



# The Swaffham Crier

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## Editorial

We got our buses back! See page 27 for the Stephensons Timetable, and all looks well EXCEPT they no longer go via Bottisham (see *Letters*) — Charlotte Cane, our District Councillor (also *Letters*) is going to see if there's anything to be done about that.

What a fine job the new (and the remaining old!) management committee are making of running the Village Hall. This month they have sent us a calendar of the Village Hall Classes that will be running in November, and we hope we can continue with this every month—from Art History to T'ai Chi and Tea — there's something for everyone!

Don't miss the delightful Fen Fable (p. 8) that appears in this issue, or a hilarious newly discovered Chaucer Tale from Wulsin (p 16). Elsewhere in the magazine you'll see they are calling for more volunteers to look after St Mary's — never has housework been more fun! It's a great way to get to know people or spend time with your friends, do think about it.

Meanwhile, that Heating Scheme! In the early days, we received letters from all over the village about pros and cons but now there is only one left standing (a nay-sayer) risking the magazine appearing to be campaigning against it. In fact, the Crier editors have always been strictly neutral (though we have ourselves signed up for the scheme and will be joining with possibly the leakiest house in the village) but we are not the Rupert Murdochs of Swaffham Prior! We see our job as encouraging debate and providing a platform where people can freely air their views. But in case this has meant things have got a bit one-sided, so we are now giving Maggie Pratt a heads up on what we are going to publish so she can add to the debate and give us some balance.

Meanwhile, it's Advent by Candlelight this month—this is a stunning event with poetry and music all in the serene beauty of our 2 churches—but do wrap up warmly! The second half is in the unheated St Cyriacs!

**Caroline Matheson**

PS: Our email is finally fixed! (But don't speak too soon...)

**Cover Picture: Ecoprinting on a tea towel by Jane Goodall**

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## Letters to the Editors



Dear Editors,

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

I just wanted to say an **enormous thank you** to everyone who donated in some way to the Macmillan Coffee Morning in Swaffham Prior on Friday 30th September as we have raised **£883.25p!** Thank you to everyone who baked or bought cakes, and contributed to the raffle, whether it was with a prize or buying some tickets. We also had donations from people who were unable to come on the day, as well as those of you who could come.

We met new people who had recently moved to the village and, of course, had the friends who come every year! It wouldn't be any fun without you all and I'm very grateful that you came along **and** spent some money and supported such an important cause.

Thank you also to Margaret Joyce on the cake stall and my husband Robin who sells the raffle tickets. I couldn't manage it without you both. It became even more of a family affair with my younger son James, who came to help, and also my niece Yvonne who works for Macmillan. I think you're all getting to know her after a few years and she enjoys meeting you too.

I look forward to seeing you again next year, it will be my 30th year, and as usual it will be on the last Friday in September.

*Ruth Scovil*

P.S. The winner of the game 'Guess the Height of the Cake Tower' in the picture was Germaine who was exactly correct! The height was 94 cms. or 37ins. in old money! Well done Germaine!

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Dear Editors,

### BUSES SAVED....

I attach the published timetables for the 11 & 12 and buses around Newmarket. All will now be provided by Stephenson's - [Newmarket and Cambridge Services!](#) - [Stephenson's \(stephensonsofsex.com\)](#)

The number 11 will no longer go through Bottisham. I have written to the Mayor and Stephenson's asking them to reconsider this. The AtoB1102 group have been talking with Stephenson's and the local authority and have stressed the need for Bottisham to be on the number 11 route. They have also been reassured by Stephenson's that apart from missing out Bottisham the number 11 will stop at all its current stops even if they are not shown on the timetable.



*Charlotte Cane*

Dear Editors,

### **....BUT STILL PROBLEMS**

Well done! There is just one major concern. We live in Swaffham Prior but attend the Bottisham Medical Practice. I cannot see how we can get to the doctors without the Number 11. We are certainly far too old to walk to the surgery from Lode crossroads. Hoping this issue can be resolved.

*S Richards*

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Dear Editors,

### **Harvest Supper**

The Harvest Supper, was a most enjoyable evening shared by about 70 people, in the village hall, after a two year gap. The hall was beautifully decorated, the food made by the committee was delicious and the entertainment by Tristan Latchford - choral music composed by him, made a very peaceful interlude. The company of course was excellent and we had our farming and confectionary skills tested in quizzes and enjoyed a very good, fair trade raffle.

Same again next year please.

*Margaret Joyce*

*See page 9. Eds*

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Dear Editors,

### **QUIZ NIGHT**

Thank you to everyone who came to the village quiz on the 15<sup>th</sup> it was nice to see you all and we hope you enjoyed it. Congratulations to the winners, 5 Non Blondes, which was their first time at the quiz.

The North Remembers came a very close second, just two points in it so well done. We would like to give a big thank you to the ladies in the kitchen who also serve the food, Shirley, Janet, Maddie and Gerri.

Another big thank you goes to Andrew who was once again our quiz master and also to April for organising the raffle. Lots of tickets sold and the most money from the sale of those tickets so far.

We appreciate the prizes for the raffle and thank to all those who donated them. Our next quiz is on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2023 so hope to see you all there.

We raised £350 for St. Mary's Church so thank you everyone.

*Lynne and Jenny*

## Some Views on a Tumultuous Month

What a glorious early/mid October we are having in this part of the country. We are so lucky being close to Anglesey Abbey, able to walk both inside and outside those wonderful grounds and surrounds. The trees are fabulous with such a multitude of colours.

We are also witnessing a most interesting political experiment. The thoughts and policies of the Institute of Economic Affairs are being tried out for the very first time. Come on you history buffs - contradict me.

Usually known as the IEA ours must not be confused with that other IEA – the International Energy Authority which is also often quoted. Ours is the charity set up in 1955 with Right Wing Policies and a commitment to Neo-Liberalism, a Nineteenth Century idea advocating free-market capitalism as the controlling factor. These are the policies of Truss and Kwarteng and others. Tax to be cut for the rich, and income cut or the poor by about £1,000 through revising the rules for Universal Credit. Truss is convinced that giving money to the rich and increasing the poverty of the poor will lead to increased growth which in due course will help the poor. Explain that to children. When Kwarteng was told that the poor were facing increased fuel costs, food inflation, often rent increases etc, he said, with that gorgeous grin of his, that if they need extra money they will just have to go out and earn more. Rees-Mogg's views were made clear when he said "I believe in Nannies, but not in the Nanny State".

This IEA lot would have voted against all those 19th century factory and mines reform acts which prohibited the employment of girls and boys below the age of ten being employed in mines and factories for 12 hour days, and often whipped for falling asleep. They would have agreed with the mine and factory owners of the time who groaned that such Acts would lead to bankruptcies, economic downturn and prevent growth.

The reaction to the IEA growth strategy by the financial world was instant. But what will happen during the remaining days of the month? People had already lost faith in the integrity of the Tory Party/politicians with Boris never sitting at the same tea table as Truth. After the mini-budget people have now lost all faith in the competence of this government and party.

These comments were made up to the 13th October and go no further. I then expected to sit back and await the fireworks which were sure to come. But Truss was off the mark so fast on the 14th and lit the fuse by sacking poor Kwarteng.

So what can Tory MPs do to return some honour and credibility to their party. If sufficiently brave they should demand that the 22 Committee amend the party rules and make the Tory Membership no longer responsible for selecting the Prime Minister in a mid term change. Such a rule is even more democratically corrupt than the 18th Century Rotten Boroughs. Surely this must become the responsibility of MPs. Will they do this? T'would be easily done.

I now turn to other matters of local interest. The Queen's funeral appears to have thrown our PC into a little disarray. The usual September meeting was deferred until the end of the month with very little on the agenda. But it is essential for people to go onto the PC website and read some of the incoming emails which provide much needed and long waited information.

Read the 29th September and 10th October emails from the Swaffham Prior Heatworks. This is absolutely essential for those already signed up, or thinking of

signing up. Progress is being made which will be reassuring. And we now have a more definite idea of the numbers actually signed up. At the end of May it was 65 and mid October it is 78. PLUS, and this is the Heatwork's coup, PLUS 50 Housing Association houses which are about to sign up. Inevitably the Associations could not resist the gift of £300,000 pounds to improve the insulation of their properties. Is this bribery? Now their houses will have solar panels, new windows and doors, improved cat-flaps, radiators installed, etc. This was quite an achievement to wheedle this extra money out of the government to push forward the scheme.

The worrying point is that if we put aside the 50 Housing association stock this would leave about 270 privately owned houses of which only 79 have signed up. What percentage is that?

The only gossip I have is that the Heating Scheme is no longer installing its own solar panel supply but will take its electricity from that the solar panel farm at Burwell. The problem here is that the direct route of the pipes crosses farming land, and farmers object. In the meantime a diesel powered generator has been used for the electricity. Maybe it is now resolved.

The email of 10th October which is a summary (10 pages) of the A2B1102 Meetings should also be read as it concerns our bus service into Cambridge. I am not sure if we will have the same bus service as present, or whether it is to be scrapped. The latest information appears that we are losing our bus. This is a disaster for the village and could turn us into a backwater village. What do our A2B1102 experts suggest we do because this seems far more important than reducing Mill Hill to 30mph. Years ago an easy solution was offered at a large open meeting which would have instantly and very cheaply solved the Mill Hill problem. A quick scan through the old *Criers* will reveal all. Good hunting.

*Alastair Everitt*

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## **We gave Heating Scheme Guru Maggie Pratt a sneak preview of Alastair's comments on the scheme, and she replies:**

There is a lot of factually incorrect information here. The two housing associations are committed to have their 49 properties connected to the heat network and to clarify they are not receiving funding from the heat network scheme to install insulation upgrades or solar panels. The housing associations are signing up because they can see the value this scheme is to their residents and that they will be provided heat at a much lower cost than their current heating system.

There is grant funding available for insulation upgrades, but this is for owner occupied or privately rented properties. Interested residents with a gross household income below £34,500, or in receipt of means tested benefits, and with homes with Energy Performance Certificate ratings of D-G can contact Aran Insulation (0800 5877795, [sales@araninsulation.co.uk](mailto:sales@araninsulation.co.uk), emails should be titled "5321 –" then your property address) to express an interest.

The heat network energy centre is not run from a diesel generator, it is temporarily connected to the local electricity grid whilst the solar farm and its connections are completed. Visitors to the site will have seen the new substation on the right as you enter the site. It is expected that locally generated solar energy will be powering the energy centre from June 2023 when the other project is forecast to complete.

*Maggie Pratt*

## MINCE PIES

As many of you will know it is the tradition after Cambridge Voices Advent event in the 2 churches that we return from St.Cyriac's to St. Mary's for mulled wine and mince pies afterwards. Once again I am asking the generous folk of Swaffham Prior to provide the mince pies , would you kindly let me know how many you can provide not later than Friday 25th November ready for Advent Sunday 27th November .

Thank you in advance.

***Kate Child***

01638 743983,

catherine.child@gmail.com



## Christmas Coffee Morning

"Pop-up Teashop" - Festive Fare

Stalls selling Christmas Cards and Gifts

Raffle

In aid of St Mary's Swaffham Prior and

Jimmy's, Cambridge (Winter Night Shelter)

Friday 25 November 10.30am – 12 noon

Swaffham Prior Village Hall



## **ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT**

**SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

**AT**

**THE TWO CHURCHES**

**OF SWAFFHAM PRIOR**

**4.00pm Admission £10 (children free) including mulled wine  
and mince pies afterwards.**

**In aid of Emmaus**

## **Cambridge Voices**

Performing choral music by

Vaughan Williams

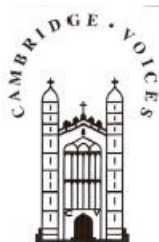
Gabriel Jackson

Ian de Massini

Valentin Silvestrov

Ronald Binge

Thomas Tomkins and Peter Phillips and others



**and readers from the village**  
with poetry by

T S Eliot

WB Yeats

John Piper

Denise Levertov

and others

## A Fen Fable

Long ago in the mists of time there was a village in the Fens that some Fen folk called Noah's Village. This was because the villagers did everything in twos. Although due the watery nature of the Fens it could have been the refuge of the survivors of the Great Flood. In fact large petrified logs are often found in the peat which could, possibly, be from a huge ship or raft.

Probably the Noah myth started, when in Saxon times, the unfortunate Thane of the village only had twin daughters as heirs. Oh the expense! As in those times a daughter had to have a church in her dowry. Now the Thane, or in modern parlance "Squire", decided the cheapest way out of potentially expensive outlay was to build another church on the same plot of land.

It was said that following this calamity the villagers felt that they would support the Thane by likewise doing everything in twos or multiples thereof.

Can you believe it that the jail had two cells, there were two chapels, two windmills and two drinking houses at the bottom of the steep hill. Some say they were called The Cock and The Bull but that is another story.

Apparently the village was divided into two parts – the Bottom End and the High End. The High End had a proper Street where all the rich folks lived ( the name "High Street" was adopted by many other villages as they did not want to be left behind ). The Street had lots of flares to light the way after dark. The Bottom End had none hence the saying "cast into outer darkness" as rule breakers were exiled there. It is said that one, a pamphleteer, was banished there for reporting the goings on of the ruling council, called the "High Arky", even though he was an "A" lister. The High Enders built an earthwork barrier to keep out the Bottoms as they lowered the tone of the High Street when they persisted in coming up to see the lights.

I wonder if there are any vestiges of that village that are still traceable or was it just a fairytale?

*Noah Evens*

*Thank you to Mike Phillips for this. Eds*

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## Swaffham Prior Parochial Charities

Once again the time has come to remind anyone who considers themselves eligible for our Christmas Grant.

The majority of our applicants come from our pensioners, in particular those who have to manage on the state pension. If however you are in particular need or know of someone who may be in difficulty but are unlikely to apply on their own behalf, the Trustees will always be happy to consider requests for assistance.

Applications should be sent to me or to any Trustee and may I stress that assistance is available at all times not only at Christmas.

*Mrs Pam Walters*

Clerk to the Trustees

31 Tothill Rd, Swaffham Prior, CB25 0JX

Tel: 01638 741035



## 2022 Harvest Supper

A huge thank you to everyone involved in the very enjoyable Harvest Supper, once again back in the Village Hall after two years of takeaway events.

I wish I could pass on all the positive comments received, but instead record here some thank yous... and apologies to anyone omitted from the following.

There certainly was a feast! Thank you to Mandy for organising meat, potatoes and beetroot; to Annette for so much salad prep, and to Janet, Annette and Anne for the **amazing** puddings. There were very many compliments on the range, quality and quantity provided.

The hall looked wonderfully autumnal, and thanks are due to Fleur and her friend Kate for the concept and execution, and to Mark for help with the bunting. Thank you also to Emily and Tristan for being roped in to set up tables and chairs (and for technical assistance) and Charlotte too for helping lay tables.

Thank you Chris and Matthew for staffing the door and organising more raffle ticket sales, and Phil for delivering the takeaway orders. And Anne, thank you for running the bar – and for washing up all the glasses!

Thank you to our speakers for the evening. Mike, you made the churchyard project very comprehensible and communicated your enthusiasm. Tristan, thank you for giving us a taste of your musical world; it was just the right balance of explanation and experience, and was really appreciated.

Thank you to everyone who donated goodies for the Fair Trade hamper raffle. Proceeds from the raffle, together with bar takings, will support projects in our link diocese of Mara, Tanzania and we are delighted to send c£350.

Particular thanks are due to all who helped clear up after the event – always the worst bit! The Clayton family and Goodfellow family were there with Mark, Mandy and Phil, Andrew and I until the bitter end – thank you for sticking it out!

Thank you to everyone who supported the event this year, which raised around £800 for building work at St Mary's. People are already saying they are looking forward to next year!!

*Dee Noyes*

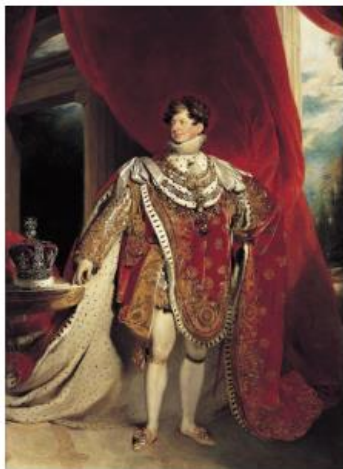


# *SWORD, SCEPTRE AND SAINTHOOD*

## *A JOURNEY THROUGH THE ROYAL PICTURES SPECIAL AUTUMN DAY SCHOOL*

How does the largest and most outstanding private collection of art in the world illustrate the evolution of the monarchy over 500 years into our modern era ?

Like any family album, the paintings they collected and commissioned reflects what British rulers have done, what they looked like but also how they wished to be remembered and what they most valued.



*This short course pays homage to the  
genealogy of our late Queen Elizabeth II*

*Thursday January 5th  
at Swaffham Prior Village Hall  
11.15 a.m. - 3.45 p.m.*

***go to [arthistoryincambs.com](http://arthistoryincambs.com)***



## **Julie's Winter warming recipes**

### **Thick Beef and Button Onion Casserole**

2 tbsp olive oil  
450g button onions, peeled but kept whole  
2 garlic cloves, halved  
900g stewing beef, cubed  
½ tsp ground cinnamon  
1 tsp ground cloves

1 tsp ground cumin  
2 tbsp tomato puree  
750ml full bodied red wine  
Grated rind and juice of 1 orange  
1 bay leaf  
Salt and pepper  
1 tbsp of flat leaf parsley to garnish.

1. Preheat the oven to 150c. Heat the oil in a large flameproof casserole and cook the onions and garlic until softened and slightly browned. Add the beef and cook until brown and sealed.

2. Stir in the spices and tomato puree and add salt and pepper to taste. Pour in the wine, then the orange juice, rind and bay leaf. Bring to the boil and cover for a few minutes.

3. Cook in the oven for about 1 1/2 hours, then remove the lid, stirring once or twice and cook for a further half an hour until the meat is tender.

4. Remove from the oven, garnish with the parsley and serve with creamy mash.

Serves 6

### **Vegetable Goulash**

15g sun dried tomatoes, chopped  
225g Puy lentils  
600ml cold water  
2 tbsp olive oil  
1 tsp crushed dried chillies  
2-3 garlic cloves, chopped  
1 large onion, cut into wedges  
1 small celeriac, cut into small chunks

225g carrots, sliced  
225g new potatoes, scrubbed and cut into chunks  
225g squash, cut into small chunks  
2 tbsp tomato puree  
300ml vegetable stock  
1-2 tsp paprika  
A few fresh sprigs of thyme

Put the sun dried tomatoes in a small bowl and cover with boiling water and soak for 20 mins, then drain and reserve the liquid,

Mean while, rinse the lentils and drain, put them in a pan with cold water and bring to the boil, reduce heat and leave to simmer for 15 mins. When ready drain and set aside.

Heat the oil in a large pan and cook the chillies, garlic and vegetables, stirring frequently for 5-10 mins until softened.

Blend the tomato puree with a little of the stock in a jug and pour over the vegetable mixture, then add the remaining stock, lentils, sun dried tomatoes and their soaking liquid, and the paprika and the thyme. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat, cover and simmer for 15 mins, Finally add the tomatoes and simmer for another 15 mins or until vegetables and lentils are tender.

When ready top with sour cream and serve with crusty bread. Serves 4.

# News from Bottisham Medical Practice

## Patients' Participation Group

**Flu** – Please contact the Practice for flu vaccinations, the details of who is eligible is in the following link. Those not eligible under the NHS can have them done privately.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-flu-immunisation-programme-plan/national-flu-immunisation-programme-2022-to-2023-letter>

### **Winter - What is the advice?**

**Keep warm** – keep windows closed to keep the cold air out, eat hot meals and hot drinks. Wearing layers keeps you warmer than one thick jumper. Get exercise but ensure warm clothing is worn when outside. Hypothermia is a real risk in cold weather.

Help with heating costs – look into the cold weather payment <https://www.gov.uk/cold-weather-payment>

**Vaccinations** – keep up to date on flu vaccine, COVID boosters, shingles vaccine and pneumococcal vaccination – prevention is better than cure

**Buy some “self help remedies”**– paracetamol, disinfectant cream, rehydration salts/sachets, throat sweets, Lemsip can really help to have available for when you need it.

**Getting help if you are unwell** – pharmacists and 111 can provide help and advice as well as the GP surgery

**What helps the GP?** It can be really helpful to have your own thermometer, blood pressure machine and oxygen saturation probe as if you are unwell a more rapid assessment can be provided and you can monitor your improvement or deterioration on advice from the GP.

**Look in on elderly neighbours** – do they need extra help? Call AGE UK Age UK helpline on [0800 678 1602](tel:08006781602)

More info on: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/seasonal-health/keep-warm-keep-well/>

**Dispensary:** Reminder that for repeat prescriptions there is still a **5 working** day turn around so this does not include Saturdays and Sundays, which are non-working days. Please do not try and collect sooner.

Due to Brexit, COVID-19 and issues with sourcing raw materials there have been delays beyond our control in sourcing some drugs. This changes daily and the practice cannot predict from one day to the next what drugs may be out of stock. The local Clinical Commissioning Group provide regular updates regarding stock issues and the dispensary team work closely with the GPs to source suitable alternatives to ensure patients always have their medications. These supply issues are nationwide.

There is an excellent prescription delivery service, as we run this service 5 days per week (Monday to Friday) for the delivery of repeat medication. Please enquire at the surgery if you are interested in the service.

**Social Prescriber:** Chloe has returned to duty as the Social Prescriber for the practice. She can support you to access a wide range of activities and resources in your local community. Examples of this include - benefit / housing advice, anxiety and mental health support, carer support and advice. Please see the practice website for more information. Alternatively, if you would like to book an appointment with Chloe then please contact reception on 01223 810030.

**Walking:** There is a Wicken Fen Wellbeing Walk on Fridays 10-11am. This is a regular, easy paced, sociable walk. They meet in the Visitor Centre at Wicken Fen on Friday morning ready for a 10am start. The walk will be around 2 miles in length at a relaxed pace, taking approximately an hour. The Anglesey Abbey Health Walks are every Thursday leaving promptly at 10.00. The assembly point is behind the garden centre, by the bike shelter. The walks are fairly brisk, and last about an hour. The distance is

about 3 miles.

**The Patient Participation Group:** We are looking for new members to join the committee, all patients of this Practice are eligible. Please contact our chairman as below to find out more information and how you can be involved

**Regular Meetings:** Next meeting is Wednesday 23 November at 2pm. If you wish to join our Zoom meeting please email our chairman at [s.j.gilson@btinternet.com](mailto:s.j.gilson@btinternet.com) who will send you a meeting invite.

*Bottisham Medical Practice Patients Participation Group*

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## News from Wicken Fen Nature Reserve

### Winter at the Fen

The crisp, winter mornings are a real pleasure to experience at the Fen – you can always warm up in the Docky Hut Café with a hot drink and a delicious snack or treat afterwards. Look out for the return of hen harriers and short-eared owls to the reserve. Hen harriers can often be seen towards dusk, gliding over Sedge Fen looking for a safe place to roost. Burwell Fen is a good place to go to see short-eared owls – again, late afternoon is a good time to see them when they hunt for small mammals. Our friendly Visitor Centre team can advise you on the most recent sightings.



### Family fun

Our winter woodland trail starts on Saturday 26 November; seasonal fun for all the family on Sedge Fen, normal admission applies. You can drop in anytime, no need to book.

Our Father and Mother Christmas at the Fen event is proving popular – book soon to catch those last remaining tickets. Details can be found on our website.

### Footprints: Community Engagement Project

#### New Wicken Wellbeing Walk – Fridays 10-11am

We've recently launched a weekly wellbeing walk at Wicken Fen. It's an easy paced, sociable walk of around 2- 2.5 miles. If you'd like to join us, please meet in the Visitor Centre at Wicken Fen on Friday morning ready for a 10am start. See our website 'What's On' section for further details.

### Fens East Peat Partnership (FEPP)

Wicken Fen is one of the FEPP partner organisations. FEPP has been awarded a Nature for Climate Discovery Grant enabling us to carry out detailed surveys on the extent of peat degradation, peat depth and archaeology on 20 sites across Cambridgeshire.

We have recently started to survey peat depth on Verrall's Fen and will be working across several of the key areas for peat on the reserve. The surveys will help us create plans to restore damaged peat. You can find out more about the project and why peat restoration is so important at [Fens East Peat Discovery Project | Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust \(lincstrust.org.uk\)](https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wicken-fen)

For the latest reserve information, please visit our website [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wicken-fen](https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wicken-fen). Details of our events can be found on our website at <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wicken-fen-nature-reserve/whats-on>

## St Mary's Volunteers Needed!

Our village attracts a lot of visitors, and rightly so: it is lovely. One of the main reasons people come, is to see the two churches in the same churchyard, (very unusual though not unique).

If you look in the visitors book in St Mary's you will see how widespread our visitors are: Australia, America Spain, to name but a few. Many comment on how beautiful St Mary's is. And we as churchgoers are very proud of this. However, we are few, and I have to say, many of us are ageing. But the church still needs looking after, not only for the present but for the future.

So we are looking for some more people who could give an hour or so every so often to help look after our building: opening/closing, cleaning and flower arranging. (We're not asking you to come to services - tho you're very welcome to do that too!)

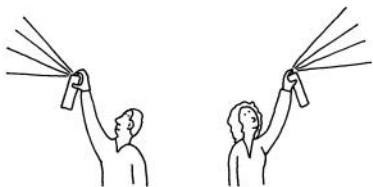
If you are a dog walker, could you go on a rota to unlock and lock the church, as part of your daily routine walk? Not for ever, just for a week at a time? (Contact: Jan Pattinson 01638 743983)

Could you spare an hour every three months or so, to go on the cleaning rota? Nothing too arduous, vacuuming, dusting, cleaning the glass doors of finger prints? You could do it with a friend and make it a sociable time. (Contact: Kate Child 01638 743983)



## CHURCH CLEANING

HOW TO MAKE IT SEEM AS IF YOU HAVE DONE A GOOD JOB



SPRAY SOME POLISH IN THE AIR TO  
GIVE THE REQUIRED AROMA



MAKE FULL USE OF LOOSE CARPETS



DO THE BITS THE VICAR CAN SEE



IF IN DOUBT: PUT IT IN THE VESTRY

CartoonChurch.com

Are you good with flowers? We always have a floral display in church with special displays at festive times, which again are very beautiful. Could you use your talent in a more public way? (Contact: Ruth Scovil 01638 743720)

If you think you could help in any of these ways please get in touch. We would be delighted to hear from you, and you would be doing your bit to keep a very beautiful asset to our village looking good for visitors.

***Brenda Wilson 01638 743937***

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## **Welcome to Maggie's Cambridge**

What is Maggie's? Maggie's provides practical and emotional support to those with cancer, their family, friends, and carers. The centre is a warm and welcoming place, with qualified cancer support specialists offering an evidence-based free programme of support which complements medical treatment.

Practical support includes information about eating well, coping with hair loss, or empowering visitors with information about their cancer treatment and benefits entitlements. Or visitors can talk to our psychologists and counsellors, explore their creative side through Art Therapy or get help to manage stress.

Then there is our kitchen table which is at the heart of our centre; a place where visitors can sit and chat with others in a similar situation, or maybe just take some quiet time with a cup of tea.

Examples of support can be anything from Art Therapy to Yoga, Men's Support Group to Menopause workshop, Living with Prostate Cancer to Brain Tumour Support Group. In addition, a cancer support specialist is always available for a chat and to listen. They will always meet a new visitor, help them decide what support best suits their needs and make the appropriate referrals. Read more about our offering on [www.maggiescentres.org](http://www.maggiescentres.org)

Primarily we are a 'drop in' centre, Monday- Friday 9am-5pm. Drop in anytime, but we are also happy to answer any questions prior to a visit on 01223 249220.

Maggie's, 21 Milton House, Puddicombe Way, Cambridge, CB2 0AD

Email: [Cambridge@maggiescentres.org](mailto:Cambridge@maggiescentres.org)

Facebook: @maggiescentrescams

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***Monica Starr  
Volunteer Cambridge***



Astonishing new research in the English Faculty of Cambridge University has uncovered a hitherto unknown second cycle of Tales by Geoffrey Chaucer, *The Westminster Tales* focused on a motley group of pilgrims bound for Westminster, ostensibly to worship at the shrine of Edward the Confessor.

## Chaucer's *envoi* to the Prime Minister's Tale from *The Prologue to The Westminster Tales*

A premier there was with hair lyk hay  
And bulging suit with buttones givynge way  
For he wolde eaten cake and yette it keep -  
Him rated solemn promises but chepe.  
This premier of himself was gretly fond  
And was yclept proud *Borys Roi-du-Monde*.  
Of glotonnye and every mortal synne  
He was absolved for his election wyne.  
In lecherye he was an exponent -  
Of his offspring none knew the full extent.  
False wisesse had he maad his special strength,  
Whereto his nose grew every day in length.  
At Oxenford had he been in his yowthe  
Where he had lerned manners much uncouth  
And slothfulnesse in club of Bullingdonne  
With premier schoolfellows from Etonne.  
Ful covetous he was of furnishings  
At Number Ten and rich and costly things  
He got with others' gold and on the wall  
Hung paper of the finest in Whitehall.  
For Muscovites, his wrath could scarce be told  
Excepting those who cross'd his palm with gold.  
His fellowes knew each pledge nat worth a toord  
And atte the last they hev'd him over-boord.

*Wulsin*





## The Bookclub reads:

### *Gorsky* by Vesna Goldsworthy

October's book was the second book that we have read by Vesna Goldsworthy. The first was *Monsieur Ka*. *Gorsky* is her first novel and has been described as a new take on *The Great Gatsby*. There were mixed reviews amongst the Book Club members. Some felt that they could not grasp the characterisations; others enjoyed the descriptions of London.

The publisher's synopsis (Random House Vintage Classics):

'London dances to the tune of Gorsky's billions. The most enigmatic of oligarchs, Gorsky desires and gets the best of everything and now he has his sights set on Natalia. That she is already married is an inconvenient detail.

Nick works in a shabby-chic bookshop. When Gorsky approaches him with the commission of a lifetime, Nick suddenly gains access to the world of the wealthy and the beautiful. But this privilege comes at a price and Nick finds his new life suddenly fraught with danger...'

For November we will be reading *The Promise* by Damon Galgut and for December *A Far Cry from Kensington* by Muriel Spark



*Ann*

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## FREECYCLE

Everything is free and nothing is expected in return.

If you have any offers or wants, please contact me by the 14<sup>th</sup> of each month by phone (01223 813362/07980 423210), e-mail ([junthompson44@gmail.com](mailto:junthompson44@gmail.com)) or drop a note through the letter box (23 Longmeadow).

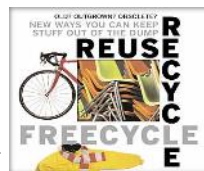
Please let me know if you would like anything repeating in subsequent issues.

### Offers

Box of craft items for children; 2 unused gutter brushes (4m). Marian 01223 812010

A black hi-fi corner shelving unit; a few dozen facing, engineering and paving bricks of various colours. Nicola Worthington, 07738 930000 or [nicolaw@tfb.net](mailto:nicolaw@tfb.net)

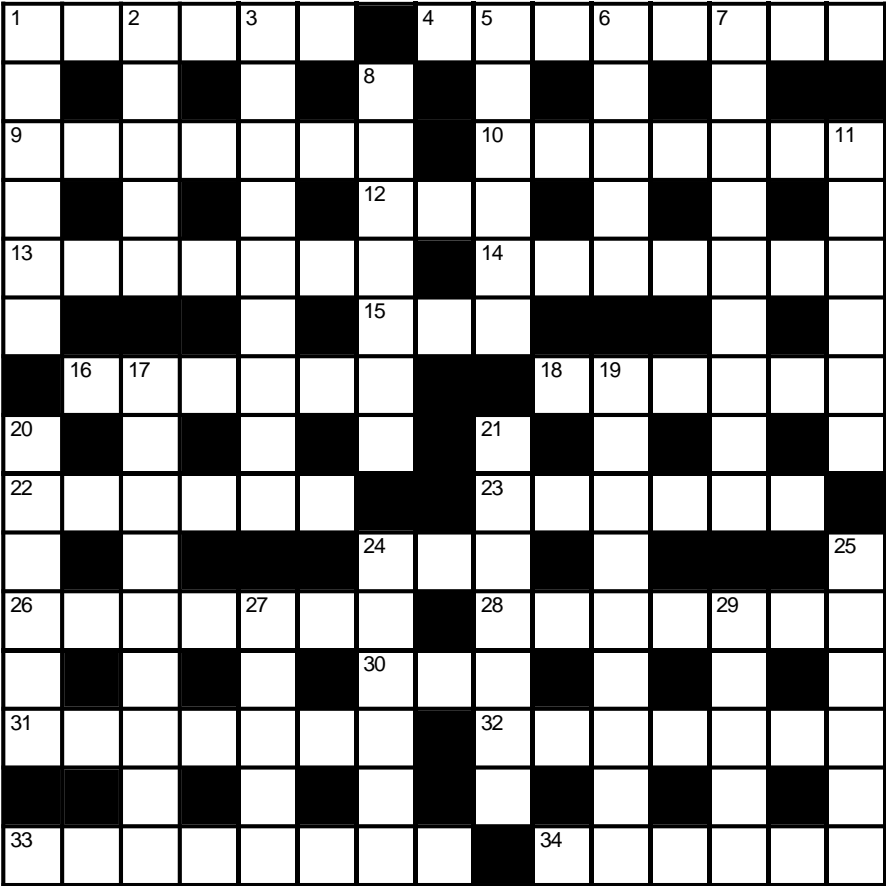
11 unused & unopened Canon compatible ink cartridges: C-CLI571 (2 cyan, 2 magenta, 3 yellow & 3 black) C-PGI570 (black). Laurence 07812 369546



Crossword Number 200

Compiled by OUNCE

This month’s puzzle is a simple cryptic crossword. Send your answers to the editors by 18th November 2022. The first correct solution out of the hat will win a 3 course meal for two at the Red Lion — see the pub manager for full details. Emailed solutions are acceptable but please include “CROSSWORD” and the crossword number in the header.



Name:.....

Address:.....

.....Tel:.....

## Across

- 1/4 Linen batteries rebuilt for famous theorist (6,8)  
 9 Discover baby's malt drink is dreadful (7)  
 10 Wayward crocodiles led away by hot air (7)  
 12 Usually found on first night sighting? (3)  
 13 I etch Queen loosely for religious outcast (7)  
 14 Fat from sheep in Angola? No, Lincoln (7)  
 15 Cinnabar perhaps, alternatively, kind of mail (3)  
 16 Meals for attractive people (6)  
 18 Marksman again fastens back (6)  
 22 Tastelessly showy club we've heard (6)  
 23 Broken neoliths he removed from throat tissue (6)  
 24 Sadness ends now or first sweetheart (3)  
 26 Monster charm that is monstrous (7)  
 28 Teletubby finds rat's tail, black, in alcohol. Safe to drink? (7)  
 30 Kinswoman, in short, small one's first (3)  
 31 Kitchen implement mixes long pasta you hear (7)  
 32 Cold and sloppy place embraced by lunatic Erin knows? (3,4)  
 33/34 Composer to decipher corn if confused (8,6)

## Down

- 1 Woman found in bag at Hanoi airport (6)  
 2 Purchaser of cowshed in conversation (5)

- 3 Perversely races them in repeat events (9)  
 5 Call in bull ring after measures for liner (6)  
 6 Warning song is really enticing noise at first (5)  
 7 Fashion lacy tie up in Australian trees (9)  
 8 Sweet lettuce in adhesive (7)  
 11 Wonders about daughter leaving holders (6)  
 17 Dead man I eat in stew (9)  
 19 Very small portion awry - tie the new head in (9)  
 20 Sailor has account with you and me? Count on it! (6)  
 21 Gets involved as way to exercise back before wrongdoing (5,2)  
 24 Confused boatswain not from Eastern condiment (6)  
 25 Type of waistcoat for James the First, king, and almost king again? (6)  
 27 Solo composition comes to bad end when you French enter mobile network (5)  
 29 Blockhead, 51, parliamentarian and dirigible (5)

## Solution to crossword no. 199



We congratulate Robert Nunn, the winner of last month's competition, who will receive his prize certificate from the editors. An honourable mention goes to Trish Whitehead.

## The Swaffhams' WI

Shirley Scotcher, Director of Fundraising for Deaf/Blind UK, gave us an inspirational talk about the charity and her work. She not only told us about the housing project where she is based in Peterborough, for the Deaf/Blind, but took us into their world. Being deaf and blind doesn't necessarily mean you live in a black, silent world, but in one where communication is hugely difficult- vision is massively blurred or tunnelled and hearing is muffled and indistinct. We tried on glasses replicating severe eye diseases and were muffed and blindfolded and asked to count money and choose a nice tin of something to go on toast. Impossible to be in any sense accurate. We were however, spared the task of making jam sandwiches- a task for a more intrepid audience!

It was clear that the volunteers, could transform the lives of lonely, isolated and sad people, in to being fulfilled, involved members of their community- by listening, becoming firm friends, enabling, supporting, and encouraging them. Being there.

There are sadly an increasing number of small children, who having survived being born prematurely, sustain sensory nerve damage and develop hearing and visual problems. Support, both pre-school and during education, being vital.

The tales were all memorable, but the one that stuck out- the ex marine, blinded and deafened in combat, found sitting on his assailant outside a bank, where he'd been the 'victim' of a mugging!

Oh- and a postscript- we all knew that blind people have white sticks, but none of us knew that deaf/ blind folk have red and white sticks- their guide dogs too, have red and white harnesses.

Our next meeting will be on November 21st, when Brenda Doe, will be talking about Fen Life and presenting us with one of her extremely challenging quizzes.

*Margaret Joyce*



**Dogs for the Deaf/  
Blind have red and  
white harnesses**

## Mothers' Union



Our meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> September reflected on the recent death of HM The Queen. Patron of The Mother's Union. It was also the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday of member Enid Bucket and members sang 'Happy Birthday' to her. A vote of thanks was expressed to Jill Jenyns and Julie Sale for providing afternoon tea and venue respectively for our summer tea in August.

Guest speaker was Elizabeth (Liz) Caswell, who gave a very interesting talk about her United Reformed Church ministry. Starting with a brief history of the United Reform Churches. This was a coming together of Congregational and Presbyterian Churches on 5<sup>th</sup> October in 1972, making this their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. Liz was ordained in 1973, so has always been a United Reform Minister. As a Minister, you have a number of roles e.g., chaplain in a hospital or the Services. All ministers are the same, there's no hierarchy as in other churches. Liz has been a Moderator for 11 years and was Moderator of the General Assembly presiding at Assembly meetings and other meetings and events around the UK. URC Ministers wear "what they like" and Liz didn't wear a "dog collar" until she went to Kenya. When Liz became Moderator, her husband had a new Stole made for her. Liz had brought this Stole with her and explained that the design demonstrated her belief that we "Walk by Faith" following the Bible but also that we need symbols/items to see. Liz explained that the symbols on her Stole represented events throughout the Church's life. A manger (birth), a cross (crucifixion), an open tomb (resurrection), flames (Holy Spirit), wolf, cow, bear, lamb, all mentioned in the Bible plus a dog and rabbit. The Stole is exquisitely hand embroidered and there are companies that make (embroider) Ecclesiastical items, Stoles, Altar clothes etc. At the end of her talk Liz answered questions from the audience.

Our meetings usually take place on the third Thursday of the month, at 2.30pm in Lode Church. Hazel Williams, Ely Mothers' Union Diocesan President, will be joining us as our guest speaker on 17<sup>th</sup> November. You are most welcome to join us.

*Ann Langran*



## VILLAGE GARDENERS

We had our AGM on Tuesday 18th October. The business side was presented by our Chairman, David Whitehead, with a financial report, details of future speakers and finished with thanks for various committee members.

Thereafter followed a very convivial evening. Margaret Joyce had listed 20 local or nationally well known National Trust gardens. Bob Nunn worked out cryptic clues for them and Robin Scovil created anagrams of each garden. They were challenging but with the help of some alcoholic refreshments and nibbles it made a fun evening! We were all able to complete it, some more successfully than others!

We were particularly pleased to welcome two new members, an added bonus.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 15th November when Helen Ackroyd will be talking on the History of Anglesey Abbey. It is in the Village Hall and starts at 8.00pm. All are most welcome, regulars and new members alike. We look forward to seeing you.

*Ruth Scovil*

Buses have been the main talking point for residents and politicians alike, since Stagecoach announced that despite taking Government money to sustain local bus routes still affected by the Covid passenger downturn, they were going to close large numbers of local routes anyway. These include the 11 & 12 services. With these services due to close on 30 October (all the notice Stagecoach have to give) the Mayor's Combined Authority—which is the public transport authority for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough—has launched a procurement with £1.7 million on offer to fill as many of the gaps as possible from the date on which Stagecoach leaves them until the end of March 2023. The Combined Authority Board will meet on Wednesday 19 October, when it will reach a decision on the outcome of the procurement. The County Council's Strategy and Resources Committee will meet on the 20 October where they can consider providing additional financial support if the Combined Authority's funding is insufficient. It is understood that there is a company who wants to run buses on the number 12 route, and we wait to see if a company has tendered for the number 11 route. Beyond March 2023, the Combined Authority will be making decisions on bus services as part of its annual budget and business planning process.



The actions of Stagecoach have shown that the current system—in place since the mid 1980s—where commercial operators compete for money-making routes, leaving local authorities to fund the loss-making but socially necessary routes, is unsustainable. So we hope the Combined Authority moves forward quickly with proposals to develop a reliable public transport network for Cambridgeshire. Ideally this would include franchising of bus routes, where profitable and unprofitable routes are bundled together to avoid the current cherry-picking.

On Monday 17 October the Greater Cambridge Partnership Board will launch the public consultation on its proposals for significant bus expansion over the next four years, paid for by a charge on driving in Cambridge from 2027. A set of exemptions, discounts, and refunds is also proposed in a number of circumstances. We will give details of the consultation in our next Newsletter, or you can check <https://www.gretercambridge.org.uk/get-involved/consultations-on-consultcamb> from Monday. The consultation closes on 23 December.

The cost-of-living crisis sees to get worse, rather than better. Gas and Electricity prices have been capped but we await details of the promised help for those of us on oil, lpg etc. Food prices keep going up and mortgages and rent are increasing. The County Council is collating information about the various sources of help for individuals and households struggling with the cost of living crisis. <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/communities-localism/support-with-the-cost-of-living>

We know not everyone has access to on-line information and recommend that they contact Newmarket Citizens' Advice Bureau (CAB) on 0808 278 7868, Cam-

bridge CAB on 0808 278 7808 or East Cambs Housing and Community Advice Service on 01353 665555.

Our next Councillors' Surgery is on Wednesday 23 November 6.30-7.30pm at Swaffham Prior Village Hall

## Swaffham Prior Community Car Scheme (SPCCS)



A voluntary community car scheme for residents of Swaffham Prior providing door-to-door transport for those who do not have the use of a car and are unable to use conventional public transport to cover essential trips eg medical, dental, chiropody, or optician

If you would like to use this service or **volunteer as a driver** please contact Janet Willmott

**07833 960 678**

preferably between 9am-6pm, Monday to Friday  
or email [spccs@adventurersfarm.co.uk](mailto:spccs@adventurersfarm.co.uk)

## East Anglian Air Ambulance

In the July/August article, I mentioned that an important part of the ‘lifesaving process’ is often early application of CPR – cardiopulmonary resuscitation. EAAA is committed to continual training of crews, supporters and members of the public in this process. Whilst many, particularly members of our emergency services, will be familiar with this, others will be much less so, or have no knowledge at all.

Please take a few moments to acquaint yourself with the Casualty Assessment Procedure, namely:-

**Danger** – firstly ensure your own safety – be aware of any danger to yourself, the patient and any bystanders

**Response** – check the patient for a response – shake their shoulders and ask “are you alright ?”

**Airway** – Open the airway and ensure it is clear. Place your hand on their forehead with other fingers under the chin and tilt back the head

**Breathing** – Check for normal breathing for 10 seconds. If they are not breathing **call 999**, 112 or send another to call and to bring a defibrillator if possible

**CPR** – start chest compressions and, if trained, combine with rescue breaths – 30 compressions 2 rescue breaths.

Hopefully, soon you will be joined by ‘early responders’ from the emergency services, including East Anglian Air Ambulance, who will take over responsibility to continue.

Wherever you are, it is always a good idea to ascertain where an accessible defibrillator is located – in your local community or away from home.

EAAA community mission is simple – we want to save more lives and minimise the impact of trauma and medical emergencies in the community.

To all who support our mission thank you and, to those yet so to do, there are many ways in which you might help – please get in touch – [info@eaaa.org.uk](mailto:info@eaaa.org.uk)

Together, we can save **more** lives.

*Michael White*

### Safety checks of the cemetery grave stones and markers.

Please note that physical safety checks of the memorial stones in the cemetery will be taking place on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023**, starting at **10am**.

These are also known as the ‘wobble’ test and will be carried out by trained individuals.

Any memorials found to be unsafe will be made safe and the owners contacted as quickly as possible – for this reason, please make sure your contact details are up-to-date with the Clerk.

Memorial stones found to be unsafe will only be laid down if absolutely necessary.

If you have any questions, please contact the clerk.

*Jude*



# November Classes at the Village Hall

Why not book the Village Hall for your event? For availability and prices, go to [www.swaffhamprior.villagehall.co.uk](http://www.swaffhamprior.villagehall.co.uk), or contact Philip Blackburn on 07501230256.

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
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**ANGLESEY GROUP OF PARISHES**  
**Holy Trinity, Bottisham; St Mary's, Quy; St James', Lode;**  
**St Mary's, Swaffham Bulbeck; St Mary's, Swaffham Prior**

**Services in November 2022**

**Wednesday 3 November**

8 pm            C by C (a short contemplative service), Online service on Zoom

**Sunday 6 November**

9am            Online service on Zoom  
10.30am      Holy Communion, Bottisham  
4pm            Village Worship, Village Hall, Quy

**Sunday 13 November – Remembrance Sunday**

9am            Online service on Zoom  
10.50am      Royal British Legion Remembrance Service, Lode  
                  Remembrance Service, Swaffham Prior – with Scouts etc  
                  Acts of Remembrance, Quy, Swaffham Bulbeck

**Sunday 20 November**

9am            Online service on Zoom  
                  Morning Prayer, Quy  
10.30am      Holy Communion, Swaffham Bulbeck  
                  Morning Prayer, Bottisham

**Sunday 27 November – Advent Sunday**

9am            Online service on Zoom  
10.30am      Holy Communion (BCP), Swaffham Prior  
4pm            Advent by Candlelight, Swaffham Prior – with Cambridge Voices, £10

**Each Thursday**

10.30am      Holy Communion, Lode (unless otherwise listed)

Vicar: Rev'd Sue Giles, The Vicarage, 86 High Street, Bottisham CB25 9BA Tel: 01223 812726; [sue-thevic@btinternet.com](mailto:sue-thevic@btinternet.com)

All are welcome to services in any church in the group. Please be in touch if you would like a lift to a service.

Please check <http://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7378/benefice> for current information; or email [admin@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk](mailto:admin@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk), also the address to request the Zoom link.

## Monday - Saturday

No service Sunday & public holidays  
Commencing 31st Oct 2022

	NS	Sa	Sa	NS											
Newmarket, The Guineas Bus Station	--	--	700	700	820	820	920	1020	1120	1220	1320	1420	1520	1620	1745
Newmarket, Studlands, Park Avenue		--	710	710	830	830	930	1030	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530	1630	1755
Burwell, Ness Road	639	649	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Burwell, Hawthorn Way	641	651	723	723	843	943	1043	1143	1243	1343	1443	1543	1643	1808	
Reach, Post Office	653	703	--	--	855	--	1055	--	1255	--	1455	1555	1655	1820	
Swaffham Prior, Bus Shelter	658	708	737	737	900	957	1100	1157	1300	1357	1500	1600	1700	1825	
Lode, Church	--	--	--	--	--	1004	--	1204	--	1404	--	--	--	--	--
Stow cum Quy, Station Rd Bus Stop	708	718	747	751	910	1012	1110	1212	1310	1412	1510	1610	1710	1835	
Cambridge, Marshalls Airport	718	728	757	804	920	1022	1120	1222	1320	1422	1520	1620	1720	1845	
Cambridge, Drummer St Bus Station	732	742	811	816	934	1034	1134	1234	1334	1434	1534	1634	1734	1859	
Cambridge, Drummer St Bus Station	650	750	850	950	1050	1150	1250	1350	1450	1550	1715	1815	1915		
Cambridge, Marshalls Airport	702	802	902	1002	1102	1202	1302	1402	1502	1602	1727	1827	1927		
Stow cum Quy, Station Rd Bus Stop	712	812	912	1012	1112	1212	1312	1412	1512	1612	1737	1837	1937		
Lode, Church	--	--	--	--	1120	--	1320	--	1520	--	1745	--	--		
Swaffham Prior, Bus Shelter	723	823	926	1023	1126	1223	1326	1423	1526	1623	1751	1848	1948		
Reach, Post Office	728	828	--	1028	--	1228	--	1428	--	1628	--	1853	1953		
Burwell, Hawthorn Way	738	838	938	1038	1138	1238	1338	1438	1538	1638	1803	1903	2003		
Newmarket, Studlands, Park Avenue	752	852	952	1052	1152	1252	1352	1452	1552	1652	1817	1917	2017		
Newmarket, The Guineas Bus Station	802	902	1002	1102	1202	1302	1402	1502	1602	1702	1827	1927	2027		
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Stephensons have saved the day for our buses! Here's their Number 11 timetable.

## Dates for Your Diary NOVEMBER 2022

Sun	13	
Mon	14	
Tue	15	Village Gardeners, VH,, 8pm [21]
Wed	16	
Thu	17	Mothers' Union, Lode Church, 2.30pm [21]
Mon	21	WI, VH, 7.30pm [20]
Tue	22	<b>Crier Copy Deadline</b>
Wed	23	Councillors Surgery, VH, 6.30-7.30pm [22]
Thu	24	
Fri	25	Christmas Coffee Morning, VH, 10.30am—noon [6]
Sat	26	
Sun	27	Advent by Candlelight, The Two Churches, 4pm [7]

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Club	Contact	Tel.	Date	Time	Place
FOSPS			2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon of Term	8pm	Village School
Beavers, Cubs and Scouts	Tim Doe	01223 861083	Variable		
Reading Group	Brenda Wilson	743937	1 <sup>st</sup> Weds of month	8:00pm	Kent House
Village Gardeners	Ruth Scovil	743720	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues of month	8:00pm	Village Hall
WI	Margaret Joyce	744390	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon of month	7.30 pm	Village Hall