

Spectrum

April 2009

FENSTANTON & HILTON VILLAGE NEWS



Spectrum says a fond farewell to
Daphne Loveday after 25 years

One copy delivered free to each household ten times per year. A special pdf version is available online at

www.hilton-village.com and www.fenstanton-village.co.uk

See inside for details of our copy collection points and email address.

USEFUL NUMBERS

Emergency:

Doctors 496243 Police 0845 4564564

Council:

Fenstanton Parish Council 465300 County Councillor 830250
 Hilton Parish Council 830839 District Councillor (Hilton) 830250
 District Councillor (Fenst.) 388925 *To report street lights not working* 0800 253529

Education:

Primary School 375055 Swavesey VC 01954 230366
 Fenstanton Pre-School 496156 Sunshine Day Nursery Hilton 830351
 Fenst. Baby & Toddler Group 461875 Hilton Baby & Toddler Group 830406

Churches:

Fenst. United Reformed Church 352958 Fenstanton Church Centre 01954 230471
 Fenstanton Parish Church 301068 Hilton Methodist Chapel 830686
 Catholic Church (St Ives) 462192 Hilton Parish Church 830466/ 866
 Men's Christian Fellowship 468718

Clubs:

Hilton Areobics 832321 Fenstanton WI 395564
 Hilton Flower Club 830363 Hilton WI 830358
 Beavers, Cubs & Scouts 831715 Hilton Senior Citizens 830169
 Fenstanton Brownies 464939 Over 60's Fenstanton 384977
 Hilton Brownies 830156 Hilton Art Club 830289
 Hilton Rainbows 464101 Hilton Pilates 07733 307475
 Slimming World 461098 Fenstanton Bowls 498050
 Fenstanton Village Sports 370973 Fenstanton Cricket Club 468522
 Fenstanton Football Club 395351 Fenstanton Indoor Bowls 497202
 Fenstanton Amateur Dramatics 370973 Tennis 01954 231752
 Fenstanton Morris 466448 Fenstanton Aerobics 07742 488459
 Fenstanton Youth Football 395338 Fenstanton Fishing 497728

Community:

Hilton Feast Week 831787 Hilton Visiting Scheme 830239/ 866
 Fenstanton Village Hall 461751 Hilton Village Hall 07922 014991
 Hilton Town Trust 831454 Hilton Neighbourhood Watch 831986
 Fenstanton Neighbourhood Watch 395284 Village Cars Taxi 01954 232715

If you run a club or are involved in a village activity and think your telephone number would be useful on this page, please let us know. Please advise us of any errors or of amendments needed to any of the above.

Village Websites

Fenstanton: www.fenstanton-village.co.uk

Hilton: www.hilton-village.com

SPECTRUM TEAM

Editor: Mrs Amanda Keel
 Assistant Editor: Mrs Teresa Crickmar
 Advertising Editor: Mrs Kay Pulley
 Accounts Secretary: Mr Mickey Pallett
 Website Co-ordinator: Dr Peter Frazier

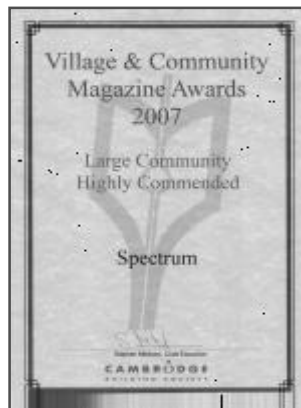
Spectrum is produced monthly by volunteers. Printing costs are funded through annual advertising revenue, and donations from local clubs individuals, & organisations. Monetary donations can be left in the collection boxes which are also at the copy collections points. The final copy deadline is the 10th of the previous month. Joint issues are produced for December/January and for July/August.

Copy may be sent to our email address at spectrumparishnews@googlemail.com

Editor would prefer email material for publication due to timescale however material can be written, typed or saved on disc and delivered to Fenstanton Post Office or Hilton Post Office.

CONTENTS

Useful Numbers	2
Letters & Notices	5, 7, 9
Parish Councils	11
Club News	15, 19, 23, 25
Village News	21, 27-29
Churches Calendars	16 & 17
Sports News	30 & 31
What's On	32



Advertising space is booked by annual subscription.

Prospective advertisers should apply in writing to our Advertising Editor- Mrs Kay Pulley, at: Old Clayfields, Hilton Road, Fenstanton. PE28 9QX. Tel 495308 There is a waiting list, priority is given to local traders. Current Advertisers should have received their proofs for 2009/10 inclusion. Please return as soon as possible.

Any material submitted for insertion will be at the discretion of the editors, subject to editing, and will be copyright of the publisher.

LIST OF ADVERTISERS

A Moody Building/Carpentry	22	Fenstanton Post Office	12	Mo's Motors	8
A P Cooke (builder)	24	Fenstanton Pre School	26	Mobility Centre	4
Ash Croft Veterinary Surgery	10	Fields View Kennels	14	New Farm Cabinet Makers	18
Banquet Inn	18	G G Landscapes	26	Next Step Childminding	24
Barry's Plaice	24	G I Plumbing	22	P Warmbold	24
Bruce Whatley	10	Gary Fordham	10	Paul Ashmore	18
C.L.S. Landscapes	7	Gathercole & Ward	8	Philip Page Driving Tuition	4
Catherine Maurice	26	Graveley Garage	22	Pro Lawn care	8
Church Centre, Fenstanton	20	Hilton Village Hall	24	RDB Flooring	22
Clean Direct	12	Hollands	20	Richard Baker	32
Clearer Hearing	14	Home & Garden Services	12	Silvertone Cleaning	14
Cooks of Willingham	6	J L Wight	20	Splendid Words	10
David Carlisle	12	Jacky's Beauty	20	Stormguard	20
Dominic Moody Decorator	6	Jones Boatyard	26	Sue Allen Bespoke Framing	18
Driveaway	6	L A Wells (Accounts)	4	Sunshine Day Nursery	14
Emily's	4	Ladybird Day Nursery	8	Tony Way Plastering	18
Enhance	26	Light Removals	22	Vernon Property	6
Fenstanton Parish Council	4	Michael Laughton	12	Whippet Coaches	6

Simmonds of St Ives

Outside caterer and delicatessen
specializing in artisan cheeses, award winning hams and bacon,
continental charcuterie, olives and local produce.

13 Market Hill, St Ives Tel 01480 463204
For Emily's Birthday Cakes & Desserts Tel 01480 831142

For very patient driving tuition

Please contact
Your local Department of Transport
Approved Driving Instructor

PHILIP J. PAGE



18 Manor Drive
Fenstanton, Cambs
Telephone: 01480 469038

MOBILITY EQUIPMENT

SCOOTERS, WHEELCHAIRS, RISING CHAIRS AND BEDS, WALKERS,
TOILET & BATHING AIDS, KITCHEN & HOUSEHOLD AIDS,
CONTINENCE CARE, CUSHIONS AND MUCH MORE

SPARES, SERVICE, HIRE OF EQUIPMENT
HOME VISITS AVAILABLE
FRIENDLY AND CONSIDERATE SERVICE GUARANTEED



5 ROCKERY PLACE
FENSTANTON
PE28 9LZ
01480 465533
www.orchard-mobility.com
Open: Tuesday to Friday 9.30 - 4.00
Saturday 9.30 - 12.30



Accountancy And Taxation Services

Tax returns, business accounts, bookkeeping services, VAT returns, payroll, audits.

LA Wells FCCA CTA
Chartered Certified Accountant, Chartered Tax Adviser

4 Scorney, Fenstanton, Huntingdon, Cambs. PE28 9QG
Tel: 01480 466197



FENSTANTON

PARISH

COUNCIL

Clerk to the Parish Council
Mr S L Dartford
12 Dove Close
Fenstanton. PE28 9LX

Tel: 01480 465300

LETTERS

Editor's Letter

Spring is definitely on it's way. My family managed the first picnic lunch of the year this week with the sun shining on as we indulged in bread and cheese.

Wonderful. Hope some of you enjoyed the sunshine too which was such a contrast to the snow that featured on last month's cover. There's lots happening in the villages over Easter so head on out and spend some time in the community. Look inside for details of walks, talks and all the usual club events.

I would like to apologise to the Tack family for my spelling mistake in March's edition... I must say Jean was very understanding about it. Thank you. Also, this month we thank Daphne Loveday for the 25 years she's delivered the mail in Fenstanton and wish her well in all her future endeavours. (Thanks to Valerie and David for the cover shot).

We've made a few changes this month: there's the new logo and we've been busy typesetting and I hope you will enjoy the new presentation. Finally this is *your* magazine and so we are putting a call out for any ideas, pictures or comments of what you would like to see included, please email:

spectrumparishnews@googlemail.com

Have a very happy Easter...

Amanda

Letters

Nigel and Graham Thorsby and their families sincerely thank all friends, relations and Neighbours of their father Philip for their kindness and cards of sympathy. Our thanks also go to all who attended the funeral service in Hilton Parish Church and for the donations to the charities received in our father's memory.

Nigel and Graham Thorsby

Dear Editor,

I run a Slimming World group in the United Reformed Church on Chequer Street every Tuesday. If you are interested please give me a call. My number is 01480 461098. Thanks *Sheena*

To all my mates friends and well-wishers.

May I through the pages of Spectrum thank everyone who has wished me luck and good times in myretirement? I actuallyretired on 7th March 2009 and have enjoyed my work as "POSTIE" for the village over the last 25 years. I shall miss the "talking" and "gossip" but not the getting up at 5.15am and walking the streets in all weathers especially the rain!!

You will still see me walking the village and I hope to catch up with lots of people as I do. Thank you all once again for all the cards pressies and good wishes.

Here's to the rest of my life now I have the freedom to do what I want when I want!!

Here's to the future.

Daphne Loveday "Ex Village Postie"

We are sure everybody in Fenstanton would like to thank Daphne Loveday for being our post lady for more than 25 years. The attached photograph shows Daph on her last Post Office round on 7th March. The village is lucky to have Daph's enthusiasm supporting the Women's Institute and the Bowls Club and for starting the Christmas Lights. Daph and Harvey will still be seen around the village and we wish them a long and happy retirement.

Valerie and David Rodger

Hilton church is falling down!

OK, maybe that is a bit of an exaggeration, but the roof on the south aisle (the one facing you when you enter the main road) is in a desperate state and is currently only being held safe by the rather unattractive scaffolding we have in place. The surveyors estimate that the total cost to restore the roof of this beautiful historic building will be in the region of £132,000.

Did you know? Many of the funding bodies who give grants for such repairs will only do so on a "matched" basis – i.e. we will have to raise a certain amount of money ourselves if we want to secure funding for the remaining balance. Fortunately, English Heritage has already approved a grant of £75,000 which leaves us with £57,000 still to find. There are apparently over 1000 people living in Hilton. If each person were to donate £57 over the course of the next 2 years we will hit our target. That equates to less than 55p a week! Please make a donation!

During the first week in April we will be delivering a special YELLOW ENVELOPE to every household in Hilton which can be used to make a donation towards the repair of the church roof. These will be collected by a team of tireless volunteers during the run-up to Easter. The donations can be made anonymously but, if you are a UK tax payer, it would be much appreciated if you could fill in the Gift Aid declaration on the envelope so that we can claim the tax back on your donation – increasing its value by a whopping 20%

And what about your pennies?

We also provide small cardboard boxes ("Heritage Boxes") for people to put their loose change in. These are collected every 3 – 4 months and the money is put towards the upkeep of the fabric of the church. Pennies really do count – we raise on average £20 per box per year. And we are always happy when we get to count higher denomination coins as well as notes. If you don't already have a home for your small change then do please register for a Heritage Box today by calling Carl Parsons on 831607.

GO WHIPPET



established 1919

Your local provider of bus and coach services.
Telephone 01480 463792

Timetable information available on www.go-whippet.co.uk

Buy multi-journey
tickets on the bus
and save money

F.W.COOK FUNERAL SERVICE

49 Church Street Willingham

Tel (01954) 260325

A long established business, owned
and personally managed by

Andrew Cook Dip FD
Kay Cook (nee Easton) Dip FD MBIE

VERNON PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LTD

7 ROOKERY PLACE, FENSTANTON

TEL: (01480) 300992

FAX: (01480) 494551

Email: enquiries@vernonproperty.co.uk

Website: www.vernonproperty.co.uk

OPENING HOURS 8.00 – 5.15 Week-
days
8.00-1.00 Saturdays

Houses, Cottages & Flats to Let

Members of ARLA

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED SERVICE

Driveaway Fenstanton



Professional Tuition with a fully qualified experienced instructor
Dual Control Car Cambridge, St Ives and surrounding villages
Discounts for residents of Fenstanton and Hilton

Tel: Alan Coote 01480 466703 Fax 01480 461703 E-Mail driveawaycams@aol.com

DOMINIC MOODY

Painter and Decorator
Internal/External
Commercial/Domestic
References Available

The Maltings,
High Street
Fenstanton
Cams PE28 9JZ

Home 01480 465400 Mobile 07714 261836

Email: dp_moody@yahoo.co.uk

NOTICES

Over Players

If you came to see the Over Players' pantomime "Sleeping Beauty" in December then you were treated to the Best Panto in the district - and that's official! The National Operatic and Dramatic Association (NODA) chose the Over Players production as the Best Pantomime of 2008 over twenty other local amateur productions. Representatives from the company have been invited to attend the NODA East Regional awards day in Colchester on 28th March, where "Sleeping Beauty" is in the running for the Smart Cup for the best production in East Anglia.

Written and directed by Sean Baker and Rod Dundee, Sleeping Beauty drew together a talented young cast of actors, singers, dancers and stage crew from Over, Willingham, Swavesey, Longstanton, Fentanton and Bar Hill. Director Sean Baker said "the cast should be justly proud of the efforts they put in to make the show the success it was.

The award is a tribute to the hard work and dedication of the group.



However we couldn't do it without an audience and our thanks must also go to all those who supported us by coming to see the show".

If you would like to see the panto picture gallery or find details of our 25th anniversary production "Hello Dolly", then visit our website www.overplayers.org.uk.



C.L.S.

7 Scotts Crescent, Hilton
01480 832329

Fencing, Turfing, Decking, Gates, Landscaping
Driveways & Patios, Block Paving, Garden Clearance
Summer Houses supplied and fitted. For a competitive no obligation quote call Craig.

MO'S MOTORS

Fenstanton

Opposite clock tower

MOTs while you wait
Cars and class VII

Repair and service
Cars all makes, petrol & diesel
Commercials up to 3500kg

24 Hour Recovery

01480 300550/2
after hours 01480 300552

LADYBIRD DAY NURSERY

Privately owned, independent nursery since 1975

Caters for children aged
3 months to 5 years
Open 07.30 to 1830
OFSTED REGISTERED

Free educational grant places available,
plus lunchtime session.

Open all year except Bank Holidays and
days between Christmas and New Year.

For more details contact
Mary or Benedicte on
01480 469166

Or email
ladybird.fenstanton@hotmail.co.uk

The Lindens, 24 High Street, Fenstanton,
Huntingdon, Cambs, PE28 9JZ



FREE Lawn Health Check

Amazingly green lawns for surprisingly little!

ProLawnCare provide a specialist, professional service for people who are serious about their lawns

- Free Lawn Health Check - on in-depth survey of your lawn
- Free Programme Proposal - a unique solution for your lawn
- The finest feeds, fertilisers and weed control products available along with expert knowledge

For further information call
01480 812 393
or email info@prolawncare.co.uk

ProLawnCare

www.prolawncare.co.uk



creating a clearer view

"An extensive selection of designer brands are available"

PRADA
GUCCI
ELLE
LINDBERG^{opt}

Retinal Photography NOW OFFERED

Fully Trained Personnel Personal Service
Registered Optometrists Contact Lens Practitioners
Complete workshop and repair service on site

GATHERCOLE & WARD OPTICIANS

Huntingdon 36 High Street
(01480) 453208/458079
Steele 13 The Broadway
(01480) 492433
Ramsay 102 High Street
(01480) 512388



The Huntingdon Area Group of the Wildlife Trust invites you to join us in the first of this year's Wonderful Woodlands programme on Sunday 5th April 2009. We will be visiting Wistow and Warboys Woods, which together form the same SSSI (site of special scientific interest). Wistow Wood is owned and managed by the Wildlife Trust and we hope to see a wonderful display of Wood Anemone at this time of year. This lovely small wood also has a pond and a hide and a circular path. Across the Wistow Fen Road is the larger Warboys Wood, which is privately owned and managed for shooting. It is normally closed to the public, but we have been given permission by the owners to lead our walk into the wood today.

Everyone is very welcome to attend. Please meet at Wistow Wood at 2.30 pm, GR TL296820. Parking is limited, so please share cars if possible and park carefully to avoid blocking the road for residents at GR TL 100100. Admission: adults £2.00, children free.

The Huntingdon Area Group of the Wildlife Trust invites you to come and experience the delights of a carpet of bluebells in this ancient woodland, which lies on our doorstep. You are welcome to share this enchanting scene by participating in a guided walk through Brampton Wood on Sunday 26th April.

George Cottam, who is Warden of Brampton Wood, is also Chairman of the Huntingdon Area Group of the Wildlife Trust. George will be delighted to lead us through this ancient woodland where a rich variety of flora can be seen.

His aim will be to highlight the beautiful scent, colour and freshness of the bluebells that encapsulate the essence of a traditional English spring.

Everyone is most welcome to attend. Please meet at Brampton Wood Car Park, Grafham Road, Brampton at 11.00 am, GR TL 184698. Park in the Trust car park. Admission: adults £2.00, children free.

The Huntingdon Area Group of the Wildlife Trust invites you to join us in the third of this year's Wonderful Woodlands programme on Sunday 17th May 2009 when we will be visiting Hayley Wood.

Hayley Wood was the first wood to be purchased by the Cambridgeshire Wildlife Trust. It is an ancient woodland which has been traditionally managed and is an important site for oxlip. Other flora that we would expect to see at this time of year include dogs mercury, lesser celandine and early purple orchid. Hayley Wood is also a key site in the development of landscape ecology and has been extensively studied by Cambridge University. Everyone is very welcome to attend. Please meet at Hayley Wood at 2.30 pm, GR TL292530. Please park on the road opposite the entrance along Hayley Lane. Admission: adults £2.00, children free.

For more information please visit the website: www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk or contact George on 01480 450809.

SETTING UP IN BUSINESS?

FOR A PERSONAL ACCOUNTANCY AND TAXATION SERVICE CONTACT:

ABLE ACCOUNTS
7 TITHE CLOSE
HILTON
HUNTINGDON (established 1986)

Tel 01480 830362

**Principal: Gary J Fordham
(AFTA)**

OAKLANDS Beauty

- dermalogica facials & body spa treatments
- manicures & pedicures
- waxing & electrolysis
- aromatherapy massage
- reflexology
- indian head massage
- spray tanning
- wedding make up
- gift vouchers

dermalogica
the skin care specialists

to book an appointment or receive a full treatment
list tel: 01480 488858 (Fenstanton)

ASH CROFT VETERINARY SURGERY

169 St Neots Road, Hardwick,
Cambs CB23 7QJ
Telephone: Madingley **(01954) 210250**

Unit 1 Pendrill Court
Ermine Street North,
Papworth Everard
CB23 3UY
TEL: (01480) 831615

**Consultations by appointment only
FULL 24HR EMERGENCY SERVICE**

www.ashcroftvet.co.uk

Electrical Contractor

All types of installation works
Undertaken

Bruce Whatley Electrical

Atticus House, Church End
Hilton, Huntingdon, Cambs. PE28 9NJ

**Telephone: 01480 831595
Mobile: 077100 45741**

DO YOU NEED A CV?

Try **Splendid Words** for a professional CV
with impact

Experienced CV Writer
Competitive prices

Email: cv@splendidwords.co.uk

Or call 07812 216 244
for an information pack

www.splendidwords.co.uk

Writing – Editing – CV Writing

45 Greenfields, St Ives PE27 5HB
Associate, SIEP

HILTON PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Councillor Vacancies: - Hilton Parish Council still need your help. We have one vacancy to fill and another vacancy in May 2009. If you care about where you live and can give up to 6 hours per month to attend meetings and read background information we really need your help. If you are unsure, please feel free to chat with the Clerk or any of the existing Parish Councillors. Go on, give it a go, you may even enjoy it, and it doesn't have to be forever.

Affordable Housing - The Parish Council agreed that Cambridgeshire Acre should be engaged to undertake a survey of the village to ascertain whether there is a need for affordable housing in this village. Each household will receive a questionnaire, please take a few minutes to complete it. This information will be collated by Cambridgeshire Acre who will report its findings back to the Parish Council and if a need identified, they will begin to source a suitable site.

Village Maintenance Repairs - The Parish Council have employed contractors to undertake work replacing the Lych Gates and repairing the walls at the Church. The pathways across the Green will also be widened and resurfaced.

Annual Parish Meeting - Our Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 29th April at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. All parishioners welcome to attend to hear what the Parish Council have achieved this last year.

The Parish Council meet on the first Monday of each month, in the Village Hall, at 7.30 pm. Anyone is welcome to attend and parishioners are allowed to speak during the open session only. The Agendas for these meetings are posted on the 3 notice boards 5 days before each meeting and are now available on the village website. Planning meetings are arranged as and when required and notification of these meetings will be posted on the notice boards 5 days before the meeting date.

All Minutes of all our meetings can be found on the village website once they have been approved by the Parish Council.

If you need to contact Hilton Parish Council Please email Nadine Taylor, the Clerk thehiltonclerk@bopenworld.com or write to 9 Mill Hill End, Hilton

FENSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

May I offer an apology on behalf of the Parish Council to the effect that due to editorial circumstances the report of the March Parish Council Meeting will appear in the next edition of Spectrum.

Stephen Dartford



Fenstanton Post Office
2 Hilton Road, Fenstanton
PE28 9LH Tel 01480 462188

Your local post office and shop, serving the community for its postal needs and in addition:

- Car road tax
- Utility bill payments
- Personal banking services for many high street banks
- Savings accounts
- Short and long term investment accounts
- Business Banking
- Foreign currency exchange on demand

... And our shop offers

- Greeting cards for all occasions
- Stationery

David J Carlisle Ltd.

Professional Decorators
Internal/External,
Specialist Finishers, coving, Artexing
Specialist in Plastering
Refurbishment works

29 Home Farm Road
Houghton
Cambs, PE28 2BN

Answer Phone: 01223 426366
Home Fax: 01480 461396

TRADITIONAL ACUPUNCTURE

CAN HELP YOU RESTORE THE ENERGY BALANCE
BETWEEN THE PHYSICAL, EMOTIONAL AND
SPIRITUAL ASPECTS OF THE BODY.

TREATMENT AND ADVICE FOR A WIDE VARIETY OF
CONDITIONS
INCLUDING:-

DEPRESSION, STRESS, ANXIETY;
JOINT / BACK PAIN, SCIATICA;
MIGRAINE, ASTHMA;



Michael Laughton Lic Ac MBAC
Graveley Way, Hilton
Tel: 01480 831823
Mob: 07801 435515

e-mail: mncr@laughton1000.fsworld.co.uk

FENSTANTON

HOME AND GARDEN SERVICES

2 Rookery Way Fenstanton

01480 394935 and 07733 392657

- Pressure Washing
- New Fences Erected
- Fence Painting
- Interior Maintenance & repairs
- Regular & One off Lawn Mowing
- Gardening
- Tree & Hedge Cutting
- Interior/Exterior Painting & Decorating
- Concreting/slabbing/
- Patio repairs

If you want a good job done ring
LEO BOURNE


for a free no obligation quotation

Clean Direct

Domestic & Spring Cleaning Services
Monthly/Fortnightly Cleaning Services
Excellent References

Contact: Clean Direct 01480 412875 or 411691

A CONCERT OF
WORSHIP MUSIC



Come and enjoy an evening of uplifting music with singer-songwriter John Willson of the ALIVE@5 MISSION

ALIVE@5 MISSION

VENUE: Fenstanton URC
Chapel St, Opposite K&A shop

Date: Friday April 20th
Times 8pm.

Come and enjoy an evening of inspirational music and praise. Free refreshments will be available.

ALIVE@5 MISSION
Fenstanton URC
Phone: 01480 46078
Email: plainside4@world.com
Together as a witness
In Fenstanton

FENSTANTON BOWLS CLUB

“Big” Car Boot

May Day, May 4th Football Field.

Boots from 7.00am
Buyers “ 8.00am
£6.00 a pitch

Contact Joan on 01480
465369 for further
information.

Womens Discussion Group

4th Monday of each month
at
George & Dragon
Elsworth

from 7.30pm with supper and speaker
27th April – Lorna Warrener’s talk is entitled

“ Chosen and Precious”. Lorna is a Methodist preacher in Norfolk and has worked extensively both in this country and abroad for Tear Fund.

Please contact Christina Sheppard to reserve a place sheppard4@dsl.pipex.com or 831454

Bumps to Babies

Held in The Daisy Children’s Centre, Varrier Jones Drive, Papworth Everard
(on the site of Pendragon Community Primary School)

For Mum’s to be and Parent’s / Carer’s of babies to pre-walkers

Friday Mornings 10.00 – 11.30am

Come along for a chat and support plus activities for your young ones.

For more details contact Kath Doyle or Rachel Rees on 01480 831423

www.cambridgeshirechildrenscentres.org.uk

Clearerhearing

For all your hearing needs

28 High Street, Fenstanton

Cambs, PE28 9JZ

01480 300955

Fields View

EXCLUSIVE – HEATED Kennels – Cattery

- Doggy Daycare Service
- Individual sleeping Quarters & Runs
- Dogs walked Twice Daily
- All Breeds Grooming Service
- Collection & Delivery by Arrangement
- Licensed by Local Authority
- Pampered Pet Section for Small & Elderly Dogs

Shaun Dighton
FENSTANTON ROAD, HILTON
TEL: (01480) 830215

www.fieldsviewkennels.co.uk



Sunshine Day Nursery

Places currently available for all children aged 1-5
Opening hours 0830-1730
Flexible hours to suit your needs -
From 1 hour to full day
Ofsted inspected
Caring, experienced and qualified staff
PRE SCHOOL VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

For further information contact
Claudia or Mindy at our nursery in Hilton
On 01480 830351



Methodist Church Hall, Potton Road, Hilton, PE28 9NG

SILVERTONE CLEANING CO. LTD

For all your Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning needs.

Silvertone provide a fast, friendly and efficient service.

Free Survey and Quotation.

References supplied upon request.

Website: www.silvertonecleaning.co.uk

Email: info@silvertonecleaning.co.uk

Tel: 01480 493909

Mobile: 07912 411600

Oxholme Farm



STRAWBERRIES

Early May to September

ASPARAGUS

May and June

**Raspberries, Blackberries
Loganberries**

in season

Open Monday - Saturday

**FENSTANTON ROAD, HILTON PE28 9JA
01480 830138**

FENSTANTON PRE-SCHOOL

Unexpectedly and without warning on a cold winter morning recently, we had an Ofsted Inspection – based on yet another new format! We were very thrilled to be awarded a second OUTSTANDING grading, once again putting us in the very top category of Pre-Schools in the country – a real achievement of which we are very proud.

If you would like to read the report and all the wonderful things said about our group, you can view it at www.ofsted.gov.uk/reports; our unique reference number (URN) is 221819. Alternatively ask at Pre-School for a written copy.

Our thanks go to everyone who supported our Clothes Swapping Party in February – we raised a fantastic £353.

During The Easter Holidays we are having some internal refurbishment to our building. This will mean that we are able to accommodate all children on our waiting list and hopefully offer more flexibility to parents in terms of sessions.

We accept children on to our waiting list from approximately 1½ years. Current policy allows them to join us in the ½ term in which they become 3.

Please do not hesitate to contact us on 01480-498954 if you would like to know any information about our outstanding group.

FENSTANTON BABY & TODDLER GROUP

We are a small and friendly group who meet every Wednesday in Fenstanton Church Centre from 10.00 - 11-30am. £2 per family. We welcome babies to school age children and have a good selection of toys for all. We have a secure area for babies and a craft table for our budding artists which is run on a rota basis..

We are now looking forward to the Spring with some Mother's Day and Easter crafts. Last Spring we visited Wimpole Hall and saw a number of lambs being born and it would be nice to do something similar this year.

So, if you fancy a tea or coffee while the children play please come along, first visit is free!! Alternatively, if you would like further information please contact Sarah Edwards on 01480 463933 or edwardss13@sky.com.

HILTON BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Meets Tuesdays 10.00 am - 11.30 am
Hilton Village Hall

We are a friendly group with babies and toddlers of all ages, we have a great range of toys and a well stocked biscuit tin! Come along for a cuppa and a chat and let your treasures burn off some winter energy. For more information call Jo on 831524. Session cost £2.

FENSTANTON & HILTON PARISH CHURCHES

APRIL SERVICES

Thursday 2nd

Fenstanton 3.30pm Jaffa Club

Sunday 5th

Hilton	8.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Fenstanton	9.15am	Procession with donkey leaves Headlands Play Area
Fenstanton	9.30am	Parish Communion
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Said Evensong

Monday 6th

Fenstanton Monday of Holy Week
6.00pm Passover Supper at URC

Tuesday 7th

Hilton Tuesday of Holy Week
7.30pm Holy Communion (with Healing)

Wednesday 8th

Fenstanton Wednesday of Holy Week
8.00pm Passion Music at 11a Honey Hill

Thursday 9th

Fenstanton Maundy Thursday
7.30pm Holy Communion (& foot washing)

Friday 10th

Fenstanton	10.00am	Children's workshop
Hilton	11.45am	Devotional Service
	12.15pm	Walk from Hilton to Fenstanton with picnic
Fenstanton	2.45pm	Devotional Service

Sunday 12th

Fenstanton	10.00am	Easter Communion
Hilton	11.15am	United Easter Communion Service in Parish Church with Sunday Club in Methodist school room

Sunday 19th

Hilton	8.15am	Holy Communion
Fenstanton	9.30am	Parish Communion
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Evensong

Sunday 26th

Fenstanton	9.30am	Family Communion
Hilton	11.15am	Family Worship with coffee served beforehand at 11.00am

Tuesday 28th

Hilton 1.30pm Tot's Praise

FENSTANTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

APRIL SERVICES

Sunday 5th	9:30am	Revd Derek Newton
Friday 10th	2:30pm	Revd Derek Newton. Good Friday.
Sunday 12th	9:30am	Revd Catherine Ball. Easter Sunday.
Sunday 12th	3:00pm	Easter Praise (with Refreshments).
Sunday 19th	9:30am	Mrs Rosemary Scarrow
Sunday 19th	6:00pm	Mr Stephen Hampson
Sunday 26th	9:30am	Revd Catherine Ball
Sunday 26th	5:00pm	Alive @ 5 Mission. Music Concert. Refreshments. See advert.

May

Sunday 3rd	9:30am	Revd Derek Newton
------------	--------	-------------------

Other Events April 2009

Tuesday 7th	10.00am	Knitters and Natters
Saturday 11th	8:30am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast. All men welcome. Call John 468718
Tuesday 14th	10.00 am	The Open Door Coffee Morning.
Saturday 18th	10.00am	Book Sale
Tuesday 21st	10.00am	Knitters and Natters.
Tuesday 28th	10:00am	The Open Door Coffee Morning.

Other Events May 2009

Tuesday 5th	10.00am	Knitters and Natters Come and join us. A warm welcome awaits you.
-------------	---------	--

HILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL.

5th April at 11 a.m.	Revd. David Shaw
Palm Sunday 12th April at 11 15a.m.	United Holy Communion at the Parish Church with Revd Katy Dunn.
Easter Day 19th April at 11a.m. 26th April at 11a.m.	Deacon Sue Roberts. Mr. John Green.

PAUL ASHMORE

PAINTER & DECORATOR
INTERIOR & EXTERIOR

3 School Lane
Fenstanton

Tel: 01480 468013

email: phashmore@hotmail.co.uk

■ ■ ■ ■ Sue Allen Bespoke Framing

- Photos, prints, oil paintings, cross-stitch, mirrors & glass replacement
- Garments including football shirts, christening gowns and first shoes
- Large selection of frame styles
- Collection and delivery service available
- Based in Over

For all enquiries
please contact Sue
on **01954 203272** or
(m) **07779 526 408**



Handmade in Hilton

Specialising in traditional
hand crafted furniture using a
variety of solid woods made to
your exact requirements.

To see our extensive portfolio
contact us on **01480 831691**

Mobile **07725 979191**

Email: info@nfc.co.uk

www.nfc.co.uk

Free no obligation
quotation on request



BANQUET INN THE OUTSIDE BAR FOR ALL OCCASIONS MOBILE LICENSED BAR

- ★ CORPORATE EVENTS ★ CHARITY EVENTS
- ★ SUMMER BALLS ★ ALL PARTIES

TEL: 01480 352220

MOB: 0771 155 6833

**Cocktails
& Real Ale**



www.banquetinn.co.uk
48 Regent St, Cambridge, CB2 1FD

ELECTRICAL
W-A-Y

T.W. Electrical & Plastering

For all of you Electrical and Plastering needs

Domestic Installations, Rewiring, Additional sockets/lights

Repairs to damaged walls and ceilings, plaster boarding, skimming, coving and coverin
that unwanted Artex.

Tel: 01480 462189 Mob: 07810 710826
Email: tony-way@ntlworld.com

CLUB NEWS

From the villages...

FENSTANTON W.I.

It was great to meet together again at our first meeting since the Christmas party. It was lovely to see Cis Ellis who was very brave to come so soon after her son's death. There were lots of birthday posies to delight this month's birthday girls and Daphne Loveday received a special flower arrangement incorporating a bowling green for her birthday. We welcomed three new ladies and hope they will come along again.

Mrs Jane Hipkin then gave a talk with slides to describe her Apprenticeship with the Royal School of Needlework. This was started by the third daughter of Queen Victoria, Princess Christian. With the Industrial Revolution at its height the princess wanted to make sure that the art of hand embroidery didn't die out.

Until 1986 the School was in Central London but then moved to Hampton Court Palace.

The apprenticeship lasted for 3 years and we saw on display some of the wonderful work that Jane had produced during that time.

One was an amazing cockerel which took her 140 hours to complete. She had 26 needles with different threads all being used at the same time. She showed us how she created dark and light effects and how string, craft felt and carpet felt padding were used to create different motifs. Anne Groome thanked Jane for her fascinating and detailed talk.

Dates for Future Meetings

2nd April Stress, Cancer and Complimentary Therapy by Mervyn Foster

7th May Resolutions

4th June Table Manners and Traditions

Through the Ages by Mrs Fiona Lucraft

We meet on the first Thursday of each month in the Church Centre at 7.30 pm.

Apart from our monthly meetings we organise other social events where new members can get to know other people.

New Walkers Group up to 2 years at

Daisy Children's Centre,

Papworth, Varrier Jones Drive.

Opposite Pendragon Primary School

Please Note: No parking available on School Grounds

Starts Monday 2nd March

And every Monday afterwards

10:00 – 11:00

Different Activities each week including: Art's and Craft, Messy Play,

Music, Heuristic Play, Construction Toys.

For more information contact Alex Rees

01480 831 423

STORMGUARD

ROOFING AND POINTING

ROOFING

Roof repairs and storm damage,
Slatting and Tiling
Ridges and Verges



POINTING

Chimneys dismantled – repointed
House Fronts, rear and gables repointed
Weather sealing service also available
Lintol approved

Tel: 01480 831440 or 07864 112590.

33 Kidmans Close, Hilton, PE28 9QB
References available

AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

**The Church Centre
Fenstanton**

HALL – MEETING ROOM – KITCHEN

Fenstanton Church Centre provides the perfect venue at very reasonable rates for

ORGANISATIONS, GROUPS
BAPTISMAL GATHERINGS
CHILDREN'S PARTIES (UP TO 11
YEARS)

Regular bookings: £6.00 per hour
Casual bookings: £8.00 per hour

For further information contact:
Mrs P Hucklesby, 51 Middleton Way, Fen Drayton, Cambridge, CB4 5SU Tel/Fax:01954 230471

Home Improving?

Then call us first.....



Specialising in the
Supply and fit of:

- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Wall & Floor Tiles
- Fascias & Soffits
- Sheds
- Decking
- Paving
- Turf

Plus
Carpentry & Joinery
Small Groundworks

Quotations without obligation
Competitive rates

HOLLANDS

Home Services

T. 01480 493674 m. 07738 475349

CHIMNEY SWEEP

J. L. WIGHT

Guild of Master Sweeps

Fully Insured.

Certificates issued

Problems solved / qualified advice



www.camsweep.co.uk

01954 782284

20 Rampton Drift, Longstanton



JACKY'S BEAUTY

Massages, Facials, Waxing, Manicures, Pedicures, Hopi Ear Candles,
Indian Head Massage, Spray Tanning and Inch Loss Wrap
Gift Vouchers available

New Clients 10% off with this advert

For further information, prices and appointments
Call Jacky Ashby-Swain 01480 831184 (answer machine when busy or closed)
Westbrook, Hilton

R.S.P.B. FEN DRAYTON LAKES

The recent floods brought the spectacle of thousands of wading birds, displaced from the Ouse and Nene Washes. The birds, mostly black-tailed godwits, with golden plovers, ruffs, lapwings and dunlins amongst them, stayed with us until the water levels returned to near normal levels.

The godwits, ruffs and dunlins like to feed with their feet in shallow water, probing the soil for worms and other invertebrates, but they don't like to get their feathers wet. Lapwings and golden plovers feed on the fields, but stand in shallow water or on islands when they roost. The main spectacle is when they fly, perhaps disturbed by a fox or bird of prey – a wheeling flock making tightly synchronised turns, not landing again until they are happy it is safe to do so.

The majority of winter-visiting wildfowl have now left us, returning to their northerly breeding grounds. During April, we are looking forward to summer visitors joining us – birds such as swallows, martins, warblers, cuckoos, common terns and hobbies.

Oystercatchers have already returned – we hope their nesting attempts are not washed out again by flooding later in the spring. Will the avocets return and nest again this year? We are hoping so. The rafts have been put back out into some of the lakes, ready for the common terns, which raised chicks on them in 2008.

Construction work on the guided busway will continue through April on the north side of Moore Lake, heading towards the viaduct over the River Great Ouse.

We have four events planned for April, three of them over Easter. I hope you will be able to join us. Please book for the events on 10th, 12th and 21st, by calling 01954 233260. The events on 10th and 13th will cost £2 for children, £1 RSPB junior members, and are free to their adults. The events on 12th and 21st will cost £4 for adults (RSPB members £2), and £1 for children. All of these events start at the Holywell Lake car park (beyond the busway).

10th, 2-4pm Build a Nest

12th, 10am-12.30pm, guided walk to find and hear warblers

13th, noon-4pm, Nature Detectives – a mystery trail for families

21st, 8-10am, Birdsong for beginners, a short walk and lot of listening

You can collect our new events leaflet from the information team in the Holywell Lake car park at weekends, or other outlets.

A guided walk at Mare Fen has been organised by the county council on Wednesday 15 April. Meet at the entrance gate on Over Road, Swavesey for 10am. This free event will end around noon. There are no parking facilities here – please walk from Over or Swavesey.

The Hanson-RSPB Wetland Project Hanson completed the land forming of the fourth mere of this ambitious project in 2008, adding another 10ha to the 45ha of reedy wetland in varying stages of development to the north of Over. Nearly twenty thousand reed seedlings were planted in the third mere. The site can be viewed from local droves, and there will be some guided walks in the summer, when you can find out more about this site, which has already attracted a host of wetland wildlife.

Neil Renwick, Community Projects Officer,

T: 01954 233267 or E: neil.renwick@rspb.org.uk

Our address is RSPB, The Grange, 20 Market Street, Swavesey, Cambridgeshire CB24 4QG.



HILTON W.I.

Hilton WI met on Monday 9th March at the Village Hall and took a look back in time with Sue Stephenson who led the members on an amusing journey through the many pitfalls and highlights of being a teenager in the '60s, lured as she was into leaving her Skegness home to become a cadet nurse in the heady freedoms and bright lights of Lincoln. Members all remembered the trendy shift dresses, mini skirts and bouffant hairstyles she described, but why did we wear our cardigans back to front?

Members have a busy schedule for the weeks and months ahead including a visit to Belvoir Castle on 16th July; a trip to the dogs in August and a spring dinner at the Golden Ball on Friday 20th March.

The cinema club is still going strong and several members have already booked up courses at Denman College, funded by the Awards for All Lottery grant.

Next month's meeting on Monday 6th April will be another look at bygone times when Yvonne Barlow will be speaking about childbirth in the '40s, '50s, and '60s. If you are interested in joining Hilton WI please contact the Secretary, Ruth Salem on 830358.

HILTON VILLAGE HALL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Management Committee for Hilton Village Hall invite you to attend the Annual General Meeting on Monday 20th April @ 8p.m. at Hilton Village Hall. Please come along and hear how the village hall is funded and run. The village hall, together with both churches, is the hub of village life, therefore, we need input for new ideas and improvements towards its running.

A warm welcome together with a glass of wine awaits. For further information contact Donna Holdaway, Chairman, on 830770.

TOTS PRAISE

Camels featured in last months Tot's Praise. How can you get through the eye of the needle? Tot's Praise, always on the last Tuesday of the month, so we look forward to welcoming you on April 28th.

Are you looking for a childminder?

Is your Child being stimulated at the most important time of their life!

My name is Sheri Akanbi, I'm an Ofsted registered childminder, a member of the National Childminding Association (NCMA), Network childminder and Buddy to new Childminders. I am quality assured as certified by NCMA Quality Assured Children Come first. My opening hours are 08:00am to 18:00pm Monday to Friday. Earlier starts can be arranged. Up to 5 sessions free for the over 3's.

Please telephone 01480 383348/07904031198
or e-mail sheriuk@yahoo.com for a business pack.

Barrys Place *Fenstanton*

For Fish, Chips, Sausages, Pies &
Other Hot Take-Away Foods

Opening Times:

Evenings: Tuesday to Saturday
5.00 pm till 9.30 pm

Lunchtimes: Friday and Saturday
12.00 am till 2.00 pm

CLOSED ON SUNDAY AND MONDAY

Telephone: St Ives 01480 462382

P. WARBOLD **Building Services**

General Internal, External
Building Maintenance
Drives, Patios, Slabs, Kerbs
Block Paving Specialists
Loft Insulation

No Job Too Small

Tel: 01480 464244
Mobile: 07785 987563

4 Conington Road, Fenstanton
Huntingdon, PE28 9LB

HILTON VILLAGE HALL

Available for Functions
DAY, EVENING OR CONTRACT
BOOKINGS

Single Function Fees

Before 7.00pm £12.00 per hour
After 7.00pm £20.00 per hour

Contract Bookings

(Committee Room only in brackets)

Before 7.00pm £5.50 (£5.00) per hour
After 7.00pm £9.50 (£8.00) per hour

Letting Officer: Lesley Fordham
7 Tithe Close, Hilton

Tel: 07922 014991



A.P. COOKE **HOMES AND GARDENS** **"The Family Builder"**

All types of building work undertaken
BRICKWORK, EXTENSIONS,
ALTERATIONS, PATIOS, DRIVEWAYS,
PONDS & DECKING
20 yrs experience, references available

Tel: 01480 391477
Mob: 07811 115209
E.mail: dawn.cowtan@ntlworld.com

Fenstanton Knitters and Natters

We would like to thank you for knitting hats for our appeal for Jimmy's night shelter in Cambridge, and the Sailors Society, we sent 180 hats in all. This is an on going appeal so please keep knitting. Thank you. We meet fortnightly on Tuesday morning at Fenstanton United Reformed Church 10-00 -11-30am. We are a friendly group and you will be made welcome, our next meetings will be on 7th April, 21st April.

Jean Ding



TEL: 01480 476696, 07966 282005, 07900 257061
FOR LOST AND FOUND: 07904 701908
lostcats@hotmail.co.uk
<http://stneots.cats.org.uk/>

Fenstanton over 60's

Our February meetings were well attended despite the weather and dare I say it... spring is on the way. We had Card Bingo on the first February meeting which was enjoyed by all especially the ones that won the enormous prizes. For our second meeting we held a word quiz rather like Countdown. This got the little grey cells working and some great competition. Nice to see Hilda back after her enforced absence. But sorry to say Frances and Lily are still hospitalized but hope to hear better news soon. Meetings for April are 8th and 22nd. We have some interesting venues lined up for our next meetings so why not join us? New members are always welcome. Call 384977 for more information

FENSTANTON BOWLS CLUB

Once again it is April and time for us to open the bowls club for the new season. Although you may think that nothing is done during the winter think again! Our club house has been refurbished and we almost have a sixth rink! Why don't you come down to the bowls club and see for yourselves and meet us all.

We are a very small, but friendly and competitive club. We play in both the Huntingdon Men's and Ladies league, Cambridge & District league and Over 60's league so there is always a good lot of games to play. Also we have a great round of friendly matches and of course our club competitions, so you can play every day if you are picked!

Open Day is April 25th but all are welcome on any evening at 6.30pm or on Saturday at 2.30pm. In fact as the season progresses the green becomes easier to bowl on!

Look forward to seeing you all throughout the season.

Any enquires to me on 01480 498050. Remember Line, Length and Luck

Daphne Loveday

Turf Supplied & Laid
 Rotavating
 Fencing
 Driveways
 Grass Cutting
 Brick Work

G.G LANDSCAPES
Tel: 01954 203004

Garden Clearance
 Patios
 Ponds
 Tree Felling
 General Maintenance
 Decking

CM BOOKKEEPING



Professional, affordable and friendly service on-site or from home

Chartered and Certified accountancy practice experience

All aspects of bookkeeping including banking and invoicing

SAGE - QUICKBOOKS - TAX RETURNS

PAYROLL - VAT RETURNS - MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANTS

Peta Hill / email: Catherine Maurice

01954 267940

cm.hill@cm-bookkeeping.co.uk

www.cm-bookkeeping.co.uk

Enhance

Fenstanton, Cambs

Image consultant to Men and Women

55% of the first impression we give is made in less than 30 seconds by our appearance alone

LET'S MAKE IT A GOOD ONE!

- Discover the shapes, styles and colours that flatter you, your personality and lifestyle.
- Save time and money by avoiding costly wardrobe mistakes.
- Increase your personal and business success by projecting that confident image.

Call Peta today on 07718 618927

Or email peta@enhance-image.co.uk

For more details

Accredited First Impressions Consultant

Fenstanton Pre-School

- experienced, qualified team
- caring, supportive environment
- large enclosed garden
- achieved 'outstanding' Ofsted rating
- lunch club/all day available
- up to 5 sessions free for over 3s

Come and have some fun and learn with us!

Call us on 01480 496156
 or you are welcome to visit us

 JONES BOATYARD
ESTABLISHED 1984

Explore The Ouse
kayaks - canoes - dinghies - river cruisers



Visit Jones Boatyard at St. Ives

01480 494040

www.jonesboatyard.co.uk

HILTON PRODUCE SHOW

Committee hope you are already deciding about your entries for this year having seen the new schedule. This year the deadline for entries will be bought forward by a few days so please keep a look out for the announcement nearer the time.

The show recipes for semi-rich fruit cake, Victoria sponge cake and cheese straws can also be found on the village web-site.

Herbie Colleen's Tips for the month

- Sow carrots in late March and then every 3 weeks until the end of June so that you will get a good succession of tender and tasty crops.
- For a good show of sweet peas at show time sow the seeds this month and next.

Junior Comer

- If you eat a date with a stone keep it, plant it in a pot, water it and see what happens! Herbie has prepared a useful information sheet on palms which can be obtained by calling Cheska on 832307
- For any horticultural advice please call Herbie on 830838

And Finally... if you have time

Cut down any old growth left after winter. Prune spring-flowering shrubs such as Forsythia after blooming to encourage new growth for flowering next year. Lift and split snowdrops and polyanthus after flowering. Overgrown clumps of perennials can be divided and replanted now. Any tall plants should be supported. Protect young growth from slugs and snails remembering that the blue pellets are poisonous to hedgehogs and birds. And keep weeding!

For organizational advice email Jane Hazlewood on jane.ernie@talktalk.net or 01480 830816, and you can also find us in the events section on the village website.

Produce Show Instruction for Classes 2009

Semi-rich Fruit Cake – Class 50

150g (5oz) butter or margarine
150g (5oz) caster sugar
350g (12oz) mixed dried fruit
250g (8oz) self raising flour
2 standard eggs
small level teaspoon mixed spice
milk to mix (about 6 tablespoons)

Method – creaming method

Oven – 300F/150C/gas mark 2

Time – 1 ¾ to 2 ¼ hours

Victoria sandwich cake – class 55

4oz self raising flour
4oz butter or margarine
4oz caster sugar (plus extra for dusting the top)
2 standard eggs

Method – creaming method

Bake in two 7" sandwich cake tins

Oven – 180C/350F/gas mark 4

Time – Approx. 25 minutes

Jam filling

Dust caster sugar on top

No Fresh cream in any entries please

Cheese Straws – Classes 83 & 94

3oz plain flour
2oz butter or margarine
2oz cheddar cheese
½ tsp salt
pinch of pepper
pinch of cayenne

Method – add seasoning to flour. Add finely grated cheese and seasoned flour to softened fat, mix to a paste and leave for 30 mins. Roll paste out on a lightly floured board and cut into straws. Place straws on a baking sheet and prick them. Cook at 180C/350F/gas mark 4 for about 15 minutes.

HILTON PRODUCE SHOW CONTINUED

Drinks for the Produce Show

The following recipes are very simple to make, and you do not need to make your own wine. The orange wine and Sangria are excellent for use at garden parties. Children will love the raspberry lemonade!

Martini-based drinks (for class 68)

There are dozens of very easy recipes on the Internet. Visit www.martinidrinks.com

Raspberry Lemonade (for class 65)

7oz caster sugar
Juice of 3-4 lemons
Fine peel of 2 lemons
5oz raspberries
2 tablespoons sifted icing sugar

Put the caster sugar in a pan with 7oz water and the lemon peel. Stir over a low heat until the sugar has dissolved, then bring to the boil vigorously for 2 minutes without stirring. Set aside to cool. Mix in the lemon juice and strain into a large jug. Whiz the raspberries with the icing sugar in a blender and strain into the lemon mixture, discarding the seeds. Stir together and chill. To serve, dilute to taste with still or sparkling water.

Orange Wine (for class 69)

2 Navel oranges, halved
1 Navel orange,
4 oz sugar
12 whole cloves
1 bottle white wine.

Squeeze the orange halves into a saucepan, add the remains of the whole oranges, and the sugar. Bring to the boil, and simmer for 5 minutes. Remove from the heat and allow to cool. Strain into a 2 pint jug or jar, pressing the oranges with the back of a spoon to release all the juice. Stir in the wine. Stick the cloves into the whole orange, cut in half and add to the jar. Secure the lid tightly, (or use cling film) and Allow to stand in a cool dark place for at least 2 months.

Sangria (for class 70)

1 bottle red wine
1 measure (50ml) brandy
Juice of 2 oranges
Juice of 2 lemons
2-3 slices orange
Caster sugar to taste
1 bottle soda water
6 ice cubes

Use a tall glass jug large enough to hold all the ingredients - about 2½ pints capacity. Pour the wine into the jug and add the brandy, lemon and orange juice. Stir well, and still stirring, add the sugar, 1 teaspoon at a time, to taste. Keep the jug in a cool place and, just before serving, add the soda water and the ice cubes. Float the orange slices on top of the jug.

HILTON FLOWER CLUB

For our March meeting our demonstrator was Denise from Denise Flowers of St Ives. We all had a wonderful insight to spring flowers. All the arrangements were simple but very affective for everybody to enjoy and be able to arrange for themselves. It made us all feel that spring is just round the corner.

Next meeting. April 6th 2pm Village hall. Demonstration by Ann Purt [Easter Tidings]

Future Events. May 21st Outing to Hatfield House and Pelham House. We leave Village Hall 10am prompt.

Contact numbers 830449 Pat Tuft 830 310 Gill Dempster.

HILTON FEAST WEEK

A big thank you to the Friends of Feast Week who organised the great disco evening at the end of February. A great night was had by all and the team raised a significant amount for the Feast Week coffers. Once again thank you team. Another team of Friends of Feast Week are looking forward to welcoming you along to the following event.

Saturday 16 May 2009

Final details are being put together for the joint fund raiser with the Church and full details will appear in next months Spectrum.

Sunday 7 June 2009

Village Jamboree

Hopefully the weather will be kind to us again and we can enjoy a Sunday afternoon down on the green by the Village Hall. We are looking at an event we could put on this day and in line with this report, more details will follow – again this event is in the process of being put together but please put the date in your diaries. •

Feast Week

Secretary Sara Sampson 830383

This summer Feast Week will commence on Sunday 19 July with the parade of floats and the produce show. This year the theme is to be 'Great Britons'.

It is time for me to ask again if there are any villagers interested in getting Sports Day organised. At the moment there is a small Sports Day committee who have been involved for many years. Ideally they would like to help some new parties to take Sports Day forward so if you would like to put your name forward please do let us know.

If you would like any further details please do not hesitate to let us know.

Main contact points are

Chair Peter Balicki 831787

Vice Chair Justo Perez 831106

Treasurer Graeme Gribbin 830481

Shake off those 'winter' blues and spring into summer nights with a Hawaiian

COCKTAIL NIGHT

Saturday 25th April 2009

Hilton Village Hall

Doors Open: 7.30pm

Tickets: £8.50 (including free cocktail)

Available from:

Bev: 830501

Sarah: 839840

Susie: 832329

Teresa: 831958

'Cocktails & dreams' served by our very own 'Bryan & Tom' (aka David & Peter)—back by popular demand.

Disco

Bar & Buffet

Fancy Dress (Optional)

Prize for best fancy dress

Hula & Limbo Competition

A Friends of Feast Week Event

VILLAGE SPORTS

The Committee has taken the decision not to let your barely literate sports reporter write this month's report. His attitude towards you dear villagers is frankly not up to our exacting standards and his insane scribbling is a disgrace to our old and well respected organisation. In fact he is a very naughty boy!

This month we would like to draw your attention to the Produce and Craft Show, which will be held, as usual, in the marquee on Sports Day, Saturday 4th July 2009. Please find below a list of the categories for this year's show, so that you may start sewing, growing and practicing your crafts for the event:

Home-grown vegetables
Home-grown salad display
Rhubarb
Plate of seasonal fruit
Floral arrangement in an egg cup
Vase of 3 roses
Floral arrangement
Patio plant
House Plant
Handicraft item – 11-14 years (e.g. pictures, models, sewing, knitting etc)
Handicraft item – 15 years and over
Photography – 'Local scenes'
Bottle of homemade drink
Sponge cake – any recipe – decorated or plain
Chocolate cake – any type
Fruit cake – any type
Fruit pie – any size
Scones
Shortbread
Homemade bread
Jam tarts
Jar of chutney
Jar of preserve
Jar of marmalade
Biscuits or buns
Pre-School
Face Mask
Decorated hardboiled egg
Primary School
Garden on a plate
Face mask

We hope you all have tremendous fun preparing for the event on Saturday 4th July.

Although a few of you wonderful villagers have volunteered to help over the weekend, for which we are very grateful, we would appreciate it if a few more of you would step forward as it were.

The number to call for this and to nominate someone for the villager of the year award is 370973 or talk to one of the committee.

We await your calls with trembling anticipation
The Sports Committee

FENSTANTON YOUTH FC

Under Sixes - Football Fun

Our Under Sixes continue to train, due to the cold weather numbers have dwindled, but please feel free to turn up and train on a Saturday morning at 10 am. Gareth Bridges, the Coach has a couple of friendly matches planned, he will keep you informed. Sessions cost just £2 per week, please wear shin pads and bring a drink. All welcome in Reception and Year One.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Village Hall Committee's Pancake Races and those who turned up and bought refreshments from us, we made a whopping £92 profit. Thanks also to those who manned the stall all afternoon.

Thank you to the Fenstanton Town Trust who have generously agreed to support the Club. We are all very grateful.

Under Sevens and Under Nines

Continue to do well, previously postponed matches are being squeezed into the schedule. Our Under Nines have enjoyed a couple of floodlit training sessions at Hinchingsbrooke which have been enjoyed by all who attended. We hope to enter into a tournament in May and will let you have details as soon as we have them.

Coaches Needed for next Season Next September, our current under sixes, those currently in year one, will hopefully join the Under Sevens League. The next intake will start in September and they will need a coach. If you think you may like to help we would like to hear from you. Please contact Charlie Darling.

If you would like any further information please contact our Head Coach, Charlie Darling on 395338

HILTON CRICKET CLUB

We have begun to count down the days to the start of the 2009 season. Our cricketers have been prodded with a sharp stick to wake them from their winter slumber. They have only another four weeks to let out the waistband of their white trousers, re-learn the rules of the game and remember what each item of equipment is for. For example, the bat comes in handy on those very rural grounds in deepest Huntingdonshire to retrieve a ball that has landed in the centre of a cow-pat. Those pads offer protection to a fielder who has to fetch a ball that has crossed the boundary, which on most grounds we visit is simply an imaginary line demarcating the sudden transition of ryegrass to monster stinging nettles. Finally, our players will face those last minute preparations – smearing zinc ointment all over their faces (I forget the reason for this, but the professionals do it), stitching their sunglasses, facing backwards, to their caps (just like the professionals) and drinking a bottle of linseed oil to stop themselves from developing superficial cracks. For those who think that this lifestyle appeals to you, please don't certify yourself, but come and join us instead. We actually need you!

Have we bowled a maiden over?

A generous-minded lady very kindly wrote to *Spectrum* last month, pleading that the nonsense of this column be perpetuated. Naturally, we like it when a compliment wings its way in this direction, but please be aware that our Club is equipped to handle complaints, too. We have a dedicated premium phone line and our staff are even now waiting to take your call.

Please be patient for the first 15 minutes, while you are told how valuable your complaint is to us and you are informed that calls may be recorded for intimidatory purposes.

When you are finally put through to one of our consultants, please state your name and dictate your abuse clearly and concisely. You will be asked for your address, so that our complaints staff can visit you. Please give directions to your home, pointing out any useful landmarks on the way – these should be well-illuminated, because our boys usually arrange or these visits to take place in the middle of the night. Calls cost no more than £50, but could be much more from a mobile, because if the boys find your phone they will throw it in the river.

Fenstanton Cycle Treasure Hunt 2009



Sunday 10th May at 11am

Come along and join in one of the three routes:

2 miles - Fun for all the Family

5 miles - Intermediate route

15 miles - Challenge route

£5 per adult

£1 per child
(under 16)

Start and finish at The George

Answer a series of questions on the route and get back to the finish line as soon as possible - 10 minute penalty for each wrong answer.



Refreshments and barbecue

Fenstanton Village Hall Committee

WHAT'S ON

APRIL

2nd Fenstanton WI	Church Centre	7.30pm
5th Wonderful Woodlands Walk	Wistow Wood	2.30pm
6th Hilton Flower Club	Village Hall	Please call
6th Hilton Parish Council	Village Hall	7.30pm
7th Knitters & Natters	Fenstanton United Reformed Church	10.00am
8th Fenstanton Over 60's	Call 384977	
10th Build a Nest	Fen Drayton Lakes	2.00pm
12th Guided Walk (Warblers)	Fen Drayton Lakes	10.00am
13th Nature Detectives	Fen Drayton Lakes	12 noon
20th Annual General Meeting	Hilton Village Hall	8.00pm
21st Birdsong Walk	Fen Drayton Lakes	8.00am
21st Knitters & Natters	Fenstanton United Reformed Church	10.00am
22nd Fenstanton Over 60's	Call 384977	
25th Hawaiian Cocktail Evening	Hilton Village Hall	7.30pm
25th Open Day	Fenstanton Bowls Club	2.30pm
26th Bluebell Woodland Walk	Brampton Wood Carpark	11.00am
26th A Concert of Worship Music	Fenstanton URC	5.00pm
27th Women's Discussion Group	George & Dragon, Elsworth	7.30pm
28th Tot's Praise	Hilton Parish Church	1.30pm
29th Hilton Parish Council Annual Meeting	Village Hall	7.30pm

MAY

4th Hilton Parish Council	Village Hall	7.30pm
4th Big Boot Sale	Football Field, Fenstanton	8.00am
10th Fenstanton Cycle Treasure Hunt	The George Pub, Fenstanton	11.00am
16th Hilton Feast Week Fund Raiser	TBA	
17th Wonderful Woodlands Walk	Haley Wood	2.30pm



Tel: 01480 830063

Mob: 07973 505770

www.rb-surveyors.co.uk

**ROSECOURT, KIDMANS CLOSE, HILTON
HUNTINGDON PE28 9QB**

Independent Surveyor of Residential, Commercial and Agricultural Property

RICS Home Buyers Reports and Surveys
Valuations for all purposes.

Rent Reviews, Compensation Claims for Road
Schemes and Pipelines.

Agricultural Property Services, Stocktaking
Valuations, Grasskeep Lettings.