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LETTERS

Editor's Letter

Ahhh... summer time: what does it mean to you? For me it's hammocks swinging and kids paddling in plastic pools in the garden; the smell of charred sausages and spicy chicken, trying to save wilted salads and putting-up-with crusty sun-baked rolls; sticking to the car seat and one tanned driving arm. Like many of you, I'm hoping to get away to the seaside with the kids, but for those staying at home there's lots to do in and around the villages, especially all the going-ons at Hilton Feast week from the 19th July. Take a look in our bumper edition for ideas for days out from pond-dipping to picnics.

Also our new feature, "creative corner" is launched this month with some brilliant photography from Peter Frazier. We welcome any artistic contributions – be inspired! Summer themes are always good so get creative and we'll publish what we can in September's edition. Remember to get your artwork/writing in by the 10th August.

The spectrum team would like to thank the following for their donations this month: Fenstanton United Reform Church, Hilton WI, Fenstanton Parochial Church Council and St Ives Choral Society. We very much appreciate all your support. Finally, whether you are traveling abroad or at staying at home, may I wish you very happy holidays.

Amanda



Letters from our Readers

Christian Aid House to House collection in Fenstanton

Thank you to everyone who gave money to or collected money for this year's house to house collection. The total amount raised was £1437.50. A brilliant result especially as not all roads could be covered. I have also banked a further £95.15 which was raised at the Passover Celebration held at the URC a few weeks ago. Thank you all once again for your generous support.

Katherine Hucklesby

Hilton Parish Picnic - 12th July

The annual Parish Picnic will be held this year on the grass in front of the church on Sunday 12th July from 12.30pm onwards. As usual, it will be a Bring & Share picnic so bring along plates / bowls of your favourite picnic fare to fill the buffet table. Soft drinks, teas & coffees will be provided. Don't forget your picnic rug and / or chairs. In the highly unlikely (!) event of rain we will decamp into the church. This event is open to everyone in both Hilton and Fenstanton so do please come along and join us. There will be activities for the youngsters and we hope to finish off with a game of rounders so those of you who are fit enough to take part will need your running shoes! Maybe we will even have enough people for a Hilton v Fenstanton challenge match?!? For more information, please contact Rachel Wood on 830866



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Hilton Church Roof Appeal Update

At the time of writing this article, the fund-raising total stands at just over £16,000 which is a fantastic achievement but we still have a long way to go to reach the £57,000 that we need to supplement our English Heritage grant. We would love to hear from anyone who has any good ideas and / or time to spare to help us with our fundraising efforts!

Our next major event is a Wine Tasting Evening which will be held on Saturday 17th October in the village hall. There will be the chance to try 15 different wines during the course of the evening before tucking in to a substantial ploughman's meal and plenty of wine to guzzle with the meal. Ticket prices are still to be finalised but likely to be £16 each which includes the tasting wine as well as your meal and wine to drink with it. It's not a promotional exercise to sell wine - there will not be anything available on the night but it can all be bought from one of the mainstream supermarkets at a reasonable price.

The idea is to come along - enjoy good wine, good food & good company - and help raise some more money towards the church roof. Do put the date in your busy diaries and we hope to see you there!



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Saunderson, Colin MacRae	27.37%	806 votes	-6.33%
Hutchings, Carole Elizabeth	6.59%	194 votes	-6.87%
Electorate	7,086		
Number who voted	2,987		
Turnout	42.15%		
For comparison - in 2005			
Bates, Ian Cyril	52.84%	2598 votes	
Rainer, Mark George	33.70%	1657 votes	
Watson, John Philip	13.46%	662 votes	
Electorate	7,042	Number who voted	4,917
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Yours sincerely, Ian Bates

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Lynda said, 'We were so lucky to have had glorious weather and everyone enjoyed the delicious cream teas, crafts and conversation in the sunshine. People were so generous. Eileen and I, along with Julie Morris and her daughter, Emma, also took part in the Race for Life on Sunday on Jesus Green in Cambridge.

Race for Life is the UK's largest women-only fundraising event. The money raised is absolutely vital to help Cancer Research UK continue its life-saving work.

Fenstanton Village Hall Update

A big thank-you to everyone who took part in the Cycle Treasure Hunt on Sunday, 10th May. We were blessed with perfect weather for cycling and having a barbecue, really the first day of summer,

and so lots of you turned out and helped us take £716.65 on the day. We look forward to receiving the same amount from Barclays Bank who undertook to match our proceeds. Our thanks go to Dai and Jo Heafield at The George who provided their back garden as a base for registration and the barbecue. We hope you enjoyed the day so much you will do it all again next year!

The sale of the old Village Hall should be completed by 19th June and our thanks go to Bennett Sanders for their help and advice over the past year.

We are now investigating with Huntingdonshire District Council the feasibility of the last possible site for a new Village Hall in Fenstanton and hope to have more news for you on this at our AGM/open meeting on 6th July in the Church Centre (Bertha Pitfield room) at 7.30pm. *Jane Blunt*



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I was adopted as a kitten by a family and I got loads of attention as I was a really cute ball of black fluff.



As I got older though and grew larger and fluffier, the attention dried up and I was often left outside all night. One day I went home as I was cold and hungry but nobody was there, the house was closed up and empty, it seems my owners had moved and left me behind. I survived by stealing other cats food and their owners used to chase me off and I became a little scared of people. There was this nice old lady though, who did leave food at the bottom of her garden so I would not upset her own cat. The winter was cold and I became quite ill and because I had been fighting with other cats, the wounds on my back had become infected and I looked and felt terrible. I spent most of my time hidden at the bottom of the old ladies garden. One day I was caught in a cat trap which was really scary and was taken by the lady at Cats Protection to the vets. I spent weeks there and slowly recovered and learned to trust humans again. I have been fostered in a cat pen by St Neots & District Cats Protection for months now and am desperate to go to a new home. My name is Ed and I am about 2 years old, black, semi-coated and quite big. I am really sweet natured now, I have been neutered, vaccinated and microchipped.

Lesley 01480 391777

'LOVE IN A BOX' CHRISTMAS APPEAL

We are aware that this sounds an early item to be running but we would like to let everyone who is interested in supporting the campaign know that we will be running the wrapped, filled shoe-box appeal this Autumn. It is organised by the Mustard Seed Relief Missions charity who use volunteers to send the boxes to, this year, orphanages in Moldova, Romania and the Ukraine. We know they are gratefully received by children from age 3 - 14.

Leaflets and further information will be available in September with boxes usually to be collected by Jenny Stimpson and Alison Fox by the end of October. This year we are also happy to receive cash gifts to contribute towards the onward travel costs and multiples of any items which we can use to fill extra boxes. These could include toiletries, stationery, small toys or gloves, scarves and hats. As you buy new shoes this summer please keep the shoe boxes and, even if you feel you cannot fill one yourself, we would happily receive these to be filled by others.

Thank you,

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Report of Fenstanton Parish Council Meeting - 14th May 2009

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish council was held 14th May. Councillor Henderson was elected as Chairman and Councillor White as Vice Chairman.

Police report.

During the period 9th April 2009 to 13th May 2009 the following incidents had been reported to the Police :-

2 burglaries.

1 incident of criminal damage.

2 thefts.

The Parish Council urges all Parishioners to be vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour to the Police. Telephone 0845 456 456 4, Crimestoppers can be contacted on 0800 55 51 11 or in an emergency 999.

The Parish Council formally agreed to become a member of the Speedwatch scheme. However, the level of commitment we are able to provide is dependant on support from Parishioners. Full training in the use of equipment will be given by the Speedwatch team and, to prevent victimisation, volunteers do not monitor speeds in their own Parishes. Speedwatch is not administered by the Parish Council or Parish Councillors. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer contact a Councillor in the first instance.

Out of date notices.

The Parish Council asks organisations to remove out of date notices from Parish notice boards as soon as possible following the event being advertised. Organisations should also be aware that posters on bus shelters, fences and

lamp posts constitutes fly posting which is an offence.

Football and play areas.

Every spring and summer the Parish Council and District Council receive complaints about children and young people playing football and other ball games in public places. Ball games are a lot of fun for those playing them, but can become a source of disturbance for those who are not and so can cause friction in neighbourhoods.

Football and other ball games are not anti social behaviour. It is not the playing of ball games that is the problem, but the manner in which they are conducted, for example: reckless play and the risk of damage to homes and property, the use of excessive noise and bad language and trespassing to retrieve balls.

Whilst we take a neutral, balanced view on the matter of ball games we expect those playing to have respect for neighbouring residents, many of whom are elderly, and their property. Equally we expect residents to work together and reach a compromise.

However in extreme cases of deliberate nuisance the matter will be reported to the District Council who may use their powers to intervene.

The Fen

The work being undertaken at the Fen to improve the surface is far greater than the Parish Council expected and has caused a number of concerns. The Parish Council is working closely with the Countryside Access Team at the County Council to address the possible problems of flooding, security and the overall aesthetic appearance of the new surface.

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<p>Next Meeting. The next meeting of Fenstanton Parish Council will be held on Thursday 9th July 2009 at 7:30pm at Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School, School Lane, Fenstanton. Members of the press and public are welcome.</p>	<p>Your details will then be passed to St Ives Speedwatch who can arrange the necessary training. We hope that all Hilton parishioners have by now received a questionnaire from Cambridgeshire Acre regarding affordable housing in this village. If you did not receive one but wish to complete one, copies and details of where to return to can be found on the village website:</p>
<p>HILTON PARISH COUNCIL</p> <p>Hilton Parish Council June 2009 Report We have received the authority from Huntingdon District Council to formally advertise and co-opt to our Parish Councillor Vacancy. Any interested party should contact the Clerk in writing (email preferably) by 3rd July 2009, and we hope to co-opt at our meeting on 6th July. Hilton has recently suffered a spate of vandalism, this has been reported to the police. If you witness any acts of vandalism or know who the vandals are, the police advise you to telephone them at the time, do not confront the perpetrators. If a patrol car is in the vicinity and has a description of those involved, prosecutions are much more likely. The Neighbourhood Policing Team will be attending our July meeting to discuss any issues villagers may have. Hilton Parish Council are supporting the Speedwatch initiative, a campaign run by volunteers whose objective is to identify speeding drivers for follow up by the Police. A few local volunteers have already come forward but we still need more. If you are concerned about speeding through the village and would like to help, please contact the Parish Clerk or Hilton Action on Traffic at: HAT-Hilton@hotmail.co.uk or tel 01480 831193.</p>	<p>www.hilton-village.com. Our next meeting is Monday 6th July at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. 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 and on the village website 5 days before each meeting. 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@btopenworld.com or write to 9 Mill Hill End, Hilton</p> 



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FENSTANTON & HILTON PARISH CHURCHES

JULY SERVICES

Thursday 2nd

Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Fenstanton	3.30pm	Jaffa Club

Sunday 5th

Hilton	8.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Fenstanton	9.30am	Parish Communion and Sunday Club
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Said Evensong

Thursday 9th

Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer
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Sunday 12th

Fenstanton	10.00am	Worship for All
Hilton	11.15am	United Service with Sunday Club in Methodist School

Thursday 16th

Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Fenstanton	3.30pm	Jaffa Club

Sunday 19th

Hilton	11.15am	Feast Week Patronal Service
Fenstanton	9.30am	Parish Communion and Sunday Club
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Evensong

Thursday 22nd

Hilton	11.30am	Children's Feast Week Service & Teddy Bears Picnic
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Thursday 23rd

Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer
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Friday 24th

Fenstanton	9.30am-12.30am	Children's Activity Day in Church Centre
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Sunday 26th

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

August Services

Sunday 2nd

Hilton	8.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Fenstanton	9.30am	Parish Communion
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Said Evensong

Thursday 7th

Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer
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Sunday 9th

Fenstanton	10.00am	Worship for all
Hilton	11.15am	Family Communion

Sunday 16th

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

Sunday 23rd

Fenstanton	9.30am	Family Communion by extension
Hilton	11.15am	Family Worship with coffee at 11.00am
Hilton	6.00pm	Evensong

Thursday 27th

Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer
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Sunday 30th

Fenstanton	9.30am	Parish Communion
Hilton	11.15am	Family Communion
Hilton	6.00pm	Healing Service at Methodist Church

FENSTANTON & HILTON PARISH CHURCHES

Regular Weekly Events

Wednesday

Hilton	10.00am	Discussion Group Hilton Hall
Hilton	11.00am	Morning Prayer/Communion Hilton Hall

Friday

Fenstanton	7.30pm	Teenage Christians
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From the Vicar...

Do phone or email me with any questions or issues about faith, or about matters of pastoral concern. For more regular matters such as baptisms, weddings and funerals, please first contact one of the churchwardens:

For **Fenstanton**, Martyn Saunders, 01480 301068 (baptisms, weddings and funerals) or Ian Hucklesby 01480 465211 (general enquiries)

For **Hilton**, Rachel Wood 01480 830866 (weddings and baptisms) or Ralph Slayter (funerals) 01480 830466

I work Sunday on parish business, together with Thursday and one other day in the week.

I listen to my answerphone regularly. Please do call on 01480 466162 with a 1571 service, or email mckenzie_robin@hotmail.com

HILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES FOR JULY/AUGUST

Services apart from the United Services will begin at 10.00am starting in July

Sunday 5th July	10.00am	Mr Dennis Hutchcraft
Sunday 12th July	11.15am	United Service at the Parish Church with Holy Communion. The annual Parish Picnic will take place afterwards on the green area outside the Church. Everyone is welcome to come along to this 'Bring and Share' picnic.
Sunday 19th July	10.00am	Mr John Green
Sunday 26th July	10.00am	Mr Don Moorman
Sunday 2nd August	10.00am	Mr David Bushby
Sunday 9th August	10.00am	Rev. Katy Dunn-Holy Communion Service
Sunday 16th August	10.00am	Mr John Garner
Sunday 23rd August	10.00am	Mr Tony Sainsbury
Sunday 30th August	10.00am	Miss Pat Paddon
	6.00pm	Healing Service led by Rev. Katy Dunn

FENSTANTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

JULY SERVICES

Sunday 5th	9:30am	Revd Derek Newton
Sunday 12th	9:30am	Revd Catherine Ball.
Sunday 12th	6:00pm	BBQ and Service joint with St Ives Free Church. Revd Catherine Ball.
Sunday 19th	9:30am	Revd Chris Baker
Sunday 26th	9:30am	Dr Christine Macleod

AUGUST SERVICES

Sunday 2nd	9:30am	Revd Derek Newton
Sunday 9th	9:30am	Revd Catherine Ball
Sunday 9th	6:00pm	Mrs Freda Barnard.
Sunday 16th	9:30am	Revd Catherine Ball
Sunday 23rd	9:30am	Mr Keith Cakebread
Sunday 30th	9:30am	Revd Roy Muttram

OTHER EVENTS JULY/AUGUST 2009

Tuesday 7th	10.00am	Open Door Coffee Morning
Saturday 11th	8:30am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast. All men welcome. Call John 468718.
Tuesday 14th	10.00am	Knitters and Natters.
Tuesday 21st	10:00am	The Open Door Coffee Morning.
Saturday 25th	10:00am	Book Sale
Tuesday 28th	10:00am	Knitters and Natters

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Tuesday 4th	10.00am	The Open Door Coffee Morning
Tuesday 11th	10:00am	Knitters and Natters
Saturday 15th	8:30am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast. All men welcome. Call John 468718.
Tuesday 18th	10:00am	The Open Door Coffee Morning.
Saturday 22nd	10:00am	Book Sale
Tuesday 25th	10:00am	Knitters and Natters

Come and join us. A warm welcome awaits you.

Fenstanton United Reformed Church is part of the St Ives Group of churches. Contact Revd Catherine Ball on 01480 352058 or the Free Church St Ives on 01480 468535

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Papworth Everard, Methodist Church, Church Lane Saturday Mass 18.00

CREATIVE CORNER



Photography by Peter Frazier

Recently retired after a career in bioscience research, Peter Frazier has been interested in photography and graphic arts since his early teens.

As a scientist with an 'artistic streak' he was initially attracted to the idea of 'painting with light' and used to work entirely with black & white film, winning a number of prizes for original prints. Now using digital equipment he has taken views of Hilton through the changing seasons for the village website and created graphics such as the banner montage and the 360-degree panorama of Hilton Green, which was stitched together from 10 individual shots. He is always on the lookout for good photographic opportunities, which include dramatic cloud formations, reflections on water and sunlight shining through foliage.



Take a look through to spot more gorgeous pictures taken by Peter.

This poem was sent in by Herbie from his late Mother's collection. Thank you. .

Waiting

I seem to spend a lot of time
Just waiting in a queue
At the bank and the bakers
And the supermarket too
I queue to use the car park
And then queue to leave it again
Or find a draughty spot to wait
For taxi, bus or train

It's also very irritating
Waiting in a home
From the plumber or gasman
Or the man to mend the phone
The tumble drier's broken
Or the telly's on the blink
But can they tell me when they'll come?
On Wednesday they think!

Awaiting at the airport
For the plane that's been delayed
Waiting for the postman
And waiting til we're paid!
Waiting at the theatre
For a ticket for the show
And waiting at the dentist
Is notoriously slow

And if I get to Heaven
As I hope someday to do
I wouldn't be a bit surprised
To find that there's another queue
And a lesser angel saying
As he stands before the Gate
"Saint Peter will be with you shortly
If you'd like to wait."



R.S.P.B FEN DRAYTON LAKES

I was invited to Fenstanton School in early June, to go bug hunting in the school gardens with each class as part of their science fortnight. It was a lot of fun for the children; they had almost as much fun as me! They found ladybirds and their larvae, spiders, woodlice, centipedes and much more.

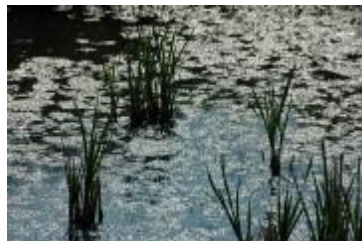
Hilton Brownies came for pond dipping in June, and Fenstanton Brownies will be coming on July 1st – these are always fun events too.

Last month, I mentioned that some of our June events were going to compare wildlife at Fen Drayton Lakes with whatever was being featured on the BBC series, Springwatch. I had no idea that they would feature little ringed plovers – and that we would have three chicks running around.

Our chicks hatched in the areas between Ferry Lagoon and the River Great Ouse. This is where we created ditches and pools in early 2008, especially to encourage wading birds to nest. They were not alone, as there were redshank and lapwing chicks in the area too. At the time of writing, some birds are still incubating their eggs. Little ringed plovers only began nesting in the UK in the 1930s, around gravel pits. The bare ground is their preferred nesting habitat, often sandy with a few pebbles. There was a natural colonisation, and most are found in the south-eastern quarter of the UK. There are probably between 800 and 1000 pairs in the UK. The other nesting success that I can report is with marsh harriers. A pair of these birds of prey has nested in the reedbeds at Holywell Lake. As yet, we don't know how many chicks are hidden away in the reeds – we'll have to wait until they begin flying.

We expect the chicks to be able to fly in early July, but they will be staying nearby and be dependent on their parents for food for another month.

These will be easily seen from the car park, where we have our information point. Come up at a weekend, and we'll show you some spectacular, acrobatic birds.



As we move into high summer, adult birds begin to shed old feathers and grow new ones. Many keep a low profile and become harder to see, so our events in July focus on bats and bugs. All are suitable for families, but please book on 01954 233260. •

4th, 9-10.30pm Bats for Families. Bring a torch – we'll provide bat detectors
19th, 2.30-4pm Bug Hunt
22nd, 26th and 29th Pond Dipping – please book your start time, between 1pm and 4pm

There is a small charge for each event. Children must be accompanied, but there is no charge for their adults on the bug hunt and pond dipping events. Neil Renwick, Community Projects Officer,

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CLUB NEWS

HILTON W.I.

Hilton WI members heard some very good news at the meeting on 8th June. Remember the Discover Hilton walk leaflet that was distributed around the village? It was entered into the National WI competition 'One Step Further' and took 2nd place over more than 40 other county entries. Of course it was disappointing to get so near to winning only to be pipped at the post but second place is a definite feather in our cap so we are delighted. The leaflet has been distributed widely within the Huntingdon WI Federation and in the next few weeks you may notice groups of ladies from other Institutes in the area, leaflets in hand, taking the walk around the village or sitting on the green enjoying a cream tea provided by Hilton WI members. Congratulations were also given to Sally Barnes for her winning entry of a beautiful hand crafted card in the Upton Trophy competition.

We had a report from one of our members who had attended the AGM at the Albert Hall and heard that the resolution 'SOS for Honeybees' calling for an increase in funding and support for the industry from the Government, was passed unanimously. We look forward to hearing how the National Federation will take this forward.

The speakers at the meeting were Christopher and Janet South whose talk entitled "Snap out of It" which they described as 'pictures without a camera', certainly got our imaginations working with their fascinating descriptions of the many experiences they have had in their travels around the world. Their travels

and talks have a charitable aim, however, and all the monies they receive are donated to helping the poor and underprivileged in Sri Lanka. The latest project which their aid supports is a hostel where girls can live in safety when away from home training for a career and better life. Next month everyone is looking forward to being entertained by Gabriella the Ukelele lady whose talk is temptingly entitled 'From Convent to Convicts'. Other upcoming events include a trip to Belvoir Castle on 16th July; a day of dog racing in Peterborough on 26th August and the WI Summer lunch on Thursday 6th August.

If you are interested in joining Hilton WI or would like more information on any of the above, please contact the Secretary, Ruth Salem on 830358.

Carol Yarrow

FENSTANTON W.I.

At our meeting on Thursday June 4th we were pleased to hear from Pauline Driver who went to the W.I. National where the Resolution to increase funding for research into Honeybee health was passed by over 6000 votes to 37.

We then had an entertaining talk by Mrs Fiona Lucraft on Table Manners and Traditions through the Ages. We tend to think that the family of today sitting round the TV with their meals on trays is a modern perhaps unfortunate trend according to your point of view. However, in the 17th Century there were no dining rooms and we saw a picture of one family cooking and eating in the bedroom.

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FENSTANTON W.I.

For formal occasions in colleges and at weddings we still have the traditional Top Table. In Tudor times the nobility would sit at the Top Table with the Salt, made of gold or silver by the most important person. They also had entertainment while they ate with musicians and jugglers. Up to the 18th Century men were seated at one end of the table and women at the other. However this changed and many a courtship started at the table. By Victorian times with its strictly controlled etiquette it could be quite daunting with the array of different cutlery and glasses. Woe betide a young lady if her future mother-in-law saw her eating a peach without using a knife and fork! Pictures of banquets through the ages make us think of greed and gluttony but the uneaten food was taken back into the larders and was served up either cold or used in another recipe. Its rather like our Sunday Roast – Bubble and Squeak the next day and maybe Shepherds Pie the day after.

Joy Saunders gave the vote of thanks and said that we might think of using some of the ideas for our Christmas meal.

Dates for Future Meetings

2nd July Pickwick's Cambridge Scrapbook 1838 by Mr. Mike Petty

6th August Jewellery from Around the World by Mrs Beryl Morris

3rd September Chinese Brush Painting by Mrs Claire Seaton

We meet on the first Thursday of each month in the Church Centre at 7.30 pm. We were very pleased to welcome two new ladies to our W.I. If you would like to join our friendly group please come along or for more information please ring our secretary Mrs. Beryl Harvey (01480) 469278.

HILTON FLOWER CLUB

No write-up for May issue since the annual outing was on the 21st. This proved to be a fantastic one organized by Gill to Hatfield house. We were treated to a guided tour inside and then on to the gardens. Next was Pelham House with garden that had an interesting layout with unusual plants. It was a great project that evolved from a field.

Tea was had there and Gill had made super cakes for everybody to share. They were much appreciated. Beverley gave Gill a bouquet as a thank you from the club.

It was a sunny June afternoon for our meeting. Beverley and Visse came to show us their demo "East meets West". Visse started with East this gave us an insight to Ikebana, Heaven (SHIN) Man (SOE) and Earth (TAI). It is a precise type of arranging using natural materials and pin-holders. The essence is patience ending with subtle, delicate arrangements – altogether very soothing.

Beverley – with West – gave us profusity of colour and many different flowers. Her basket was a joy, so like the Country garden, then a delightful filled glass. This showed what could be done with just a bunch of flowers from the arket. She made it look easy! Lastly she created a vibrant arrangement designed to fit into a church window. All good ideas for us. A splendid afternoon.

Happy holidays to all!

Next: Monday July 6th 2pm. Garden Party at The Rectory

No meeting in August and future meeting Sept. 7th TBA Monica Agnes

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If you fancy a tea or coffee while the children play please come along - your first visit is free! Alternatively, if you would like further information please contact Becky on 01480 493067 or email rebecca@rjreynolds.wanadoo.co.uk.

HILTON BABY & TODDLER GROUP

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! We are also very pleased that Sharon Stevens will be joining us for a short Clap & Sing session approximately once a month. Come along for a cuppa and a chat and let your treasures burn off some energy. For more information call Jo on 831524. Session cost £2.

TOTS PRAISE

Counting. Lots going on last month. We did who counts for us—and about us. Exciting: Feast Week fun this month plus Teddy Bear Picnic then it'll be the Summer hols!

Don't forget to bring lunch and your teddy bear. Tot's Praise is held at Hilton Church last Tuesday of the month except in August. See you July 28th

FENSTANTON PRE-SCHOOL

We have welcomed lots of new families over the last few weeks. Our numbers have now reached an all time high.

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

Are you thinking of replacing your computer or have already done so? We really need another one, suitable for the children's educational games (no internet needed) – so if you have or know where we could get hold of one please contact us on 01480 496156 – we would be very grateful

We would like to pass on our thanks to Hilton Town Trust for their kind donation towards the cost of our vegetable/flower garden and with the help of a compost donation we have now planted and started to grow leeks, pumpkins and lettuces. The children have really enjoyed the experience.

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.

Look out for our stalls at Sport's Day on 4th July 2009 - see you there!

Please do not hesitate to contact us on 01480-496156 if you would like to know any information about our outstanding group.

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HILTON ACTION ON TRAFFIC (HAT)

Residents' Petitions

Cambridgeshire County Council Highways has been investigating the problems relating to through traffic that were identified in two petitions from Hilton residents. Their traffic engineers are due to report back on 13th July 2009. Councillor Ian Bates spoke in support of both petitions, stressing that the traffic problems had an adverse effect on the quality of life of residents. He requested that all options, including a by-pass, be considered. Recent accidents reported to HAT

24 April: Lorry ran into back of stationary car at temporary traffic lights north of Graveley Way/St Ives Road crossroads – car badly damaged, but no injuries reported.

23 May : Serious collision on Potton Road between motorcycle and car emerging from Church End - sadly, we understand motorcyclist sustained very serious injuries.

Neighbourhood Speedwatch

Hilton Parish Council is supporting the County's Speedwatch initiative, a campaign that identifies speeding drivers for follow up by the Police.

Remember: It's a 30 mph limit for a reason!

If a driver hits a pedestrian at 30mph, there is an 80% chance the pedestrian will survive.

At 40mph there is a 80% chance of the driver killing a pedestrian.

A team of trained volunteer observers, drawn from the different communities in the St Ives area, is deployed just a few hours each month with roadside speed detector units at speeding hot spots. In the few checks carried out so far in Hilton, St Ives Speedwatch has identified over 70 drivers speeding through the village.

The Parish Council is looking for volunteers from the Hilton community to come forward as observers. Once Hilton has sufficient trained observers, it should be possible to better target checks to locations and times when speeding problem is greatest.

If you are concerned about speeding through the village and would like to help, please contact the Parish Clerk or Hilton Action on Traffic.

A typical Speedwatch session lasts for only one hour and timing can be flexible to fit in with your availability.

Your details will be passed to St Ives Speedwatch who can arrange the necessary training.

To contact HAT or for more information e-mail: HAT-Hilton@hotmail.co.uk

Tel: Bill Halford, 831193; Margaret Shardlow, 831186; Lissie Wright, 830577

HILTON A14 ACTION GROUP

Major issues we believe the Highways Agency has not properly addressed are increased noise, sight of the road from some parts of the village, the possibility of increased traffic through the village and fears about increased flooding. Some local residents are also now saying that they wish to oppose the road outright on the grounds that it will increase CO₂ emissions and create huge environmental damage without the alternatives, such as increased freight on rail, being properly examined.

A Public Enquiry will force the Highways Agency to explain their design to an independent inspector and Public Enquiries can force changes in design to road schemes.

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FENSTANTON BOWLS CLUB

First let us all congratulate Heather Brace for winning the ladies indoor Championship, well done Heather and good luck for the future.

The outdoor season has started well, if a little cold the first few weeks.

The season is well underway with both ladies and men's league, Cambridge and District (this is where we have a "roving" jack) a completely different ball game!

The Over 60's team on a Wednesday afternoon is very "sedate" this is my first year at it and I'm enjoying it very much, more like a friendly than tough competition. We also have a good round of friendlies on Saturday afternoons.

You will be pleased to hear that 3 of our ladies, Pat, Janice and Joan have all been picked to play in County Matches good luck girls and don't forget to wear that HAT!

Harvey has been picked for the men's County Matches and is doing very well.

We are a small but very competitive club and this season a lot of players are competing in a higher division than last. So lets hope we can at least stay up.

Saturday 4th July is Sports Day. Come along and have ago at rolling a wood and see if you like it.

Remember Line, Length and Luck. Some days I get all these!!!!

Daphne Loveday

HERBIE AT HOME

Within a few weeks of starting work I had become 'The Boy' who kept the ½ and 1 point of peas and beans topped up which meant I spent Saturdays on Cambridge market and the bookshops. Here's the dedication from one if not the first book I bought.

A Book About Rose and How to Show Them 9th Edition.

I dedicate my book to my wife because
There's a rose looking in at the window
In every condition of life
In days of content and enjoyment
In hours of bitterness rife
Where'er there's the smile of a true wife
A bright as a beam from above
'Tis the rose looking in the window
and filling the dwelling with love
(From poems by P.M. James)

Who would not want to buy this book?

FENSTANTON OVER 60'S

We held a general knowledge quiz for the first meeting of June. The competition was fierce and we will not be taking on the 'Egg-Heads' for a while yet!

For our second meeting Richard presented a slide-show of Stourton Gardens in Stourhead. I think it is the most beautiful in England, but hailing from the West Country, I will admit to possibly being a bit biased.

Have you just moved to the village, recently retired or (hopefully not) just been made redundant. Are you feeling lonely and starved of conversation? I was 12 years ago and now I have made some long-lasting friends through the club. Also you can learn much about the village and its history. So why not come along and give it a try?

All are welcome.

HILTON PRODUCE SHOW

Hello again! We hope that in spite of the variable weather your flowers and vegetables are coming on well - both for your own enjoyment and the show on July 19th.

We have included Produce Show Entry Form in this month's Spectrum. You will also find it, along with the Schedule, on the village web-site and also in the Feast Week programme. Please note the minor alteration this year to class 68 (spirit based cocktail).

Remember that the DEADLINE for competition entry forms this year, both written and email, is midnight WEDNESDAY July 15th. Written entry forms should be delivered to Jane Hazlewood at 11 Westbrook or emailed to:

jane.ernie@talktalk.net.

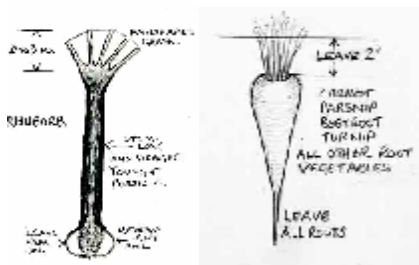
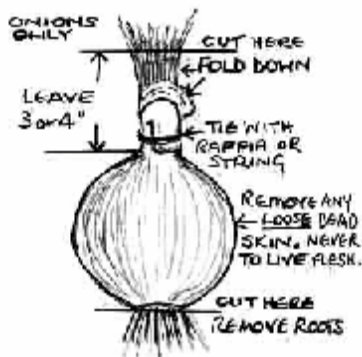
On Show Day the marquee will open at 0815 and be cleared for judging PROMPTLY at 1015 so we do ask that you bring your entries in as early as possible.

Labels for pickles and chutneys should state whether they are hot and/or spicy as our judges need to keep their palates sensitive!

As soon as prize giving is over the committee would appreciate that entries be removed as soon as possible.

Any feedback, good or bad, after the show would be welcome.

Herbie's tip of the month is a guide to presentation of some of the entries.



And finally.....keep weeding, watering and, most importantly, ENJOY your garden.

For any horticultural advice please call Herbie on 830838.

For organisational advice email Jane Hazlewood on jane.ernie@talktalk.net or 830896, and you can also find us in the events section on the village website - www.hilton-village.com

HILTON FEAST WEEK

The main event draws ever nearer with the week starting on Sunday 19 July with the United Feast Week celebration in Hilton Parish Church with the Produce Show and Parade of Floats also taking place. The theme this year is 'Great Britons'.

There will be events during the week for children and the traditional cricket matches will again take place on the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings.

During the week there will be an evening of Irish Bingo on Wednesday 22 July. Live entertainment on Thursday 23 July being provided by local band Stingray as part of their Cambridgeshire summer festivals tour. Village entertainment night will take place on Friday 24 July. We are delighted to announce that this will again be hosted by Steve Lawton.

On Saturday 25 July there will be a Barn Dance on Saturday Night after the Penalty Shoot Out, Sports Day (weather permitting!), Village Tea, Art Show prize giving, drawing of the Grand Draw, and Tug of War. There will of course be the usual bar, kids bar and BBQ running in the week and if you would like to spare a couple of hours to help on any of these please do let any of the committee know. You will also have someone come round selling the summer grand draw tickets. Please do support Feast Week with the purchase of these tickets. They are an important fund raising item and essential to our being able to put Feast week on.

In the meantime I would just like to thank those Friends of Feast Week who put on the magnificent Hawaiian Themed Cock-tail Night in April and to everyone who attended this and the joint fund raising quiz we held with the Church.

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

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HILTON PRODUCE SHOW ENTRY FORM

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		Phone number and email address							
Name of Class	Fruit Cup	Vegetable Cup	Flower Arranging Cup	Flower Cup	Baking & preserves	Drink Committee Cup	Alice Collen Cup	Thomas Collen Cup	Jacob Collen Cup
	1	11	28	36	50	65	72	77	88
	2	12	29	37	51	66	73	78	89
	3	13	30	38	52	67	74	79	90
	4	14	31	39	53	68	75	80	91
	5	15	32	40	54	69	76	81	92
	6	16	33	41	55	70		82	93
	7	17	34	42	56	71		83	94
	8	18	35	43	57			84	95
	9	19		44	58			85	96
	10	20		45	59			86	97
		21		46	60			87	98
		22		47	61				
		23		48	62				
		24		49	63				
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Simply write 1 or 2 to indicate the number of entries you are putting into that class number. All entries should be in this format.

The entry form may be copied or downloaded from the website

www.hilton-village.com

Forms to be submitted no later than 12 midnight on Wednesday 15 July to Jane Hazelwood, 11 Westbrook or by e-mail to hiltonproduce@aol.co.uk. Jane 830896, Cheska 832307, Brian 831776 or Deb 830157 are happy to help.

FENSTANTON YOUTH FC

Congratulations to all the players who participated in the recent tournaments at Cottenham and Godmanchester – both days were good fun for all.

Training for our Under Tens, Under Eights and Under Seven teams will start in early August. Please check out our website for exact dates nearer the time. Training start dates for the new intake (those who will be in year one/ Reception) will be notified via the schools in early September.

Coaches Needed for next Season. In 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 or email our Administrator: Helen Rodriquez – Helen.rodriquez@ntlworld.com

For further details contact John Wosahlo 01480 - 395284.

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Annual General Meeting on

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July

2nd	Fenstanton WI	Church Centre	7.30pm
4th	Sports Day	Fenstanton	2pm
4th	Bats for Families	Fen Drayton Lakes	9-10.30pm
6th	Fenstanton Village Hall AGM	Church Centre	7.30pm
6th	Hilton Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	7.30pm
6th	Hilton Flower Club Garden Party	The Rectory	2pm
9th	Fenstanton Parish Council	Primary School	7.30pm
11th	Mens Fellowship Breakfast	URC	8.30am
12th	Hilton Parish Picnic	Hilton Church	12.30pm
14th	Knitter and Natters	URC	10am
16th	Hilton WI	Trip to Belvoir Castle	
18th	Scouts Car Wash	Wilderspains Garage	9.30am -1pm
19th	Hilton Feast Week	Hilton	
19th	Hilton Produce Show	Hilton	
19th	Bug Hunt	Fen Drayton Lakes	2.30-4pm
22 nd /26 th /28 th	Book your time Pond Dipping	Fen Drayton Lakes	1-4pm
25th	Book Sale	URC	10am
28th	Knitters and Natters	URC	10am
28th	Tots Praise	Hilton Church	1.30pm

August

6th	Hilton WI	Summer Lunch	Call for info
6th	Fenstanton WI	Jewellery around the World	7.30pm
11 th	Knitters and Natters	URC	10am
15 th	Men's Fellowship Breakfast	URC	8.30am
22 nd	Book Sale	URC	10am
25 th	Knitters and Natters	URC	10am
26 th	Hilton WI	Peterborough Dog Racing	Call for info
31 st	Car Boot Sale	Fenstanton Football Field	9am-1pm

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