelves

The above list is by no means exhaustive, and if there are any other small jobs you feel we can help you with please get in touch with us and ask.

To make a referral to the Handyperson service on or after 1st April please call our Handyperson team on **01480 700205** or our Helpline on **0300 666 9860**.

WI Notes

Barbara Redman (teebeecrafts.com), from Burwell, gave us a "master class" on making fabric necklaces and broaches. We had a great deal of fun with our beautiful beads, buttons and Liberty fabrics because of Barbara's excellent tuition.

At the end of the evening, which of course included, teas, delicious cakes and a raffle, we all went home proudly wearing our new creations.

At our next meeting, on 16th May, Alison Wright, from Fitzbillies, is coming to talk about the famous Cambridge bakery that she and her husband, now run.

She may be persuaded to bring along a tray of their amazing Chelsea buns!

Please contact Pat Cook, if you are interested in coming along or joining.

Margaret Joyce

FREECYCLE



If you have any offers or wants, please contact me by the 14th of each month by phone (c813362), e-mail (jun.thompson@tiscali.co.uk) or drop a note through the letter box (23 Longmeadow). Please let me know if you would like anything repeating in subsequent issues. Everything is free and nothing is expected in return. Please can you contact the offers after the 1st of the month to make it a little fairer.

Offered

- Good quantity of clean screw-top jam jars. Mike 01223 811606
- Pine effect shoe cabinet (2-drawer), height 34", width 26". Marian 01223 812010
- 5 demi-johns for wine-making. Mike 01223 811606
- Bisley metal filing cupboard, 65"h x 36"w x 18"d, 3 shelves, coffee & cream colour, no lock to doors. Small fireguard. Jackie/Tim 01223 813815.

Wanted

- Redundant (could be dysfunctional) Ladders. Nicole 01223 812363
- Wanted any old (or new, lol) computers or laptops or monitors to build a computer for my son. Anything at all even an old laser printer or Atari or even an Amiga and Sinclair spectrum. Also old software of ANY sort. Joseph, 07341971330
- Old tools, garage items and anything classic car related. Ray 01223 813117.
- Your old light fittings, brown Bakelite switches, iron conduit and switches, bulb holders and holders. Sheets and bits of bakelite. Postcard rack (carousel if possible). George 07895 064727.



Anglesey Group Mothers' Union

We welcomed Elizabeth Caswell as guest speaker at the February Meeting. She gave us a most interesting talk about the 'Family Tree' of the Church in this country and how it came to have the shape it does. Looking at how the Church first began with Jesus and branched out with his disciples - forming the roots (foundation) of the Tree. We reflected on the differences between denominations over the years how this has changed and created branches of the Tree. Elizabeth shared with us one of her own personal experiences of the Tree changing shape. She trained as a Congregational Church minister, but in 1972 The Congregational Church of England and Wales united with the Presbyterian Church of England and became The United Reformed Church, resulting in Elizabeth becoming a URC minister. Elizabeth also gave us a short time to reflect on and discuss with fellow members our own personal Church Tree and the shape it has formed over the years.

In March we held our Spring Social afternoon and Bring and Buy Stall. Mothers' Union is Celebrating its' 140th Anniversary this year, and members used their creative skills to make bunting and paper-chains in preparation for forthcoming events. These were used to decorate St. James' Church, Lode for the Deanery Lady Day Service on Monday 4th April. Later in the year we will be using them for our Celebration Tea in August and Deanery Coffee morning in October. A total sum of £60 was raised on the Bring and Buy Stall.

Our meetings take place on the third Thursday of the month at 2.30pm in Lode Chapel.

Wendy Lovell is our guest speaker on 19th May, and she will be speaking to us about 'A Day in London'. You are most welcome to come along and join us.

Ann Langran



VILLAGE GARDENERS

The speaker for our April meeting was Peter Green, a volunteer speaker for the National Trust and in his talk 'Wicken Fen Past, Present and Future', he gave us the benefit of his enormous knowledge of the area. Wicken Fen was actually one of the first properties acquired by the National Trust and is looked after according to their ethos of 'Caring for Special Places for ever for Everyone'.

Peter took us back to the end of the last Ice Age; as the ice retreated, the area became forested but as the rivers flowing into the Wash flooded it became bog land overgrown with sedges and reeds, the partial degradation of which eventually formed the peat fen - a wet, boggy, hostile and dangerous environment. In the Bronze Age settlements appeared on the clay mounds, such as at Ely, since they formed good defensive positions.

After the country became Christian the Church claimed ownership of the fens and made the first, fairly unsuccessful attempts to drain the area. Later, Henry V111

took the land from the churches and gave to his friends, including the Duke of Bedford who recruited the Adventurers, a group of wealthy individuals willing to finance the fen drainage. Eventually, in the seventeenth century, Vermuyden was brought over from Holland and given the task of draining the Cambridgeshire fens - a huge undertaking, which he managed very successfully and what he did then still keeps the area dry today. However, thanks to the excellent drainage, the peat dried out and much of it has disappeared today in the infamous 'Fen Blows'. Much of the land therefore ended up below the level of the drainage system and wind pumps had to be built to solve the problem. The last remaining wind pump is actually at Wicken Fen. Nowadays electric pumps have taken over.

Wicken Fen was one of only four areas left undrained. It is home to over 9,000 species of plant and animal life, of which 600 are endangered including, surprisingly, meadow thistle! It is, therefore, a highly protected area, including the original, historic droves through the sedge fen which the National Trust cuts in strips on a three year cycle. Wicken Fen is surrounded by lower, drier, agricultural land and the famous (or infamous) Hundred Year Vision is to acquire the land between Wicken and Anglesey Abbey to return it to wet grassland in order to provide new habitat for wildlife and, in an increasingly urbanised area, to provide access for visitors to nature and green space. New routes are being made for walkers, cyclists and horses, along with bird hides and a wild camping area. Education is important to the National Trust and Wicken Fen hosts fifty to sixty school visits each year, mainly in the summer term. There are also many events for families and children in the holidays. This very informative talk was illustrated throughout, often with very beautiful photographs.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 17 May, as usual at 8pm in the Village Hall, when David Hack from the BTO will talk on how to 'Make Your Garden Count'. Visitors are always welcome.

Mary Hart

News from Bottisham Medical Practice Patients' Group

Dispensary: Thank you to the patients who heeded the "Get your repeat prescription in early for Easter" advice. This made the dispensary service run much more smoothly during this busy period.

AGM and Talk: The Patients' group AGM will have taken place on 28th April with a talk on supporting carers. More details in next month's magazine.

Practice notice board: The new theme on the practice notice board this time is Hay fever and the time of year. If you visit the waiting room, there is a lot of useful information to read.

Patients' Group: The Patients' Group would be delighted to hear from you – please see the notice board in the waiting room for details, speak to the receptionist or look at the practice's website for further information

<http://www.mysurgerywebsite.co.uk/ppg.aspx?p=D81055>

and see what your Patients' Group has achieved.

Walks for Health: The next walks with our accredited walk leader Steve Gilson start at 11.00 am from the surgery car park on, 13th and 25th May, 10th and 22nd June, 8th and 20th July. Anglesey Abbey walks continue on Thursdays at 10am from the reception area.

Next Meeting: Patients' Group will meet on 26th May at 6.30pm at the surgery. Come along to learn more about the Patient Group or if you would like to join us.

Bottisham Patients' Group

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY BOTANIC GARDENS

A celebration of plants.....



May is probably the best month of the year to visit most British gardens – the spring tulips are still out, but joined by irises and the early summer flowers, creating a mass of colour and hopefully some warm sunshine too. The Cambridge University Botanic Garden is no different, and in spring we particularly celebrate our flowering trees as well as our herbaceous plants. But the Botanic

Garden isn't just about the beauty of plants, it's also an important focus for plant science research, particularly in Cambridge but also around the world. The Garden's collection of 8000 species are used by researchers exploring how plants work, how they evolved, how they are related to each other, and how they can be used to address global problems as challenging as food security and climate change. Some of the species we grow are the focus of conservation projects because they are so rare, some are the focus of projects to extend the range and yield of important crops. And on May 14th 2016 we hope you will visit the Garden to find out about all of these exciting projects. Our annual Festival of Plants is a celebration of all things plant, and combines great stalls from specialist nurseries with activities for the children, folk music on the main lawn, free tours and talks, all underpinned by the opportunity to find out more about the plants we grow and the science they support. And of course, the Garden will be at its best too, so please do come along and enjoy the atmosphere.

Professor Beverley Glover
Director of the Garden

RAISING THE ROOF CONCERT

Jesus Lane Friends Meeting Appeal

Saturday June 4th 3-5.30pm

Friend's Meeting House 12 Jesus Lane Cambridge CB5 8BA

Join us on 4th June for the 3rd Fundraiser for our Meeting House

Summer Concert 3.00 - 4.00 pm

Young Pianists perform a selection of pieces by Mozart, Schumann, Kabalevsky, Rachmaninov, Benjamin et al.

A young Soprano presents some favourite repertoire, and Frank Hopkirk (Bass) sings three Shakespeare Songs by Finzi, both accompanied by Celia Waterhouse

Followed by an Amazing Afternoon Tea in our Atmospheric & Friendly Pop-up Café.

Rich Braun/Ione Evans

*Email: evans.braun@btinternet.com
or telephone 01223 812115*





District Council Report April 2016



£122,000 Rural Grant

As I reported last month, East Cambs District Council has been awarded this grant by Central Government, and that it would be administrated by the Commercial Services Committee which discussed it at our meeting on March 15th.

Its details are as follows:

It will be divided equally between 42 Parishes, giving each Parish £2904-00. This Rural services Grant can only be spent on initiatives that benefit the community and each Parish Council will be required to submit an annual report to the district council to demonstrate how this grant has been spent. If a group of Parish Councils wanted to join together to spend this money on a larger project, it would be approved by the District Council. The spending of the grant is not time related. The District Council is waiting to hear when we will be receiving this grant.

Swaffham Prior Community Land Trust Houses

I am pleased to see that the most of these eight houses and bungalows are now occupied. This is a District Council initiative and we hope to have many such sites in the district, thereby creating houses that are affordable to people on modest incomes it is a sad fact that more and more young people can only ever afford to rent, so it is our duty to provide for them. According to the Halifax house price survey, in 2001 the average house cost 3.2 times the cost of the average wage-today it is 5.5 times.

In Cambridge during the last twenty years the average house has increased by 414% from £70,000 to £360,000. The cost and availability of houses is fast becoming our greater social issue.

Allen Alderson

County Council Annual Report 2015/16

In 2015/16 I had the honour of being re-elected as Vice-Chairman of the Children and Young People Committee. I served on the Staffing and Appeals Committee, General Purposes Committee and Constitution and Ethics Committee. I sat on a number of assessment panels to recommend academy sponsors for a number of new schools. I also chaired the Corporate Parenting Board, represented the County Council on the advisory Board of Cambridgeshire Coram Adoption and served on the Next Steps Board for improving Children's Services.

Business planning took up a considerable time during the year, grappling with the need to provide services at a time of continuing budget pressures. This culminated in a 12-hour meeting of Council in February 2016, when we were eventually able to agree a balanced budget, including an additional 2% adult social care precept.

2015 also saw the County Council agree a trial arrangement with Peterborough City Council to share a Chief Executive.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England has been considering the future make up of Cambridgeshire County Council, seeking to reduce the number of divisions from 69 to 63. The current proposal would see the Burwell division merge into a 2 member division including part of Soham and the Fordham villages. The final decision is unlikely before September 2016.

Locally I have been involved in a number of issues, including: the proposed expansions of Bottisham and Burwell Village Colleges; Burwell Sports Centre; a variety of highway issues including reporting problems and chasing up items such as a new crossing for Swaffham Bulbeck and parking problems in Swaffham Prior.

It has been a pleasure and honour to represent the people of Burwell, Reach, Swaffham Bulbeck and Swaffham Prior over the last year and I look forward to continuing to do so in the coming year.

David Brown

Notes from the Parish Council March Meeting

John Covill chaired the meeting with 8 Parish Councillors and 18 members of the public in attendance. The meeting started at 7.30pm.

The start of the meeting was delayed to allow a presentation by JLL and the owner of the land regarding the proposed development on Mill Hill.

Members' Declaration of Interest for Items on the Agenda + Requests for Dispensation: None.

Public Participation: None

Reports:

CCC Matters: Cllr David Brown's written report was read to the meeting by The Clerk.

ECDC Matters: Cllr Allen Alderson reported to the meeting. Mark Lewinski asked about the Rural Grant awarded to ECDC by central government and if it was a balanced budget. Allen Alderson said it was a balanced budget, given to small villages and equated to £2904 per parish, available for any provable needy cause. Mark Lewinski asked why, in times of cut backs, this money was being handed out. Allen Alderson said he would report back after the meeting on the 15th March of the Commercial Services Committee, which he is on, who administer the fund.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

Steve Kent-Phillips agreed to add the archived documents receipt, recently provided in electronic form by The Clerk to the Web site. He also added that the Daffodil planting to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations would be added to list for consideration at the AVA.

Correspondence for Circulation/Consideration

All correspondence was noted except:

A request for financial assistance with the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations. It was agreed to add an agenda item for the next meeting. CLT: one of the properties was unexpectedly available. Allen Alderson asked if anyone had moved in yet, David Greenfield said not yet but there would be a 'photo opportunity soon, when they did.

Consideration of planning applications

42 Lower end – erection of one and a half storey dwelling plus associated works – 16/00213/OUT – no objections were proposed.

1 Orchard Close proposed loft conversion – 16/00014/FUL – no objections were proposed.

Station Road – consider parking restrictions

It was agreed to escalate the chasing of James Rigney's response Via Cllr David Brown.

CIL Monies

Steve Kent-Phillips reported the results of the tennis court research. £28K to install and £18K over 10 years to maintain. The other projects were discussed including the Station Road path. It was agreed to put all projects forward to the village at the AVA except the tennis court as it was a large part of the budget, not as

inclusive as the other options and had a high on-going cost. Mark Lewinski asked if Reach had access to more funds that Swaffham Prior, it was suggested that they had a tennis club to manage the facility and Reach Fair assisted greatly with funds. David Greenfield read out the final list and Steve Kent-Phillips agreed to publish. Allen Alderson noted how successful the Swaffham Bulbeck outdoor table tennis table had been and Peter Hart asked for the list to be sent to the Crier as part of the AVA notice.

Street Lighting

Paul Latchford said he was had talked to someone at CCC regarding Balfour Beatty issuing a licence allowing Electrical Testing to work on the UK Power Net. ET had also said they will still honour the original quote and Paul Latchford was hopeful of a resolution at the next meeting.

Approval of New Play Area Gates

Steve Kent-Phillips said that Borley Bothers' gates will meet the RoSPA criteria with the addition of a rubber door stop. It was agreed to go ahead with the work.

Discuss Action arising from Parish Conference held 18/02/2016 (Local Plan Review).

David Greenfield was present at the meeting on February 18 and reported to the meeting. The first round is in progress and involves proposals for additional housing and employment sites, changes to the development envelope and addition of open/green spaces within the plan. The district requirement for 2018 – 2036 is 12800 homes of which sites for 8000 have been identified, leaving a shortfall of 4000. Actually in 2014 – 2015 only 183 new homes were built. This lack of development has resulted in the current plan being questioned as in the case of the Government Inspector approving a development in Witchford, not in the plan and outside the Village Envelope. Paul Latchford asked if sites were not being developed because the sites were not where development was wanted. Paul Latchford suggested that it was possible for developers to hold back therefore getting behind and thus causing some developments to get through. David Greenfield said that some sites may be removed causing an even greater shortfall for needed sites. For this reason, we should respond to 3 of the 4 Consultation Documents/Forms B, C & D by March 24th.

ECDC was considering the new plan around 4 development options 1) Proportionate Settlement Growth 2) Infrastructure & Accessibility Lead Growth 3) Prioritise Larger Settlements and 4) Prioritise Growth in Ely & Villages within 3 miles of Ely.

David Greenfield explained that Swaffham Prior had been upgraded from a 'Small Village' to a 'Medium Village'. Peter Hart asked why the upgrade. David Greenfield said ECDC had a new policy for determining settlement, The Settlement Hierarchy and the Countryside Policy LP3 and based on certain criteria, over 600 residents and a primary school has resulted in this change for Swaffham Prior.

David Greenfield said that we need to respond to 3 of the forms were not too difficult, so they should be completed; Form A – The Structure of the Plan - any response could take weeks to prepare, Form B – involved suggestions for housing & employment sites, Form C – changes to the village envelope, Form D – proposed

open/green spaces within the village. Paul Latchford noted the village envelope relating to the planning application should be considered. David Greenfield suggested adding a comment to the Lower End planning application reply, suggesting the village envelope is straightened, to tie in with the application, David Greenfield agreed to complete Form C to this end. Form B would be completed to include the current Rogers Road and Heath Road (SWP1 & SWP2) sites and Form D with 4 green space proposals, one specifically to protect (unfettered) wind for the windmill and the sensitive visual edge status. Mark Lewinski asked if we could suggest any green spaces, the football pitch, Coopers Green and Town Close were proposed.

Accounts for payment

These were all agreed.

Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported a resident's concern about repeated dog mess (not removed by the owner) on Coopers Green that had stopped when a certain visiting dog and its owners had left the village but that the problem still did exist at a general but lesser level.

Parish Councillors' Reports

Mark Lewinski reported that the Village Hall Committee had heard about proposals to remove trees from the Hall front and drive (there were no current plans to do this). Paul Latchford reported a miss-print in The Crier and that the next Flag to be raised will be for Empire Day not Commonwealth Day. John Covill said something nice about Barclays Bank.

Open Question Time

Alastair Everitt asked if Lucy Frazer was of any use regarding the A14 crisis. Paul Latchford said no. Peter Hart said that they were working at night. Alastair Everitt mentioned the AGM and the Gaye Bullied award. Sandra Gynn said that she would manage the nominations, so please send any to Sandra Gynn. Paul Latchford asked why Burwell was not a town.

If anyone would like further information on any of the above items, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk.

Future meeting dates:

May 12th (including AGM), June 9th 2016. All are welcome to attend.

Paul Catling – Clerk to the Parish Council:

Tel: 07040 908743 (Voice Mail only).

Email: clerk@swaffham-prior.co.uk

Website: <http://www.swaffham-prior.co.uk/pc/>

Church Services in May

at St Mary's, Swaffham Prior
unless otherwise indicated



Sunday 1 May, Sixth Sunday of Easter

11am Matins

Thursday 5 May, Ascension Day

7.30pm Holy Communion with Cambridge Voices, St Cyriacs

Sunday 8 May, Rogation Sunday Third Sunday of Easter

11am Open Air Service for all the family – Commissioner's Farm Cottage, Swaffham Prior Fen; meet outside St Mary's at 10.50am to travel in convoy

Sunday 15 May, Pentecost

9.30am Benefice Service - Holy Communion (CW1), *Quy*

11am Benefice All Age Service, *Swaffham Bulbeck*

Sunday 22 May, Trinity Sunday

9.30am Benefice Service - Holy Communion (CW1T)

11am Benefice All Age Service, *Bottisham*

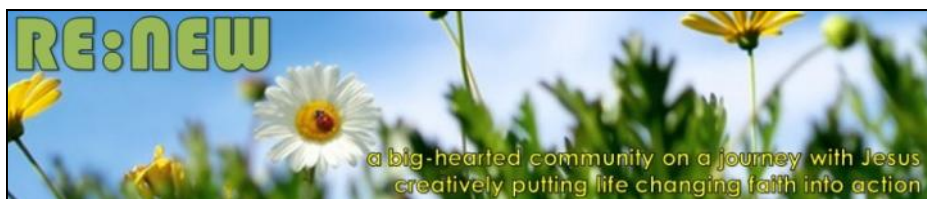
Sunday 29 May, First Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

6pm Choral Evensong, with Choir

Would you like a lift to a service in Swaffham Prior or elsewhere in the Benefice? It makes sense to share cars and can be reassuring to go into church with someone else.

Please be in touch and we will do our best to arrange a free lift: 07553 151585



Hold on to what gives you life ...

"During the bombing raids on World War II, thousands of children were orphaned and left to starve. The fortunate ones were rescued and placed in refugee camps where they received food and good care. But many of these children who had lost so much could not sleep at night. They feared waking up to find themselves once again homeless and without food. Nothing seemed to reassure them. Finally, someone hit upon the idea of giving each child a piece of bread to hold at bedtime. Holding their bread, these children could finally sleep in peace. All through the night the bread reminded them, "Today I ate and I will eat again tomorrow."'" (Linn, Sleeping with Bread, p.1)

This excerpt is from a book that has really impacted my life. I can imagine the sense of peace and stillness in the camp on the night the children first had the opportunity to hold onto something life-giving rather than the fear, uncertainty, pain and sadness - things that do not give life.

The book centres around 2 questions:

1. For what moment today are you most grateful?
2. For what moment today are you least grateful?

I don't always immediately recognise the significance of words shared or events that occur. Sometimes it's only after taking time to reflect over my day that I'm reminded. I always thank God for the joyful moments in my day, and try to thank the people who have been involved too.

A friend of mine has been working in Calais with Syrian refugees; in a conversation about why they risk their lives hiding in or under lorries attempting to get to England, the refugees responded, '*We are dead already, we have lost everything, we are worthless*'. I find this heartbreaking. I pray that these refugees would have the equivalent of a chunk of bread to hold through the night, something that gives them hope, something that gives them life.

I want to be involved in conversations and actions that cause people, on reflection, to be grateful for the moments we shared that day. What can you say today? What can you do to bring joy to someone, to make peace? Think over the last day or so. For what are you most grateful? Give thanks. For what are you least grateful? It's important to recognise these moments, learn from them; move forward holding on to what gives life.

At RENEW we share our good news stories, and our struggles when we gather for worship. You would be made very welcome at any of our services.

Thank you for reading!

Alan

RE:NEW Services in May 2016.

We have activities for children and young people at all our morning services.

A crèche is available if required. All are welcome.

*1st May. 10.30am – RE:NEW The Bigger Picture. With Communion
(Bottisham Primary School)*

8th May. 10.30am – RE:NEW Café style (at the School)

8th May. 6.20pm – Traditional service. (Lode Chapel)

15th May. 10.30am – RE:NEW The Bigger Picture (at the School)

22nd May. 10.30am – RE:NEW The Bigger Picture (at the School)

22nd May. 6.20 pm – Traditional service. (Lode Chapel)

29th May. 10.30 am. - RE:NEW The Bigger Picture (at the School)

For more information about any of the activities of RE:NEW please contact:

Rev. Alan Brand on C.812558. Email: alanbrand77@icloud.com

or Peter Wells on C.812388. Email: pandawells@cheerful.com

Or visit our website at www.re-new.me.uk

Dates for Your Diary May 2016

Thu	5	Ascension Day Communion Service, 7:30pm
Fri	6	Swaffham Bulbeck Quiz, SB School Hall, 7:30pm
Thu	12	PC Meeting, VH, 8pm
Sat	14	Community Litter Pick, 10:00am Pop-Up Tea Shop, St Cyriac's, 2:00-5:00pm
Mon	16	WI, Village Hall, 7:30pm
Tue	17	Mobile Library, Cage Hill 2.45-3.15pm, Chapel 3.20-4.00pm Village Gardeners, Village Hall, 8:00pm
Wed	18	Village Assembly, Village Hall, 7:30pm <i>Crier</i> Copy Deadline
Thu	19	Mothers Union, Lode Chapel, 2:30pm
Sat	21	Village Feast, Village Hall, 1:30pm
Thu	26	Bottisham Patients Group, Bottisham Surgery, 6:30pm
Sat	28	Pop-Up Tea Shop, St Cyriac's, 2:00-5:00pm
Sun	29	Red Lion Quiz Night, 8:00pm

Club	Contact	Tel.	Date	Time	Place
FOSPS	Clare Freeman	741316	2 nd Mon of Term	8pm	Village School
Cubs	Tim Doe	743656	Weds (term)	6:00-7:30pm	Village School
Reading Group	Brenda Wilson	743937	1 st Weds of month	8:00pm	(See Crier)
Scouts	Tim Doe	743656	Weds (term)	6:15-7:45pm	Village School
Village Gardeners	Margaret Joyce	744390	3 rd Tues of month	8:00pm	Village Hall
WI	Pat Cook	742224	3 rd Mon of month	7.30 pm	Village Hall
Youth Club	Alan Badcock	742228	Tues	7-8:30pm	Youth Club Hut Hut
			Thurs	7-10:00pm	