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November 11th - we will remember them

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### **Emergency:**

Police	101
Fenstanton Surgery	01480461873
Fenstanton Pharmacy	01480495159
<b><u>To report: water leaks</u></b>	<b>08003167676</b>
<b><u>street lights not working</u></b>	<b>0800253529</b>

### **Council:**

Fenstanton Parish Council	01480465300
Hilton Parish Council	01480831106
County Councillor	01480830250
District Councillor (Fenst.)	01480466692
District Councillor (Hilton)	01480830250

### **Education:**

Primary School	01480375055
Fenstanton Pre-School	01480496156
Fenst. Baby & Toddler Group	01480830658
Swavesey VC	01954230366
Sunshine Day Nursery Hilton	01480830351
Hilton Baby & Toddler Group	01480830658

### **Churches:**

Fenstanton U R C Church	01480352058
Fenstanton Parish Church	01480465211
Catholic Church (St Ives)	01480462192
Hilton Methodist Chapel	01480830686
Rev. Katy Dunn	01480830314
Hilton Parish Church	01480830466/866
The Bridge (St Ives)	01480498801
Men's Christian Fellowship	01480392018

### **Clubs:**

Beavers, Cubs & Scouts	01480831715
Fenstanton Brownies	07730369565
Hilton Brownies	07808017177
Hilton Rainbows	01480 411408
Fenstanton WI	01480395564
Hilton WI	01480830358
Over 60's Fenstanton	01480493212
Hilton Art Club	01480831410
Hilton Flower Club	01480830571
Fenstanton Bowls	01480498050
Fenstanton Indoor Bowls	01480497202
Fenstanton Football Club	07786318959
Fenstanton Youth Football	01480395338
Hilton Aerobics	01480832321
Fenstanton Aerobics	07742488459
Hilton Pilates	07733307475
Fenstanton Pilates	01480465117
Fenstanton Morris	01480466448
Scottish Country Dancing	01487822989
Tai Chi for beginners	01480468701
Tennis	01954231752

### **Community:**

Hilton Feast Week	01480831299
Fenstanton Village Sports	01480370973
Fenstanton Village Hall	01480461751
Hilton Town Trust	01480830866
Hilton Neighbourhood Watch	01480831658
Fenst. Neighbourhood Watch	01480395284
Fenstanton Church Centre	01954230471
Hilton Village Hall	07922014991

*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 amendments needed to any of the above.*

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## LETTERS & NOTICES

### History of Hilton.

Copies of the Millennium Edition of Jack Dady's wonderful, illustrated history of Hilton are still available. The book is hard-backed and costs £10. It would make a fascinating Christmas present. Contact Peter Blake, 830137.

### Hilton Town Charity

Some in the village may not be aware of the Hilton Town Charity which benefits from land and assets endowed generations ago, being most recently confirmed by a Deed dated 1899. The charity's details are listed in several relevant directories, and a report of the year's activities is given to the Parish Council.

The vicar and four trustees administer the Charity. They have wide discretion, the only limitation being that grants must be directly of benefit to the village of Hilton and those living therein. Villagers and supporting organisations are able to apply at any time to one of the trustees or to the clerk as listed below.

Rev David Busk	Chairman	436400
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Mr Phil Wood	Clerk	830866

### THANK YOU

The Godmanchester Food Bank, would like to thank all those who have made contributions, both at the Harvest Festival and throughout the year, to the us. Your effort is much appreciated. *Cheska Hodder.*

### HELP

We need people to deliver Spectrum to

- GREENFIELDS
- SWAN GARDENS

**please contact Kay (495308)**

*Also, if anyone is able to act as a stand-in when someone is away or ill, please ring Kay so she can put you on her list.*

### The Fenstanton Town Trust

The Trust dates back to the time of Queen Elizabeth 1 to help the villagers of Fenstanton. If you know of anyone residing in the village who would benefit by receiving financial help from the trust, please apply to the clerk of the trustees. All applications will be looked at and treated in confidence.

Clerk of the Trustees: a former resident of Fenstanton,

Mrs A Sinclair-Russell, Oakwood, West Park Street, Chatteris, West Cambs, PE16 6AL

### The Joseph Ellis Foundation Trust

This Trust was founded in 1728 by the will of Joseph Ellis. The objective of the Trust is to assist students who are residents of Fenstanton & Fen Drayton with the purchase of books for their further/higher education. If you would appreciate help then apply to this Trust. The fund is not a large one, but every little helps. Any student interested should apply in writing to the clerk of the trustees.

All correspondence is in strict confidence.

Clerk of the Trustees:

Mrs C Collison, Holly Lodge, The Fen, Fenstanton, PE28 9JT

### Action for Children collection in Hilton

The house-to-house collection during September raised £480-11. Many thanks to our small but loyal band of collectors and to those who gave so generously.

*Richard Dunn*



## Adult Support Drop-in Events Autumn/Winter 2014



A series of popular drop-in events for anyone who is living with a long-term illness or disability, providing unpaid support to adult family members or friends who could not manage without this help, or struggling with an age-related condition, are continuing this Autumn/Winter. They include drop-ins being held at:

Huntingdon Library: 1<sup>st</sup> October, 5<sup>th</sup> November, 3<sup>rd</sup> December (10am to 1pm)

Ramsey Library: 28<sup>th</sup> October, 25<sup>th</sup> November, 19<sup>th</sup> December (10am to 12 noon)

Drop-in to any of the events for a cup of tea and a chat about the information, advice and support that may be available, to share your stories and experiences, talk in confidence to a member of the Carers Support Team or Physical Disability Services Team, or to book a carer's assessment.

For more information:

Tel: Gemma Whitehouse on 01480 377616 / Leigh Hornsby on 01480 373220

Email: [CarersSupportTeam@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:CarersSupportTeam@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

Visit: [www.cambridgeshire.net](http://www.cambridgeshire.net) and search "Adult Support Drop-in"

### **Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults**

The second edition of the Safeguarding Adults and Mental Capacity Act Newsletter has recently been published. It includes useful information and up-dates for people who use services, their families and carers, the general public and professionals who work with vulnerable adults. The newsletter can be downloaded from the County Council's website at [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/social](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/social) Any comments about the newsletter or suggestions for information to include in future issues can be sent to [<>](mailto:James.Codling@cambridgeshire.gov.uk).

### **Conservation, Farming, Flooding: Our Natural Landscape?**

#### **Ouse Washes Landscape Partnership**

#### **Annual Conference**

#### **Wednesday 19 November 2014**

The Ouse Washes landscape area has a multitude of different uses. It has an important role in flood risk prevention; it is made up of high quality agricultural land; and its internationally-renowned nature reserves provide a vital home for wildlife. This conference will look at whether these competing uses can be reconciled and balanced whilst making the area a great place to live and work. Anyone interested in the Ouse Washes area is invited to attend the first-ever Ouse Washes Landscape Partnership Conference which is taking place on **Wednesday 19th November from 9am – 2pm at The Corn Exchange in St Ives, Cambridgeshire.**

This conference - the first in a series of three, taking place annually - will explore the natural landscape of the Ouse Washes Landscape

Partnership area. The conference aims to provide attendees with an overview of future management challenges including issues around landscape-scale conservation, biodiversity value, agricultural importance and flood relief. A background to wetland creation schemes in the area will be given through presentations with discussion facilitated in small groups regarding the future importance of the natural landscape.

The Heritage Lottery Fund awarded a major grant to the Ouse Washes Landscape Partnership, Heart of the Fens scheme in March 2014. This OWLP scheme is funded till March 2017.

The OWLP area covers two counties, five districts and 29 parishes, and stretches for nearly 50 km from Downham Market in Norfolk to St. Ives in Cambridgeshire.

**For further information, images and interviews contact:**

**Mark Nokkert**, Ouse Washes LP Programme Manager: 01353 865030; Mobile 07864531867; [mark.nokkert@camsacre.org.uk](mailto:mark.nokkert@camsacre.org.uk) 32 Main Street; Littleport, Ely; Cambridgeshire CB6 1PJ

## FENSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL - 9th OCTOBER

**Police report:** During the month of August the following crimes and incidents were reported: 7 incidents of anti-social behaviour.

Parishioners are urged to ensure that all doors are locked and windows are closed when properties are unoccupied and to be vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour to the Police telephone 101, Crimestoppers can be contacted on 0800 55 51 11 or in an emergency 999.

**Annual Pond Clean:** The annual pond Clean was successfully undertaken on 27<sup>th</sup> September. The Parish Council's thanks are extended to those who took the time to assist in the task.

**A14: Fenstanton Parish Council's Position on the proposed route:** Following recent correspondence in the Hunts Post the meeting felt the balance should be re-addressed from the negative comments being promoted, concerning the proposed route. As Parishioners are aware Fenstanton has suffered from air and noise pollution since the current road was completed.

Fenstanton Parish Council fully supports the new proposed route as it will improve the quality of life to our community, although it will not totally remove the problems of pollution due to the prevailing direction of the wind. The meeting resolved to promote its support for the proposed route in a more vigorous manner to allow the wider community to understand that not all Parishes will be disadvantaged but that the new proposed route will bring benefits to some Parishes.

**Dog Walking:** It has been brought to the Parish Councils notice that some owners are not keeping their dogs on a lead when being exercised in the Village. Whilst the majority of dog owners are responsible in ensuring that their dogs are kept on a lead we would remind those who do allow their pets to run free that it is an offence under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005. The conditions of the Act apply to, amongst other places, the following: roads, highways, footpaths and other rights of way, village greens, playing fields.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting of Fenstanton Parish Council will be held on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 7:30pm** at Fenstanton & Hilton Primary School, School Lane, Fenstanton. Members of the public and press are welcome.

The minutes of previous meetings are available on the Village website.

### **NOVEMBER BULLETIN FROM CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE**

FIREWORKS and bonfires can be plenty of fun for all the family to enjoy. The fire service recommends going to an organised firework display instead of holding one at home, however, if you do use fireworks or light a bonfire at home, we would ask residents to take on board our safety advice to ensure it is just their fireworks that go off with a bang:

- Keep fireworks in a closed box and always follow the instructions.
- Light them at arms length using a taper and stand well back.
- Never go back to a lit firework.
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them.
- Don't light bonfires in unsuitable weather, particularly in windy conditions.
- Don't leave bonfires unattended.
- Build bonfires well clear of buildings, fences and hedges.
- Never use flammable liquids to start the fire, and never burn dangerous rubbish such as aerosols, paint, foam furniture, rubber tyres, and batteries.
- Before you light the bonfire, check that children and animals are not hiding inside and are a safe distance away.



*Secretary: Mrs Jo Perez, tel: 01480 831106*

We have been advised of 2 burglaries in the village recently. We would urge all residents to be extra vigilant in making sure their property is secured and to remain vigilant at all times.

**Hilton Fireworks:** Hilton will hold its firework night on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November**. The bonfire will be lit around 6:30pm followed by the firework display which starts at 7.00pm. Hot food and drinks will be available throughout. Full details of the event will be posted on the Council's website, [www.hilton-pc.co.uk](http://www.hilton-pc.co.uk) nearer the time. All are welcome to this great village night out.

**A14:** The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who took the time to visit the recent exhibition and the open meeting held in the Village Hall. We set out to interpret the latest information issued to us by The Highways Agency and give some impression of what the new road will mean to Hilton residents. It is possible our exhibition and the strength of feeling shown at the open meeting have provoked a reaction from The Highways Agency. Hilton Parish Councillors have been invited to meet with representatives of the Highways Agency. Having taken on board the issues and concerns raised at the open meeting by parishioners' councillors will be looking to press these home to The Highways Agency and hopefully elicit some form of commitment to mitigate against the significant impact this road will have on Hilton. This meeting will take place shortly and of course any progress from this will be relayed back to Hilton residents as soon as possible.

We will, as promised, be advising each household when the next stage of the process is announced. This should include the period when individuals can register as interested parties. This will be the last period of public consultation and therefore the last time we as residents have an opportunity to express concerns and influence the outcome of the scheme. It is extremely important that we respond on mass if we want to achieve the highest quality design and the least amount of impact to Hilton. If you would like an email from the Parish Council advising of any developments in the process please email our Clerk, Jo Perez at [hiltonparishclerk@gmail.com](mailto:hiltonparishclerk@gmail.com) and you will be added to our distribution list.

**Village Map:** We will shortly have a framed version of the village map on display in the village hall as well as a non-framed version on the notice board in front of the village hall. If you would like to purchase a copy please contact the Clerk.

**Tree and Ditch Work:** As we prepare for winter many will notice the Parish Council busy clearing water courses and dealing with tree work. We will prioritise work where safety to those who enjoy the open spaces in the village is a concern and with a view to keeping the water flowing freely through the village. Some good news; the case of Ash Dieback reported earlier this year was a false alarm. Although this disease has reached the UK it has not yet found us here in Hilton.

**Winter Volunteer Gritting:** We have been advised that the winter gritting scheme has changed slightly this year. If you are currently a volunteer and would like to continue or if you would like to join the scheme please contact our Clerk who will be able to advise you of the new requirements.

**Next Meeting:** The next full meeting of the Parish Council will take place at 7:30 pm on Monday **3<sup>rd</sup> November 2014** at Hilton Village Hall.

Notice of agendas, minutes of meetings and contact details will be placed on the Parish Council website; [www.hilton-pc.co.uk](http://www.hilton-pc.co.uk) and on the village notice boards.

**Burglaries in Hilton:** Two households in Hilton suffered burglaries between 11.00am on Saturday 4th October and 11.00am on Sunday 5th October. In both cases, jewellery was stolen. If you have any information that might be relevant, please ring 101 and contact PC 2470 Adam McCluskey of the Priority Crime Team at Huntingdon police station. You may also be aware that Neighbourhood Watch operates in Hilton to foster good communications on such topics both between residents and with the local police. In this case, the police e-mailed a warning to registered members of Neighbourhood Watch at 11.05 am on the Sunday. **Consider visiting the Neighbourhood Watch website ([www.ourwatch.org.uk](http://www.ourwatch.org.uk)) where there is advice on crime prevention and you can join your local scheme. Alternatively, call**



## Fenstanton in the 14<sup>th</sup> Century of The years before the Black Death of 1349:

The 14th century was an era of misfortunes for England and accordingly the village of Fenstanton. There were two immense natural disasters either of which would have been

sufficient to throw medieval Fenstanton back into the Dark Ages: The Great Famine and the Black Death. Both caused death and misery for our ancestral villagers.

### **The Great Famine of 1315**

Throughout time there had always been local food shortages in which many people died of starvation. But by the beginning of the 14th century, the population of Fenstanton and the surrounding towns and villages had grown to such an extent that the land could provide enough resources to support it but only under the best of growing conditions. There was no longer any margin for crop failures or even harvest shortfalls. At the same time, the climate was undergoing a change, with cooler and wetter summers and earlier autumn storms.

A wet spring in the year 1315 made it impossible to plough all of the fields that were ready for cultivation and heavy rains rotted some of the seed grain before it could germinate. The resulting harvest was far smaller than usual and the food reserves of many families were quickly depleted. People gathered what food they could from the forests: edible roots, plants, grasses, nuts, and bark. Many people were badly weakened by the resulting malnutrition although the historical evidence suggests that relatively few died.

The spring and summer of 1316 were cold and wet again and peasant families now had less energy with which to till the land needed for a harvest to make up for the previous shortfall. They also possessed a much smaller amount of local food in reserve to sustain them until the next harvest.

By the spring of 1317 all classes of society were suffering; although, as might be expected, the lower classes suffered the most. Draft animals were slaughtered, seed grain was eaten, infants and the younger children were abandoned. Many of the elderly voluntarily starved themselves to death so that the younger members of the family might live to work the fields again. There were numerous reports of cannibalism.

The weather had returned to its normal pattern by the summer of 1317. The surviving people and animals were simply too weak to work effectively. Based on national figures, about ten to fifteen percent of the village population would have died from pneumonia, bronchitis, tuberculosis, and other sicknesses that the starving sufferers' weakness had made fatal. Consequently there were fewer mouths to feed so Fenstanton was able to recover, although only slowly.

It was not until about 1325 that the national food supply returned to a relatively normal state and the population began to increase again. The death rate had been high, and even nobles and clergy had perished from hunger. The world now seemed a less stable and "gentle" place than it had before the Great Famine. After 1328, the population of Fenstanton again began to rise and peaked in 1348, on the eve of the Black Death.

Next month we will take a look at the devastation that the Black Death caused Fenstanton in 1349.

**John Deeks** [John.deeks24@gmail.com](mailto:John.deeks24@gmail.com)

**Jig-Saw Puzzle Swap for 20p per puzzle** Winter evenings are fast approaching. Time to reach for a jig-saw to tackle again. Come to the United Reformed Church on Tuesday November 11th or 25th between 10.00am and 11.30am with a puzzle you have completed and take home a fresh one for 20p per puzzle.



## HILTON METHODIST CHURCH - NOVEMBER

**Contact:** Sandy Monk (01480 830273), email: [sandy.monk@btinternet.com](mailto:sandy.monk@btinternet.com)  
and Heather Woods (830686), email: [ianwoods1992@btinternet.com](mailto:ianwoods1992@btinternet.com)

2nd	10.00am	Mrs Margaret Harris
9th	10.45am	United Remembrance Day service led by Rev David Busk. Meet at Lych gate at 10.45am Sunday club for children
16th	10.00am	Mrs Angie Barnes
23rd	10.00am	Rev Katy Dunn, Holy Communion
30th	10.00am	Mr John Stent

### COFFEE MORNING



**Saturday 1st November 10.00am until 12.00noon.**

Please feel free to call in for a coffee and a chat  
or just to look at the Fair Trade goods on sale.

We will have groceries, gifts and crafts,  
greeting cards, jewellery and more.

Profits from the Coffee Morning are for EACH and Fairtrade.

### 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)

### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**St Ives**, Church of the Sacred Heart, 19 Needingworth Rd.

Parish Priest: Fr Edward Tredota;

Tel 01480 462192, [www.sacredheart-stives.org](http://www.sacredheart-stives.org)

Mass Times: Saturday 17.00, Sunday 08.00 and 11.00

**Papworth Everard**, at the **Parish Church**, Saturday Mass 18.00

# FENSTANTON & HILTON PARISH CHURCHES—NOVEMBER

<b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup></b>		
Fenstanton	11.00am	Service for All Souls' – a service of remembrance for those who have died. All relatives are welcome
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <i>All Saints Sunday</i>		
Hilton	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Fenstanton	9.30am	Holy Communion
Hilton	10.00am	Children's Church
Fenstanton	12.30pm	Baptism
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Evening Prayer
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup></b>		
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer (15 mins)
Fenstanton	3.30pm	Jaffa Club
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Remembrance Day</i>		
Fenstanton	10.00am	Service for Remembrance Sunday, with Act of Remembrance at 11am at the War Memorial
Hilton	10.45am	United Remembrance Service, starting at the Lych gate. Sunday Club in Methodist school room.
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup></b>		
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer (15 mins)
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> before Advent</i>		
Hilton	8.00am	Holy Communion
Fenstanton	9.30am	Holy Communion & Sunday Club
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Sung Evensong
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup></b>		
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer (15 mins)
Fenstanton	3.30pm	Jaffa Club
<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>		
Hilton	1pm-4pm	Christmas Fayre in Parish Church
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> <i>Christ the King</i>		
Fenstanton	9.30am	Family Communion with Prayer for Healing
Hilton	11.15am	Family Worship with coffee beforehand at 11.00am
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup></b>		
Hilton	1.30pm	Tot's Praise
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup></b>		
Hilton		Advent Lunch
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup></b>		
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer (15 mins)
<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup></b>		
Ely Cathedral	6.30pm	Eve of Advent Diocesan Eucharist with Baptism and Confirmation
<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Advent Sunday</i>		
Fenstanton	9.30am	Holy Communion with Sunday Club
Hilton	11.15am	Family Communion

### **Contact information:**

For **Fenstanton**: Rev'd Dr Robin McKenzie on 01480 466162 or [mckenzie\\_robin@hotmail.com](mailto:mckenzie_robin@hotmail.com) (baptism and matters of pastoral concern), or for Community Fund [FenstantonCommunityFund@gmail.com](mailto:FenstantonCommunityFund@gmail.com); Niki Whitby 01480 370973 (weddings); Harvey Marshall 01480 395936 (funerals); Rebecca Cumbers 01480 496335 (Fenstanton Welcome Pack); Philip Blunt 01480 461751 (general enquiries).  
Web <http://www.fenstantonparishchurch.org.uk/>, and we are on Facebook

For **Hilton**: Rev'd David Busk on 01480 436400 or [dwbusk@hotmail.com](mailto:dwbusk@hotmail.com) (for weddings, baptisms and matters of pastoral concern); Ralph Slayter (funerals) 01480 830466; Rachel Wood 01480 830866 (general enquiries).



### **TOTS PRAISE (0 - 5year olds) - HILTON**



Hello to all mums, dads, grandparents and carers. We look forward to welcoming you and your little ones on **Monday 24th November** in Hilton Parish Church for 'Tots' Praise', 1.30pm–2.30pm. There will be songs, story, activities and something to take home. Coffee or tea for grown ups and treats for the tots. Contact Linda(830660), Laura (839110) or Mrs P. (830155) for any more information. Any queries please contact me, Linda (tel: 830 660).

**Thank you Hilton Choir!** On behalf of the vicar, PCC and church congregation I wanted to say a big THANK YOU to everyone involved with the adult choir last month, Ali for the idea and the organisation, Nick for his conducting and musical expertise, Frank for his skill on the organ, Jenny for helping with the refreshments and all who came along to sing on the day. You were fantastic! We had a packed church with two baptisms, the choir and all the choir supporters so there was a very big and appreciative audience to enjoy your performance. We look forward to hearing you sing again.

*Rachel Wood (Churchwarden)*

### **Macmillan Appeal.**

Rosemary and Peter Blake would like to thank all the people who attended their Macmillan Cancer Support coffee morning in Hilton and those who could not attend but gave generous donations. We are also grateful to Jacky's Beauty for sponsoring us. You helped raise a total of £411.09 for Cambridgeshire Macmillan projects. This was an excellent result from a most enjoyable event. Even the sun shone on us.

### **SPECIAL SERVICES IN FENSTANTON**

#### **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 11am, Service for All Souls'**

Invitation to all those who have lost loved ones, where their names are read out. A short, quiet, and reflective service for about 40 minutes.

#### **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 10am, Remembrance Sunday**

We will be especially remembering the First World War this year. Children and young people including those in the Scouts and Brownies have been asked to make poppies that will be laid in church. We will be making our own poppy field in church during the service. This is a joint service with the United reformed Church.

**Special Request:** If you know someone who has died as a result of war in armed conflict, or has served and would like to be remembered, then please forward their name to me. Their names will be included within this service with those whose names are also in church.

#### **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm, Christingle**

Invitation to this popular, candlelit service, followed by children's tea.

*Rev'd Dr Robin McKenzie, Vicar*

## **FENSTANTON PARISH CHURCH APPEAL** **HOUSE TO HOUSE COLLECTION September 2014**



Many thanks to all of you who gave so generously to help with the upkeep and restoration of the beautiful and historic Parish Church that we have in our village. Contrary to what many may think, there is no financial help from the Church of England and it really is down to us, as villagers, to preserve our heritage for future generations whether through donations or joining in the various fund raising events through the year.

The September collection this year raised £1995.20 and GiftAid increases donations by 20% when reclaimed from Inland Revenue. A huge thank you again, to all who made this possible.

Julia Mitchell, on behalf of the Parish Church Fundraising Committee

### **FENSTANTON CHURCH CENTRE RENOVATION APPEAL**

Fund raising still continues towards this exciting project and our next events are:

**Tapas and Wine** evening on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November**. Tickets are limited for this function, with a price of £15 per person including wine.

**Mulled Wine** evening on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December** at £12.50 per person.

Tickets for both events can be bought through Ian Hucklesby (contact details below) or alternatively you can email us at [churchcentre@outlook.com](mailto:churchcentre@outlook.com).

We will also be hosting a **“Singalong and Supper”** evening on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2105**. More details next month.

If you would like to donate to our appeal you can either send cash/cheque c/o Ian Hucklesby, 38 Walnut Tree Crescent, Fenstanton (Tel No. 01480 465211) or via online banking. Thank you.



**LOVE IN A BOX - urgent!** The closing date for filled boxes is the **31st October**. They will be collected from me during the first week in November ready to start on their long journey to Moldova. Please remember these boxes will be the only present the children in the orphanages in will receive this Christmas.



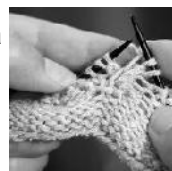
Many thanks *Jenny Stimpson, 13 Little Moor, Fenstanton. Phone 01480 464939*

### **FENSTANTON KNITTERS AND NATTERS**

We will be celebrating our 7<sup>th</sup> Birthday in November. During the year we have knitted garments for the Special Care Baby Unit at Hinchingbrooke and Rosie; Malawi and Kosovo; Age Concern; several Care Homes in the area and the Arthur Rank Hospice in Cambridge.

We meet every other Tuesday morning 10-00 -12-00noon.

Please come along and join our friendly group. If you can't knit but can natter you will be made welcome.



## FENSTANTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH—NOVEMBER

**Come and join us. A warm welcome awaits you.**

**Fenstanton United Reformed Church is part of the St Ives Group of Churches.**

**Contact Revd Dr Catherine Ball on 01480 352058**

2nd	9.30am	Rev Derek Newton
9th	9.30am	Remembrance Day Service at the Parish Church
	6.00pm	Keith Cakebread
16th	9.30am	Rev Dr Catherine Ball
23rd	9.30am	Christine MacLeod
30th	9.30am	Gerrie Swain

### OTHER EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

Tues	4th	11.30am	Lunch Club
Sat	8th	8.00am	Men's Breakfast
Tues	11th & 25th	10.00am	Knitters & Natters/Jigsaw Puzzles Swap
Tues	18th	11.30am	Coffee and Chat
Tues	11th	2.30pm	Meditation
Sat	22nd	9.30am	November Fayre

Another wonderful collection of tools were donated for WorkAid, a charity that refurbishes old tools and sends them to African countries to help people start their own business and thus escape the poverty trap. We have been doing this for a number of years now and still the tools keep coming.

Our other Harvest charity was Water Aid and **£119** was raised for this cause.

Just before Harvest the MacMillan Coffee morning raised the excellent total of **£294**.

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Breakfast will be held on Saturday, NOVEMBER 8TH at the United Reformed Church, Chequer Street, from 8.00am to approx 10.00am.

All men are welcome. To assist catering please phone or email

John Guthrie if you would like to attend or would like more information on 01480 392018 or [john.guthrie39@gmail.com](mailto:john.guthrie39@gmail.com).



### FENSTANTON OVER 60's

We meet every other Wednesday at the United Reformed Church at 2.00pm

November 12th A talk from the Care Net work

November 26th Members' afternoon

December 3rd Mincepie's and Carols.

**DUE TO FAMILY COMMITMENTS MRS MURIAL JOHNS WILL HAVE TO STAND DOWN AS ORGANIZER OF THIS GROUP, IS THERE ANYONE WILLING TO RUN THE OVER 60s?**

**Please ring 01480 493212 for more details.**

**The Bridge Church**  
**Serving St Ives and the surrounding communities**  
[www.thebridgechurch.co.uk](http://www.thebridgechurch.co.uk)

Sunday Service: 10.30am at the St Ivo School, High Leys, 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 in small groups during the week, where we can build friendships and grow together in our faith.

We hold a:

- Monthly church prayer meeting.
- Men's' prayer meeting early each Friday morning.
- Youth group for 11-18 year olds, Friday nights in term-time, 7.00-9.00pm.
- Chess and Games Club, 7.30pm on the first Monday of the month.
- Babies and Toddlers group, 9.30am on Tuesdays in term-time.
- Bridge and Craft Clubs meet, 2.00pm on alternate Thursday afternoons.
- A woman's weekly bible study group meets on Tuesdays.

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 on 01480 498801 (Tuesday to Friday).

'Children's Church' at the Bridge Church is 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 10.15am on a Sunday morning at St. Ivo School?

**CLASSIC VEHICLES in CHEQUER STREET held on September 20th**  
**(part of the Hobbies, Crafts and Collections Day at the United Reformed Church)**





## FENSTANTON BOWLS CLUB - [www.fenstantonbowlsclub.co.uk](http://www.fenstantonbowlsclub.co.uk)

Well the end of the season has come and gone and the bowls club complex is "tucked up" for the Winter.

But the Committee still meet occasionally just to keep in touch.

There will be a great deal of changes next year because as many of you will know Harvey and I are moving to Australia! Watch this space for the new officers!

AND DO NOT FORGET THE PRESENTATION DINNER ON 15<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014 which I'm looking forward to as it gives us all a chance to "dress up"!

As this will be my last contribution to spectrum as Secretary I would like to WISH the CLUB all the very best in the FUTURE. Perhaps I will come for a holiday and while I'm here have a game of bowls?!!!

REMEMBER LINE LENGH AND LUCK

Daphne (Loveday), Secretary

A very big thank you, DAPHNE AND HARVEY for all you both have done  
for the Bowls Club OVER MANY, MANY YEARS.



Some of the ladies at their end of season dinner

## FENSTANTON LACE MAKING CLUB

We meet on the last Saturday of the month at 37 Lancelot Way, Fenstanton. Please feel free to join us, all are welcome. We can provide materials and equipment on loan for complete beginners, so don't be put off! For further information, contact Margaret Blount on 01480 352724.

FENSTANTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH, CHEQUER STREET

**NOVEMBER FAYRE**

**SATURDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER**

**from 2.00pm**



Our new term started very well, particularly as we returned to freshly decorated rooms.



The Mobile, School Lane  
Fenstanton, PE28 9JR



In addition, we had our outside ramp completely refurbished and new flooring in our entrance hall. All this work was made possible by everyone who organised and supported our fundraising efforts - thank you!

We have welcomed some new friends - Giant African snails. The children have been learning about the snails and helping to care for them - a lovely learning experience.

We shall be taking the children into the churchyard to look at the poppies, which are being placed in time for Remembrance Day, and explaining in very simple terms the significance of them. Another valuable learning experience.

A **BIG** thank you to Polygon Ltd who have kindly donated 3 computers to us. We are very grateful.

We currently have places available; please contact us for further information. Please also contact us to register your child for future places - we accept children onto our waiting list from 18 months onwards.

Please telephone 01480 496156 (school hours) or email [fenstantonpreschool@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:fenstantonpreschool@yahoo.co.uk) to arrange a visit or call in for a registration form. Thank you for your continued interest and support.

Roseann White (Lead Practitioner)

## FENSTANTON FOOTBALL CLUB

If anyone would like to come down to the football pitch at Hall Green Lane to support the boys in their quest for league and cup glory this season.



### November's home fixtures are

DATE	TEAM	OPPOSITION	K O TIME	COMPETITION
01/11	Reserve Team	Wisbech St Mary B	2.00pm	League Match
22/11	Reserve Team	Wimblington Reserves	2.00pm	League Match
29/11	First Team	Great Paxton	2.00pm	League Match

### ***All fixtures subject to change.***

Up to date fixtures, results, league tables and news on any of our events can be found at [www.fenstantonfootballclub.com](http://www.fenstantonfootballclub.com)

Also if anyone would like to join Fenstanton Football Club, please get in touch with us via the website. Alternatively you can come along to one of our training sessions which takes place at the St Ivo Outdoor Recreation Centre, California Road, St Ives on Wednesday evenings 9.00pm – 10.00pm.

## FENSTANTON & HILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

It has been very busy and exciting in school since we last wrote. Our Year 6 pupils have returned from PGL at Caythorpe Court full of adrenalin and new-found confidence. They have learnt some new songs and pitted their wits to solve problems, build rafts, abseil from high towers and danced the night away at the disco. Similarly, the Year 4's have had their own adventures at the Grafham Water Centre. These have included sailing, problem-solving and climbing. They even had some sleep! The Year 5 trip to Paxton Pits Nature Reserve involved pond-dipping, photos with mammoths and meeting an ichthyosaur in their Journey through Time. Thank you to the staff and parents for making the trip possible for our children. They gain so much from these enrichment activities.

We have also had a wonderful production in school of "The Railway Children". The set and actors were amazing. They used music, lights, scenery and superb acting to create the world of the railway and the children's adventures in our school hall. We will be having Diversity Week

just before half term and are looking forward to cooking, art and music making while exploring the rich diversity of cultures and experience we have within our school and local community. We welcome volunteers to help in school, so please contact us if you would like to help our children learn even better, or have a skill you could share with them.

The Governors and Staff would also like to express their grateful thanks to Barry Dowler who sadly passed away this month after a short illness. Barry lived in this village and has worked with the school as a School Improvement Partner over several years. He supported us with expert advice and perceptive insights and was a regular visitor to our classes. He always enjoyed coming in to see the children learning and talking to them. He was gentle, kind, incisive and exacting. He will be a great loss to our children and those the surrounding schools where he worked. His impact on our children's learning was huge. We offer our condolences to Barry's family at this time.

### FENSTANTON BABY & TODDLER GROUP

We are a friendly group running a weekly play session for children from birth to school age. We are open every **Wednesday (including school holidays), 10am - 11.30am, at the Church Centre**. We would love to welcome any new faces so please feel free to come along and have a coffee. The first session is free, £2.50 thereafter.

**Contact** Nicola on [nicolaramsbottom@sky.com](mailto:nicolaramsbottom@sky.com) for any further information.



### BABY CLINIC IN FENSTANTON

The St. Ives Health Visitors run a baby clinic in the village, offering the chance for parents to have their babies weighed or to ask any questions. Sessions take place on the second Wednesday of each month at the Church Centre, 10.00am - 11.00am. Please drop in or contact your usual health visitor if you would like further details.

## FENSTANTON WI

Our meeting on the **4<sup>th</sup> September** was addressed by Mr Christopher Hall who spoke about "My Trip to China".

He visited Beijing, with the Forbidden City; then went on to the Great Wall and he showed some beautiful views of this area. He also saw the Terracotta Warriors.

But the main subject of his talk was the Yangtze River and the building of the Three Gorges Dam. His cruise went up river through the Three Gorges to Chongqing and his party spent quite a lot of time visiting the Dam site. He explained the controversies surrounding the building of the dam and how huge parts of the population are being rehomed as the waters rise behind the dam, showing us the markers on the hillsides of where the water levels are projected to reach over the years. This was a very interesting talk, especially to one who visited the area some years earlier.

On **2<sup>nd</sup> October**, we held a General monthly business meeting, followed by our Annual General Meeting. Two members of the

committee have stepped down and in the absence of any new nominees; the remaining committee members were re-elected. Our President also stood down but is able to continue on the committee as an ordinary member. Valerie Spain was therefore elected as President and will be replaced as Secretary by Deborah Markl, Shirley Oliver will deputise for Deborah in her temporary absence.

### Future events

**November 6<sup>th</sup>:** there will be a change to the advertised programme. We will now have a talk on Genealogy, as the intended speaker is now unable to attend.

**December 4<sup>th</sup>:** Christmas Celebrations, note that this event starts at 7.00pm.

We are a lively, friendly group who meet on the first Thursday of the month, except in January. If you would like to join, please come along to one of our meetings at the Church Centre at 7.30pm. For more information, please contact our president Val Spain (01480 463653)

## FENSTANTON YOUTH FOOTBALL



**Under 7 Training:** is every Saturday morning from 10.00am until 11.00am at the Fenstanton Football Field, Hall Green Lane (or off Chequer's Street Playground). The Coach is Ant Balaam. Do come join us for an hour of football fun. Your first session is free, thereafter it is £2 per week on a turn up and pay basis, no commitment at this stage.

**Under 11's Need Players:** Our Under 11 Team are in desperate need of more players. If, any current year 6 pupils are interested in playing, please do get in touch with their Coach, Kevin Smith on 01480 309935 or email: [fyfc@btinternet.com](mailto:fyfc@btinternet.com). Home matches are at Hilton Village Green and mid-week training is at the Ivo Outdoor Centre on Tuesdays, 7.00pm - 8.00pm.

**Under 12's Need Players:** Any current year 7's who are competent players please get in touch with their coach Mark Cooper on 07815 747107, or email [fyfc@btinternet.com](mailto:fyfc@btinternet.com). Mid-Week Training takes place on Wednesdays at Hunts Recreation Centre, 7.00pm - 8.00pm and home matches are at Hilton Village Green.

**Fixtures and results:** can be found at [www.thefa.com/fulltime](http://www.thefa.com/fulltime).

**Weather:** as the weather starts to decline, please remember to wrap up warm and have suitable outer layers to keep you warm and dry.

**RACE NIGHT:** we are holding a race night on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February at the Ivy Club, St Ives. More details to follow, but please put the date in your diary.

**PARKING:** just a reminder to our spectators and players to respect the villages we play in and park in the designated places (Hampton Close, Fenstanton parking is at the Church Car Park. Hilton, park in the village hall car park). We are so grateful to the Parish Councils for allowing us to play, we do not want to upset anyone and parking is always a sensitive issue. **THANK YOU,** to Hilton and Fenstanton Town Trusts, Westland and Mo's Motors for their generous donations and continued support. Our Committee meets every 6 weeks. For further information please contact Nadine Taylor – Administrator – [fyfc@btinternet.com](mailto:fyfc@btinternet.com) or Club Chairman, Charlie Darling on 01480 395338

### Plants of war and remembrance

Plant knowledge can sometimes seem a luxury of those with too much spare time, but as we contemplate Remembrance Sunday this month, it is perhaps timely to remind ourselves that plants are fundamental to life: providing the air that we breathe, the energy that we consume and the uplifting landscape of our lives. Under the sharpening effect of wartime, plants also came into focus for both practical and poetic motivations.

During both world wars, mass community collections of sphagnum moss were sent to the front to help staunch wounds: its absorbent and acidic properties helping to prevent infections. During World War Two, medical drug supplies were so severely disrupted by German occupation of mainland Europe and U-boat action in the shipping lanes that by the early 1940s there were critical shortages of essential medicines in British homes and hospitals. In 1941, the Ministry of Health established a Vegetable Drugs Committee at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew to publish guides for county herb collectors enlisted to make good the supply deficit. These provided specific instructions about what to collect and how to safely and effectively dry, bundle, and deliver the collections for the war effort. Girl guides, boy scouts, women's groups, primary school pupils were all mobilised to scour the countryside for foxglove, used to regulate heartbeat, deadly nightshade, valerian for use as a sedative, wild thyme, an antiseptic, burdock, colt's-foot, which provides a demulcent for soothing inflamed tissue, black horehound, a treatment for spasms and worm infections, and much more.

In the inter-war period much research had also been done into newly discovered set of metabolic compounds – vitamins. With home front shipments of citrus suspended during World War Two, plant research centred on rosehips as a rich source of vitamin C. Again half day holidays from school allowed children to gather native rosehips by the pound. Kew botanists discovered that rosehips from northern counties contained appreciably more vitamin C than those from the south, and so collection sites were adjusted accordingly. Rosehips were made into Vitamin C rich syrup, administered primarily as a scurvy preventative.

But plants do not only provide medical healing, as witnessed by the unique wartime industry of silk embroidered postcards. It is estimated that some 10 million silk embroidered postcards were created by French and Belgian women to sell as souvenirs to soldiers posted on the Western Front during World War One. The embroidered images found on the cards often include forget-me-nots, pansy flowers, rosebuds and bluebirds alongside patriotic messages, allied flags and regimental crests. These beautiful greetings would have been sent home giving no indication of what the soldiers were experiencing, sparing loved ones the true horrors of war. (\*\*You can see an example on this month's front cover\*\*)

So as you walk the Botanic Garden in Cambridge this month or through the Cambridgeshire countryside, ponder a minute the rich repository - not only of medicines and foodstuffs but of spiritual salve that is the plant kingdom. Perhaps include a red rose hip for remembrance this November in a flower arrangement, flick that pepper pot to distribute the poppy seeds and leave that seedling forget-me-not to flower next summer, so that the scarlet and blue may remind us to give thanks once more.

The Botanic Garden is open November & December 10am-4pm. Admission is £4.50, Giftaid admission £4.95 or join the Friends, get free admission and help the Garden grow! For news and events, detailed information about the Garden or to discover this week's Plant Picks from the Head of Horticulture, please visit the website at [www.botanic.cam.ac.uk](http://www.botanic.cam.ac.uk)

## Royal British Legion in Hilton

The ceremony to remember and honour Stoker First Class, Lenham Yates from the Old Post Office, Hilton, was held at the Lychgate on Monday September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 100 years to the day since he was killed. Lenham's ship, HMS Aboukir was attacked off the coast of Holland, whilst patrolling the North Sea with two other Royal Navy ships, HMS Cressy and HMS Hogue. Although 800 sailors were rescued, 1400 tragically perished, including Lenham and Stoker First Class William Sadler from Tottenham, whose family are now living in Godmanchester. The deaths of all the sailors are recorded on the Naval Memorial in Chatham. Following the incident it was reported that all ranks and ratings displayed discipline, cheerful courage and ready self sacrifice.



Among those attending the ceremony were Royal British Legion members Colonel Derek Bristow, OBE, DL President, Huntingdonshire and District; Alan Scott, District Chairman; Grace McLaren, Chairman Ladies Branch of St Ives and District; Rosemary Barber and Liz Lawrenson. Standard Bearers were Barry Pattison and Jane Crowe, Ladies Branch and Bugler was Kevin Charter. Also present were two Standard Bearers for the Royal Naval Association, Keith Ridley from St. Neots Branch and Karl Webb of the Huntingdon Branch.

We were also delighted to be able to welcome Lenham's two great nieces Jenny Cornwall and Pat Simonds from Fenstanton and William's granddaughter Barbara Warrior, great granddaughter Meg Stanford and great, great granddaughter Emma Kent, all from Godmanchester.

Mike Robinson, Poppy Appeal Organiser, St Ives and District Branch Royal British Legion welcomed the people present, explained the reason for the remembrance and described the incident which took place so long ago. After the Exhortation, Kevin Charter played the Last Post before the minute's silence and then the Reveille, our Vicar Reverend David Busk, led a short prayer after which Alan Scott recited a moving poem appropriate for the loss of ships crews at sea.

Emma then presented Margaret Shardlow, on behalf of Hilton Royal British Legion with a framed citation for Lenham Yates and a dried flower posy of poppies and cornflowers, both of which will be displayed in the church.

The large group of people from Hilton, St Ives, St Neots, Fenstanton, Godmanchester and the Stukeleys who attended the memorial then moved to the Church for refreshments, to exchange memories, renew friendships and to make new ones. They also reflected that the next such ceremony here will be that of Lenham's brother, Bertram in March.

**Come along and join us at Hilton Village Hall Pie and Mash**  
**Evening on**  
**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30 pm,**  
**£10 per head**

For tickets please contact: Doreen Bates, 01480 830250  
Lesley Fordham, 01480 831195 .





## HILTON WI

Monday October 14th was our AGM. We had a few changes. A new Treasurer and a new Secretary will be looking after our finances and keeping us up to speed next month. The ladies who have been doing these jobs were each presented with a beautiful pink orchid in appreciation of their long service.

After the business part was concluded we spent time catching up with our friends over a glass of wine and tasty nibbles.

Then along came Roy Bellass to entertain us with his guitar and lovely music from the 60's and 70's. He played and sang and we were able to join in some of the choruses, which we did so with enthusiasm. Before we knew it the last song was sung and it

was time to go home.

Our next meeting is on **November 11th** when we shall be watching entertainer Linda Scholes. Her theme will be 'God rest you merry' and should be quite seasonal! So come along to the Village Hall at 7.30pm and get into the Christmas spirit.

Remember your donation to the 200 club and craft items, jams, pickles etc. for the sales table. Please put the price and your name on each item.

### **Advance notice:**

February 10th: a cookery demo on the theme of Love, to get us ready for Valentine's Day. More details later, just make a note of the date.

### **Hilton Village Harvest Supper**

We should like to offer a big 'Thank you' to everyone who came to support our Harvest Supper and to make the evening so successful. The committee did a wonderful job selling tickets; there was even a waiting list. I should also like to thank the helpers, those who provided the apples, the cooks and bar staff, the table hostesses and everyone who helped tidy-up afterwards. The food and the musical entertainment, by members of the Music Hall Society, were excellent. Donations were sent to three registered charities: Parkinson's £263, Magpas £233 and Hilton WI £196.

Rosemary Blake

## HILTON FLOWER CLUB

October's workshop was a great success. Thirty five people did their own arrangements. Fun and laughter was had by all and the village hall was full of wonderful colour. Everybody produced outstanding arrangements. Well done to you all.

**NOVEMBER 3rd:** Amy Jones will be entertaining us with her Christmas demonstration, we always have great fun when Amy comes to our Club. This is your chance to get ideas for your own Christmas arrangements at home.

There will be a raffle, so you could be taking one of Amy's wonderful creations home.

Every body is welcome. Look forward to seeing you all.

Hilton Village Hall, 2.00pm - 4.00pm.

Entrance £3.00 (includes Tea & Biscuits), Raffle £1.00



## HILTON ART CLUB

**21<sup>st</sup> November, 9.30am – 12.00noon**

Mixed Media Workshop led by Sue Eddy. Sue will join us again for one of her enjoyable workshops.

Non-members welcome, £5 including refreshments.

If you are interested in attending, please ring Diana (831410) or Gina (830696) booking essential.

Our Facebook page has pictures of recent sessions and information on local art related events, compiled by Joanne. Just follow the link on the village website: [www.hilton-village.com](http://www.hilton-village.com) - clubs and societies.

As a club, we are now 20 strong! New members always encouraged.

### 2nd Hilton Rainbows

Opening soon! Rainbows are the youngest members of Guiding, girls aged 5 - 7 years. They take part in lots of activities, crafts & games. The programme is made up of four main areas: look, learn, laugh, love

If you have a daughter who would be interested in joining please contact:

Claire Pitcher (Unit Guider), 01480411408 or 07732354105

[clairepitcher@virginmedia.com](mailto:clairepitcher@virginmedia.com)



**Do you have a daughter who would like to learn new skills, meet new friends & have lots of fun? We have just the thing....**



For more info please contact: Suzanne Ewen, Unit Guider (Brown Owl) on 01480 351064 or 07999456340 email [icklesue83@googlemail.com](mailto:icklesue83@googlemail.com)

## 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 so feel free to come along and have a chat while the little ones burn off some energy!

Sessions cost £2.50 and run from 10.00 - 11.30am every Tuesday, excluding school holidays.

**Contact** Kate Middleton on [ktmiddleton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ktmiddleton@yahoo.co.uk)



## HILTON FEAST WEEK

Our new committee have made it our priority to plan the Feast Week fundraising events for the forthcoming year to encourage as many of the villagers as possible to come along to these events. So please pop them in your diaries, we look forward to seeing you there!

Feast Week, as you know, costs a great deal of money to run and is entirely dependent on the money we raise throughout the year at our fund raising events. This year the events put on for the village were for some reason less well attended, and as a result we started Feast Week's wide range of free entertainment with a shortfall of £2,500. We, as a committee, are concerned that, should this pattern continue, we will not be able to guarantee that Feast Week will continue in the format we all have come to expect and enjoy. Feast Week is for the village and has been running for over 30 years, so we thought we could ask what you would like to see in the Feast week fund raising programme and Feast Week itself. We will be delivering a leaflet which will include a survey for your comments or you can email us to say what you enjoyed and perhaps give us some ideas that we can take forward for next year.

We will endeavour to put events on for the whole community to encourage you to come along, enjoy the entertainment and help raise the much needed funds for next year's Feast Week.

Please drop your completed survey back to the village shop or pub, or to any member of the committee.

We hope to go ahead with all these events below, but they maybe subject to change;

**1st November 2014:** 6.00pm onwards. Parish Council Hilton Fireworks night, food and drinks available to purchase in the Wilderness.

**7th December 2014:** Children's Christmas Party, (pm)

**7th February 2015:** Murder Mystery night, 7.30pm

**14th March 2015:** St Patrick's Night (Ceilidh Band), 7.30pm

**6th April 2015:** Easter Egg Hunt, 2.00pm.

**16th May 2015:** Quiz, 7.30pm.

**27th June 2015:** Casino night, black tie, 7.30pm.

**26th July 2015:** Feast Week starts with the Produce Show and Float Parade .

Many thanks for your help and support. Lastly, I'd like to say thank-you to all of the Feast Week committee who have worked hard to pull everything together for our community. We as a village are lucky to have such great events for everyone to enjoy.

See the website at [www.hilton-village.com](http://www.hilton-village.com) for all the latest events.

**CHAIRMAN: SHARON WALKER, 831299/07984232424, sharonwalker@nhs.net**

**VICE CHAIR: GILL GILL, 07793248287, gilliangill80@hotmail.co.uk**

**TREASURER: GRAEME GRIBBEN, 01480 830481**

**SECRETARY: EMMA STUBBS**

**OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS: CRAIG SUTHERLAND, EMMA PAYNE, LYNNE RADBONE, JUDY WARD, SARAH BLACKWELL, JOE HOLMES.**

## Sunshine Day Nursery

My name is Debbie Poulton. I took over the nursery in Hilton on September 1<sup>st</sup> 2014. I qualified as an Early Years Teacher in February 2014, to complement my degree in Social Policy and Criminology. Professionally, I have worked with children from 0 to 16 for over twenty years, privately and within the education system.



My plans for the nursery are to build on its 30 year history, where children gain the skills they need for their futures in a safe and secure environment.

The nursery is OFSTED registered (No.EY481834) for children between 0 and 5, Monday to Friday, with opening hours of 7am to 7pm.

Prospective parents are welcome to come and meet us.

Please phone 01480 830351 to arrange a mutually agreeable time.

(See advertisement on p8)

### HILTON CHURCHES ADVENT LUNCHES

This year the Hilton Churches Advent Lunches will be held in aid of Cruse Bereavement Care. Donations of at least £3.00 per person - everyone is welcome to come and join in for a very friendly and refreshing lunch. Each lunch starts at 12.30pm until 2.30pm. Dates and venues as follows:

26th November	Heather Woods	7, Chequers Croft
3rd December	Pam and David East	Southmead, Church End
10th December	Janet Whatley	Atticus house, Church End
17th December	Muriel Bell	6, Tithe Close

Hope to see as many as possible at one or all of the venues.

*Heather Woods*

### Christmas Fayre in Hilton Church

**Saturday 22nd November**

**1.00pm – 4.00pm**

Get your Christmas shopping done early!

There will be stalls selling Christmas Gifts and Stocking Fillers, Teas & Coffees, a Raffle and activities for the children.

Father Christmas will also be putting in an appearance during the course of the afternoon so come along and meet him.

If you are interested in having a stall, please note that we are fully booked for this year but would be delighted to talk to you about a space for next year.

For further information, contact Rachel Wood on 830866.

## Jingle all the way to your recycling bin

Collections of all waste types will continue throughout the festive period, but your day of collection will change for a few weeks. Please be aware that some collections may take place a day or two before your normal collection day and these are highlighted below, you can also download your collection calendar from [www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins](http://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins) which will clearly show these changes.

'We're Dreaming of a Green Christmas' this year so join us by giving some of these top tips a try. If you're having a party, recycle all the glass bottles, drinks cans and plastic bottles within your blue bin.

When you're unwrapping your gifts think about keeping the wrapping paper and cards to use as next year's paper and gift tags.

Charities, schools and hospitals will be grateful of unwanted or duplicate gifts.

Home compost all your fruit and vegetable peelings to create compost for your garden.

Use Christmas leftovers to make other dishes like turkey curry. More leftover recipes at

[www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com)

Give rechargeable batteries with Christmas presents to reduce waste from single life batteries. Instead of buying Christmas decorations try making your own from everyday household items, e.g. buttons and salt dough.

If you have an artificial tree, pack it away carefully so that it can be used again next year.

Visit [www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/whatgoesinwhichbin](http://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/whatgoesinwhichbin) for more information.

Normal collection Day	Revised Day of Collection * <u>Before</u> normal collection day
Monday 22 December	Saturday 20 December*
Tuesday 23 December	Monday 22 December*
Wed. 24 December	Tuesday 23 December*
Thursday 25 December	Wednesday 24 December*
Friday 26 December	Monday 29 December
Monday 29 December	Tuesday 30 December
Tuesday 30 December	Wednesday 31 December
Wed. 31 December	Friday 2 January
Thursday 1 January	Saturday 3 January
Friday 2 January	Monday 5 January
Monday 5 January	Tuesday 6 January
Tuesday 6 January	Wednesday 7 January
Wednesday 7 January	Thursday 8 January
Thursday 8 January	Friday 9 January
Friday 9 January	Saturday 10 January

- Glass bottles and jars, cans, tins and foil, jam jar lids, envelopes, junk mail and flyers, biscuit and sweet tins, plastics including bottles, pots, tubs and trays, newspapers and magazines, milk and juice cartons, cardboard and packaging card and after the twelfth night your Christmas cards! - all are accepted in your Blue bin.

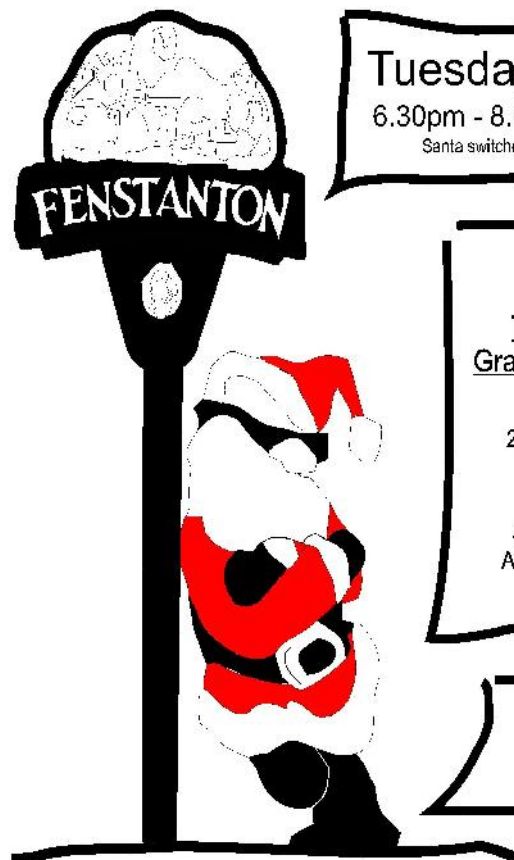
- As part of your Green waste collection, garden and food waste, including all cooked and uncooked food and bones are accepted. If you have a real Christmas tree, remember to put this alongside your green bin for composting in January. If it's taller than your bin please chop in half.

- The Household Recycling Centres in Alconbury, Bluntisham and St Neots collect a range of materials for recycling, including electrical goods, batteries, glass bottles and much more. Find out what materials are collected at [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk).

There are textile banks dotted around the district for your unwanted clothes and shoes. Good quality or not, nothing is wasted.

# Christmas LIGHTS

Fenstanton Village Hall Committee and  
1st Fenstanton and Hilton Scout Group



Tuesday 2nd December

6.30pm - 8.00pm at The Clock Tower

Santa switches the Christmas Lights on at 7.00pm

## The Fenstanton Village Hall Grand Christmas Draw at 7.10pm

- 1st Prize £250 Cash  
(kindly donated by Luminus Group)
  - 2nd Prize £200 John Lewis Vouchers  
(kindly donated by Thames Laboratories)
  - 3rd Prize £150 Go Ape Vouchers  
(kindly donated by Inside2Outside)
  - 4th Prize Luxury Christmas Hamper
- And many other locally-sourced prizes

Christmas Market and Carols,  
Refreshments including Mulled Wine,  
Mince Pies, Ginger Biscuits and  
Hot and Cold Drinks.

Raffle tickets available from Ron's Farm Shop and the Post Office.





## Wildlife Trust - Huntingdonshire Local Group

Part of the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Peterborough.  
Reg. Charity No: 1000412

### Wildlife in Peterborough

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trust is pleased to present an illustrated talk entitled 'Wildlife in Peterborough' on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.30pm at Bampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Bampton, PE28 4TB.

Our speaker, Sarah Lambert, is a freelance botanist who has lived in Peterborough for thirty years and has an intimate knowledge of its wildlife resource. Through her work with the Wildlife Trust, Froglife, Peterborough Environment Conservation Trust and Natural England, Sarah has first hand experience of many of the local wildlife initiatives, including the establishment of local nature reserves. Sarah's work has ranged from botanical surveying and site assessment, to reconciling nature conservation with flood defence, agricultural and recreational interests, to the production of policy guidance for Natural Capital and brownfield sites.

Anyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend. Please contact Tim on 01480 457795 for further information.

### Dates of future events:

Dec 2nd	Fenstanton Christmas Lights at the Clock Tower (p 41)
Dec 12th	Hilton Children's Christmas Party (p35)
Dec 12th	Mulled wine, Fenstanton Parish Church (p 20)
Feb 7th	Singalong Supper, Fenstanton Parish Church (p20)
Feb 7th	Hilton Murder Mystery Evening (p35)
Mar 13th	St Patrick's Night Hilton (p35)
Apr 4th	Hilton Easter Egg Hunt (p35)
May 16th	Hilton Quiz (p35)
July 4th	Fenstanton Sports day
June 27th	Hilton Casino Night (p35)
July 26th	Start of Hilton feast Week

(If you know of any local event not listed - no matter how far ahead - send us a note with the date and we will include it 'Dates of Future Events')

## WHAT'S ON in OCTOBER

Oct 31st	Love in a Box deadline			p20
Nov 1st	Hilton Coffee Morning	Methodist Church	10.00am	
Nov 1st	Hilton Fireworks		6.00pm	p13
Nov 3rd	Hilton PC	Village Hall	7.30pm	p13
Nov 3rd	Hilton Flower Club	Village Hall	2.00pm	p31
Nov 6th	Fenstanton WI	Church Centre	7.30pm	p26
Nov 8th	Men's Breakfast	URC Church	8.00am	p21
Nov 8th	Hilton PIE 'n' MASH evening	Village Hall	7.30pm	p29
Nov 8th	Fenstanton Tapas & wine	Church Centre	7.30pm	p20
Nov 11th	Hilton WI	Village Hall	7.30pm	p31
Nov 12th	Over 60's	URC Church	2.00pm	p21
Nov 12th	Wildlife Meeting	Brampton	7.30pm	p42
Nov 13th	Fenstanton PC	School Hall	7.30pm	p11
Nov 18th	Drop in for Coffee	URC Church	10.00am	p21
Nov 21st	Hilton Art Club	Village Hall	9.30am	p33
Nov 22nd	November Fayre	URC Church	2.00pm	p23
Nov 22nd	Hilton Christmas Fayre	Hilton Church	1.00pm	p37
Nov 26th	Over 60's	URC Church	2.00pm	p21
Nov 29th	Lace Making	Lancelot Way	2.30pm	p23

For Church services etc. see (p17-21)

### Regular Weekly Meeting

Fenstanton Baby & Toddler (p25)  
Hilton Baby & Toddler (p33)  
Tai Chi (p46)  
Yoga (p46)  
Brownies etc (p33)

### Regular fortnightly meetings:

Knitters & Natters  
Jigsaw Swop (p46)  
Fenstanton Over 60's  
Scottish Country Dancing (p28)

Other: Rearranged Bin Collections (p39); Hilton Church Advent Lunches (p37)  
Football (p24); Youth Football (p26)