

# SPECTRUM

The background of the cover is a light beige color. On the left and right sides, there are green palm trees. In the center, there is a large, stylized blue wave. At the bottom, there is a blue swimming pool with a white and orange striped beach ball floating in it. A purple banner is at the very bottom with white text. The word 'SPECTRUM' is written in large, bold, multi-colored letters (purple, blue, green, yellow, orange, red) with a black outline. Below it, 'Jul/Aug 2022' is written in a smaller, black font. The words 'IN THE' are in orange, 'Summer' is in large blue script, and 'TIME' is in orange. A thick orange underline is under 'Summer'.

Jul/Aug 2022

IN THE  
**Summer**  
TIME

Join in all the fun this summer.

## USEFUL NUMBERS

### Emergency:

Police	101
Out of hours doctor	111
Water leaks (Cambridge Water)	0800 316 7676
Street lights not working	0800 253 529
Gas leak	0800 111 999
Swavesey Surgery	01954 230202
Fenstanton Surgery	01480 461873
Fenstanton Pharmacy	01480 495159

### Council:

Fenstanton Parish Council	01480 465300
Hilton Parish Council	01480 830605

### Education:

Fenstanton Primary School & Pre-School	01480 375055
Fenstanton Baby & Toddler Group	01480 830658
Swavesey VC	01954 230366
Hilton Day Nursery Hilton	01767 688715
Hilton Baby & Toddler Group	07749682229

### Churches:

Fenstanton U R C Church	01480 352058
Fenstanton Parish Church	01480 465211
Catholic Church (St Ives)	01480 462192
Hilton Methodist Chapel	01480 830686
Rev Nick Witham	01480 462293
Hilton Parish Church	01480 830866
Hilton Parish Church (2nd Number)	01480 830413
Rev David Busk	01480 436400
The Bridge (St Ives)	01480 498801
Int Prayer Palace Church	01480 878450

### Community:

Hilton Feast Week	01480 830605
Fenstanton Village Sports	01480 370973
Fenstanton Post Office	01480 462188
Hilton Town Trust	01480 830866
Hilton Neighbourhood Watch	01480 831658
Fenstanton Church Centre	01954 230471
Hilton Village Hall	07752678415
St Ives RBL Women's Section	01480 380882

### Clubs

Beavers, Cubs & Scouts	01480 831715
Fenstanton Rainbows, Brownies, Guides (girlguidinggalleyhill@gmail.com)	07730369565
Hilton Rainbows and Brownies	01480 830156
Hilton WI	01480 831186
Fenstanton Friendship Club	01480 350677
Fenstanton Bowls	07541968125
Fenstanton Indoor Bowls	01480 497202
Fenstanton Football Club	07711674591
Fenstanton Youth Football	01480 395338
Fenstanton Glebe Allotment	janstone4@btinternet.com

Fenstanton Supple Strength	07910600077
Fenstanton Dance Aerobics	07910600077
Hilton Aerobics	01480 832321
Hilton Flower Club	01480 830571
Hilton Pilates	07733307475
Fenstanton Pilates	01480 465117
Fenstanton Morris	01480 466448
Scottish Country Dancing	01487 822989
Slimming World	07772868472
St Ives Art Club	01480 466155
Tai Chi for beginners	01480 468701
Tennis (Swavesey)	01954 231752

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

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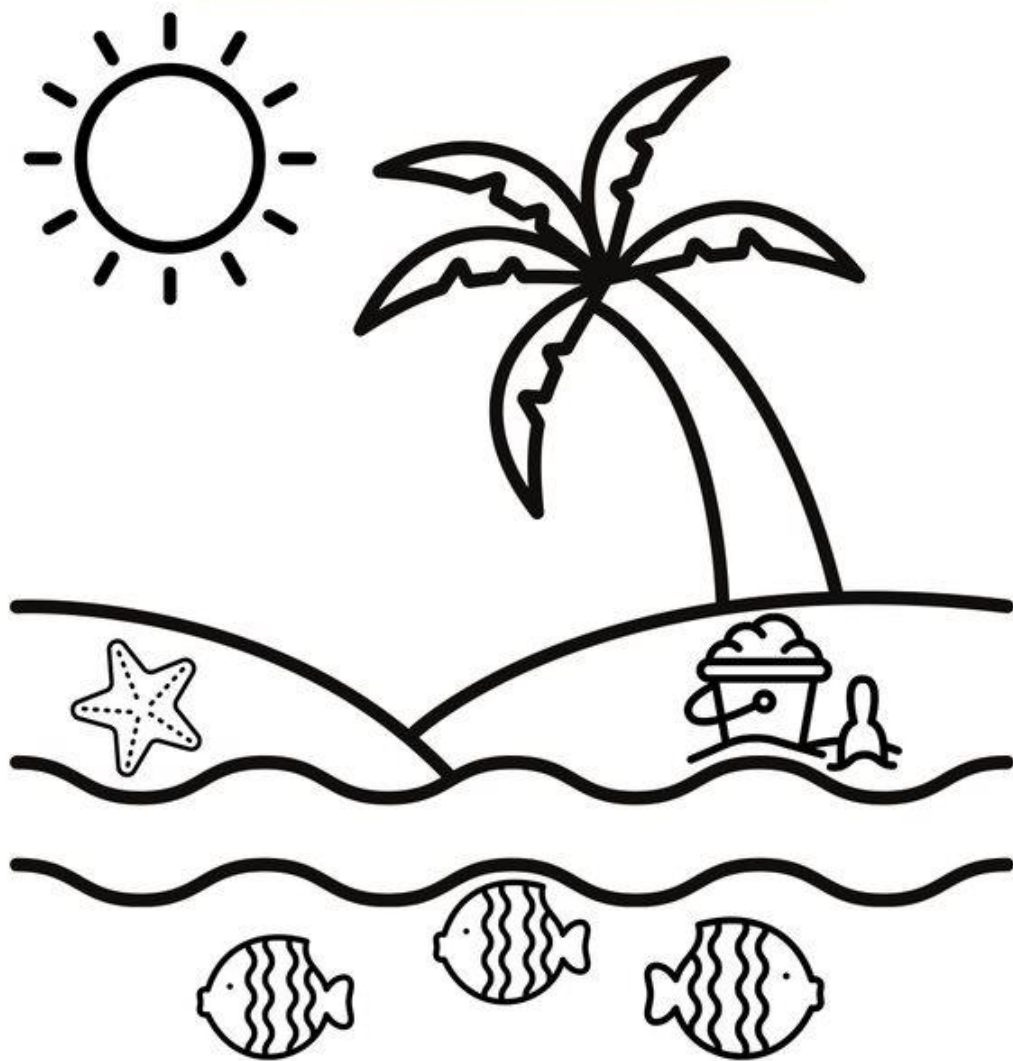
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# COLOURING COMPETITION

Colour in the picture below and send them to [spectrumparishnews@gmail.com](mailto:spectrumparishnews@gmail.com) or post them to Jo Brasher at 58 Crest Drive, Fenstanton, PE28 9BR with your name and age.

Winner will be announced and featured in our next issue.



Name .....

Age .....



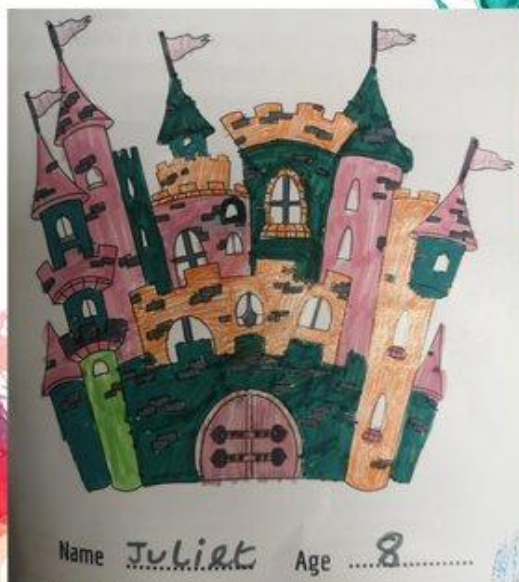
## COLOURING COMPETITION WINNER:

Juliet  
Age 8



Juliet has done a wonderful job on colouring in the castle, she has used lots of different colours and even some glitter which was a lovely added touch. Well done and congratulations Juliet!

Thank you to everyone who took part in our colouring competition. It really brightens our days to see your entries and it is so hard to pick a winner with so many amazing pictures. Please keep them coming in!



## LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHS



Thank you to those who sent photos in, please do keep them coming in.  
Photos can be sent to [spectrumparishnews@gmail.com](mailto:spectrumparishnews@gmail.com) or to Jo on 07707490321

# JOIN US FOR FRIDAY FEAST

- ✿ **BACK IN CHURCH!!**
- ✿ 5.30pm – 7pm
- ✿ Parish Church
- ✿ Hilton



BRING A BOTTLE!



- ✿ Free All Age event
  - ✿ Get creative
  - ✿ Food & Fun
  - ✿ Informal gathering
  - ✿ Churches of Hilton together
  - ✿ For all faiths, and none
- ✿ Fri 10<sup>th</sup> June, 8<sup>th</sup> July & during Feast Week
- ✿ To find out more, call Rachel on 830866



It's church, but not  
as you know it....

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Aug**  
and every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

**11.15am**  
**HILTON**  
**VILLAGE HALL**

A welcome for all, good  
coffee, delicious cakes,  
crafts & activities, time to  
talk, music and prayer

For more information, call  
Revd David Busk on 436400  
or Rachel Wood on 830866

We'd love to see you there!



## Yard Sale Fundraiser!!

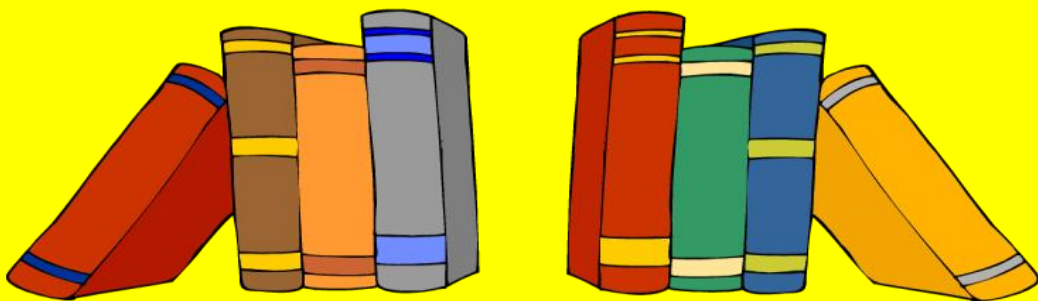
Sunday 17th July 12-4pm  
The Elms, 9 Talls Lane, Fenstanton.  
The fundraiser is for Georgia Graveling,  
a 1st Fenstanton & Hilton Scout  
to go the World Scout Jamboree 2023 in South  
Korea.

- Adult & children's clothes
- Baby equipment
- Homemade baked goods
- Toys
- Books
- And much more...



FENSTANTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

# CHEQUER STREET BOOK & JIGSAWS



**ON SALE**

**SATURDAY**

**July 16th /Aug 20th**

**9-30 AM- 12- NOON**

FENSTANTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Hobbies Crafts and Collection Day. Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>

If you have a collection you would like to display, please let me know.

If you have a Vintage/Classic vehicle, please bring it along on the day.

There will be Tractors Motor Bikes and Cars.

For more details ring Jean 01480 498221. Thank you



FENSTANTON KNITTERS AND NATTERS

We meet every Tuesday at 10:00am -11:30am

New members welcome.

Venue Fenstanton United Reformed Church Chequer  
Street.



**Fenstanton**  
Chequer Street,

**United Reformed Church**  
Fenstanton

We are pleased to welcome you to our friendly church

Sunday morning services are at 09.30. All are welcome.

### **2022 Services**

#### **July**

3<sup>rd</sup> July – Synod Moderator  
10<sup>th</sup> July – Holy Communion - Revd Christine Davies  
17<sup>th</sup> July – Revd Dr Catherine Ball  
24<sup>th</sup> July – Led by Geraldine Swain  
31<sup>st</sup> July – Led by Keith Cakebread

#### **August**

7<sup>th</sup> August - Revd Christine Davies  
14<sup>th</sup> August - Led by Keith Cakebread  
21<sup>st</sup> August - Revd Dr Catherine Ball  
28<sup>th</sup> August - Revd Christine Davies

#### **Meditation – Led by the Free Church St. Ives**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July - 2.30 - 4pm  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August - 2.30 - 4pm

Geoff Hawkins  
Fenstanton URC Secretary





# Fenstanton Community Café

What a great time was had at Platinum Jubilee Community Café. There was even an opportunity to have your photo taken with the Queen. How exciting! A singer had been booked, a Norris Museum memory box too, plus making crowns if you wanted to. We celebrated in style with a splendid feast of sandwiches and cakes. Our thanks to the bakers, the tea-makers, the table decorators; Age UK, Fenstanton Parish Council, the washer-uppers, the clearing uppers and everyone who helped in some way. A big thank you to YOU if you joined us for the afternoon.

We had a decorated straw hat and two dinner size plates left behind after the Jubilee Café. Please do get in touch if they are yours, thank you.



## Weekly Virtual Community Café

Can't come along to the face2face café? Then why not try our virtual community café?

Become a regular member of the virtual café and you will receive a free mug!!

The virtual café meets weekly on Wednesday afternoons, on Zoom, from 2-3.30pm. Do get in touch for the Zoom details. You are welcome to join in or to listen or both.

We have two rules we have agreed on. 1) We respect each others views - we might not agree with another person but we respect them as a person who has their own view. 2) We don't share photos or phone numbers unless we have permission from that person.

We have a Facebook page "Fenstanton Community Café", a WhatsApp group and Instagram page.

All are welcome to join us for our next face2face Community Café, no booking necessary and back to our usual time slot of 2-3pm. Church Centre, Tuesday 5 July. Tea/coffee and cake as usual for a donation of £1, although you are always welcome to donate more if you wish.

The "face2face" café dates are on Tuesday afternoons 2022, 2-3pm, Church Centre.

5 July; 2 August; 6 September; 4 October; 1 November; 6 December.

For more information about Fenstanton Community Café, please contact:

Rev Rosie. 01480 467393 email: rosie.tallowin@btinternet.com



## Parish of Fen Drayton with Fenstanton News and Services for July/August 2022

### The Rector writes:

Hello, how are you doing?

At this time of year, the last few weeks of school/college terms are beckoning ever closer, sports days, outings and other end of year events will be in their final planning, if they haven't already taken place. Parents might be wondering what they are going to do for the summer break, planning childcare, meeting with friends so children can play together (or not!), and thinking is it too early to get the school uniform sorted out for the next term? Even if we haven't got school age children, we probably notice the changes that non-school days bring. Grandparents on taxi duty, extra food supplies at the ready, and maybe even a chance of a slightly more relaxed day, without having to watch the clock so much.

Whatever, you are doing this summer, please do find some time to relax and unwind. Your batteries need recharging too. Grab a few minutes where you can, maybe an hour with a favourite hobby or a catch up over coffee with a friend. Perhaps a day out somewhere. So even if you aren't going away on a holiday, can you find some time to take care of your own well-being.

God bless, from Rev Rosie.

Do get in touch for up-to-date information, or look on the website [www.fenstantonparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.fenstantonparishchurch.org.uk) the facebook page "Fen Drayton with Fenstanton Parish Churches", a church near you [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com) , or email: [rosie.tallowin@btinternet.com](mailto:rosie.tallowin@btinternet.com) [ikhuck@virginmedia.com](mailto:ikhuck@virginmedia.com)

Contact details for our parish are:

Rector: Rev Rosie Tallowin: 01480 467393 email:

[rosie.tallowin@btinternet.com](mailto:rosie.tallowin@btinternet.com)

Churchwardens: Philip Blunt 01480 461751 and Ian Hucklesby 01480 465211  
Please note that all enquiries for weddings (including Banns of Marriage) and baptisms should be made in the first instance to our Rector Rev Rosie Tallowin, 01480 467393.

**Community Fund**, or to make an application for financial help, please note we have a dedicated email address for the fund

[fdsccommunityfund@gmail.com](mailto:fdsccommunityfund@gmail.com) The Community Fund was set up to offer help to anyone with a strong association with Fenstanton or Fen Drayton, whether a church member or not. Especially in these difficult times we would like to reach out to you if you are in need of financial help and are seeking a modest one-off donation of money for a specific purpose. All enquiries are treated in the strictest confidence and a member of our small committee will be in touch with you with an application form and further information.

<b>July August 2022 – Services at St Mary’s, Fen Drayton and St Peter &amp; St Paul, Fenstanton</b>			
	<b>Service time</b>	<b>Parish Services are usually held in St Peter &amp; St Paul’s Church, Fenstanton</b> <b>Live stream details via</b> <a href="https://www.fenchurchbooking.org.uk">https:// www.fenchurchbooking.org.uk</a>	<i><b>For Morning Prayer and Night Prayer Zoom details please contact Rev Rosie</b></i>
Mondays, weekly	8pm		<i><b>8pm Compline on Zoom (No Compline on bank holidays)</b></i>
Thursdays weekly	8.30am		<i><b>8.30am Morning Prayer</b></i>
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	10am service at Fenstanton	10am Holy Communion with Sunday Club <b>Live stream may be available</b> via Zoom, please request details	
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am service at St Mary’s  10am service at Fenstanton	9.15am Holy Communion at St Mary’s Fen Drayton  10am Worship For All Service <b>Live stream may be available</b> via Zoom	
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	10am service at Fenstanton	10am Parish Service, Holy Communion with Sunday Club <b>Live stream may be available</b> via Zoom, please request details	
	6pm	Sung Evensong, Fenstanton	
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am service at St Mary’s  10am service at Fenstanton	9.15am Morning Praise at St Mary’s, Fen Drayton  10am Family Communion, at Fenstanton <b>Live stream may be available</b> via Zoom	
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup>	10am **	Holy Communion at St Mary’s Fen Drayton ** please note time	

AUGUST	Service time		
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	10am service at Fenstanton	10am Holy Communion <b>Live stream may be available</b> via Zoom, please request details	
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am service at St Mary's  10am service at Fenstanton	9.15am Patronal Festival Communion at St Mary's Fen Drayton  10am Worship For All Service <b>Live stream may be available</b> via Zoom	
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>	10am service at Fenstanton	10am Parish Service, Holy Communion <b>Live stream may be available</b> via Zoom, please request details	
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am service at St Mary's  10am service at Fenstanton	9.15am Morning Praise at St Mary's, Fen Drayton  10am Family Communion, at Fenstanton <b>Live stream may be available</b> via Zoom	

INTERNATIONAL PRAYER PALACE CHURCH  
PRESENTS  
EMPOWERED WOMEN CONFERENCE 2022!!!

Join Us

**22-24 JULY 2022**

host:  
Pastor  
Joyce

**FRI 22 & SAT 23  
FROM 6PM ON**

YouTube  
IPPC TV

Instagram  
Prayer  
palace  
church

**SUNDAY 24  
FROM 10:30AM  
LIVE IN CHURCH**

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Mrs. Roma  
Mrs. Jennifer

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# Fenstanton Village Sports Day & Produce Show

**Saturday 2nd July 2022**

Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School field from 2pm

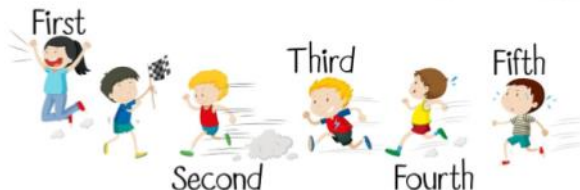


Novelty races

Family races



Adult and Children's races and games



**Produce, crafts and baking show**

**with special Queen's Jubilee themed classes**



**BBQ Bar, & Refreshments**



We are looking forward to seeing you at the 2022 Sports Day after the enforced 2 year break.

If you have a trophy from 2019, please return it to Ron's Farm Shop ASAP. We do need the trophies back now so that we can check them and make sure there are enough for this year's races.

We hope to have the much-loved Slippery Pole again this year, but we need some mattresses to go underneath. The old ones had to go!!

If you have any mattresses that you are thinking of getting rid of, please contact Ron at the Farm Shop so we can arrange to collect them again, ASAP.

# The Bridge Church

(Part of the Newfrontiers family of Evangelical Churches)

## Serving St Ives and the surrounding communities

[www.thebridgechurch.co.uk](http://www.thebridgechurch.co.uk)  
[01480 498801](tel:01480498801)

The Sunday service is at 10.30am in our lovely church building at No.2, Burrell Road, St Ives, PE27 6RR: Come for some lively worship; hear about God's love for us and how we can put it into practice in our lives. We also meet together in small groups during the week, where we build friendships and grow together as a family in our faith.



We hold a monthly church prayer meeting plus a men and a women's breakfast fellowship. There is a youth group for 11 to 18 year-olds which meet on Friday nights in term-time between 7 and 9 pm.

The Babies and Toddlers group meets at 9.30am on Tuesdays in term-time. A Craft Club meets at 2pm on alternate Thursday afternoons. A women's weekly Bible study group meets on Tuesday morning at 10am. We also have the Bridge Drop-In on a Friday morning from 10.30, specifically designed for people on their own. We would love to welcome you to any of these events. For further details of times and places please see the website or ring the Church Office.

Now the Children's Church at the Bridge! It's a fun, exciting and safe place where children can learn about God in a meeting especially designed for them. The mornings are jam-packed with activities in a contemporary "magazine" style, relevant to the culture in which our children are growing up. Why not encourage your children to come along from 10:30 am on a Sunday morning?

### **Sacred Heart RC Church, 19 Needingworth Road, St. Ives**

Mass times: Saturday 5pm &  
Sunday 9am and 11am

Parish Priest: Fr. Thomas Walton

Contact: 01480 462192  
 or [office@sacredheart-stives.org.uk](mailto:office@sacredheart-stives.org.uk)  
 Website:  
[www.sacredheart-stives.org.uk](http://www.sacredheart-stives.org.uk)

### **The Particular Baptist Chapel Church Lane, Fenstanton, PE28 9JW**

There has been a witness to the worship of  
God here over the years since 1643

**Services are on Sundays at 10.30am and  
2.30pm**

**and on Thursday evenings at 7.15pm**

We still use the Authorised, King James  
Bible, believe in Particular Redemption and  
the traditional manner of worship.

***All are welcome***

Pastor: BE Izzard (01480 830142)



## **FENSTANTON FOOTBALL CLUB**

**are excited to announce our new club sponsor for the next two seasons will be**



**We are looking for Players for the following teams from 1 September 2022**

**U8 team, School year 3**

**U13 team, School year 8**

**U14 team, school year 9**

**(training will start through August)**

**If you are interested or know someone who might be please contact the club**

**Email [fenstantonfootball@outlook.com](mailto:fenstantonfootball@outlook.com)**

**We are an FA Chartered Standard club providing safe and INCLUSIVE football in a fun environment for players in the youth teams, 6-18 years and men's team.**





What glorious weather to bowl in.....I do hope I haven't spoken too soon, I don't fancy digging out my thermals and waterproofs this season!

We would like to welcome all our new members who attended the hugely successful Open Day in May and have subsequently realised what a friendly lot we are as well as how much fun can be had aiming some big bowls at a little ball! Sounds easy enough,

I hear you all thinking, well it's definitely not too late to come and give it a try for yourselves. You'd be made very welcome. We are at the bowls club on Thursday and Sunday mornings 10am until 12, so you're welcome to just turn up or call Patricia - 07801946729 or Barry - 07541968125 for more information.

We still have teams representing Fenstanton in some County competitions and we also play in several leagues each week so there is something for everyone.

Come and give it a try....what have you got to lose?



## **THE FEN SHANTY FOLK Are back singing again!!!**

We are a mixed group of all ages singing shanties, folk and popular songs for pleasure.

If you enjoy singing in good company why not come along, we would love to see you? Or if you'd just like to come and listen, you are also most welcome. We meet regularly on Thursday evenings. Please contact us for venue details.

### **Available for bookings**

We are also available to perform for entertaining clubs, societies, small groups and parties.

You can contact us by phoning Niki on 07841 599 492 or emailing [niki.whitby@sky.com](mailto:niki.whitby@sky.com). You can also visit our **Fen Shanty Folk Facebook** page.

# Hilton Platinum Jubilee Celebrations



Tel. 01480 375055  
[fenstantonpreschool@fenstanton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:fenstantonpreschool@fenstanton.cambs.sch.uk)  
School Lane, Fenstanton, PE28 9JR  
Rebecca Reynolds - Administrator  
[www.fenstantonandhiltonschool.com/web/pre-school](http://www.fenstantonandhiltonschool.com/web/pre-school)

Fenstanton Pre-School is located in the Early Years Unit at Fenstanton & Hilton Primary School. The children benefit from all that a busy, thriving primary school has to offer whilst also preparing them for their journey into the reception class.

With a qualified and experienced team, the children spend their days learning in the best possible way - through play. Every day is filled with messy play, building, role play, forest school, dressing up, mark making, crafting, singing, making friends and so much more.

**We have spaces available for children to start in September 2022 – please contact [fenstantonpreschool@fenstanton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:fenstantonpreschool@fenstanton.cambs.sch.uk) for a reservation form.**

We accept children from 3 years old and you can reserve your child's place from 2 years old.

*Queen's Jubilee Topic Tray*



## HILTON ART CLUB

In May, we had the Big Sky Landscape session. There were stormy, inky black, sunset, blue and cloudy skies of all kinds and it's always wonderful to see such a diversity of artwork on a subject.

Thanks to everybody for helping set up and putting away all the tables, chairs and also the library in double quick time!

**1st July 9.30 am - 12.30 pm**

En plein air painting at Hinchinbrooke Country Park.

Lunch at the country park café.

**15th July All Day**

Trip to Patchings Art Festival, Calverton, Nottingham.

Ticket entry.

**22nd July 9.30 am - 12.30 pm**

Flowers For A Nation.

Please bring your own pictures/props.

**Feast Week Art Show - date TBA**

Our artwork to be on display at the art show.

**5th August 9.30 am - 12.30 pm**

En plein air painting, St Ives Riverside and Meadow.

Lunch at the Golden Lion Hotel.

**19th August 9.30 am - 12.30 pm**

Up In The Air. Please bring your own pictures/props

## Friendship Club

**25th May**

We had a wonderful outing on the river aboard the "Ladybird". Although it was a little breezy, it did not rain and we had chance to spot the wildlife. We stayed on board for lunch, due to the wind, and had fish and chips delivered to the boat, piping hot, in Godmanchester. Very enjoyable day in good company.

**8th June**

Chantal Bradley gave an excellent workshop, on how to be, "Dementia Friendly". It was very informative and we learned a lot that will help each of us to be more aware of people with dementia. Books, written by authors with dementia, were recommended. A sure sign there is life after diagnosis.

**22nd June**

Lunch at Hartford Mill.

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**6th July**

Strawberry tea, a celebration of summer.

**20th July**

Rocking Rolling Ukeles, a lively group. We are sure to have a joyful afternoon.

**3rd August**

Sid Fisher with tales of his Mariner's Life. We look forward to hearing of his experiences.

**17th August**

To be decided.

**31st August**

"Small is Beautiful", a talk about quilting.

We meet in the United Reformed Church building in Chequer Street PE28 9JQ every other Wednesday afternoon at 2.00 pm.

New members and visitors very welcome.

Enquiries to

Marie Newns [bubblenews@gmail.com](mailto:bubblenews@gmail.com)

(In process of getting a new phone number, will update as soon as possible.)



# Latest news from Fenstanton Parish Council

## Fenstanton Parish Council— New Councillors

Simon King



Simon and his family live in The Fen, they have 3 dogs, 2 ponies and numerous chickens. Simon was born in the Village and his family associations with Fenstanton date back over 5 generations, his Great Grandfathers were a farmer in Chequer Street and the village postmaster, his Great Uncle was George Burgess, one of Fenstanton's very first Parish Councillors. His Grandfather owned the village shop (now Ash's), his father the fish and chip shop. His uncle taught at Fenstanton school, his aunty is the famous 'Mrs Collison' of school secretary fame. Recently, whilst serving on the Residents Association, Simon worked closely with both Fenstanton Parish Council and CCC in delivering The Fen bridleway. Simon says "I believe that a living village such as Fenstanton, one of the few villages that still has industry and commerce at the heart of its High Street, isn't just about the here and now; it's also a nod to those that came before, that created our community, and respecting the children of today who will create our community of tomorrow. I'm relishing serving on Fenstanton Parish Council, working with, and delivering to the people of Fenstanton."

Tina Yates



Tina served as a Parish Councillor in the early 2000's for some 8 years. She stepped down due to time pressures from work and looking after her mother-in-law, as this meant that she was no longer able to contribute as she thought she should. Tina is now better able to contribute her time again. Tina has been a resident in the village for nearly 40 years, and realised at the last PC meeting, when she attended as a member of the public, that she thought there seemed to be a shortage of "old" experience of the village, which can sometimes be useful. Tina has experience of dealing with Cambs County Council as Chair of the Swavesey and District Bridleways Association, and has a good working knowledge of rights of way legislation. In her working life Tina carried out environmental research (based at Monks Wood) for 24 years, and then was a government advisor on environmental issues and research needs, for a further 9. Tina feels that being a Councillor at any level is about what the person can contribute, and she can contribute an active brain, a questioning mind, and her knowledge and experience.

## **Traffic—High Street**

Your Parish Council has been approached by some residents concerned over safety and traffic issues on the High Street.

Your Parish Council is working towards introducing a 20mph speed limit throughout the village, which we hope will be implemented in the coming months.

Your Parish Council will be speaking

to local business owners and residents that park along the High Street and in the lay-by for long periods of time to ask that they seek alternative parking to help avoid the bottle neck along the High Street.

If improvements are not seen then your Parish Council may have to consider other measures.

Please consider others when parking on the High Street.

## **Underpass—A1307**

Your Parish Council has been working with Highways England to try to address the problem with flooding of the Underpass.

Highways England cleared the drain in November 2021 but it seems to have become blocked again.

Highways England attended on the 2nd of June to clear the drain, however it was not entirely successful and further investigation will need to be carried out.

Your Parish Council will continue to work with Highways England to resolve the issue.

## **Footpath Working Party—Volunteers wanted**

Your Parish Council is still looking for one or two volunteers to join its Footpath working party.

The working party meet virtually on an ad hoc basis to discuss any issues regarding the Footpaths in and

around the Village that require the attention of the Parish Council.

If you would be interested in joining our working party, please contact your Clerk.

## **Pond—update**

Work on the Pond continues, your Parish Council recently arranged for the large Tree at the back of the Pond to be removed as it was compromising the lining of the pond and drawing water from the pond. Your Parish Council will continue to

monitor the water levels.

Further work is planned to tidy the area, spraying of weeds will be carried out before introducing a wild flower area and the installation of a new bench.

## **The Fen Bridleway—update**

A new gate is due to be installed on the bridleway in the coming weeks to replace the bollards that are currently in place.

bridleway are the responsibility of Cambridge County Council. The hedges are maintained by your Parish Council.

Maintenance of the surface of the bridleway and the verges along the

## **Path repairs—Churchyard**

Your Parish Council has approved for work to repair the path ways through the Churchyard to be carried out in the coming weeks.

towards the end of July when the School has broken up for the Summer holiday.

We do not currently have a date confirmed but hope it will be

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

## **Clerk—office hours**

Your Clerk is normally in the office on a Tuesday and Thursday from 10.00am until 2.00pm. Please feel free to pop in for a chat.

On some occasions it is not possible for the Clerk to be at the office but you can still contact her on 01480 465300 or by email:- [clerk@fenstantonparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@fenstantonparishcouncil.org.uk)

## Bus Timetable—1A Service

Bar Hill - Fenstanton - St Ives Service 1A	Monday to Friday								
Bar Hill, Saxon Way, Tesco	07:52	09:35	10:43	11:50	12:50	14:05	15:50	17:03	
Fen Drayton, Cootes Lane, opp The Orchard		09:51			13:06				
Fenstanton, High Street, opp Rookery Way	08:07	09:56	10:51	11:58	13:11	14:13	15:58	17:13	
Fenstanton, High Street, opp Chequer Street	08:09	09:58	10:53	12:00	13:13	14:15	16:00	17:15	
St Ives, London Road, opp Greenfields	--	10:01	10:56	12:03	13:16	14:18	16:03	--	
St Ives, Morrisons	--	10:05		12:09	13:22	14:24	16:09	--	
St Ives, Market Road, St Ives Bus Station (Bay 2)	--	10:11	10:59	12:15	13:28	14:30	16:15	--	

St Ives - Fenstanton - Bar Hill Service 1A	Monday to Friday								
St Ives, Market Road, St Ives Bus Station (Bay 1)	--	09:00	10:18	11:10	12:18	13:30	15:18	16:18	--
St Ives, Morrisons	--			11:16	12:24	13:36	15:24	16:24	--
St Ives, London Road, Greenfields	--	09:03	10:21	11:21	12:29	13:41	15:29	16:29	--
Fenstanton, High Street, Chequer Street	08:10	09:08	10:26	11:26	12:34	13:46	15:34	16:34	17:26
Fenstanton, High Street, Rookery Way	08:12	09:10	10:28	11:28	12:36	13:48	15:36	16:36	17:28
Fen Drayton, Cootes Lane, The Orchard	08:17	09:17		11:35				16:43	
Bar Hill, Saxon Way, Tesco	08:30	09:30	10:41	11:48	12:48	14:00	15:48	16:56	17:41

## Dogs—please keep on lead

Your Parish Council has received a few messages from concerned residents regarding dogs off lead in public areas. Whilst your dog may be friendly please consider

that some people are scared by dogs and make sure you keep them on lead when leaving areas where they are allowed off lead. Thank you.

**To contact your Parish Council Clerk**

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## Would You Qualify as a Witch?

By John Deeks

In the seventeenth and eighteenth century most people were uneducated and were not able to explain what went on about them. In fact, knowledge was a scarce commodity. It is difficult for us to comprehend just how ignorant people were. Most English people knew nothing about geography and didn't know or care what happened on the other side of the horizon. The majority of people never travelled more than five miles from their place of birth. As a matter of fact, almost everyone thought the world was flat.

Only a small number of people could read or write or even count beyond one hundred. Most common citizens could not tell the time of day, and few could read a calendar. Most of our ancestors of those times did not know what year it was, much less when their own birthdays occurred. The reason is that nobody knew his or her exact age. Birthdays went unnoticed by a population that could not read a calendar.

The Witch Trials of the late 17<sup>th</sup> and early 18<sup>th</sup> century accused many people of practising witchcraft, almost all of them on evidence we would consider to be "shaky" today. If you were around in say 1711, what are the odds that YOU would be so accused? And, if found guilty, hanged? Would you have been accused of practising witchcraft according to the laws and evidence used during the witch trials?

### 1. YOU ARE FEMALE

Are you a woman of any kind? If so, you are probably one of the devil's many hellbrides. For thousands of years, people have believed women to be more susceptible to sins than men, and sinning is a clear indication of devil worship.

### 2. YOU ARE POOR AND CANNOT SUPPORT YOURSELF FINANCIALLY

The poor, homeless, and those forced to rely on the community for support were among the most vulnerable and often accused of witchcraft. Sarah Good, hanged in 1692, was extremely disliked and distrusted by neighbours because she wandered from house to house begging for food.

### 3. YOU ARE RICH AND FINANCIALLY INDEPENDENT

If you're a grown woman living this life without any additional support, you probably also have a jar of eye of newt in your pantry. Any indication that a woman could live without the help of, or supervision of a man would raise an alarm. She would likely have been isolated from the community, until, of course, she was arrested and put on trial. Between 1620 and 1725, women without brothers or sons to share their inheritance comprised 89 percent of the women executed for witchcraft.

### 4. YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE FRIEND

A note to all women's meetings and the cast of Sex and the City: A group of women congregating without a male chaperone was deemed a coven, meeting to worship the Devil.

### 5. YOU HAVE HAD AN ARGUMENT WITH ONE OR MORE OF YOUR FEMALE FRIENDS

Infamous witchfinders like Matthew Hopkins inspired such terror in the community that it didn't take long for women to accuse other women of witchcraft as a way of deflecting their own indictments.

### 6. YOU HAVE HAD AN ARGUMENT OR DISAGREEMENT WITH SOMEONE

The important thing to remember is that anyone could accuse anyone of witchcraft, and they did. If you found yourself accused of practising witchcraft of any kind by any kind of person, you might as well have been seen flying naked over the moon on a broomstick made out of a cursed lover's ears.

### 7. YOU ARE VERY OLD

Older women, both married and unmarried were extremely susceptible to accusations. Rebecca Nurse was a 70-year-old invalid when she was accused by disputing neighbours. At 71, she became the oldest woman tried, convicted, and put to death for being a witch.

### 8. YOU ARE VERY YOUNG

Dorothy Goode was only 4 years old when she confessed to being a witch (simultaneously implicating her mother, Sarah, who was hanged in 1692). Dorothy was imprisoned for nine months before her release. The experience left her permanently insane.

#### 9. YOU ARE A MIDWIFE

A midwife's age, social and marital status, autonomy, pagan influences, secret knowledge of herbs and most importantly, the vilification of her profession as unclean and demeaning served to demonize the midwife. In short, the midwife represented everything the Church feared.

#### 10. YOU ARE MARRIED WITH TOO MANY CHILDREN

You have an unnaturally fertile womb that can only be the result of a dark magic. Add to that a young couple nearby having a difficult time conceiving, and you are almost certainly stealing would-be babies from them, because you are a witch.

#### 11. YOU ARE MARRIED WITH TOO FEW (OR NO) CHILDREN

The devil cursed your unholy womb with infertility. Plus, if your neighbours and their six children are suffering in any way, they almost certainly believe the jealous crone living next to them has cursed their home.

#### 12. YOU HAVE EXHIBITED "STUBBORN," "STRANGE," OR "FORWARD BEHAVIOR"

Let loose any kind of sass or backtalk and ye be a witch, probably. In the trial of Rachel Clinton, her accusers solidified the case against her with the following: *"Did she not show the character of an embittered, meddlesome, demanding woman, perhaps in short, the character of a witch? Did she not scold, rail, threaten and fight?"*

#### 13. YOU HAVE A MOLE, BIRTHMARK, OR THIRD NIPPLE

Any of these found on the body could be interpreted as the Devil's mark. This is also where the witch's familiar, usually a dog, cat, or snake, would attach itself to her to drink her blood. The accused were completely rid of their body hair until some kind of marking was found.

#### 14. YOU HAVE HAD SEX OUT OF WEDLOCK

Throw yourself directly into a blue hellfire if this one applies to you. In 1651, Alice Lake of Dorchester was tried as a witch for having "played the harlot and being with Child." Her guilt was so intense that she eventually confessed to convening with the devil "through the commission of her sin." She was hanged that same year.

#### 15. YOU HAVE ATTEMPTED TO PREDICT THE IDENTITY OF YOUR FUTURE HUSBAND

Ever daydreamed about your soul mate? Written his name in your notebook? Then, your activities could be construed as witchcraft.

#### 16. YOU HAVE BROKEN VIRTUALLY ANY RULE IN THE BIBLE AND THUS ENTERED INTO A PACT WITH THE DEVIL

Here are a handful of rules the Puritans observed, breaking any could lead to a witchcraft accusation:

The strict observance of the Sabbath

No fire, No trading, No travelling, No adultery

No leading people to other Gods by prophecy or dreams

No getting raped

No planting more than one type of seed in a field

No touching a pig carcass

No wearing clothing made of more than one kind of cloth or fabric

No round haircuts

No braided hair

And definitely no suffering a witch to live

Did you do any of these things last Sunday? Then congratulations, you are guilty of practicing witchcraft. You are hell bound, and will likely be hanged, burned, or left to rot in a filthy prison until you die.

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### **Hilton Rainbows and Brownies**

Rainbows had a fantastic time at Whipsnade Zoo at the end of May, for many this was their first trip out since lockdown. We have visits planned during the rest of this term for Rainbows and Brownies from the police and paramedics as well as badges and awards to finish off. We have 8 girls due to leave Brownies this term, four of whom will have earned their Gold Award, a great achievement considering we had 18 months without face to face meetings and they did a lot of the activities at home. We have 7 girls moving up from Rainbows to Brownies in September to take their places and new girls down to start Rainbows. Anyone with daughters who would like to start Rainbows please get their names on the waiting list by Googling Join Us Girlguiding and following the links.

Hilton leader: Karen Baker for both Rainbows and Brownies.

### **Fenstanton Rainbows; Brownies and Guides.**

Rainbows and Brownies are looking forward to finishing Summer Term with a visit to Holt Island Nature Reserve in St Ives.

**Rainbows** – May meeting started by playing games with the Brownies. Followed by the Rainbows doing drawings to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee and talking about the Queen's involvement with Girlguiding. Two girls from Fenstanton Rainbows were able to join with Papworth Rainbows and Brownies Jubilee celebrations in June.

**Brownies** – had a go at putting up different types of tent and seeing what they were like inside. Learnt how to strike a match and light a candle then used tea lights to toast marshmallows. Talked about safety round a fire and made edible campfires. We are a very small unit and would love to have some more girls join Brownies.

**Guides** – E-mails have been sent to everyone currently on the waiting list to check which day would be best for them so we can see about opening in September.

Fenstanton Leaders: Amy White, Brownies; Judith Follon, Rainbows & Guides; Charlotte Pattle, Rainbow Leader helping with Fenstanton Rainbows.

Is your daughter aged between 4 and 14 years old and would she be interested in joining Rainbows; Brownies; or Guides?

Please Google Join Us Girlguiding and follow link to register your daughter.

Could you be a Unit Helper or Leader with Girlguiding? Please get in touch to find out more about volunteering with Girlguiding.

If you want to ask anything about local Rainbow; Brownie or Guide units in or would like to know more about us or please e-mail: [GirlguidingGalleyHill@gmail.com](mailto:GirlguidingGalleyHill@gmail.com)

## **Hilton and Fenstanton Royal British Legion**

During his previous tenure as Mayor of St Ives four years ago, Philip Pope and St Ives Town Council agreed to grant the Freedom of St Ives to 42 Engineer Regiment (Geographic) based at RAF Wyton. This was in recognition of the support that the regiment had given to St Ives for some time.

Unfortunately, the pandemic prevented the group from exercising the right to march through the town 'with bayonets fixed' until Jubilee Saturday, 4th June, when by appropriate good fortune Philip is serving again as Mayor.

As a member of the Royal British Legion Women's Section, Margaret was privileged to receive an invitation to the ceremony, which was pitch perfect, particularly because a number of the participants had only been in the service for a few weeks.

There was a sweet moment in a brief silence just as the ceremony began when a little girl caught sight of her father in his uniform and called loudly, "There's my daddy!". She was probably the proudest person in St Ives at that moment.

Whilst listening to Jeremy Sallis, Radio Cambridge on 6<sup>th</sup> June, he made an announcement that Frederick Lancaster, a WWII veteran, born in 1921, was to be cremated at 11.30am the next day, the only attendees were to be his next-door neighbour and the minister, Simon taking the service. I telephoned Alan Scott, Welfare Officer of Royal British Legion, St Ives, who immediately responded with, "We can't let this happen". Alan discovered that Private Lancaster had served in the Royal Army Medical Corps during the war, but Frederick had no surviving relatives in UK. Alan contacted local RBL Standard Bearers and members, and the Cambridge RAMC.

When Alice, Frederick's neighbour, her husband and Mum arrived at Cambridge Crematorium on 7<sup>th</sup> June, they were very surprised to see three RBL Standard Bearers, a RBL Biker, several RBL members, and members of 254 Medical Regiment, Cambridge waiting for them. Two of Frederick's Carers also joined us for the ceremony.

Unfortunately, one of the Standard Bearers could not stay, he had promised to attend another military funeral in Ely.

If you would like any further information regarding the above, please contact Margaret 831 186 or Julie 830 580. If you know of any past or present military personnel, who may need support please tell them that support is available by contacting the RBL Helpline, in confidence, on 0808 802 8080.

The Royal British Legion Women's Section meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at the Ivy Leaf in Broadleas, at 11am. Why not join us for a cuppa and a chat, you don't have to be a member of the RBL or the military forces? Our next dates are: 11<sup>th</sup> July, 8<sup>th</sup> August, and 12<sup>th</sup> September.

If you have any queries, please contact: Margaret Shardlow: 831186 or Julie Briggs: 830580