

# *Kingston Parish & Church Magazine*



**September 2017**

**Special Harvest Edition**

### **Village Diary**

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Village Pub Night – Village Hall, 6pm – 10pm 6:30 - Sunflower Competition Presentation
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Village Coffee/Tea – Village Hall – 10.30am
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Harvest Festival Celebration

### **Wheelie bin collection dates**

Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Black bin
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Blue and Green bins
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Black bin
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Blue and Green bins

### **Editorial**

Saturday September 30<sup>th</sup> is going to be a busy, red-letter day for residents of Kingston. In the morning some of you will want to take up Jill Coleman's invitation (see below) and join her for a charity walk at Wandlebury. It's all in a good cause and it would be great to see a team from Kingston participating. Others of you will want to accept an invitation to go along to the church to help with the decorations to be enjoyed the rest of the weekend. Later that same day you can attend the various activities that are a part of the Harvest Celebration. These include the Scarecrow Contest, the Harvest Church Service at 5.45pm and the Harvest Community Supper in the evening. The church (and its Harvest displays) will be open for viewing the whole weekend and hopefully the photos included in this issue will whet your appetite. More details of this important Harvest Celebration can be found later in this magazine. As the Harvest mug on the cover declares, "God Speed the Plough".

From my vantage point I can see that a great deal of effort is going into the preparations for this Harvest Celebration and it will be a wonderful opportunity for the village to come together as a community. Hopefully, this Special Harvest Edition of the magazine will encourage you to come along and celebrate with your neighbours. See you there! The resplendent photos in this issue are provided by Joeeta Murphy, Torrie Smith, Peter Reynolds, Janet Clear and Jill Coleman.

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## Vicar's Letter

What comes to mind when you think of churches?

Perhaps it would be weddings, or steeples, choirs, or carols by candlelight. I expect, though, it wouldn't take long for you to come up with stained glass windows.

For me, it would be all of those, and much else besides, but the windows have taken on a particular importance lately. They have been an interest of mine for well over 20 years, and recently I had the chance to spend some significant time on them.

Thanks to the generosity of colleagues prepared to shoulder some extra work for the duration, I was given a period of study leave with the aim of completing my catalogue of the stained glass windows in all the parish churches of Ely Diocese.

In the 11 weeks of my study leave, I visited 130 churches (some of them more than once) and spent many hours in different libraries poring over books and journals dating back to the 1850s.

The result is a complete list of the relevant windows – all 1175 of them photographed and online – with 85% fully documented including artist and date.

This is a useful set of information, which didn't exist before, but actually it largely misses the point!

Each one of those 1175 windows is more than just a collection of glass and lead, however well painted and carefully constructed. Each one is a human story, commemorating people and events – some sad, some historic; some individual, some community; some local, some national. As the project went along, I learned not just to look at the 'picture' but to read the words of dedication too, and so to connect with the people who commissioned the windows.

Each window then becomes not just a work of art, but an expression of faith – translating the event being remembered into a visual prayer, and placing it into the hands of God.

Next time you are near a church, drop in and have a look at the windows: read the dedications, and try to imagine the people and stories behind them. Remember that the God those people were reaching out to when they put in those windows is the same God who is longing today for you to reach out, and waiting to respond with love and blessing.

***Revd. Steve Day***

## Church Services for September

<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	<b>Holy Communion 8.30am</b>
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Evening Prayer 6.00pm</b>
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Family Service 10.30am</b>
<b>SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>HARVEST FESTIVAL 5.45pm</b>

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September LONGSTOWE 800 ANNIVERSARY 10.30am**

On Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September everyone is invited to Longstowe to celebrate the 800th Anniversary of the Church of St Mary the Virgin. The Rt. Rev'd David Thompson, Bishop of Huntingdon, will preside.

## Church cleaning

1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Peter & Suzy Stokes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Donal & Monica O'Donnell
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Linda Rimmer
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Janet Clear
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Peter Reynolds

## Church flowers and brasses

3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Christine Stone
10 <sup>th</sup> September	Christine Allison
17 <sup>th</sup> September	Janet Clear
24 <sup>th</sup> September	Miki Ellar
30 <sup>th</sup> September (Saturday)	Harvest Festival church decoration

## Home Communion

If you cannot get out and would like to receive Holy Communion at home please let the office know and we will arrange for the sacrament to be brought to you on a regular basis. If you are having difficulty getting to church, but a lift would make that possible please contact the team office on 01480 839933 and we will be able to help.

## Exchange and Mart

David Heath can offer a large number of plastic flower pots (mixed sizes) and a few seed trays to interested gardeners (NO CHARGE). Dave Heath, Dovecot, Church Lane. Tel: 263533

## Slidin' About Trombone Quartet

at All Saints Church, Haslingfield, CB23 1JR  
**Sun 1 Oct 15.00**  
 Family Concert with refreshments.  
 Adult £10, children free, tickets on the door.  
 01223 872190

## **Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust Ride, Drive or Stride Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup>, 10am-6pm**

Once again it is time to prepare for this annual event – how quickly the year goes by! Sponsorship Forms can now be downloaded from the Trust's web site at [www.camhct.uk/ride/](http://www.camhct.uk/ride/) or contact me for one. Children under the age of 12 years old cannot participate; otherwise all ages are welcome. Sponsors may give a lump sum or a fixed amount per church visited. Half the money raised goes to the Trust for its work in supporting church building repairs in Cambs; the other half goes directly to Kingston church. Note that many non-conformist chapels and most Cambridge college chapels participate in this event. Please let me know if you wish to take part. Thank you and good luck.

Joan Reynolds, Parish Organiser (01223 262094)

## **Raymond Chapman 1931 – 2017**

Raymond Edward Chapman was born in Kingston on the 16<sup>th</sup> April, 1931. Many will remember him as a bus driver on the 118 service. He died, aged 86, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August and his funeral service was held here at All Saints' and St Andrew's on the 17<sup>th</sup> August with the Rev'd Stephen Day officiating. Following the service Ray was laid to rest in the churchyard with his first wife Rosemary.

R. I. P.

## **Dog Walking & Home Boarding**

- Dog walking

I offer a flexible service from a one - off walk to regular daily walks.

- Home Boarding

If you prefer your dog to stay in a warm and friendly home during your holidays, then I can provide just what you're looking for at a competitive price.



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**For further details please contact Hannah Hope**

**[www.thedoghousecaxton.co.uk](http://www.thedoghousecaxton.co.uk)**

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**07522 964975**

## Celebrate the Harvest!

September 30 & October 1, 2017



Let the wealthy and Great  
Roll in splendour and state  
I envy them not I declare it  
I eat my own lamb  
My own chickens and ham  
I shear my own fleece and I wear it  
I have lawns I have bowers  
I have fruits I have flowers  
The lark is my morning alarmer  
So jolly boys now  
Here's God Speed the Plough  
Long Life and Success to the Farmer!

Plan now to join Kingston villagers in the Harvest celebration:

- **Scarecrow Contest** – School-age children are invited to create a scarecrow to be brought to the Kingston church by 5pm on Friday, September 29. Judging will be in various categories with prizes to be awarded. Scarecrows will be displayed throughout the weekend. See further details elsewhere in the magazine.
- **Harvest Church Service** – Celebrate our blessings with thankfulness through worship at the church service – 5:45pm Saturday, September 30, at The Church of All Saints and St. Andrew.
- **Harvest Community Supper** – Join together at 6:30 after the Harvest Service in the Village Hall for a hot supper, one complimentary beverage, and apple pudding with entertainment to follow. A pay bar will also be available. Tickets are pre-sale only and are £10 for adults and £30 for a family. Tickets are limited – must be purchased by September 23; and are available from Linda Rimmer, Linda Smith, and Kay Forsythe.
- **The Church of All Saints and St. Andrew Viewing** – The church will be open on Sunday, October 1, for those who would like to view the Harvest decorations and, perhaps, have a moment of quiet reflection on our blessings in this harvest time and our lovely Kingston village.

**OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE YOUR PUDDING SKILLS!** Anyone wishing to provide an apple pudding (crumble, Charlotte, etc.) would be greatly appreciated. We can provide the apples if needed! Please contact Lee Steele if you can volunteer an apple pudding for our community supper.



*Harvesting  
the  
Fields*

*Harvesting  
the  
Gardens*



# KINGSTON VILLAGE HALL

# AGM

In the Village Hall

**MONDAY 4 SEPT**

**8.00 pm**

**All welcome**

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A short, prayerful service of

**Holy Communion**

is celebrated

**Wednesday** at midday

in **Bourn Church**

Anyone from around the Team or beyond is welcome to attend.

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## Congratulations to Kingston scholars

Congratulations to Poppy Metherell, who is going to Durham University to read for a degree in religious studies; to Abby Robertson who will be studying law at Bristol; and to Jessica Murphy who is going to study Biochemistry at Sheffield..

***Donal O'Donnell and Joan Reynolds, Kingston Parish Charity Trustees***

## Kingston welcomes...

At the Family Service on 20<sup>th</sup> August we welcomed to Kingston our new Lay Minister, Geoff Dodgson, and Bishop John Flack. Geoff lives in Fen Drayton with his wife Rosemary and three working labradors, and has been a Licensed Lay Minister in the former benefice of Swavesey and Conington since 1990. (Conington has now joined our Papworth Team). He runs a PR business specializing in farming and rural enterprises; Rosemary is an artist. Bishop John Flack was Archdeacon of Pontefract and then Bishop of Huntingdon before becoming the Director of the Anglican Centre in Rome and the Archbishop's emissary to the Holy See where he attended the funeral of Pope John Paul and the enthronement of Pope Benedict. Since his retirement he has been an Honorary Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Peterborough and he is about to move back to Yorkshire.



*Bishop John, Geoff and Rosemary Dodgson, and members of the congregation take refreshments after worship on 20<sup>th</sup> August*

Date	Title	Bourn	Kingston	Caxton	Longstowe
<b>Sept 3</b>	Trinity 12	10.30am FHC	8.30am HC	10.30am W4A	
<b>Sept 10</b>	Trinity 13	10.30am W4A	6.00pm EP	10.30am MP	10.30am HC
<b>Sept 17</b>	Trinity 14	8.30am HC	10.30am W4A		
<b>Sept 24</b>	Trinity 15	10.30am Cluster Service at Longstowe for their 800 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary with Bishop David			
<b>Oct 1</b>	Trinity 16	10.30am Harvest			
<b>Oct 8</b>	Trinity 17	10.30am FHC	6.00pm EP	10.30am MP/Harvest	8.30am HC
<b>Oct 15</b>	Trinity 18	8.30am HC	10.30am W4A		10.30am Harvest
<b>Oct 22</b>	Trinity 19	10.30am FW		8.30am HC	10.30am MP
<b>Oct 29</b>	Trinity 15	10.30am Cluster HC at Caxton			

HC = traditional Holy Communion (BCP)

MP= traditional Morning Prayer (BCP)

EP = traditional Evening Prayer (BCP)

FHC= Common Worship/All Age Holy Communion

W4A/FS = Family Service

FW = All Age Worship/Morning Prayer/Prayer &amp; Praise/Morning Worship

## BLUES, PIZZAS, AND BAKED POTATOES!

*Everyone is welcome at a village supper and music evening, with Kingston Blues Band playing a selection of classic and modern blues.*



*Free Entry*

*Collection for the Village Hall project.*

**KINGSTON VILLAGE HALL**

**SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER**

*Supper available from 6pm, music at 8pm.*

*Bar with a fine selection of Real Ales, Wine and Soft Drinks.*



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## Problems with ordering your superfast broadband service?

Hurrah! Fibre optic cables have been laid though the village, we can all relax and enjoy zooming around at high speed on the superfast broadband highway! Or can we? Sadly, for some of us the reality is not so straightforward.

As well as the usual round of missed and cancelled appointments, obstacles now being encountered include:

- the trivial: "You are not on our database" (BT had not updated the postcode for the changes made over 10 years ago)
- the silly: "My ladder isn't long enough " (OpenReach engineer)
- the frustrating: "OpenReach need to build additional infrastructure"
- the alarmingly misleading: "It will cost you £500 per month because you are so far from the cabinet in Toft"

I can't promise to wave a magic wand to solve these problems, but I can help put pressure on through the contacts we have at Connecting Cambridgeshire.

If you are being told by your Internet Service Provider that FTTP "Fibre to the Premises" isn't available for your Kingston property yet, let me know and I will help investigate.

**Julie Conder**

*Kingston Parish Councillor and Webmaster*

## Jordans Historical Mill

If you need an idea for a family day out...

### **Discover Jordans Mill!**

Jordans Mill is tucked away on the banks of the River Ivel near Biggleswade, but only minutes from the A1.

Our tours are meant for all ages and take you on a journey through time, where you will learn more about the milling process, find out lots of historical facts and most importantly have some fun.

Stuck for something to do then why not visit our shop, stroll through the gardens, get the children involved in our Beast in the Woods trail or grab something to eat in our Riverside Café.

Whatever you want we are sure to have something to keep you entertained!

If you would like to book please call 01767 603940.

Please note. If readers would like to suggest other ideas for days out, please contact the editor.

## A reminder about Kingston Oil Club

This is an opportunity to get the best price for your heating oil with someone else doing all the hard work. The scheme is already operating in other villages near here. By operating as a club, each year we receive a small commission (£5 per member) which is used to support village projects.

**How does it work?** To order your next oil delivery at the best price, contact:

Jeremy Cole  
Agricole Ltd  
29 The Maltings  
Cambourne  
Cambridge CB23 5FR

Tel: 01954 719452 or 07860 904045, email: [jeremy@agricole.co.uk](mailto:jeremy@agricole.co.uk)

Website: [www.heating-oil-prices.co.uk](http://www.heating-oil-prices.co.uk) or [www.agricole.co.uk](http://www.agricole.co.uk)

**Be sure to say that you belong to Kingston Oil Club.** You won't have a contract with Kingston Oil Club or with Agricole. Agricole is a broker only, and will pass your order on to the cheapest supplier that day and confirm the details via letter/email/fax, to avoid any confusion/misunderstandings before delivery. You will pay the supplier direct, pre-delivery for the first order, but the supplier will reduce your bill to reflect the fact that you are being given the volume discount. You can stop using Agricole at any time.

**Why is it cheaper?** It is not always better to have a long-term contract with one supplier. Oil prices fluctuate daily, and daily 'spot' prices are generally cheaper. It pays to shop around each time you place an order. Agricole does this for you!

**Can I have an arrangement where a supplier gives me an automatic regular top-up?**

Again this means one supplier, and so this is not the cheapest option.

**How many members are needed to make this viable?** No minimum. The whole point is that Kingston members' orders will be bundled in with those of other Agricole clients.

**Charitable aspect:** Agricole is paid by the suppliers who give it a small commission on each order (the commission is small enough that the householder still keeps practically all of the savings). Out of its commission, Agricole makes a donation to Kingston Oil Club of £5 per active member per year ('active' means the member has placed at least two orders over 500 litres). Kingston Oil Club passes this money on to the Parish Council, which uses it to support village projects – this is a way of passing a small bit of the savings back into our community.

**What are the catches?** There don't seem to be any! Membership is free and you can leave at any time without penalty. This is a community club designed to save its members money, and take the hassle out of ordering oil. That's all.

**Any questions?** If you have any questions, please in the first instance contact Jeremy Cole, details above, or Kingston Parish Council at [kingstonpc.cambridge@gmail.com](mailto:kingstonpc.cambridge@gmail.com).

**Disclaimer:** Your Parish Councillors think this is a good idea and recommend it to you, but cannot accept any personal or other liability for the operation of the scheme.

## Walk for Parkinson's, Wandlebury Country Park Saturday 30 September 2017

As many of you already know, I am currently helping to look after my ex husband, Dusty (Graham), who amongst other problems has Parkinson's. I am wondering if any Kingstonians would care to join me for the above event and help raise money to support research for a cure.

There are two lengths of walk, 1.5 and 4.5 miles, around the grounds of Wandlebury, dogs on leads will be welcome. Entry is £10 for adults and £5 for under 16s. On the day registration is also available at £15 for adults and £7.50 for under 16s (cash only). You can register online at [parkinsons.org.uk/walkwandlebury](http://parkinsons.org.uk/walkwandlebury) or phone 020 7963 3912. Before the walk you will receive a Parkinson's t-shirt, walk number and fundraising pack.

If you would like to make up a group of walkers from Kingston, please let me know

Many thanks for your support.

**Jill Coleman**



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## MACMILLAN BIG COFFEE MORNING

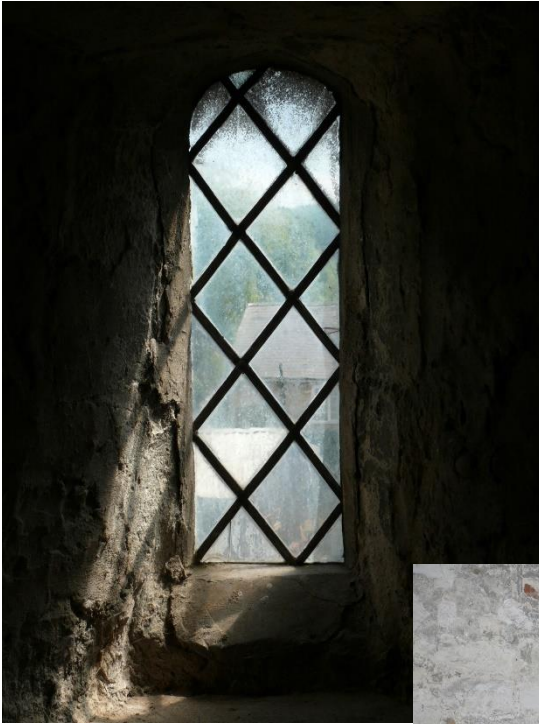
Friday 6th October  
11am-2pm  
Bourn Golf and Leisure  
Club  
Toft Road, CB23 2TT

Join us for coffee and delicious  
cakes.

Second hand book sale, 'good as  
new' stall, raffle.

All welcome - no need to book.

Organised in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wales (261017), Scotland (SC039907) and the Isle of Man (604). Also operating in Northern Ireland.

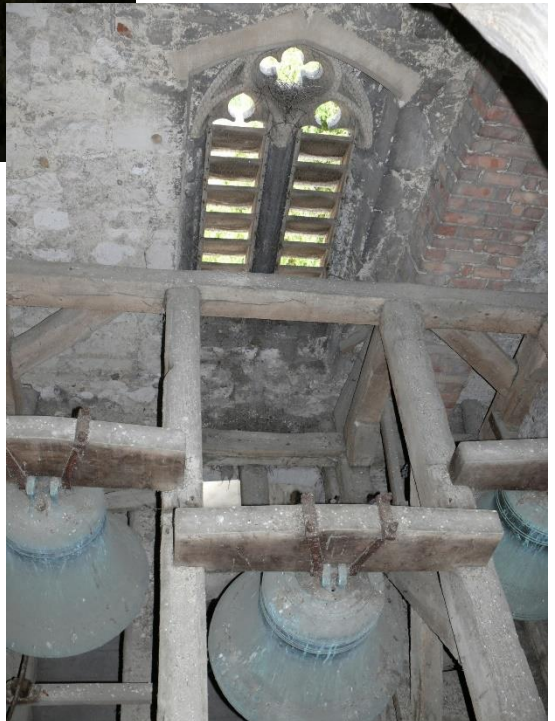


*Church Tower Window*

*available for  
viewing  
in its Harvest  
splendour*

# *Your Church -*

***Church Tower Bells***



*September 30/  
October 1*



*Church Tower Stairs*



*Church Tower*



*Church Bell*



**These useful hints have been provided by Lindsay Gardiner from Cambs Police. Given a recent increase in Shed Break-ins she feels that this article would be very appropriate for all of us in the village.**

## **Shed Security**

Many people underestimate the value of the items they store in their sheds. Unfortunately criminals are fully aware of the value of the goods that some people do store in vulnerable places. The following advice can help to keep your property secure and reduce the chance of you becoming a victim of crime.

Whilst a shed is not designed to withstand any form of determined attack, there are some simple measures you can take to make them more secure. Position your garden shed as near to your house as possible so that it is clearly visible from your home.

Consider painting your house number and postcode onto your valuable gardening equipment (e.g. lawnmower, strimmer and tools). This makes them much less attractive to potential thieves as it makes them more difficult to sell on, and also increases the chances of the property being recovered and returned to its rightful owner if it is stolen.

Avoid storing valuable items such as power tools, fishing tackle or golf clubs in a shed. These items should be stored inside your home or a secure garage.

If you have been working in your garden ensure that you lock away tools such as spades or forks when you're finished. Tools left out overnight could be used by an intruder to gain access to your property.

If you don't intend to use the windows in your shed you can make them secure by screwing them shut or fitting window locks. Hanging old curtain or netting up against the window will prevent any prying eyes from seeing what is stored in your shed.

### **Locks and Bolts**

The most effective way to secure shed doors is to fit a strong hasp and staple (also called a 'padbar'). Secure this with coach bolts (long bolts with a smooth head that cannot be undone with a screwdriver or spanner) and lock the hasp over the staple with a closed shackled padlock.

You can further protect your shed with items such as 'shed bars' and larger items such as cycles can be secured to shed shackles. These and other approved products can be found at [www.soldsecure.com](http://www.soldsecure.com) or [www.securedbydesign.com](http://www.securedbydesign.com).

Secure the shed door hinges with 'clutch head' or 'coffin' screws. These are a special type of screw that once fitted can only be unscrewed with a special tool. They can be purchased from DIY outlets and on the internet.



## BOURN TO RUN

3 KM • 10 KM



### ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE

24<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017

**ALMS HILL & CAXTON END,  
BOURN WILL BE CLOSED TO  
ROAD TRAFFIC**

**10:00AM – 12:00 MIDDAY**

IN ORDER TO HOLD THE ANNUAL BOURN  
TO RUN RACE, ALMS HILL WILL BE SHUT  
FROM JUST AFTER THE CAXTON ROAD  
TURNING TO THE CAXTON END TURNING.

**PLEASE NOTE, THIS YEAR, THE WHOLE  
OF CAXTON END WILL ALSO BE SHUT TO  
ENSURE RUNNER SAFETY.**

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR  
UNDERSTANDING.

## Open Cambridge 2017

**Fri 8 and Sat 9 September**

01223 330716

Open Cambridge is part of the national Heritage Open Days scheme. Designed to offer special free access to places that are normally closed to the public or charge admission. It is an ideal opportunity for people to discover the local history and heritage of their community. This year's programme features a wonderful mixture of events.

Find out what is on offer at  
<https://www.opencambridge.cam.ac.uk/>  
or

[www.heritageopendays.org.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk)

Bookings 01223 766766

Mon - Fri 11am - 3pm

## The Triple B Event ! (Beer, Bands, & Boogie Night)

*Evening in support of Longstowe Village Hall*

*9<sup>th</sup> September 2017*

*Gates open from around 5pm, Music to around 10.30, Beer 11.00 pm*

*Tickets £6.50 per person (free non alcoholic drink for the driver) children  
under 14 free. Gazebo's welcome- extra £5 per pitch.*

For details please contact Maddy on 01954 718303 or email [madeleinejones@btconnect.com](mailto:madeleinejones@btconnect.com)

## Our MP Heidi Allen's Newsletter

As I write, it's fair to say the summer's been a mixed bag, but that hasn't dampened the resolve of our villages to host traditional summer celebrations! We saw cross-party cooperation in action at the Meldreth Summer fete as the elected ladies' tug of war team took an early lead – my thanks to Susan van de Ven, Philippa Hart, Bridget Smith and the ladies of the Meldreth Parish Council for their sterling efforts at digging in against the men! (OK, so maybe my husband Phil helped us a bit!) Steeple Morden Primary School's fete in July championed the children's fancy dress competition which I was honoured to judge. It was also an opportunity to thank the Headmaster Mr Lloyd, for 11 dedicated years of service.

Turning briefly to education, I was relieved to hear the Secretary of State announce just before we broke for Summer, that an additional £1.3 billion will be invested in front line schools funding. All of your contributions to the Fairer Funding Consultation helped to achieve this result so thank you to everyone who took part.

The rain really did take hold during Longstanton's Picnic in the Park but this didn't stop the Youth Council's event grabbing imaginations with bug box building and a family picnic in spite of the wet weather. On a personal note, my day was cheered by Phil's success in the Tombola! Events like these always raise vital funds for local causes, so please support your village fete when it is held. Barrington's Big Sing in Barrington Church was a brilliant example of local fundraising in action and the Grand Finale at the Royal Oak was a fitting end to a festive celebration.

The feasting continued as I attended Girton's Feast Week BBQ, straight after my monthly surgery at Abbeyfields. Good food was again on the menu at the Morden's Save the Children's Cream Tea celebration. I was so impressed by their £100,000 fundraising effort that an extra slice of cake seemed the best way to celebrate! Is it any wonder that they say MPs put a stone on in the first year or two after they are elected!

Science has been firmly on my agenda as I attended several events this month designed to increase young people's interest in all things STEM. I was honoured to present young scientist certificates at the Cambourne Science Fair and join in with the Active Science Day at Cambridge United, co-hosted with the Cambridge Science Centre and Astra Zeneca. I spoke about the role science has played in my career as a politician with an astrophysics degree, at the Women in STEM event at Corpus Christi College. It is so invigorating to be in the presence of so many bright, investigative young minds.

I've continued to champion local causes, so was pleased to hear the long standing campaign for a Post Office in Cambourne is being rewarded with a Mobile Post Office in the Hub Car Park. This is the first step to securing a long-term solution for Cambourne so please do submit your support to the consultation at <https://www.postofficeviews.co.uk/branchcode.php?query=02345899&frmnd=liveconsultation> which ends on 19<sup>th</sup> September.

The Greater Cambridge & Peterborough Local Enterprise Partnership panel debate gave me the opportunity to exchange views with the people making decisions that affect our local economy. I raised the same issues of growth, housing development, local services and transport with the new Chief Executive of South Cambs District Council, Beverley Agass when we met in July. To deliver the growth in our region in the right way, it is more important than ever that our stakeholders and public authorities work together, listening to the views and concerns of residents. I will continue to ensure the right people sit round the table together as we strive to find solutions to our challenges.

Many of you wrote to me about the Great Northern train timetable consultation; you can see my response to the proposals on my website -

[www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/news/heidi-allen-mp-submission-great-northern-train-consultation](http://www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/news/heidi-allen-mp-submission-great-northern-train-consultation). I will keep pushing for changes to the timetable as the current offering does not, in my opinion, serve South Cambs commuters well.

You have also raised bus transport issues with me, in light of Whippet's announcement to reduce some of their services. I would encourage you to direct your concerns to your County Councillor, as these are the people who will advocate for your local route. I'll be raising the strategic issue of South Cambs' transport provision as a whole with our Mayor, James Palmer and the County Council at a strategic meeting later this month. In the meantime, you can find your local county councillor here [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/councillors-&-meetings/county-councillors/](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/councillors-&-meetings/county-councillors/).

My office is moving on 9<sup>th</sup> August to premises on Sawston High Street. We'll be hosting regular open days, with the first in September for residents to drop in by appointment. My next constituency surgeries are on Saturday 2nd September in Queen Edith's and Saturday 21st October in Melbourn. These are drop in events with no appointment necessary. Further information and news stories can always be found on my website [www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk](http://www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk) and you can email me at [heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk). Our new updated telephone number will be on my website after the move. See you next month!

## **Codebreakers and Groundbreakers**

**New Free Exhibition at Fitzwilliam Museum, Trumpington St, Cambridge, CB2 1RB**  
from 12 September (Tues – Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 12.00-5pm (closed Mondays)

Bringing together, the remarkable intellectual achievements and parallel narratives of two groups of 'codebreakers' working at the same time, but independently to break the Second World War codes and to decipher the ancient script of Linear B – Europe's earliest comprehensible writing system. It will also encourage visitors to explore 'codebreaking' in all its forms.

## Parish Council News

**Parish Council:** Tim Fitzjohn has resigned as Parish Councillor and Parish Council Chairman, as he and Liz have now moved to Norfolk. James Clear (formerly Vice-chairman) has been elected as the new Chair, and Julie Conder has been elected Vice-chair. There is a vacancy for one Councillor, which has been advertised in the required manner and, since nobody claimed a poll within the specified time limit, the parish council will now fill the vacancy by co-option.

**Speed bumps:** these have at last been installed, and initial reports suggest they are effective. There was a last-minute change to the profile of the one on Tinker's Lane (as the initial installation was relatively ineffective) as a result of which it missed its correct white paint treatment. We hope this will be completed shortly.

**Workday:** a small but energetic band of volunteers turned out on Saturday August 19<sup>th</sup> and achieved the following:

- Road and other signs in the village all cleaned
- Playbark added to the area round the Jungle Climber at the playground
- Brambles removed from fence at the playground
- Hedge around entrance at playground clipped back
- Old log (which was rotten) removed at playground
- Willow tunnel tidied up at playground



**Superfast Broadband:** most people in the village should now be able to sign up to superfast broadband, although you may need to change your service provider if your present supplier does not offer it. If you are having any difficulties with this, Julie Conder may be able to help – please contact her on 263350 or [jwconder@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jwconder@yahoo.co.uk).

**Kissing gate near Toft:** the walkers amongst you may have noticed a damaged kissing gate on a footpath near Toft, where it meets the old railway line. This is actually in Kingston parish, so we are liaising with Cambridgeshire County Council Rights of Way team and the landowner to resolve the issue. It is taking longer than expected as the solution must provide an appropriate level of security for the horses which the landowner keeps in the field.

**Annual audit:** the audit of the 2016/17 accounts is now complete, with no problems being found by the auditor.

**Planning:** S/1787/17/LB permission has been requested, and granted, for repairs and lining to a chimney at Thatches, Rectory Lane.

*Peter Stokes, Parish Clerk*



## News Update from Bourn Primary

Another very busy and successful school year has come to an end at Bourn Primary and our twenty six Year 6 children are about to move on to their respective secondary schools. They ended their time at Bourn with an entertaining performance of 'Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies', which was thoroughly enjoyed by family, friends and members of the community. Miss Kat Bates and Mr Peter Edwards, both of whom are moving on to new pastures, presented the Leaver's gifts at the end of the evening. This was especially poignant as Miss Bates taught these children in the Reception Class in her first year of teaching, and the same group formed Mr Edwards's class last year.

Many of the classes were out and about during the Summer Term. Members of Cedar and Rosewood classes had an enjoyable visit to the Bronze Age site and museum at Flag Fen and Class Acorn, our youngest children, had a fun day-out at the seaside in Old Hunstanton. The visits were all linked to this summer's 'Enrichment curriculum'.

Three of our Year 5 boys took part in a County 'Maths Challenge' in June and, having won their heat in Bar Hill, they came 2<sup>nd</sup> in an exciting grand final held at the Imperial War Museum in Duxford. A total of 184 schools took part in the Challenge, so we were all very pleased with this result.

You will have heard and read about the challenges that schools are facing due to the current lack of funding. We are finding it increasingly hard to maintain the School building, the staffing levels we need to provide appropriate teaching and supervision and the learning materials needed to support our work. The Governors try hard to ensure we are able to balance our budget but we are all fearful of what lies in the future. We are of course very lucky to have wonderful support from both the Bourn School Association and so many people within the local community, all of which helps us to soften the impact of the shortage of statutory funding.

We are now looking forward to the new school year, with four new teachers and 30 Reception Class children: all about to embark on their great educational adventure at Bourn Primary. On behalf of everyone at our School I wish you all a very happy summer – or what is left of it – and we look forward to seeing you at one of our events later in the year. The new term starts on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

*Christine Page, Headteacher*



## Scarecrow Contest!

School-age children come to the Kingston church by 5pm on Friday, September 29 with your handmade Scarecrow to show off your creative and fun craft skills. NOTE: Please tie a label to your Scarecrow with your name (or names - it is OK to work together), age, and phone number. Judging will be in a variety of categories with prizes to be awarded. Scarecrows will be displayed throughout the weekend for all of Kingston to enjoy and admire during our Harvest Celebration!

## Arrivals and departures

A warm welcome to Martin Harvey, Claire Fonseca and their 11 month old daughter Sophia who have recently moved into West View (Church Lane). Claire tells me that they are very sociable people and are keen to get involved in village life so do encourage them, particularly if you have young children who could be playmates for Sophia!

Tim and Liz Fitzjohn left West View during July to live in Norfolk. They have been very involved in the village over the years and we shall miss them.

**Linda Rimmer**

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## Kingston Sunflower Competition

Altogether 16 children took part in the first Kingston Sunflower Competition, each planting and tending their own sunflower. The official Judge of the competition, horticulturalist Collette Bassford, has chosen the winner of each of the three age groups. The winners will each receive a prize. All those who took part will receive a certificate of commendation, and all those who were not successful in winning a main prize will receive a consolation prize. There will be a presentation of prizes and certificates at Pub Night on Saturday 2 September at 6.30pm in the Village Hall. We hope that all children who took part in the competition (and their parents!) will be there to receive their certificates and prizes, and to cheer the winners. Congratulations to all the children who took part in this competition, and our thanks go to the parents who supported them. Well done everyone!



***Ffanni Apperley and Suzy Stokes***

## Kingston Keep Fit

Good things come to those who weight....

Hello my name is Jacqueline and I've recently moved to this lovely village. As a qualified NVQ level 2 fitness instructor, I am interested in holding a regular weight-bearing/movement/stretch class to music which will be suitable for all adults of any age. I have provisionally booked a slot - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 09:30 for us to workout followed by coffee when we can discuss the type of class you would like so that I can choreograph a class to suit everyone. If you are interested please drop me an email – [jacqslsmith@gmail.com](mailto:jacqslsmith@gmail.com) or pop a note in my actual mailbox at The Barn, Field Road. Comfortable clothing & trainers would be best and if you have a set of hand weights please bring them along too!

***Jacqueline Smith***

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