

Bottisham WI Community Fayre

On Saturday June 9th the Community Fayre took place on the Primary School playing field. The stalls were ready, the ladies serving the cream teas were poised, it wasn't cold and it wasn't raining. All we needed was people to come and support us and you did in hundreds.

Proceedings were opened by Roger Jenyns, whose grand mother was the founding member of Bottisham WI one hundred years ago. Master of ceremonies, Richard Morris, made sure everything ran smoothly and even commentated on two horse races. We were entertained by the 'Panic Steel Band' and the Devils Dyke Morris Men. There was a decorated bicycle competition, judged by Jill Jenyns. The WI served over a hundred cream teas, the Scouts provided Hot Dogs and hamburgers and the newly named Bottisham Community Sports and Social Club ran the bar. Numerous clubs and societies manned their stalls and with a very high village turn out, hopefully attracted the attention of some new supporters and raised some money for their respective organizations.

At the end of the afternoon, everyone seemed happy that the day had been a huge success.

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to make this a truly terrific day.

Sandra Clark President - Bottisham WI



Welcome to the July issue of your village, or should we also be calling it our community magazine. Last month, two things happened which may mark a change in direction for our village, both potentially positive.

Firstly, managed mightily by the WI and their helpers was the Bottisham Community Fayre. You can read about it opposite and in the WI report, but suffice to say it was a great success and well attended. Hopefully it will not be a one off and has the makings of a regular event.

Secondly after much discussion and consideration, the 'Legion' Social Club has separated itself from the Bottisham Branch of The Royal British Legion and has reformed as The Bottisham Community Sports and Social Club. Nor, as you will see in their report, has the Bottisham Branch of The Royal British Legion ceased to function, but remains and is keen to see new faces coming to their meetings which will continue to be held at and supported by the Social Club.

Our cover picture this week is of the wall hanging made by the pupils of Bottisham Primary school to mark the centenary of Bottisham WI. You can read more about it on page 3. A very detailed piece of work, which gives credit to the skill of lots of little hands.

I see that the Scout troop is looking for leaders. It is always difficult to get volunteers to take up many things, but I suspect that being a scout leader is a very rewarding task. I know several people who are or have been scout leaders and say that it is great fun and a rewarding thing to do.

Speaking of volunteers, I would like to introduce you to Charlotte Hegley. She responded to my mention in the magazine about being involved or interested in its production, so I am going to hand over the rest of this editorial to her to introduce herself.

Before I go, remember, there will be no Cresset magazine published in August, so the next issue will be the September one. Copy deadline date for that will be 14th August.

Have a great summer and I hope you need the factor 50.

GUEST EDITORIAL

Hello folks, I am Charlotte Hegley, a second year English undergraduate student at the University of Nottingham. I am the Head of Lifestyle for my University Magazine and a contributor for others. I really enjoy both writing and reading articles and this is why I wanted to get involved in the editing and compiling of The Cresset.

I live locally in Bottisham and have always read The Cresset and was interested to know more about its production, so I was delighted when Peter said I could help. I now understand the processes of The Cresset, from production to distribution, something that involves a lot of local people who are happy to lend a hand (or an article)! The thing that surprised me most about this well-put together journal is that the Editor and his wife run the finances, advertising and editing process entirely by themselves, something that is admirable after so many years and oh-so many adverts and articles. I look forward to writing more consistently for The Cresset and hopefully offering something a bit different to this local journal. This month I would like to comment on Social Media.

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Social media, like the technology that enables it, is well and truly on the rise. It is saturating society as we know it, but the question is how much usage is a good amount? There's no doubt that social media usage varies between the different age groups, with adolescents using it much more than older people, but nevertheless, most people you know (with the exception of some) are using it in one form or another, with over half of the world's population having a Facebook account, for example. Falling asleep and waking up to it has been proven to be damaging for people's mental health, but nevertheless, it's what most people seem to do. The most important thing about social media is not to become overwhelmed by it, spending hours aimlessly following people just because you have the capacity to do so. Also, I think people sometimes find it hard to remember that if you do something and do not post a picture or video of it, it did still happen, even if your social media followers did not see it happen. You don't need to post everything. My advice to all would be to use social media every now and again, rather being ruled by it 24/7.

Charlotte Hegley

A Plea from 1st Bottisham Scout Group

1st Bottisham Scout group consists of a Beaver Colony (6-8 years), a Cub Pack (8-10½) and a Scout Troop (10½-14) and currently has approximately 75 children, both boys and girls involved in its activities.

We are looking to recruit some more volunteers to help with the following roles:- Group Scout Leader and Executive Committee members.

Group Scout Leader-Brief description

Ensure that the Scout Group thrives and has the best systems in place to support adult volunteers and develop the Group – including a Group Executive Committee and Section leadership teams.

Provide line management and support to the Leaders in the Scout Group, including setting objectives for their work and holding regular reviews and one-to-one meetings.

Ensure that the Scout Group has an adequate team of supported and appropriate adults working effectively together and with others to meet the Scouting needs of the area. Ensure that a challenging, exciting and balanced programme is offered to young people in the Scout Group.

Executive Committee Member-Brief description

The Group Executive Committee plays a vital role in the running of a Scout Group. Executive Committees make decisions and carry out administrative tasks to ensure that the leaders can deliver the best quality Scouting to young people in the Group. Helping to organise the upkeep of the Scout hut and helping to organise fundraising are two areas for which the Executive committee are responsible.

We are always on the lookout for more people to join us as Leaders, Assistant Leaders and Occasional helpers. If you think that you are able to help us provide Scouting to our Scout group, please contact me at thehikemaster@gmail.com and I will direct your enquiry to the correct person.

Yours in Scouting - Peter Rayment, Assistant Scout Leader, 1st Bottisham Scout Group

Copy deadline for the September issue is 14 August.

Please send material to the editor at BottishamCresset@gmail.com



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Bottisham WI

In October last year, a group of WI members attended a Bottisham Primary school assembly and invited the children of years 5 and 6 to contribute ideas and help sew a wall hanging to mark the Centenary of Bottisham Womens Institute.

The children came up with lots of ideas and all were incorporated into the wall hanging. The design featured a Maypole with 'flags' attached. Every week, a small group of WI members would come into the school and help the children sew 'their bit'.

The whole project was coordinated by Pat Howard, and the finished article was put together by Pat and the expert hands of Miriam Ogborn.

The finished article was on display at the Community fayre and was formally presented to the school at an assembly on 11th June. It will hang in the Primary school for current and future generations to enjoy.



Services in Holy Trinity Bottisham in July/August

SERVICES IN HOLY TRINITY BOTTISHAM IN JULY

Sunday 1st	11am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 4th	8pm	“C by C” (Short candlelit meditative service)
Sunday 8th		No service in Bottisham
	10am	Benefice Communion at Swaffham Bulbeck
Sunday 15th	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11 am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 22nd	10 am	Benefice Morning Worship
Sunday 29th	11am	Holy Communion

SERVICES IN HOLY TRINITY BOTTISHAM IN AUGUST

Sunday 5th	11am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 8th	8pm	“C by C” (Short candlelit meditative service)
Sunday 12th		No service in Bottisham
	10am	Benefice Communion at Swaffham Prior
Sunday 19th	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11 am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 26th		No service in Bottisham
	9.30	Children’s Church in Lode
	10am	Benefice Morning Worship at Swaffham Bulbeck

Benefice services are shared by the five churches in the Anglesey Group (Bottisham, Lode, Qy, Swaffham Bulbeck and Swaffham Prior). Details of these services can also be found on the Anglesey website (www.angleseygroupparishes.co.uk). Any late changes in times or places of services will be given there.



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Last year we hosted some games on the Passage for accompanied children and young people and we had a good crowd of people gathered in support and enjoying the sunshine. After a couple of hours playing rounders, cricket etc. we enjoyed a picnic together. We plan to do the same again this Summer. From 10am 'til 12noon on Wednesday 8th to Friday 10th August we will have a team of RENEW folk leading games and anyone who is not feeling so energetic can gather and spend time with friends old and new, then at lunch time we will all join together for a picnic.

You are very welcome to join us and bring family, neighbours, friends. Please note, this is not a formal organised activity where you can leave children with us, all children must be accompanied by a parent/adult family member.

VILLAGE PRAISE AT LODE CHAPEL

On Sunday 16th September we are holding our first Village Praise event at Lode Chapel from 5.30-6.30pm. The hope is that we can develop a service that appeals to a wide range of folk in our villages. Maybe you worship at a different church on a Sunday morning and would like to join together for worship with people from your village occasionally too? The content of Village Praise will be accessible to people who are not regular church goers as well as being an opportunity to worship for those who are. Familiar hymns (chosen by you), Scripture readings (chosen by you), stories of how life and faith connect... we believe Village Praise could be a great way to encourage people to gather, and a way of (re)introducing people to the Christian faith.

The services will evolve from our starting point in September, but even from the outset I would welcome suggestions of hymns / songs; musicians and singers who'd be happy to share their gift; anyone with a brief story to tell about how their faith makes a difference in their day to day lives.

We look forward to connecting with you over the Summer, and once again extend an invitation to you to join us for worship every Sunday morning, 10.30am at Bottisham Community Primary School. It would be great to welcome you.

Rev'd Alan Brand.

RENEW SERVICES FOR JULY 2018

We have activities for children and young people at all our RENEW morning services.

A crèche is available if required. All are welcome.

Croissants and drinks are available before Morning Worship from 10.10 am.

Sunday 1st July.	Morning Worship.	10.30am, with Holy Communion.
Sunday 8th July.	Morning Worship.	10.30am Followed by shared lunch
Sunday 15th/22nd/29th July.	Morning Worship.	10.30am

All Bottisham Primary School

For more information about any of the activities of RENEW Church please contact:

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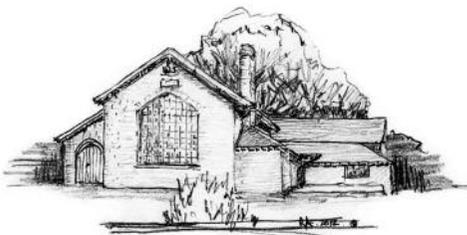
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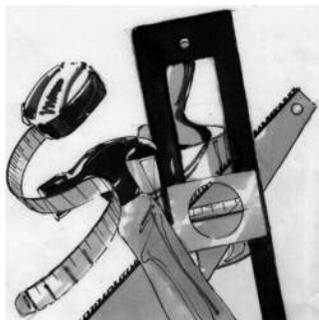
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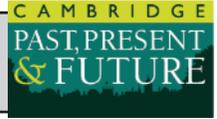


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Hinxton Watermill Open Day Sunday 1 July: 2.30pm-5.30pm. 17th century working watermill, on the River Cam. Where's Ratty' game for children. Members free, non-members £3 adult, £1 child.

Foraging & Feasting! - Wandlebury Adventurers', Monday 2 July: 6pm-8pm. Unaccompanied, for ages 8-12, book in advance. £14 per session.

Trees of Wandlebury in Summer, Wednesday 4 July: 1.30pm to 3.30pm, Free event – no need to book. Meet at the notice board in Wandlebury Country Park.

Healthy Walking, Every Thursday: 10am or 10.30am-11am, FREE and no need to book, please arrive 10 minutes early to register if it's your first session.

Theatre at the Leper Chapel: Woyzeck, Thursday 12, Friday 13 and Saturday 14 July: 8pm, Tickets available in advance www.insitutheatre.co.uk or at the venue from 7.30pm.

Cambridge PPF's 90th Anniversary - Event for Members only, Saturday 14 July: 11.30am-12.30pm A short guided walk looking back at the 1920s, followed by our 90th birthday cake! Afterwards join our Wonderful Wandlebury event. CambridgePPF members only. Booking essential by 9 July, online cambridgeppf.org or Eventbrite: tinyurl.com/CPFF90th

Wonderful Wandlebury & CambridgePPF's 90th Birthday, Saturday 14 July: 12.30pm-4pm, Popular history and archaeology themed day that's packed with fun and learning for the whole family.

Wandlebury Wild Flowers in Summer, Wednesday 18 July: 1.30pm to 3.30pm, FREE gentle walk event and no need to book Meet at the notice board next to the car park.

Ghost Stories at the Leper Chapel with in situ: Saturday 21 July: 8pm, Tickets in advance www.insitutheatre.co.uk or at the venue on the night.

Bourn Windmill Open Day and Teas, Sunday 29 July: 2pm-4pm, Come and see inside one of the oldest mills in the country, you can also have a go at the task of turning the whole mill on its post - an amazing sight. Free for members, non-members £3 per adult, £1 per child.

Summer Holiday Activities Small Voice, Big World with Vital Spark, Wednesday 1 August to Saturday 4 August: 10am to 4pm, Four days of creative workshops – 10am to 4pm, exploring different forms of art activism culminating in a site-specific performance on Saturday 4 August at 2pm. Ages 6-16 years, unaccompanied £120 per child (£20 off for siblings). For information and booking: email katherine@vitalsparktheatre.org

Directions: Wandlebury Country Park is on the A1307, 2.5km south of the Addenbrooke's roundabout. CB22 3AE. Parking is available on site and costs £3 per vehicle, members free. For more information: email bookings@cambridgeppf.org, call 01223 243830 extension 207 or visit www.cambridgeppf.org/whats-on

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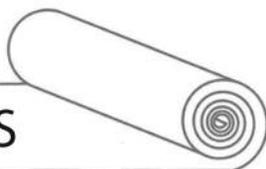


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After a busy May with several committee meetings and the Annual Parish Meeting we have had a quiet June with many parish councillors being away for our first Monday of the month meeting.

We have now appointed a solicitor to draft a new licence for use of the primary school play area as this has now become an Academy and we hope that this will soon be completed and use of the site for the village will be protected.

Regarding the site for the proposed new cemetery on Lode Road after two winters of testing the land we are now ready to approach the Environment Agency. Our consultant is putting together a letter asking advice for the way forward.

The grass cutting in the cemetery and churchyard has not been to the standard we would have expected so far this year. We have spoken with the contractors who agreed that they had started the first cut too late which meant that the grass was too long and left a mess and they will make a note of this for the subsequent year and they are working to remedy the current situation. The hedge at the rear of the cemetery bordering the footpath has been cut and we have also instructed the contractor to cut the hedges in the cemetery and spray any overgrown graves and footpaths. The green waste bin that went missing from the cemetery several months ago has finally been replaced by the District Council after many times of asking which will make the waste situation easier to deal with. Could I also ask that residents be mindful of their own hedges bordering footpaths? It is that time of year again when I begin to get calls from people complaining about not being able to walk on the path because hedges are taking up too much room.

Following on from last months Annual Parish Meeting where our new police Sergeant Mark Rabel reported a 50% increase in crime in Bottisham I have been contacted by a resident who has been a recent victim of crime. There are not now many Neighbourhood Watch schemes in the village and we all need to be more vigilant and think about how we can prevent crime, keep our properties safe and look out for our neighbours. Please look out for any suspicious behaviour and if you see any suspicious vehicles make a note of their registration number.

The Domestic Team at East Cambs District Council C have proposed a Public Space Protection Order to cover the whole of East Cambridgeshire District with regards to Dog Fouling. The team want to crack down on owners who do not pick up after their dogs.

A new Public Space Protection Order will take the place of the existing Order under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 which only covered certain areas within the district. The new Order will be clearer and easier for the public to understand. It will also give enforcement officers the power to issue a higher fine of £80 where dog owners have been witnessed not clearing up after their dog. Dog fouling has been an issue in Bottisham and we would welcome this. If you wish to put your views across in a survey you can do so www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DYSG3NN or you can pick up a paper survey from the council office. You can also email envirocrime@eastcambs.gov.uk.

Lastly our accounts are now with the auditor and are available to view on the noticeboard or on our website www.bottishampc.co.uk. There is no Cresset in August so I will report back in the September issue on our July meeting. We have no meeting in August. Enjoy the summer!

Claire Fullwood – Parish Clerk, clerk@bottishampc.co.uk

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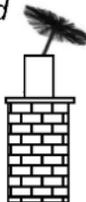


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Planning Notes

- 18/00585/VAR, Bottisham Medical Practice, To vary condition 11 (use of dental and doctor surgery only) of previously approved application E/99/0824/F. NEW APPLICATION
- 18/00637/FUL, 6 Arber Close, Demolition of existing rear single storey extension, new single storey rear/side extension and front porch. NEW APPLICATION
- 18/00653/FUM, Land at Swynford Paddock Stud, London Road, Refurbishment of existing racehorse stud NEW APPLICATION
- 18/00194/FUL, 16 Arber Close, Proposed new two storey dwelling, REFUSAL OF APPLICATION
- 18/00298/FUL, 48 High Street, Single storey and two storey rear extension including roof terrace and first floor side extension. APPLICATION APPROVED
- 18/0442/FUL, 20 Tunbridge Close, Proposed front extension and garage conversion. NEW APPLICATION

Healthwatch

IT STARTS WITH YOU

Our local Healthwatch in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough are launching their 'It Starts With You' campaign to encourage more people to share their experiences of using local health and care service.



The campaign will run from July to September 2018 and will tell the stories of local people who are helping to improve the services we all use.

Last year, Jason, who is Deaf told us about visiting A&E and not getting a British Sign language Interpreter for over 7 hours even though he had a serious lung condition. Thanks to Jason and other people who shared their experience, we are challenging the local NHS to do better for disabled people.

Have you got a story to share? Tell us about your experiences and ideas to help services understand what works, what doesn't and what you want from care in the future. No matter how big or small the issue, tell us about it. If it matters to you then it's very likely it matters to someone else. Sharing your opinions with Healthwatch is quick and easy and could make a big difference. Tell us what you think and help make care better for you, your family and community.

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Public Transport Matters

Well, the lack of copies of the new bus timetables of the 15th April has at times turned into a bit of a comedy! I settled in my seat at the front of the bus with my shopping trolley in front of me and a very cross man came and sat beside me muttering that he had missed a bus because of not knowing of the changes and he wished he had a proper timetable. I fished in my trolley and handed him a timetable to his delight and at that point a gentleman on the opposite seat asked whether I had more and could he have one and then people behind him wanted one. The man next to me then requested another one for a friend. I now carry a supply with me and drivers are grateful if I also leave some in the bus containers. I have asked Stagecoach to equip the buses with them but it rarely happens. Hopefully most people now have them or have obtained the information from another source.

Electric buses charged by solar panels and electric charging points in city park and ride sites could soon be on the streets of Cambridge. Both Babraham and Trumpington sites are included. It is being investigated by the Cambs. County Council's commercial and Investment Committees.

Analysts say that more than 3,000 bus routes have been cut in the last 8 years across England and Wales. The elderly and those on low incomes have been hardest hit. Six in ten public transport journeys are taken by bus – three times that by rail. Northumberland County Council is looking to save money by removing bus timetables from bus stops and not printing new ones. Go online, they say! Critics have highlighted the high pay of the Northumberland County Council senior staff and the chief executive.

Rail issues have been more in the news than buses recently. James Palmer says there should be a Cambridge South station by 2021 – it will be near to Addenbrookes hospital, Astra Zeneca and the new Papworth Hospital. He mentions the problem of finding a construction company with the skills to build it and a shortage as there are so many big rail projects at the moment. A direct rail link between Wisbech and Cambridge is planned. A park and ride site at Waterbeach expanded station could ease congestion and create jobs. Also there should be a new station at Soham by 2030. A CAM self driving metroservice to Huntingdon, Waterbeach and Cambridge North could happen by 2030 and have 3000 commuters a day. The Cambridge, Milton Keynes and Oxford new rail link should link areas of growth.

A commuter has complained about the delays to smartcard technology at Cambridge and Cambridge North stations. The trains are run by Greater Anglia and their system is not compatible with Great Northern smartcards used by passengers south of Cambridge. If you lose your paper season tickets it is expensive to replace. Problems with parking at Cambridge station continue particularly when dropping off or picking up people. The question of a possible busway between Cambridge and Cambourne keeps being discussed – as I write I think it is on hold. James Palmer is worried it might clash with the possible underground city metro in Cambridge. The Cambridge North station has now been open for a year and people say it has improved their commute particularly for people living locally. There are plans for offices, shops, cafes and homes around the area. Bike parking facilities are praised. The station welcomed 320,000 people during the year – an average of 6000 a week.

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The big problems as I write continue to be the introduction of the new rail timetables for the whole country. Who is to blame, is the question. It seems to have lacked proper joined up planning. Locally 7 times more than normal alterations were made to the times. Trains terminate unexpectedly or arrive so full that people are sitting on the floor. Chris Grayling is being blamed but surely it is the rail operators who should have got together and got the planning more accurate. Our MP Lucy Frazer has said that changes to Govia Thameslink's off-peak Ely to Cambridge service are a disadvantage to constituents who work in the city. You can no longer be at work for a 9.30 am start to your day as the train at 8.58 now leaves at 9.17. Passengers were not consulted. Also full size bicycles are no longer allowed on the trains. Mrs Frazer is hoping to find a workable solution. Govia say that the trains have to dovetail in with the new routes, services and improvements across the area. Other trains are classed as peak time and more expensive. Network Rail should think of a new high speed rail line from London to Stansted as part of the overhaul of Britain's railways says a think tank, Greengauge 21 – it could extend to Cambridge and Colchester. The West Anglia and Great Eastern lines are at capacity. Luton airport is due to get a n £225 million rail link which will take passengers direct to its terminal. A new line from Kent to Essex is also suggested as it would provide a rail freight M25 bypass. The east coast rail franchise is being scrapped for the third time.

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Happy travelling! - Paddy James

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Mothers Union Report

In April our Mothers' Union Diocesan Chaplain, Rev. Valerie Kilner gave us a talk on the paintings of William Holman-Hunt. Beginning with his 'Light of the World' painting Valerie pointed out features within the painting that can be easily missed, and their significant meanings. She followed on with paintings The Scapegoat and The Shadow of Death. This was highly enlightening and motivated our thinking into how Hunt's more concealed meanings within the paintings relate to us as members of Mothers' Union today.

Barry Griffiths, Communications and Communities Officer and Ros, Volunteer Co-ordinator for Jimmy's Cambridge were our guest speakers in May. We learnt how the night shelter was first set up in the basement of the Zion Baptist Church in 1995 and named after Jimmy Dilley who regularly slept under the bridge at J13 of the M11. Five shared dormitories, which slept up to six people in bunk beds, provided guests with a bed off the streets, warmth and a hot meal for over a decade. In 2008 funding was granted for a full refurbishment and in 2015 Jimmy's Assessment Centre was opened. A fully functional four storey centre, providing 24-hour service, with 20 single occupancy en-suite rooms, and extensive facilities for day time support activities.

After two days orientation, guests are allocated a support worker to advise on benefits, health issues, and aid with resettlement, life skills training and achieving long term, positive outcomes - not just short term support. Commitment of staff and countless volunteers, funding from local authorities and donations from the supportive community, all contribute to the caring services Jimmy's provides. At the end of the afternoon a box of toiletries and foodstuffs, donated by members, was given to Barry and Ros for the centre.

Further information on services provided can be found on the website: www.jimmiscambridge.org.uk/about-us

Our meetings usually take place on the third Thursday of the month in Lode Chapel at 2.30pm. All are welcome to come and join us. On 19th July Alice Leadbeter will be speaking to us about her running the London Marathon in 2017. In August members will be going out for afternoon tea at Scotdales Garden Centre.

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Dispensary: Further to our previous items about the dispensary and repeat prescriptions please note that whether you order or line or by prescription itself you do need to allow 2 full working days before your medication is ready for collection.

Staff: We have a new Practice manager, Nick McDonnell, who has joined the practice during June. Rowena Pilsworth has moved on to a new job at Addenbrooke's. Dr Muse will be working Monday and Friday as locum GP.

Bottisham Patients' Group: The Patients' Group would be delighted to hear from you – please see the notice board in the waiting room for details, speak to the receptionist or look at the practice website for further information. We would welcome help with running the group.

Walks for Health: The next walks with our accredited walk leader Steve Gilson start at 11.00 am from the surgery car park on 13 and 25 July, 10 and 22 August, 28 September 2018. Do join Steve for a walk he would be delighted to see you. Anglesey Abbey walks continue on Thursdays at 10am from the reception area.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be Thursday 26 July 2018 at 6.30pm at the surgery.

Bottisham Community Library Association

I am writing this the day after the WI led Community Fayre where we ran a book stall in aid of funds for the library. What a great occasion attended by so many people and successful too as we raised £151. Thank you to all who provided books, DVD's and jigsaws for sale and to our willing band of volunteers.

We always have books on our sales trolley in the library. Please come if you are looking to try a new author or to buy some good quality reasonably priced books for your holiday reading.

As I write this the only news that I have concerning the new library premises is that we have had a meeting with Sue Wills the Library Service Manager for the Council who has talked to us about the changes. She will be speaking at our Annual meeting on 27th June but you will have to wait for the September Cresset for a report on this.

We are still looking for volunteers to help run the Saturday morning Art Club. Can you help? Please come and talk to us for more information at one of the Library sessions.

Membership of the Community Library Association is actually free this year!! The subscription is only £1 but this entitles you to a free book reservation costing – you've guessed it £1. Please join (forms available in the Library)

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Polly Howatt did not speak as advertised on traditional tales from the misty fens but as an international storyteller with a love of folklore and legend she used gardens plants and trees as her theme. She told us about plants to be found in most cottage gardens in the early 20th century – the blue purple fen poppy which when turned into poppy tea or syrup could be used to cure rheumatism or neuralgia, about the chemist's preparation of Goddard's Cordial made from opium and black treacle and even Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup again opium based and used as the poor child's nurse. Woodward's Gripe Water used by us mothers in the 60's had an opium derivative. Onions could be used raw as a cure for baldness (don't try this at home) or to help, when boiled, mothers in a long-protracted labour. Foxgloves provide digitalis to help deal with heart problems, willow bark has aspirin and earache could be cured with a clove of garlic warmed with salt and placed in the ear. Broad beans with their white pith will get rid of warts but they must be fresh not tinned or frozen. Remember this was before the advent of the NHS so the poorer people especially made use of their gardens and hedgerows. She did treat us to a spine chilling story of the lost moon at the end and answered many questions.

We are holding our Annual outing on Wednesday 18th July visiting the well-known Barnsdale Gardens in Rutland originally created for Geoff Hamilton for Gardener's World and now run by his son. There are a few places available so please contact Peter Bullock on 811716 if you are interested. We shall be leaving the Village College at 9.30am and the cost is £20.

Our August meeting is on 28th August when Rodney Tibbs will speak on "My Gardening Year." Please bring your most beautiful rose to be judged for the Don Bedford Cup.

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If you are a member of the Legion and intend to continue your membership, then this is an invite for you to come along to the next Branch meeting on Wednesday the 11th July in the Poppy lounge at the Social Club at 8.00pm.

Without the support and involvement of its members in the Branch organization, then the Branch like many in the country will not be able to continue and will fold.

As a current member you will be welcome to come along to our next meeting and show your support for the continuation of this Branch.

Dave Frost, Branch Chairman - Peter Walker, Branch Secretary

Cambridgeshire ACF Battlefield Tour 21-24 October 2018

As part of Cambridgeshire Army Cadet Force (ACF) World War 1 programme and the Ministry of Defence (MOD) project 'Operation Reflect', a party of Cambridgeshire Army Cadets will take part in a Battle Field Tour (BFT) from 21st to the 24th October, 2018. This follows our successful BFT in 2016, led by Commandant Col Mark Knight MBE and Padre Ryk Parkinson. The Cadets visited Belgium and France with the Cambridgeshire Royal Anglian Regimental Association and the Royal British Legion Riders in order to honour the Cambridgeshire Regt at the 100-year Anniversary of the Schwaben Redoubt battle at the Somme.



In March, we held our first training event for BFT 2018 at Waterbeach Cadet Training Centre and the Imperial War Museum (IWM) at Duxford.

The cadets were given the names of two Cambridgeshire Regt soldiers to research as part of the project using sources such as Medal Index cards, data from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, Census information and other websites. Their aim was to find out where the soldiers were born, where they lived, when they joined the Cambridgeshire Regt, which medals they were awarded, if they were killed in action, whether they survived the War, if they appear on a War Memorial locally and where they are buried.

Cadet Charlotte Wallace from Cambridge Detachment has provided an excellent report on 765792 2nd Lt Henry William Huckle and 325498 Pte Thomas William Bates.

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2 Lt Huckle was born in 1886 to Henry and Emma Huckle in Hitchin Herts. He moved 3 times, including to Cardiff where he married Mary Anne Elizabeth Porter in 1914. His daughter was born in 1915 and the family moved to 182 Shelford Road, Trumpington, Cambridge; the house name was Tourmaline. Whilst in Cambridge, Henry was employed as chief clerk at Oxford and Cambridge Examinations Board. In 1917 his second daughter Betty Mary Huckle was born and in the March 1917, he enlisted with the Cambridgeshire regiment to fight in WW1. From researching the history of the local village hall during WW1 Charlotte found that it was used as an enlistment centre; another notable use of the local village hall at the time is that the village Army Cadet Force detachment paraded there.

On 5th and 6th September 1918 the Cambridgeshire Regt were engaged in the battle for Nurlu. The Company Commander Lt Orbell was killed in action and Henry William Huckle took over the role of Company Commander. Later that same day, he was killed in action after just 16 days on the battlefield.

Lt Orbell and 2nd Lt Huckle are buried next to each other at the Perrone Communal Cemetery extension. Henry William Huckle is commemorated in the UK at both the Trumpington and Hitchin War Memorials and in Trumpington Village Hall. His wife Mary is buried in Trumpington Cemetery where Henry is also remembered.

Cpl Eleanor Phipps from St Ives detachment researched 326704 Private Reginald Wilderspin who was born on 3rd September 1897. According to the 1901 Census, Reginald and his family lived at 11 Saxon Road, Cambridge. The 1911 Census records his father, Henry, and mother, Jane, with 7 children. Reginald Wilderspin was employed at a printing works on Hills Road, Cambridge which is thought to be Heffers of Cambridge (we are still following this link for further confirmation of his employers).

Reginald enlisted with his brother Sidney in November 1915 in to the Cambridgeshire Regiment and was discharged on 7th April 1917 due to 'Wounds King's Regulation 392 (xvi)' as he was 'No longer physically fit for war service due to his injury to his shattered right wrist'. After returning from the war Reginald married Jessie Westwood in 1924. They had a daughter Doreen in 1931, whom Eleanor has spoken with as part of her research. Reginald died in June 1975 whilst residing at 9 Beeche Road, Cambridge.

To date we have researched some 60 soldiers from the Cambridgeshire Regt in WW1 and will continue to research the Battles at Nurlu, Epehy and the St Quentin Canal, and the Cemeteries at Epehy and Perronne before our visit to the battlefields in October 2018. There we will honour the soldiers of the Cambridgeshire Regt who 100 years prior stood on that ground.

This project has been sponsored by the Heritage Lottery Fund, the Army Cadet Force Association and the Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for East Anglia. We would be pleased to hear from anyone who knows of a relative who served with the Cambridgeshire Regt in 1918.

For further information on Cambridgeshire Army Cadet Force or how you can get involved please visit our website: www.armycadets.com/county/cambridgeshire-acf/

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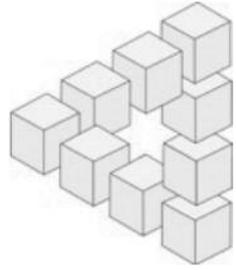
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Thoughts of a Sports Nut

Well, by the time you read this, the intrepid Bottisham Three will be in Russia for the World Cup but, at the time of writing, Messrs Lewis, Pilgrim & Daish are still receiving incredulous responses from all and sundry accompanied by shakes of the head, intakes of breath and remarks pertaining to either our sanity or our courage, or both! Obviously I hope I don't live to eat these words but experience tells us that dire warnings of molestation and murder have always turned out to be grossly exaggerated in the past and we don't see why Russia should be so different. After all, as controversial as the venue is for this tournament might be, it's a massive opportunity for the newly 'elected' Putin government to impress the world with its organisation and hospitality. That's what we're banking on (subject to taking the usual common sense precautions) anyway!

And it appears that England Manager Gareth Southgate has managed to achieve that fine balance between limiting expectations and a degree of optimism, following his skillful handling of the media and the team's positive performances in the final two friendlies v. Nigeria at Wembley (1-0) and Costa Rica at Leeds United (2-0). Incidentally the atmosphere at Elland Road was electric on the night – far superior to the somewhat sterile, distant feeling that we sometimes get at the 'new' Wembley.

Which reminds me: are we selling Wembley? Nobody seems to know at this juncture. It's all gone worryingly quiet, which tells me that there are some serious negotiations going on behind the scenes. To refresh your memories, American entrepreneur Shahid Khan, who already owns Jacksonville Jaguars, NFL gridiron team, and Fulham FC, newly promoted to the English Premier League, offered The FA something in the region of £900 million for both the stadium and the hospitality business, saying "This offer makes a lot of sense for us." You bet your bottom dollar it does! However, I cannot, for the life of me, figure out how this would be a good deal for English football, with us paying Khan to use the stadium, instead of him paying us!

Talk about short term thinking! I can see the accountants licking their lips at the thought of this massive and immediate injection of cash with which they can 'buy' the gullible; but I implore them to think forward for a change – towards the generations to come. Wembley is part of our cultural heritage and if it goes to a foreign interest now (like much of London!) it's gone forever! Then how long before the MCC sells Lords, or the Duke of Cornwall sells The Oval in order to pump a fast buck into propping up English cricket?!

Mind you – the England cricket team could do with a bit of propping up at the moment! The thrashing of Pakistan to level the recent mini-series (after our own thrashing in the first test) was our first win in nine matches and our traditional batting frailties continue to haunt us – exemplified by Joe Root who has not managed to convert his numerous 50s into a ton since August last year against the West Indies at Edgbaston. Simon Hughes, ex-Middlesex spinner and now the BBC's cricket analyst, has been scathing on the batters' technical shortcomings: "Any batsman bowled between bat and pad should be made to do community service" he recently lamented! Many others, including Mr Jolley and myself, are citing the aggressive batting required by short versions of the game as the culprit, but England – no.1 team in the

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world at ODI – managed to lose to Scotland at the beginning of June in a warm up match for the forthcoming one-day series against Australia. Enormous credit must go to the Scots though, particularly to Callum MacLeod whose 140 not out rendered the England attack toothless on the day. And it sends a strong message to the International Cricket Council who have recently decided to reduce the number of teams in the World Cup 2019 from 14 to 10, meaning Scotland, regrettably, missing out!

One team who seems to have banished the concept of ‘missing out’ from their psyche, is the juggernaut that is Team Sky in cycling. One hesitates to use terms like ‘incredible’ and ‘unbelievable’ with reference to cycling because of the sport’s unfortunate historical relationship with performance enhancing chemicals. However, Chris Froome’s 80km solo break on Stage 19 of the Giro d’Italia in early June was the heroic stuff of boyhood dreams. Some four minutes down in the general classification, Froome and his managers, coaches, nutritionists, psychologists and team mates formed an audacious plan to take the attack to his weakening opponents on the toughest stage of the race, and executed it to perfection. They subsequently shared the thinking behind the plan with the media and the depth of the detail was breathtaking. Anyway, Froome took the Maglia Rosa and defended it to the finish two days later to win his third consecutive Grand Tour and write himself (again) into cycling’s history books. Then a week later, his faithful lieutenant, Geraint Thomas, followed his leader’s example by winning the prestigious Critérium du Dauphiné, a seven-day stage race widely regarded as a warm up event for the big one in July – Le Tour de France. With a Team Time Trial re-introduced for this year’s race (a favourite discipline of this talented team), I wonder if we can expect two Sky riders on the podium at the end of the month!

To finish on a local note: my attention has been alerted to a slightly worrying situation over the booking of the fantastic new artificial sports pitch on the Bottisham Village College site. With all local groups looking forward to enjoying the benefits this marvellous investment in our catchment area, it’s fair to say that a number of local football teams are somewhat miffed at having their bookings cancelled due to the Sports Centre accepting a large block booking by Cambridge United. I’m sure everyone accepts the financial imperatives required by such an expensive, multi-partner project but, surely, the idea was to invest in the development of local grass roots sports, wasn’t it, rather than to provide cheap training facilities for a professional football league club from the city?!

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Many will have heard what was either inspired preaching or fourteen minutes of pure unadulterated self-indulgence at 'The Wedding' when we were asked by the 'planet hopping' Bishop to show more 'love' toward our fellow human beings. Well clearly someone was out of 'love' with their fellow human being a few weeks ago at the end of Bell Road. Yes, there has been yet another accident on the A1303, reportedly one of the most dangerous roads in England, and a number of other near misses too at both the Wilbraham and Missing Sock junctions. I've seen it all too frequently as indeed have numerous others - cars pulling out of junctions in front of you neither stopping nor giving way. And should you dare to flash them or sound your horn, be subjected to the pumping fist or an upwardly mobile middle finger. Surely it's possible to be a considerate driver without losing your backbone completely?

These experiences were the subject of a long discussion one balmy evening along with the contentious road safety works on the A1303. The consensus was that these accidents happened either because of poor judgement or due to unmitigated contempt for the regulations concerning when and where to 'Give Way' - probably a touch of both. It was also proffered that the manner of driving tuition these days was also a possible cause as many of those observed driving in the manner described were twenty to thirty somethings. So, should you just pull out in front of another vehicle, or may be stop or, heaven forbid, actually give way at junctions, roundabouts etc.? Driving Instructors please discuss...

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The message here then if there is one, is that you should never ever take an action that means that a vehicle which has right of way has to take action to avoid you, i.e. don't make anyone slow down, swerve, break or even make them have to think. That way the vehicle having right of way should never have to worry about the actions you might take. So the next time a fellow motorist pulls out in front of me, probably costing me a millimetre or two of tread in the process, I will simply heed the words of the Bishop, assuming he has landed that is, by lovingly waving and blowing them a kiss...

“The best car safety device is a rear-view mirror with a policeman in it.” - Dudley Moore.

Community Café now open, Tuesdays & Thursdays 11am-2pm

Disability charity Red2green has tended a garden on the **Red2Green** Bottisham Village College site for many years but following its move to a new purpose built site on the edge of the school campus it has now opened a community café at Lode Road, Bottisham CB25 9DL.

It is giving clients and learners the chance to get involved in preparing and serving refreshments and home-made snacks whilst learning social, educational and business skills which in some cases may form the building blocks for preparing for work experience, volunteering or employment opportunities.

Initially the café will open on Tuesdays and Thursday from 11am-2pm serving tea and coffee, and simple homemade fare such as sausage rolls, scones, cakes and cream teas, increasing the selection as the team's skills develop. The café is a perfect venue for featuring artwork and craft displays from our learners on the autistic spectrum and from people living with mental ill health.

Jackie Fernandez, Red2Green's Chief Executive said “We are excited to have opened a social enterprise community café in Bottisham. We believe it will be a great learning experience for our clients, a very useful amenity for the area and of particular benefit to the community especially groups such as carers and older people who can be at risk of becoming isolated”.

Red2green are grateful to Awards for All England from the Big Lottery Fund for funding towards the Hearts and Crafts Café project which will provide relaxing inclusive crafting activities for all.

Alongside the café we continue to develop our sensory garden and from our large greenhouse we are selling bedding plants and hanging baskets grown by clients with a learning disability. We can arrange local delivery of plants and baskets purchased from our garden.

Red2green already have some wonderful volunteers in place but are keen to encourage anyone else who would like to be part of the café to get in touch by emailing info@red2green.org, calling 01223 811662 or visiting www.red2green.org



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Rev. Sue Giles writes

We have just celebrated National Carers Week 2018. Currently there are around 6.5 million carers in the UK, looking after older, seriously ill or disabled family and friends. Caring is an integral part of family life, it's the glue which holds people together through good times and bad. The care of others is what enables us to weather the storms and challenges of life, the care of others supports and encourages us and gives us hope and comfort. Jesus spoke about the care that God had for the smallest and least noticed members of a community and he put that into practice in the way he cared for the people others tried to avoid or didn't want to notice. He spoke about the care that God had for tiny sparrows, the joy in heaven over a sinner who repented when others wanted to exclude them. He ate with those others despised or ignored. God's love and care were there in action for all to see.

As the population ages and people live longer, often with complex health conditions, more of us will find ourselves caring. It is a role that some carers are given suddenly because of accident or illness while for others the role unfolds before them as a loved one gradually becomes unwell and vulnerable. It is a role fulfilled by people of all ages, including children who act as carers for a parent or a sibling.

Yet many still see caring as a private matter. Maybe it is time to change this view and to follow Jesus' example of caring for those who often go unnoticed. Now is the time to recognise and affirm that caring is an important and vital part of what it means to live in community. Often carers become isolated from the rest of the community because they spend many hours in the home. They may not be able to get to activities and groups they used to belong to. Simple tasks take so long that they may not have free time to do other things. Many carers are just so tired that they don't have the energy for other activities. The result of all these factors is that they can drop from view and loose contact with others. They can easily loose touch with the support, encouragement and relaxation which sustains their own health and wellbeing as well as enabling them to be gentle and effective carers.

One of the things that we could all do is to take some company to carers and the person they care for. There is a movement called Sunday Tea where two or three people get together and take high tea to someone who lives alone or to a carer and the person they care for. It means no tiring travelling, nothing to prepare and company in a place that is familiar where all the support equipment is in place. If you would like get involved and if you would like to make caring a more visible and supported part of our community please e-mail me. Similarly if you would like high tea to come to you please be in touch. It would be lovely to help people find one another.

With best wishes - Sue

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