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Colonel Derek Bristow, President of Huntingdonshire Royal British Legion comes to Hilton for a special ceremony See page 49

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Fenstanton Pharmacy	01480495159	Hilton Aerobics	01480832321
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Fenstanton Bowls	01954230471		

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.

LETTERS & NOTICES

We would like to thank you all for your kind messages of sympathy, cards and support which we have received since the loss of Keith. Thank you to everyone who attended his Thanksgiving Service and also thanks to those who provided cakes for the occasion. With over 230 people joining us, it was a lovely way to celebrate his life and even the sun was out! The total monies donated is an incredible £1135 which will be divided equally between The Macmillan Woodlands Centre Huntingdon and Centre 33, as Keith wished.

Jackie & Howard Morgan and Claire Dunbar

Hilton Village Harvest Supper

I 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. I should also like to thank the helpers, those who provided the apples, the cooks & bar staff, the table hostesses and everyone who helped tidy-up afterwards. The food was excellent. This was the 3rd year in which we had a raffle – thank you all who donated the prizes. Donations were sent to three registered charities: Pancreatic Cancer Research – Charity no. 1103253 - £271.00, Medical Detection Dogs – Charity no. 1124533 - £230.00 and Hilton WI – Charity no. 803250 - £230.00. Rosemary Blake

Potholes - Calling all Villagers!

In the July/August edition of Spectrum I spotted detail of how to notify the Council of any potholes that needed to be repaired. This was contained in the Parish Council notes.

Now, being as cynical as the next person (perhaps more) I immediately thought it would be a waste of time notifying the Council because they didn't appear to do much about anything! On reflection, and because I was getting more and more annoyed with the state of some of our roads in Fenstanton I decided to put the claim to the test.

So I went online and made reference to a short section of Church Street where potholes constituted the vast proportion of the so called road. I assumed that would be that.

No - within a couple of days I received an email reply saying my request was being dealt with. So far so good. Some days later I noticed white paint had been applied to several of the potholes and my hopes were really raised. However, a week later I received another email saying the repairs would not be carried out! I was livid BUT - Clearly that was a classic case of one hand of the Council not knowing what the other hand was doing because one week later a gang of Council workmen arrived and repaired the worst of the potholes.

They didn't repair all of them (which is bizarre in some cases) and it took them 2 days to do it - BUT THEY DID IT and we now have a much safer bit of road on which to drive. They even repaired some potholes in part of Church Street I had not mentioned!

So - I urge all villagers who are putting up with bad potholed road conditions to log on to https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/potholes and stake their claim to get some much needed repairs completed. Don't just notify about the bits outside your house but any part of the village you think needs attention.

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LETTERS & NOTICES

Letter to the editor, Right to reply

We read with interest the letter from Mr Sheail concerning the bus stop in Scotts Crescent, Hilton. Mr Sheail has completely missed the point of the residents, who simply object to the damage and nuisance caused by the children (indeed also their parents) who use the bus service.

No one wishes to put children in danger and the tragedy of the young girl is known to us all.

We do however object to the property damage caused by the children who use the fence as a climbing frame, or a clothes/ bag hanger and who play football in the private gardens. Parents present at the stop not only fail to control their children, but sometimes increased the damage by sitting on the fence!

On two separate occasions parents have driven into the fences whilst manoeuvring their cars without reporting the damage they have caused. The two properties closest to the bus stop have endured extra expense for reparations to the fence. Recently the fences had to be repainted again and this is the reason for the notices being put up.

These notices would not be required if children and their parents simply respected other people's property.

Furthermore parents driving their children to the bus just abandon their cars, blocking up the road, rendering vehicle access impossible for owners of properties in Scotts Crescent and in an emergency would create a danger.

Perhaps Mr Sheail would like to become a volunteer bus stop monitor to see if he can resolve some of the issues being suffered by the residents facing these problems.

Affected residents of Scott's Crescent

Fenstanton and the Forgetful Vicar:

Funerals do not always go according to plan and sometimes the best planning can go out of the window! Let us take a look at the two main characters of our story.

Firstly we have Mr James F Quemby who was born in 1844 and died at Christmas in 1899. James was a successful market gardener and held land in Fen Lane. Sometime prior he had been the Fenstanton toll bar keeper. At the time of his death he was living in either Boyce's or Joyce's Lane, off Honey Hill.

Secondly, we have the parish vicar, George Herbert Frewer. He came to the parish of Fenstanton in 1890 and retired in 1914. He was described by one parishioner as "A bigoted man, but well respected".

The funeral of James Quemby was arranged for Thursday 28th December. Now I will let someone who was there describe the events that followed. "The funeral was fixed for three thirty in the afternoon and the vicar of the village, the Rev. G. H. Frewer, and other parties concerned, were given due notice. As the appointed time fourteen mourners, forming the cortege, arrived at the churchyard by the side of the open grave, but no clergyman was present. Nothing being heard of the missing incumbent and the bell continued to toll.

Consternation was caused in the village by the continual and prolonged tolling of the funeral bell at the church, and the villagers were asking each other the cause. It was found the funeral was to take place that afternoon of one of the oldest and best respected inhabitants of the village, Mr, James F. Quemby, who had reached the ripe old age of 85, and the funeral was timed to take place at half-past three.

However the vicar, the Rev. G. H. Frewer, had not put in an appearance to conduct the burial service. The mournful cortege arrived at the Church in good time and, after a few minutes delay, the sexton was prevailed upon to allow the corpse and the mourners to enter the Church. There they waited in terrible suspense for a very long time, expecting the vicar to turn up and the mournful tolling of the bell added considerably to the sadness of the occasion. After waiting for some while, it was suggested that they should mention the matter to the churchwardens. Mr. Hicks, the vicar's warden, came, and sent for the Fen Drayton, rector, but he unfortunately, was not home, and still the bell kept on tolling.

As time went on, the predicament became the more awkward. Some of those present were sent in search of the vicar and, in the meantime, the church, which had become very dark and cold in the dreary December evening was lighted, and the mourners impatiently waited on. Still no vicar came, but the bell kept tolling.

Since then it has transpired that the vicar was at St. Ives, and had quite forgotten about the funeral. He was found and the matter mentioned to him. He at once had a conveyance take him to Fenstanton, where he arrived about an hour and a half after the time arranged. The greater part of the service was conducted inside the church, but outside it had become so very dark that it was necessary to have lanterns to complete the service at the grave. This proceeding was no doubt unprecedented in the history of the village.

The vicar, we later learned, had been suffering from a bad attack of influenza, and this, to a certain extent, may account for his forgetfulness. Altogether it is a very sad case, and the vicar quite freely admits his forgetfulness, and has not only made ample apology to the family of the deceased, but has also written to the Bishop of the Diocese. On Sunday evening he gave an explanation and apology from the pulpit and, from what we can learn, no one regrets the forgetfulness more than he does. The grave, we may add, was not in the cemetery, but in the churchyard. Therefore it was not in any way under the control of the existing burial board. As for conducting the funeral late, no doubt something will be said about the matter at the next board meeting".

John.deeks@ntlworld.com

Extracted from Cambridge Independent Press 1900 and updated October 2017

HILTON PARISH CHURCH - NOVEMBER

Saturday 4 th			
Fenstanton	11.00am	All Souls – a short service to remember those who have died	
Sunday 5 ^h	4 th Before Advent		
Hilton	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
Hilton	10.00am	Children's Church	
Sunday12 th	Remembra	nce Day	
Hilton	10.45am	United Remembrance Service, starting at the Lych gate.	
Sunday 19 th	2 nd Before Advent		
Hilton	8.00am	Holy Communion	
Wednesday 22 nd			
Hilton	12.30pm	Advent lunch – see separate notice for venue	
Saturday 25 th			
Hilton	1pm – 4pm	Christmas Fayre in church	
Sunday 26 th	Christ the King		
Hilton	11.15am	Family service with coffee served before- hand at 11.00am.	
Monday 27 th			
Hilton	9.30am	Tots' Praise	
Wednesday 29 th			
Hilton	12.30pm	Advent lunch – see separate notice for venue	
Sunday 3 ^{ra} Dec	1 st Sunday of Advent		
Hilton	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
Hilton	10.00am	Children's Church	

Contact information:

Rev'd David Busk on 01480 436400 or <u>dwbusk@hotmail.com</u> (for weddings, baptisms, funerals and matters of pastoral concern), Rachel Wood 01480 830866 (general enquiries) or Jenny Broom 01480 830413.

See page 19 for tot's praise

HILTON METHODIST CHURCH - NOVEMBER

HILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

October 1st at 10am Mr Don Moorman

October 8th at 11.15am United Harvest Festival with Rev Rachel Larkinson.During the service we will be accepting donations of tins and packets of food for the local foodbank. Also, the collection will be for Wateraid. Following this service there will be a "Bring and Share" lunch in the church hall. All are welcome.

October 15th at 10am Holy communion service led by Rev Rachel Larkinson October 22nd at 10am This will be a local arrangement service. See noticeboard for details or any changes

October 29th at 10am Rev Dr P Clifford Owen

ADVENT LUNCHES

Our Advent charity lunches start on 22nd November. This year the money will be going to the Acorn Cancer Support Group, a local charity. The lunches are any time from 12.30 until 2pm. The lunches are a simple bread/ crackers, cheese and pickles and fruit, plus tea or coffee. Suggested donation of £5 plus for the lunch. Venues as follows:

Wednesday 22nd November. Janet Whatley, Atticus House, Church End Wednesday 29th November Julia Parkinson, The Grange, The Green Wednesday 6th December Christina Shepard, 20 Chequers Croft Wednesday 13th December. Heather Woods, 7 Chequers Croft Contact: Sandy Monk (830273), email: <u>sandy.monk@btinternet.com</u> And Heather Woods (830686), email: <u>ianwoods1992@btinternet.com</u>

HILTON METHODIST CHURCH FAIRTRADE COFFEE MORNING

Saturday, Nov 4th 10.00am - 12.00noon.

Stay for as long or as short a time as you wish. There will be the usual Fairtrade groceries, gifts and cards for sale. Tea and coffee and biscuits available for only £1 and profits are for Fairtrade and EACH. All are welcome, give us a try!

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 UNITED REFORMED CHURCH CHEQUER STREET









SATURDAY 2nd DEC 10:00am - 4:00PM SUNDAY 3rd DEC 11:00am - 4:00PM

DONATIONS AT THE DOOR FOR ARTHUR RANK HOSPICE/CHURCH

FENSTANTON PARISH CHURCH - NOVEMBER

Thursday 2 nd	9.00am	Morning Prayer (15 minutes)		
	3.20pm	Jaffa Club		
Friday 3 rd	7.30pm	TC (Teenage Christians) Church Centre		
Saturday 4 th	All Souls'	-		
	11am	Lay led Service to remember loved ones who have died. Refreshments afterwards		
Sunday 5 th	All Saints'			
	9.30am	Holy Communion with Rev Canon Jonathan Young and Sunday Club		
Thursday 9 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer (15 minutes)		
Sunday 12 th	Remembrance Su	e Sunday		
	10.00am	Joint Service for Remembrance Sunday, led by Rev Dr Catherine Ball, followed at 11am by the Act of Remembrance at the village War Memorial. Refreshments afterwards in Church Centre		
Thursday 16 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer (15 minutes)		
	3.20pm	Jaffa Club		
Friday 17 th	11.30am	Older People's Service with communion and lunch. Church Centre		
	7.30pm	TC (Teenage Christians) Church Centre		
Sunday 19 th		2 nd before Advent		
	9.30am	Holy Communion, with Rev Ron Lancaster and Sunday Club		
	6.00pm	Sung Evensong		
Thursday 23 rd	9.00am	Morning Prayer (15 minutes)		
Saturday 25 th	6.30pm	Confirmation Service at Ely Cathedral		
Sunday 26 th	Christ the King			
	9.30am	Family Communion, (by extension) with Harvey Marshall and Prayer for Healing		
Thursday 30 th Friday 1 st Dec	9.00am	Morning Prayer (15 minutes)		
	6.30pm	TC Sponsored Sleep-out challenge in aid of Church Urban Fund		
Sunday 3 rd	Advent 1			
	9.30am	Holy Communion with Rev Canon Jonathan Young and Sunday Club Blessing of Cribs and stall. Travelling Crib begins its journey around the village		
	5.00pm	Christingle Service and tea		

Contact information:

For *Fenstanton*: There is currently no priest in Fenstanton

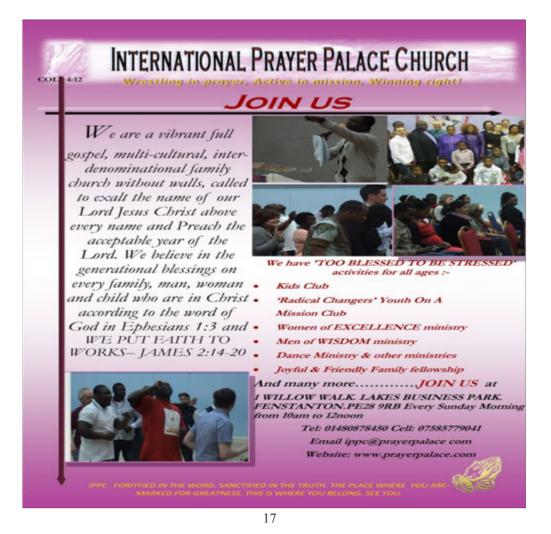
Please direct all enquires to someone in the leadership team who will be happy to try and help.

Harvey Marshall as Licensed Lay Minister on 01480 395936 is also a first contact point for funerals, and is also available for any pastoral conversations.

Churchwardens Philip Blunt 01480 461751, Ray Whitby 01480 370973 or Ian Hucklesby 01480 465211 for baptism enquiries and general church matters

Other points of contact: for Community Fund FenstantonCommunityFund@gmail.com

Lisa Jablonska is our contact for couples looking to be married here, or for their banns read; <u>chrislisa@jablonski.fsnet.co.uk</u>, 01480 496138. Web <u>http://www.fenstantonparishchurch.org.uk/</u>, and on Facebook



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Parish Priest: Fr. Karol Porczak M.S. Tel 01480 462192, <u>www.sacredheart-stives.org</u>

Mass Times: Saturday 17.00, Sunday 08.00 and 11.00 **Papworth Everard**, at the **Parish Church**, Saturday Mass 18.00

The Bridge Church

Serving St lves and the surrounding communities www.thebridgechurch.co.uk

Sunday Services: start at 10.30am, at 2, Burrel Road, (off Marley Road and near to the Co-op Store) St. Ives, PE27 3LE.

Come along to our lovely new church building for some lively worship and to 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** and a **Men's' Prayer Meeting** early on Friday mornings.

There is: **A Youth Group** for 11 to 18 year olds on Friday nights in termtime, 7pm- 9pm; **Babies and Toddlers group** at 9.30am on Tuesdays in term-time; **Craft Clubs** meet at 2.00pm on alternate Thursday afternoons and **A Woman's Weekly Bible Study** group meets on a Tuesday. We would love to welcome you to any of these events.

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 of a contemporary style, relevant to the culture in which today's children are growing up. Why not encourage your children to come along from 10.15 am on a Sunday morning.

For further details of times and places please see the website or ring the Church Office on 01480 498801.

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 Rev Dr Catherine Ball on 01480 352058 or the Free Church St Ives on 01480 468535		
5 th November 9-30am Rev Derek New 12 th November 10-00 am Rev Dr Cath for Remembrance Sunday 12 th November 6-00pm Mr Keith Cake 19 th November 9-30am Rev Dr Cathe 26 th November 9-30am Mr Keith Cake	erine Ball we join the Parish Church ebread rine Ball Holy Communion	
We are looking for a Keyboard organist or piano player for our Sunday morning services. This is not for every Sunday, dates to be arranged. There is a small remuneration for this. For more details please ring Jean on 01480 498221	<u>Knitters and Natters 7th and 21st10-00am -12 noon</u> We have been meeting for 10 years in November. In that time we have knitted for many	
OTHER EVENTS IN November Tuesday Lunch 14th 11-30am serve lunch 12 noon Coffee and chat 28th 10-00am 11-30am Sewing Bee Every Thursday 10-00am – 1-00pm Meditation 2nd Tuesday in the month November Fare 18th Christmas Tree Festival 2/3 December	many charities , And will continue to do so. If you know of a charity that needs knit- ted items please let me know. We meet every other Tuesday at Fen- stanton United Reformed Church, new members are always given a warm welcome. November meetings 7 th , 21 st Jean 01480 498221	

TOTS' PRAISE (0-4 year olds) - HILTON

It was lovely to welcome Alice and William, with their Mums, to our sessions in September and October.

We had a picnic and heard the story of the little boy who shared his picnic of 5 loaves and 2 fishes, then made our own basket of food.

Our November session – the last of the year- will be in the Parish Church in Hilton on Monday 27th November at 9 30am.

Come along for an hour of chat, story, singing, activity and bubbles.

Contact Linda (830660) or Laura (839110) for more details.

THE FENSTANTON FRIENDSHIP CLUB

27th September:

The talk on "Law and Order in Huntingdonshire" by Richard Carter from the Norris Museum was extremely interesting and informative. It was amazing to learn how punishments were metered out and incredible that 6d seemed to be the regular fine, whatever the offence! Thankfully things have moved on and we have a well trained police force to protect us.

11th October:

We had a lovely afternoon with the Warboys Warblers who entertained us with "Old Time Music Hall" songs. Also poetry that was so good and very amusing.

We will report on our holiday to Eastbourne in the next edition of Spectrum.

UPCOMING EVENTS.

8th November:

A talk and discussion on "Being a Retained Firefighter in Ramsey", by Helen Cryer.

22nd November:

An afternoon with "Two's Company", musical entertainment with Guitar's.

Then, would you believe it will be our Christmas meeting. How time flies when you are having fun! Please come and join us and help make our group even more successful. We meet on Wednesday afternoons between 2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.every other week. Exciting things coming up in the New Year, don't miss out.

Come and join us, we are a friendly group and have interesting afternoons. You will be very welcome.

All enquiries to Marie Newns 01480350677

We would love to see new members, come along and check us out.

THE FEN SHANTY FOLK

Who are the Fen Shanty Folk?

We are a new group singing a mixture of shanties, folk and popular songs purely for the pleasure of being able to do it.

We meet every Thursday night in the newly refurbished Church Centre for two hours from 7.30pm. If you enjoy singing and would like to join in why not come along? If you can play a folk related instrument and would like to join in we would love to see you. You can find out details from

Ray on 01480 370973 or email ray@srobb.co.uk

FENSTANTON VILLAGE HALL TRUST



We are looking forward to welcoming you all to the first Fenstanton Christmas Fayre to be held on а Friday, in fact Friday, 1st December. when Father Christmas will switch on the lights on the Christmas tree (installation by the Christmas Liahts Committee) and the Scouts and manv other stallholders will have lots Christmas of goodies for sale including mulled wine. Christmas

confectionery, wreaths and craft goods. If you too want to have a stall at the event, please get in touch with Jane Blunt on 01480 461751 or e-mail fenstantonvillagehall@gmail.com. We are delighted that the Fen Shanty Folk will sing some songs and lead our carol-singing. We are also holding our Christmas Draw (tickets for sale at the Post Office, Ron's Farm Shop, or on the last two Fridays and Saturdays of November outside the Fish and Chip shop and Quirky Boutique) and there are some lovely prizes (see poster). Please buy your tickets early and don't leave it to the actual night to buy your tickets as it gets so unbelievably busy. All funds raised go towards the construction of a new village hall which will be on part of the old Dairy Crest site. As long as the weather is kind, it should be a wonderful evening!

Christmas Fayre in Hilton Church



Saturday 25th November from 1pm – 4pm

Get your Christmas shopping done early! There will be stalls selling Christmas Gifts and Stocking Fillers as well as 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. All the stalls are now fully booked but if you want to put your name down for next year, please contact Rachel Wood on 830866. Please also get in touch if you would be willing to help out on the day, even if iust for an hour – thanks!



Mr Santa Clause Father Christmas Street Lapland

Dear Girls and Boys

Just a little note to let you know that I will be visiting FENSTANTON on the evening of Friday 1st December. I will be at the village Clock Tower to see the lights switched on the Christmas tree and say hello to some of my old friends.

If you would like to write me a letter I will have my special post-box with me, but don't forget to put your full name and address on it if you would like me to reply to you.

I hope you are all being very good this year and being kind to all your friends and family.

Love to you all from Santa

FENSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL

Overhanging vegetation

Just a polite reminder for parishioners to ensure they cut back any overhanging vegetation on their properties, but to add that, for several different reasons, it is preferable that the village community to NOT tackle any trees (see below).

Tree trimming

There are a number of trees requiring attention in the village and this is now in hand. Where necessary these have been reported to Huntingdon District Council or the landowner. If you have any concerns about trees in the village please report directly to HDC on the link below or to Annette in the office who can establish responsibility for the trees.

https://applications.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/forms/ Operations/Grounds_Trees_Hedges

Gritting Scheme

The Highways Service of Cambridge County Council has been in touch regarding the Community Gritting Scheme for 2017-2018. If anybody would like to volunteer for this winter's Community Gritting Scheme you can find full information on the following link:

https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roadsand-parking/roads-and-pathways/gritting-roads-cycleways-

and-paths/help-with-gritting-and-clearing-snow/

Pond Cleaning

The autumn clearing of the village pond took place on Saturday 14 October with grateful thanks to some enthusiastic and helpful parishioners!

Police report

There is very little to report since the last issue however the theft of tools from a van parked in the village, damage to a parked car and a burglary in London Road have both been reported to the police. Investigations are ongoing.

A reminder that any suspicious behaviour can be reported on police telephone 101 Or Crimestoppers on 0800 55 51 11.

Remaining Parish Council Meeting Date for 2017

The last full meeting of 2017 will take place on Thursday 9 November

SCOUT GROUP PHOTO SHOOT

Everyone welcome!

Sunday 26th November 2017 9.30am to 4.00pm

Support your local Scout Group to raise much needed funds - by having beautiful family portraits taken by a professional photographer.



Community fund supports local scouting, with £700 donation

The 85 boys and girls of the 1st Fenstanton & Hilton Scout Group will be sleeping even sounder over the coming years, thanks to a generous donation from the NISA "Making A Difference Locally" community fund.

The independent NISA local store in Fenstanton nominated the Scout Group to receive the funds after a request for help to replace tents.

The Group is extremely active and works hard to ensure that the young people are able to make the most of the opportunities available and this of course includes a lot of Nights Away. Each year all Sections take part in a range of such events. These can range from events such as a one night camp in St Ives for the Beaver Scouts (aged 5.75 to 8) a weekend camp near Bedford for the Cub Pack (aged 8 to 10.5) and the Scout Troop (aged 10.5 to 14) spending a week of the summer holidavs at Kent International Jamboree literally earning hundreds of Nights Away every vear.

Store owner Prakash "Ash" Puntambekar said " I know what

a difference Scouting makes so I was pleased to make the nomination, in support of the adventurous opportunities for so many local boys and girls"

Alice, a Cub Scout aged 9, said: "I love going camping as it gives me a chance to try lots of new fun activities with my friends. New tents will be great as it often rains when we go camping!"

Finlay, a Beaver Scout aged 7: " Camping is some of the best fun we have and I can't wait to try our new tents next time we go"

Nicki Halls, Chairperson, said: "This is one of the largest single donations the Scout Group has ever had so we are very grateful that Ash decided to nominate us and that NISA have given us such a large sum. Nights Away in scouting are a large part of the adventure so it's good that we can buy some new tents for the boys and girls to use."

More adult volunteers, to help with the young people and behind the scenes are needed so if you would like to know more visit the website at <u>www.scubes.co.uk</u> and get in touch.



FENSTANTON PARISH CHURCH APPEAL HOUSE TO HOUSE COLLECTION September 2017



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. This year, the money raised is going towards a much needed renovation of the Church Organ.

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 £2007.50. Of this, £1,142 was GiftAided by taxpayers who filled in the details on the envelope. This means we will get a further £285.50 from the Inland Revenue when the claim goes in. A huge thank you again, to all who made this possible.

Julia Mitchell (on behalf of the Parish Church Fundraising Committee)

FENSTANTON WI

The October meeting was our AGM.

Following the normal business meeting and a tea break when we browsed through the extensive archives with photos going back to the 1920s, the annual meeting followed when a new committee was elected. 2 members stepped down and 2 new members were elected. Pam Hucklesby stood down as President and Anna Cherkas was elected to take on the rôle with Margaret Blount as Vice–president.

After the AGM we all took part in several games of Bingo. The internet-sourced caller caused much amusement and one member nearly went home with all the prizes.

Meetings Programme:

November 2nd – From Crowbar to Crocosmia – The Making of a Fenland Garden – Neil Callan

December 7th – A Christmas Cracker – Vic Botterill

We are a friendly group who look forward to meeting up once a month. New members are always welcome. Just come along to the Church Centre at 7.30pm on the first Thursday of the month (except January), we will be pleased to meet you. You can contact us by emailing our secretary Deborah Markl – marklquinn@gmail.com

The Old Fen Lane By J.W.Chillery. 1958

I've seen it when the grass grows green besides the verge, and when it's been shoe top deep in mud, I've seen the dust clouds on a summer day, when up from the meadows come the loads of hay.

I've seen the snow drifts lay, piling high, when there was hardly room for passers by, I've seen many scenes, both gay and sad, memories of the years gone by since I was a lad.

I've seen the cattle pass up and down, also people from the country and the town. Many couples have sweet memories of the dear old lane where they used to court in sunshine and in rain.

Winding it's way to the Ouse, as a road to the river and fields, it is chiefly used. At it's base runs the railway line, which has been there for quite a long time. Every day the trains pass up and down, carrying people and goods to village and town.

Some families have had long associations with the lane, Burgess, Barnett, Jacobs, Martin, Munns, not forgetting Harrison of Osier fame, and two men who for them worked, were Alfred Crouch and Kelly Cook, But Quemby was the oldest name, for generations they lived near the brook.

This is where I choose to make my career, toiling away from year to year. Producing the good things for others around, from the Ouse Valley nurseries of wide renown. All this reward for a life well spent; which could not have been happier wherever I went.

No council owns this country lane, so by the users it is maintained, and by them often treated very rough, it makes one think , O what a shame. Cheer up old girl, perhaps some day, it may not always be that way, Over the years that are to come, may you have the best of luck.

I've lived down The Fen for 34yrs and it has been a lovely setting in which to bring up our children. The Fen is an unadopted road and. as such, we residents bear the responsibility of maintaining it. but in a way that it doesn't lose its rural appeal. There is vehicular access to the houses down here and for the agricultural vehicles to reach the fields beyond. As the lane is a "designated footpath" we do ask that drivers and cvclists are mindful that there could be adults, children and dogs using it and to reduce speed accordingly. It was very obvious this Harvest time that the farming community had taken this on board, so many thanks. Fen Lane formed part of the original way into St lves and we, the residents, aim to keep our part (The Fen) in dood order for many years to come for all who have right of access and for those who use this footpath to enjoy the lovely countryside beyond. Julia Mitchell on behalf of The Fen Road Residents Association

Invitation



Service of Commemoration of the Departed A short service to remember those who have died Saturdav 4th November 2017 11am **Fenstanton Parish Church**

Please forward names of loved ones for reading out to Deborah Hunt Tel: 01480 350224 (leaving your name/ contact details and name of loved one on answerphone) or email: deborahedmans@hotmail.co.uk

Come and join us in Fenstanton Church Centre Older People's Service with Communion or blessing



Fenstanton Parish Church

United Service of Remembrance Sunday 12th November at 10am, Followed at 11 am by Act of remembrance at the War Memorial in the Cemetery



ALL WELCOME



Friday 17^h November At 11:30 am. Please contact Katie (01480 465211)

or email ikhuck@virginmedia.com

if you can join us.



Fenstanton Fireflies Playgroup

Fenstanton Fireflies Playgroup are a friendly group running a weekly play session for children from birth to school age. We are open every Wednesday (including school holidays), 10.00am - 12.00noon.



We are now back in the newly renovated Church Centre and 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 Laura Wilks 07568321505 laurabarnett20@hotmail.com.

Dates of future events:

December 1 Christmas Lights Event at the Clock Tower 18:30 December 2nd Mulled Wine evening (contact Ian 465211 for tickets) December 2/3 Christmas Tree Festival URC December 10 Bury and Ramsey Band 4-00pm URC December 10th 10am Toy Service (Toys donated for local disadvantaged children) at Parish Church December 10th 12.30 for 1pm Christmas Lunch in Church Centre (contact Katie 465211 for tickets)

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 in 'Dates of Future Events'

HILTON PARISH COUNCIL

Huntington District Council has launched a consultation on Economic Housing Land Availability Assessment following a call for land sites it carried out in the summer. Five sites around and within Hilton have been suggested, details of which can be found at

http://consult.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/portal/pp/helaa/helaa-10-2017 The closing date for this consultation is 3 November 2017 and the Parish Council will be holding an extraordinary meeting on Monday 30 October 2017 to discuss its response to this consultation. You are able to submit comments to Huntingdon District Council directly on its website.

If you have been unable to attend the meeting and would like to submit comments for the Parish Council to consider please email them to our Clerk, Mrs Jo Perez at hiltonparishclerk@gmail.com

Meeting of the Parish Council on 2 October 2017

Fireworks and Bonfire Saturday 4 November 2017

The annual bonfire and firework display will be held on 5 November 2016 in the Wilderness. Entry to the event, which will commence at 6pm entry will be $\pounds 2.50$ per adult and $\pounds 1.00$ per child. The event will benefit from the donation from the Hutton family.

There will be posters on the notice boards and information on the Parish Council's website.

Update from District Councillor D Dew

Doug Dew advised us that Huntingdon District Council were scrutinising the Local Plan in order that it would be ready for submission next year. He informed us of Government changes to the rules on how housing is calculated and it appears that another 6,000 houses need to be found in the area. This was the first case where the 5 year housing supply target set by Government has not been reached, although according to district council figures it show they have been met. There was perhaps an issue in planning permission being granted but developers not progressing with sites.

The parish Council then received notification from Huntingdon District Council of the new Economic Housing Land Availability Assessment as outlined above. **A14**

The Parish Council will continue to advise Highways England of any construction vehicles observed passing through the village. We are asked to report registration numbers, date and time so do please let our clerk, Mrs Jo Perez know if you have anything to report.

Hedge in the Wilderness

Work on cutting back this hedge will take place over the autumn. The reason behind the need for this work is to ensure a wide enough passage is available for agricultural vehicles to stay on the made up lane through the Wilderness. **Trees**

Some of the more urgent work required on tree maintenance was agreed and will be undertaken shortly.

HILTON PARISH COUNCIL

Website

The new website is finished, subject to testing which will be undertaken over October with a view to launching the site after the November 2017 meeting.

Installation of 3 tubes to tests Nitrogen Dioxide

The Parish Council has been approached by the HCV group regarding traffic pollution monitoring. It was resolved to agree to the request to install 3 Nitrogen dioxide tubes in Hilton, on the basis that the results will be shared with the Parish Council. These tubes will be in place for a period of 12 months at a total cost for the 12 month period of £292.50.

A14

There are still reports of constructor's traffic coming through the village and the Parish Council remains in contact with Highways England reporting any vehicles reported to our Clerk. The A14 working group will look to meet with Highways England to discuss this matter further.

Buses

Doug Dew advised the Parish Council that St Ives Town Council are looking to liaise with local parishes to assess need and formulate ideas and suggestions to Cambridgeshire County Council regarding the changes made to local bus services following the cancellation of a number of routes. The Parish Council has formed a working group to take matters forward with St Ives Town Council. Precept

The Parish Council will discuss at the next meeting the proposal form the G=Finance and General Purposes Group to increase the precept by 1.9% in the year 2018/19.

Next Meeting

The next date for the full meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 6 November 2017 at 19:30 in the Village Hall. We would like to remind parishioners who would like to speak at any Parish Council meeting that it must be related to an agenda item published in advance.

Notice of agendas, minutes of meetings and contact details will be placed on the HPC website; www.hilton-pc.co.uk and on the three village notice boards.



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
Mrs Rachel Lawton	Trustee	831669
Mr Nick Sarkies	Trustee	830412
Mr Brian Ward	Trustee	830083
Mrs Rachel Wood	Trustee	830866
Mr Phil Wood	Clerk	830866

Fenstanton Pre-School

We have had a very busy first half term of the new school year. We have welcomed a lot of new children to the Pre-School and they are settling in really well.

We have been on a visit to the Parish Church where we learnt about harvest festival, and celebrated national Grandparents day at Pre-School during a special session enjoyed by both children and family members that attended.

Building on the success of our visit to the library bus last term, we have been very fortunate to secure a weekly session visiting the Primary School library. The children are enjoying exploring the many books on offer and a small clap and sing session, and we are sure this will prove to be a popular part of the Pre -School week.

Another highlight with the children continues to be our sessions with Ben, our PE instructor. This year the school have very kindly let us use the hall each week to make these more like a 'real' school PE session, and we now encourage parents to send in a simple PE kit to further this aim.

We have also, at time of writing, just attended our first whole school assembly. This is another new initiative and we are already so proud of our children and their wonderful behaviour and listening skills.

These new aspects of the Pre-School week all are all great tools in encouraging school readiness, and easing the children's transition into Reception year when they leave us. We are hugely grateful to the School for working so closely with us and enabling us to offer our children these opportunities.

And finally, exciting news – we are delighted to announce that we have been granted £2,000 from the Bag of Help funding initiative run by Tesco and Groundwork. Thanks to all of you who used your blue tokens to vote for us in local Tesco stores in July and August. We can now make plans to get our garden improvements underway.

contact@fenstantonpreschool.org.uk





on Saturday 18th November 6pm at Fenstanton Church Centre

Don't miss out on all the fun! Family fun night out with lots of prizes to be won. Bingo begins promptly at 6.30pm. Bring your own drinks, supper is included in ticket price.

Ticket Price: Adults £10 Children £7.50 Family 2 adults 2 Children £30 under 3 go free

To Purchase tickets email fenstantonrainbows@hotmail.com or fenMyWall.com phone Donna 07507095734

Hilton Feast Week

So the EGM was a great success and we now have a fantastic new committee, with plenty of fresh ideas. Details of the new committee will be on our website (<u>http://hiltonfeastweek.btck.co.uk</u>) once they've all been finalised, but a big thank you to the 2017 committee for a successful 40th Anniversary year. In the meantime, we'll be cracking on with supporting the Hilton Bonfire night on 4th November (who can resist BBQ and Mulled Wine in a field, whilst watching a fantastic firework display!).

The 200 club is going strong but don't forget you can sign up at any time, and there will be another special draw at the end of the year (We're not

mentioning the C word just yet as although the shops may be getting into the spirit it still seems far too early. Download your entry form from our website. Septembers winners were 1^{st} : 16 – Geraldine Fleming, 2^{nd} : 10 – Susan Clark and 3^{rd} : 18 – Michelle Kimbrey.

If you want to get involved in addition to the 200 club then we're also launching the first of our new ideas as detailed below:

Hilton Village Calendar 2018

Can you sum up the beauty of our village in one photo for the Hilton photography competition?

Open to all, we're launching a new photography competition as part of the programme of fundraising activities for Feast Week 2018.

All images will be showcased at an exhibition in the Hilton village church on 3 December 2017 (see village notice board and Feast Week Facebook page for further details) with the top 12 entries, as voted for by local residents, to appear in a 2018 Calendar

HOW TO ENTER

• Submit your entries* to <u>feastweekcommittee@gmail.com</u> or in person to Hannah Hinton, 2 The Aisled Barn, Hilton.

*See rules below for more details

• All entries will be displayed at a photography exhibition on 3 December 2017 in the Hilton village church.

• 12 winning photos, as voted for by local residents, including the overall victor, will feature in the Hilton 2018 calendar.

THE RULES

• Images must be landscape-shaped and at least 300dpi (and over 2mb in jpg format) or submitted in hard copy in minimum 5x7 inch print.

• They should depict iconic Hilton scenes (from countryside views to architecture or local wildlife etc).

• Your entry must be your own work.

• Entrants will retain copyright for the photographs that they submit. By entering the competition all entrants grant to the Feast Week Committee the right to publish and exhibit their photographs in connection with the competition, without payment.

• Deadline for entries is Sunday 25 November 2017.

Pie & Mash Evening Hilton Village Hall

Once again the Committee are busy organising this very popular event tables already having been sold. The evening will provide for the usual sociable get-together with neighbours and, as last year, will incorporate a 'mini' quiz of fun questions brought to us by Steve Bridge, who has kindly volunteered to do this again.

The main course will be Pie & Mash and, naturally, there will be the usual huge choice of delicious home-made puddings.

Saturday 25th November is the date; timings 19.00 hrs for 19.30 hrs. there will be a raffle (donations for this would be most welcome); please bring your OWN DRINKS, this proves to be popular - keeping everyone happy!

All of the above entertainment costing only £10.00 pp.

Please join us, come along for another good evening, what else would you be doing on a dark, cold, Winter's evening??

Doreen Bates (830250). Lesley Fordham (831195)

HILTON PRODUCE SHOW

HILTON PRODUCE SHOW: RED, GREEN and WHITE

I like the spirit of the competitor who kindly returned some (mostly blue) rosettes via my door, with the message that she hoped more of them would be **red** next time: excellent!

Bringing me to the slogan for next year which is <u>GROW & SHOW</u> !

Give it a go...even a modest vegetable plot can be amazingly productive. With plants cropping from June you won't need to buy **green** veg until late September, harvesting in succession: broad beans, dwarf French beans, courgettes (three plants will do) and now runner beans. Swiss Chard and spinach obligingly re-sprout and are still producing fresh leaves. We won't dwell on the failure of the potato crop, or the aphid infested salad leaves, just savour the succulence of vegetables picked and cooked in minutes.

Now to Winter **Whites**: cauliflower seeds are sprouting, turnips are quite leafy and onions will go in soon. The outlay is minimal in effort or expense and finally, your greens and whites might be awarded reds in JULY 18! Give it a go.....with best wishes from the committee



The "Knitted Bible" is coming to Hilton.

THE KNITTED BIBLE

The exhibition of Knitted scenes from the bible is on loan from St George's United Reformed Church, Hartlepool where it was created. It has been travelling around the UK since 2008 and has been so popular that it is booked up until well into 2018. This is an unique opportunity to see a fantastic work of art.

Come and see the "Knitted Bible" locally at Hilton Methodist Church (PE28 9NG) Entrance is free but donations are most welcome.

All visitors to the display will receive a free gift as they exit and all children will be given a free quiz booklet. Light refreshments will be available in the church hall right next door.

The times of the display are as follows: Saturday 4th November from 10am until 12 midday Saturday 4th November from 2pm until 4pm Sunday 5th November at morning service at 10am and after the service Sunday 5th November from 2pm until 4pm

HILTON ART CLUB

The pastel workshop with Claire McGinley introduced many of us to the medium. Claire started by showing examples of her work and materials used and then worked on an East Anglian landscape, demonstrating ways of building up her vibrant colour and methods of suggesting flora in the foreground. We tried these out on small pieces of pastel card and went on to create our own full sized pictures. It was both a messy (due to the powdery pastels) and absorbing morning.

17th November 9.30 am – 12.30 pm Workshop with Sue Eddy. Topic to be confirmed.

Our October meeting was also our AGM so we all stood up and sang Jerusalem. After our usual business had been discussed we got down to the serious stuff. We welcomed our new committee members and said thank you to the retiring ones who have done a great job and we look forward to another great year of friendship and fun.

We then had our social time with cheese, biscuits and wine or soft drinks and chatted to our friends going over all the outings and good times we have had this year.

Remember Craft club second Thursday in November to make more Christmas wreaths with Donna, easy to do but really beautiful.

On Monday October 16th we had a drawing class which was well attended and hope will be continued. It was held in the Village Hall from 10 o'clock until 12 30.For more details contact the secretary.

Our next meeting will be on November 13th in the Village Hall at 7:30 so come and enjoy A Chocolate Experience with Sue Stevens.

Kath Charter

MacMillan Coffee Morning.

On 29th September, once again, Peter and Rosemary Blake opened their home in Hilton to friends and neighbors for their annual MacMillan Coffee Morning. Peter and Rosemary have kindly been holding this event since 1998.now and in the process, have donated £12k + to this very worthwhile charity. Despite the damp morning, a good crowd gathered, and the grand total (including some donations. £500 and counting - a truly



heart -warming amount. Well done to all. Photo: Peter, Rosemary holding a tray of her delicious home-made biscuits, and some of the many helpers, Wendy, Heather and Donna. Doreen BatesMacMillan Coffee Morning.01480 830250

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 10.00am -11.30am every Tuesday, excluding school holidays.

Contact Nicola Webster on <u>nic.webster@hotmail.co.uk</u> for further information. Find Us on Facebook

FENSTANTON & HILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL still "Passionate about learning"

Dear Fenstanton Village & Hilton Village Communities,

With the impending removal of some of our play equipment during October half term and no money to buy anymore, the school has submitted a project proposal to Aviva Community Fund asking if they could help support us by providing some money towards a project for some new outside play equipment!! I am pleased to announce that the project has been approved and will go forward to the next stage.

We now need the help of our community by obtaining lots of votes for our project from; parents, friends, family, the surrounding community, for us to be in with a chance of becoming winners within our funding level. A panel of judges decide who will receive funding once the voting has finished and the winners are known.

There's no guarantee of winning so we need to get as many votes as possible. Please, please vote for us.

Voting opens on 24th October during half term until 21st November. Please visit the school website for the link as I am unable to provide it now.

Thank you for your much valued help with the next stage of this project coming to fruition. Mrs A S Wilkinson

Business Manager

HILTON FLOWER CLUB

October's meeting was our work shop and 34 ladies did wonderful arrangements to take home with the help of Beverley and June. Well done to everybody, we always have great fun, and look forward to the next one. NOVEMBER 6th Amy Jones will be coming to do a Christmas demonstration, Amy will be doing 4 or 5 arrangements, so it will be your chance to win one of her arrangements in the raffle to take home. we look forward to seeing Amy again; we know it will be a very entertaining afternoon; not to be missed. Look forward to seeing you all. Hilton Village hall 2pm --4pm Entrance $\pounds 4.00$ (includes tea biscuits) Raffle $\pounds 1.00$ Every body welcome Beverly

FENSTANTON & HILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL still "Passionate about learning"



<u>New Intake September 2018</u> <u>Open Days</u>

Wednesday 8th November at 10.00am Thursday 9th November at 2.30pm Introduction from Mrs Claire Worth, Headteacher Tour of the school Refreshments

ONE SKIP WASN'T ENOUGH!

By Hannah Housego

On Saturday 30th September children, their parents and staff from Fenstanton and Hilton

primary school came together as a school community and did a big school clear up. With the adults gardening and lifting, staff clearing play areas and class rooms and children sweeping and litter picking. The PTA were serving teas, coffees, squashes, bacon rolls and biscuits as an energy boost for the hard workers, as they worked up an appetite.

Mrs Worth (headteacher of the school) commented "It was a brilliant turn out, we definitely did not expect so many people. It was great!!!"

Throughout the morning more families joined the working team and it wasn't long before the skip was overflowing with all the rubbish, so another skip had to be ordered.



This is one of the frogs they found.

There was a large fenced off area that had become over grown and abandoned, about 10 adults, plus teachers were pruning the trees and tackling the tangled Ivy around the trees and fences. This then revealed a murky brown pond. Two frogs (one of which had a body about 3 inches long), were found throughout the clear up and were rehomed into the pond. People remarked "It's great as we now know that it will be an ideal habitat for wildlife."

It was an amazing effort and goes to show how much can be done with teamwork. It looks fantastic and will benefit the children as they now have an exciting outside learning environment.

HILTON BRITISH LEGION

The national total raised in aid of the Royal British Legion 10 days before its formal year ending on September 30th stood at a record of just over £46.4 million. In the same period Hilton residents have raised £1245.88, for which a huge thank you on behalf of all who will benefit from any of the Legion's many types of support nationwide.

In October, Colonel Derek Bristow, President of Huntingdonshire Royal British Legion came to a very special ceremony in Hilton to present certificates and badges of appreciation and long service to our Poppy Appeal collectors past and present. Some have been supporting the Appeal for as long as 45 years or as little as one but all were acknowledged. In particular, the Perry family have given constant support for three generations, first in the shop by Clifford and Selma, then Brian and Anne and now Simon and Emma in the Prince of Wales, Michael Way, too, has been another very long serving collector .We would like also to record here our grateful memories of Ralph and Muriel . As well as Colonel Bristow and the recipients of awards with their guests and Reverend David Busk we were pleased to be supported by a number of members of St. Ives Royal British Legion, with everyone making the evening really special and enjoyable.

Finally, another little memory from 1917. Edith Appleton, a British nurse in France wrote in her diary that she insists on giving wounded and dying soldiers a clean handkerchief. She adds "I don't know why, but they love to have it ". Edith was one of a team of nurses receiving as many as 80 wounded soldiers at a time and at least daily in order to begin their care, needing so very many of those handkerchiefs. Margaret (831186) and Julie (830580)

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

WHAT'S on in October

2nd	Fenstanton WI	Church Centre	7:30pm	P27
2114			1.00pm	
4th	Hilton Fireworks	Hilton	6:00pm	P31
4/5	Knitted Bible in Hilton	Hilton Methodist Church	Various	P43
4th	Fair Trade Coffee Morning	Hilton Methodist Church	10:00am	P13
6th	Hilton Parish Council	Hilton Village Hall	7:30pm	P33
6th	Hilton Flower Club	Hilton Village Hall	2:00pm	P46
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9th	Fenstanton Parish Council	Primary School	7:30pm	P25
13th	Hilton WI	Hilton Village Hall	7:30pm	P45
17th	Hilton Art Club	Hilton Village Hall	9:30pm	P43
18th	Fenstanton Rainbows and Brownies Bingo Night	Fenstanton Church Centre	6:00pm	P37
18th	November Fayre	Fenstanton URC	2:00pm	P14
25th	Scouts Photo Shoot	Scout HQ, Hall Green Lane	9:30am	P26
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25th	Christmas Fayre	Hilton Parish Church	1:00pm	P23
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Dec				
1st	Fenstanton Village Hall Trust Christmas Fayre	Clock Tower	6:30pm	P22 /23
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Regular Weekly Meetings:

Regular Fortnightly Meetings:

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For For Church services etc. see pages 12 to 19