The Big Dig Begins!

Gladys Weyland, one of Stilton’s longest residents, together with children from Stilton School, cut the first turf in preparation for building works to begin on Stilton’s new sports pavilion.

FEED THE BIRDS
THEY NEED HIGH-ENERGY FOOD IN COLD WEATHER

POTTER ABOUT
WHY NOT TRY YOUR HAND AT POTTERY IN 2016?

INCORPORATING FOLKLORE, FOR READERS IN FOLKSWORTH AND THE SURROUNDING VILLAGES
GREY BIN DAYS:
Monday 7th, 21st Dec, Wed 6th Jan

GARDEN BIN AND RECYCLING DAYS:
Monday 14th, Wed 30th Dec, Tue 12th Jan

FOLKSWORTH GARDEN BINS:
Tue 1st, 15th Dec, Thur 31st Dec, Wed 13th Jan

For latest information on refuse collections, go to www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins
Special Amenities Project

Stilton Parish Council wants to thank the project group, headed by Mark Angus, for the enormous effort put in to getting the project started. It was a momentous day in November when the first spadeful of earth was dug in readiness for the start of the groundworks. In the past few weeks the electricity and water supply have been installed, the site has been prepared and the insurances are now in place.

FUNDING

More good news: the Garfield Weston Foundation made a grant of £10,000 to the Stilton and Young People's Facilities Association. Also, the Trustees of Kathleen Herenius Deceased Will Trust have made a grant of £2,000 for the project. This grant has come through the good offices of Buckles Solicitors, the Parish Council's legal advisors.

Playing Field Closure

Although there are notices pointing out that the field is closed, young (and not so young) people are disregarding them. Now that building work is getting under way it is essential that no unauthorised person enters the field at any time. If anyone goes on any part of the field without permission they will not be able to claim if they are injured. The CCTV will also provide evidence if it is necessary to prosecute.

Car Parking Chaos in Church Close

Stilton Parish Council and District Councillor Tim Alban are trying to persuade our higher councils and Luminus, the housing association, that there is a solution (although an expensive one) to the problem of cars parked both sides of the road. We are not very hopeful that the money needed to construct parking bays will be made available but we will continue to push. We know there have been several incidents involving ambulances unable to take people to their homes. A bus driver has contacted SCAN after his bus was stuck between two parked vehicles.

To kick-start our campaign residents will be asked for their ideas later in the month. In the meantime, please park vehicles on your own property/drives if possible. If you have to park on the road do so sensibly, not opposite another vehicle, so leaving a way through.
# Free Shopping Bus

**TRY A FOOD SHOP IN Oundle FOR A CHANGE**

Readers who fancy a change from food shopping at Tesco or Nisa may welcome a new shuttle bus service operated for the Co-op at Oundle. Decker Bus will stop in Stilton every Thursday morning as follows:

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Apparently it will even stop if you hail it, so don’t run to the bus stop!

The bus arrives in Oundle for 10:45 and departs at 12:15pm. Plenty of time for some shopping at the Co-op or a browse around the Thursday Farmers’ Market!

Even better, the service is FREE! If you have any queries, call (01733) 351694.

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# Accessing Adult Social Care

Social care is provided to people who have been assessed as having substantial or critical support needs with personal care, getting meals, managing medication and staying safe.

Social care is personal and practical support to help people live their lives by supporting them to maintain their independence and dignity and ensuring they have choice and control over the support they receive. Many people don't think about social care until they or someone they know need support, and then find they are unsure about where to find information or how to access the services they need.

Adult social care customer services are the initial point of contact for all social care enquiries. The trained staff know about the services available and can offer advice on who else may be able to help. Call them on 0345 045 5202. You can also find out more about adult social care in Cambridgeshire on the website below.

If you think you may need help with mental health issues you should contact your GP in the first instance.

www.yourlifeyourchoice.org.uk
Great News - We are Ready to Start BUT

The Stilton Community Project has now secured the necessary funds to start the project thanks to a recent grant from The Football Foundation.

We are now looking for Bricklayers, Electricians, Mechanical Engineers, Plumbers, Carpenters, Plasterers, Roofers, Cladders and finishing trades. Plus security fencing, toilet units, canteen and an office.

If you can help please contact Mark Angus, details below.

Contact Mark Angus
244006 or 07946 133673
1, Willow Close, Stilton
markangus.stilton@gmail.com
The organisers want to thank everyone who has contributed so generously to the new food bank which serves our area. The special Christmas appeal meant that several families and individuals had a more festive time than they had expected when the usual groceries were extended with seasonal treats as well.

So far the response to the appeal for basic foods has been very successful, but the need remains, and is always more urgent in the winter months. Please keep your contributions coming into Stilton Church porch.

The choir's year ended with a full house at Yaxley Methodist Church enjoying a light-hearted celebration of Christmas. The week before we had performed the same programme at Snowhills in Yaxley.

We start rehearsing again on Wednesday 13 January 7:30 - 9pm in Yaxley Methodist Church and welcome new members. If you would like more details please contact Mary Croll (241042).

Please note a change to the Church opening times. Donations can be left in Stilton Church porch, open at service times and every:

- Tuesday afternoon [2:30 – 5:00pm]
- Wednesday evening [6:00 – 7:00pm]
- Friday afternoon [2:00 – 4:00pm]
- During term-time activities on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings [9:00am – 10:30am]
- Thursday evening – Crossover [6:00 – 7:00pm]

**FOOD NEEDED**
- Cereals
- Porridge
- Jam
- Tinned: meat, tuna, vegetables, soup, fruit, meat pies and puddings
- Sugar
- Rice, pasta, noodles
- Powdered potato
- Pasta sauces
- Crackers and biscuits
- Orange juice and squash
- Tea bags
- Instant coffee
- Long-life milk
Friends of Norman Cross (FOSS)

A very happy New Year to all our members and supporters. The committee is busy putting together a programme of talks and events for 2016. FOSS will be part of the Yaxley Festival of History in July and hope to organize an open weekend as part of Heritage England’s Heritage Open Days initiative in September. We will also once again take part in the annual Anglo-French remembrance service at Chatham in November. Watch out for notices of our 'home' meetings, which are normally held at the Norman Cross Gallery.

FOSS exists to maintain interest in the first-ever Prisoner of War camp built at Norman Cross to house prisoners of the French and Napoleonic Wars. We grew out of the Appeal Committee which was formed to reinstate the Eagle memorial on land adjacent to the Camp. We have members who are researching the history of the era and retain close links with Peterborough Museum, which has an impressive collection of prisoners' bone work and other artefacts. We also work closely with the Fenland Trust and have connection with the Great Fen project.

To find out more about us go to our website or contact Derek Lopez (245663) or derek.lopez@normancrossgallery.com

Stilton Guides

Stilton guides would like to say a big thank you to the village hall committee for letting the guides have their Christmas sleepover in the village hall. We had a fantastic time, we had a lovely Christmas dinner and did loads of Christmas crafts. If any girls age 10 years and older would like to join guides phone Carol 07508502534.
In Memoriam  
Maureen Oliver

Sam and Sue Boon would like to say Thank You for the lovely cards, messages and offers of help following the recent sudden loss of Mum (Maureen). To everybody who helped with arrangements for the Church Service and also to Joy and Chris for providing the buffet in the Church Room; to everyone who attended the service at the Crematorium and the Church.

Thank you to Brian and Jo for bringing their dog Lexie to both services. Mum would have loved that.

To all staff at Nisa who were always kind and helpful to Mum - especially with her bananas! The Pharmacy staff and Tracy, who helped her a lot after her hip replacement, and to Sue and everyone at Hi-Lite where she used to tell them a few tales from when she was younger.

Donations of £650 from the Crematorium and Church services go to the Sue Ryder charity.

Also many thanks to Rev Gill Jessop for conducting both services.

Stilton Church Coffee Morning

January 16th 2016  
10am - noon

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Students from Sawtry Village Academy assembled a donation of nearly 60 shoeboxes for the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child appeal.

Collection of the gifts, which comprise decorated shoeboxes filled with toys, school supplies, toiletries and sweets, was led by the Academy’s Archers house as part of their support for international charities.

58 shoeboxes were collected by Samaritans Purse for distribution to needy children in Iraq.

Pictured below with the shoeboxes are some of the students who contributed to this successful initiative: Ben, Dylan, Caitlin, Kizzy-Lou, Teagan, Lily, Molly, Ryan, Daniel, Poppy, Olivia, Morgan, Lewis, Kelly, Emily and Jonny.
Gardening in January
LOOK AFTER YOUR FLORA AND FAUNA

As ever, it’s dependant on the weather. If the soil is waterlogged or frozen keep off it, but otherwise this is the time to plant soft fruits such as gooseberries and red or black currants. Apples and pears should be pruned. Established fruit trees should be fed with a general fertilizer such as Growmore. They should also be protected against pests with a winter wash such as Growing Success, but be careful that it doesn't splash onto plants and lawns.

LOOKING AFTER THE BIRDS

January can bring frost and ice, and be a dangerous time for the birds. Gardens are now a very important source of food and shelter for all varieties of birds. Many of us hang feeders full of seed which the tits and finches will flock to eat. But don't forget the ground-feeding birds; thrushes, blackbirds and robins will be looking for the last of the berries. On ground feeders, put out suet, dried fruit, mealworms, nuts, breakfast cereals, bits of bacon and, as a last resort, bread. Birds need water because, even in winter, they need to bathe to keep their feathers waterproof. Nest boxes may also be used as roosts before the breeding season. In a few weeks you will get your reward as the birds start to sing, make their nests and provide pest control when searching for food for their chicks.

Big Garden Birdwatch

The RSPB's annual survey takes place over the weekend of 30-31 January 2016. Last year nearly 600,000 people took part. To take part yourself, or to find out more, visit www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch

Stilton Gardening & Natural History Club

You are invited to the next meeting to be held on

Tuesday, January 19th 2016
7:30pm in the Church Meeting Room

Speaker on the work of Riverford Organic Farms, who offer an organic box service from Sacrewell Farm.

January is when we pay our subscriptions. £5 individual £7 family. We also pay £1 per meeting (£2 non-members)
Stilton Memorial Hall

Hiring Charges

- Hourly charge £6.50 / hour (minimum 2 hours)
- Children’s party £40
- Adult party/event £65
- Commercial £15 / hour (minimum 2 hours)

How to Book the Hall

To book the Hall, please contact the Booking Clerk, Sue Smith:
(01733) 240414 | oscarsue@live.co.uk | 07 522 601 459
or use the online booking form on www.stilton.org

If leaving a message, please provide a LANDLINE PHONE NUMBER and you will be contacted promptly. (It’s very expensive having to reply to lots of mobiles!)

If using email, please be sure to give us your CORRECT email address and check your spam box if you don’t receive a prompt reply.

Parish Meeting Room

The Parish Room will be open from 10am to 11am immediately following Parish Council meetings, which are on the Wednesday following the second Tuesday in the month. If you want to speak with the Clerk at any other time, please make an appointment. Planning applications can be viewed by appointment; telephone (01733) 229130.

HIRING THE ROOM

The Meeting Room is available for hire between 9am and 10:30pm Monday to Saturday; Sunday hours by arrangement. A booking form and conditions of hire are available from the Clerk to Stilton Parish Council.

The Room seats up to 20 people, ideal for small clubs or committee meetings. It has broadband, a kitchen area and toilet suitable for use by disabled people. Users should note that smoking is not permitted in any part of the building or in the surrounding cemetery.

FEES:

All Day (9am - 6pm) £50 Evening (6:30 - 10:30pm) £25
Half Day (9am - 1pm or 2 - 6pm) £25 A deposit of £50 is required when booking.
November and December saw lots of activities in Folksworth, writes Sarah Abbott.

CIRCLING AROUND

At the November meeting of the Ladies Circle two demonstrators who attend the Yaxley Flower Club demonstrated several attractive Christmas displays. Members had a go at decorating a container and arranging flowers. Members also enjoyed a Christmas meal at the Red Lion in Warmington. A full and varied programme is planned for 2016 and includes a variety of speakers - there is something for everyone. The group meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. A fish & chip supper and social kicks off the New Year. Ladies of all ages are very welcome.

BOWLING THEM OVER

Carpets Bowls members were busy too. On a recent holiday to Potters holiday village in Norfolk, local couple Joy and Chris Blythe took part in a pairs competition over three days. Despite a strong field of 127 other couples Joy and Chris were the eventual winners. Not content with this, Joy and Chris teamed up Gill and Eugene King from Stilton to win the Fours Knockout final. What was meant to be a restful week turned into a busy week of carpet bowls.

‘We would like to thank the local players who didn’t make it through the rounds for staying on to give us support and cheer us on. And Gill and Eugene in the Fours for keeping us and the spectators on our toes with Gill specialising in moving the jack to the edge of the mat.’ Chris and Eugene joined the rest of the Cambridgeshire County carpet bowls teams in the Ten County National Championship, where they finished in second place.

SOCIAL NIGHTS

Thanks to the organisers of BINGO held in the Village Hall on 4th December. A fun night was had by all with lots of great prizes. The next session will take place around Easter. Thanks too to the organisers of the Pub Night held on 28th November and everyone who came along. The next pub night is on 27th February.

RUNNING AHEAD

Looking forward, the 27th ‘Folksworth 15’ will be taking place on 24th January. This has become an annual race fixture for many runners and is a great training race in preparation for one of the many spring marathons. The route takes in some great scenery over two laps of an undulating course, all on country roads. With three fairly steep hills on each lap the course is testing, yet the hills do not deter runners returning year after year to take part.

Contributors!

We want your material for Folklore!

Email to Sarah Abbott at abbottsarahj@hotmail.co.uk
Folksworth Village
Pub Update

Thank you to those of you who have donated to the Folksworth Village Pub Company so far. It is really appreciated.

Although the Fox has now been closed for some time, the people who live in and around Folksworth have not given up hope that it may still re-open one day. We have had some great pub nights in the village hall from time to time since, but it's sadly not the same.

Our aims are to bring back this asset of community value to its right and proper use!

You can read more about our campaign on our website folksworthpub.wix.com/fvps

Did You Know?

The Village School was built in the second half of the 19th century and dedicated to Lady Stanhope, daughter of the 5th Earl of Harrington, who owned the Washingley estate until the 1860s. A photograph from c1886 shows there were 44 pupils. The Headmistress in the 1950s was Miss Braybrook.

In 1972 the school came under threat as the Local Education Authority proposed to cease to maintain it. Following vigorous campaigning, the school was saved by the then Minister of Education, Margaret Thatcher. The old school was sold in 1988 and the new school officially opened on 6th November 1989.

Church Services
All services start at 10am

3rd Jan  Family Folkus! Our ever-popular cafe style service in Folksworth School

10th Jan Holy Communion

17th Jan Family Service, all ages welcome, plenty of activities for children

24th Jan Morning Prayer

31st Jan No service at Folksworth, there is a group Holy Communion service in Stilton at 11am

How to Donate

You can donate to the project in several ways. The good news is, we are now able to accept online donations.

1. Write a cheque (made payable to Folksworth Village Pub Company Limited) and post it to 1 Morborne Road, Folksworth, Peterborough PE7 3SS

2. Use your own bank's in-branch, telephone or online banking facilities to make a direct transfer. Please email sarahw.folksworth@gmail.com to ask for our bank details.

3. Donate, via PayPal, on our website. See folksworthpub.wix.com/fvps for details.

Thank you!
**Bus Service**

Towards the end of last year Council received reports from a resident that the buses scheduled to stop in Folksworth on their way to Hampton were not stopping. Investigations were made and we have been told by the operators - HACT - that the 46A is still operating Monday - Saturday. The timetable is shown below. If you experience problems with this service please call the service provider on 01480 411114.

The pick up/drop off point is 1 Manor Road.

**To Hampton:**

Departs 10:35 arrives Serpentine Green, Stop 3 at 10:53

**From Hampton:**

Departs 13:15 arrives Folksworth 13:33

The full schedules can be found on the website and noticeboards.

**Race Ready**

Following the very successful cycle race in June and the positive feedback we have received, it has been agreed with the organisers that the parish will be involved on both days of the 2016 event, which will run over the weekend of June 3rd/4th.

It would be good to organise other events around this weekend. All suggestions welcomed.

**Washingtonley Black Spot**

The Parish Council has asked for the help of our County Councillor, Mac McGuire, in getting the speed limit at Washingtonley reduced from 60mph to 40mph. This is not an easy process and we need evidence to support our claim that the current speed limit is dangerous. If anyone has any information or has been involved in incidents on this road, particularly at the Bullock Road crossroads, please let me know.

**Parish Contact**

Please get in touch with me if you require any information at all about Folksworth Parish Council. I am happy to help in any way I can. Parish Council meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month and Agendas and Minutes are placed on the noticeboards and on the website.

*Jackie Stanbridge,*  
*Clerk to the Council/RFO*
Movers & Shakers
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Folksworth Art Club

Every Thursday from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm in Folksworth Village Hall*

Whether you are an experienced artist or just want to enjoy dabbling in pleasant company, you will be welcome at the Folksworth Art Club.

This friendly self-help group meet to have fun ‘doing their own thing’ - be it drawing or painting in any media. Members are of all abilities, varied talents, and there is always help and advice available. Many regularly exhibit and sell their work locally.

The club charges £3 for the whole afternoon, including refreshments which are available on a self-help basis. Members provide their own art materials.

All enquiries: Cherry Hadley Tel: (01733) 244258

*except election days
The next Arts Alive project will be a series of art workshops for adults, with artist David Brown. The first workshop takes place on Monday 1st February from 9:30am-1:30pm. The price for each workshop is £5.00, to include light refreshments. Call in to Yaxley Library to book your place today (limited availability).

**Rhymetime & Storytime**

Aimed at babies from 0-18 months, our popular Rhymetime event restarts on Friday 8th January and runs every Friday during term time from 10:30am to 11am.

Storytime, aimed at children aged 18 months to 5 years, runs on Tuesdays 12th and 26th January from 10:30am to 11am.

**EngAge in the Afternoon**

The January EngAge session will be a talk from Dementia Champion Chantal Bradley from the Alzheimer’s Society. Chantal will talk about raising awareness of dementia and help understand what it is like to live with dementia. This event takes place on Wednesday 20th January at 2pm. Please call in to Yaxley Library to book a free ticket.

**Scrabble and Knitting Clubs**

Our friendly Scrabble and knitting clubs reconvene in the new year: Scrabble on 4th January at 3pm and knitting on 7th January at 2pm. All are welcome.

**Family History Support**

Do you need help tracing your ancestors? Our friendly volunteer offers one-to-one support and advice by appointment. Enquire in the library for more information.

Alternatively, would you like to meet with a group of people working on their Family Histories? The group meet every Wednesday morning between 10am and midday in Yaxley library, accessing library family history subscription websites such as Ancestry and Find My Past.

Contact Yaxley Library for more information.
Yaxley Library
OPENING TIMES

Mon 3:00 - 7:00
Tue 9:30 - 5:00
Wed CLOSED
Thu 9:30 - 5:00
Fri 9:30 - 1:30
Sat 9:30 - 1:30

Renewals & enquiries:
(0345) 045 5225
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

Mobile Library
Wed 27 Jan
Folksworth
10:45 - 11am
Elm Road

Stilton
3:10 - 4pm
Outside The Talbot

Route M24

Yaxley Singers

If you enjoy singing - anything from classical to jazz, religious, secular, songs from the shows etc - then come along at 7:30 - 9pm on Wednesdays to Yaxley Methodist Church, Main Street, Yaxley. You don't have to read music.

We give informal concerts around the area to church groups, ladies groups, charity events and care homes. We are now preparing for our annual Christmas concert in Yaxley Methodist Church, which will include old favourites and new songs, with audience participation!

If you want to know more, ring Mary Croll (241042) or Olive Main (241206). Transport from Stilton is usually available.
HOLME VILLAGE
BABY AND TODDLER GROUP
All welcome - just pop along
every Friday 9:30-11:30am Term time only

Great selection of toys, crafts & messy play
Quiet Baby corner
Large outdoor play area
Tea, coffee, milk & snack

Babies £1
Toddlers £2
Per additional child 50p

The Village Hall Short Drove Holme PE7 3PA
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PROGRAMME FOR 2016
Meetings take place in Oundle at 7:30pm

Friday 5 February 2016
Talk by Mike Brown
- Prebendal Manor Gardens

Friday 8 April 2016
Talk by Andy Chapman
- In search of Northampton Castle

Saturday, 16 April 2016
Quiz night
Glapthorn Village Hall

Friday 6 May 2016
Annual General Meeting
followed by a talk by Bob Hatton
- Recent archaeological work
  in the Welland Valley

Contact for further details: Olive Main (01733 241206) Transport available
POTTERY CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Sawtry Village Academy

Evening classes 2016
Tuesdays 5:30–7:30
Beginners welcome!!!

You will have the opportunity to explore, create and express your ideas in the medium of clay, in a friendly and relaxing atmosphere.

For more information go to:
http://www.sawtryva.org/academy-information/community/
or call 01487 833709

Explore the basic of working in clay slab building, coiling and throwing all demonstrated by experience tutor Ewa Pandera. www.pandra-art.com 07894876024
### The Stilton Diary

**What to do, when & where!**

- **TINIES**
  - 9am: Toddler’s Dance
  - 9-11:45 & 1-3pm: Playgroup
  - 6-7:15pm: Beavers
  - 6:15-8pm: 1st Stilton Brownies
  - 5:15-6:15pm: Stilton Rainbows
  - 6:30-7:45pm: Folksworth Brownies
  - 5:30-6:30pm: 1st Folksworth Rainbows
  - 6-7:30pm: Guides
  - KO 10am: Stilton United Colts

- **YOUNGSTERS**
  - 9am: Parish Council
  - 2:30-5pm: Sewing Group
  - 2:00pm: Over 60’s Club

- **ADULTS**
  - 1st & 3rd Sun 11:00am: Holy Communion
  - 2nd & 4th Sun 8:00am: Holy Communion
  - 2nd Sun 11am: LinCup (Café style worship)
  - 4th Sunday 11:00am: Elevenses with God
  - 6-7pm in term time: Linking Hands (mums)
  - 9am: Crossover (Y6)
  - 9am in term time: Take a Break (children & carers)
  - 8am 2nd Saturday in month: Men’s Prayer Breakfast
  - 1st Wednesday 12:30-1:30: Holy Communion (soup lunch)
  - 1st & 3rd Thursday, 7:30pm: Church Choir
  - 8am: Prayer Focus

- **CHURCH**
  - 3:00pm kick-off: Stilton United FC
  - 7:30pm: Taoist Tai Chi
  - 12:30-4:30pm: Folksworth Art Club
  - Alternate Sundays 10:30am: Stilton Stumblers (walking group)

- **LEISURE**
  - 3:10 - 4pm (4th Wed in month): Mobile Library
  - 10 - 11:45am: Age Well Club
  - 1st Weds, 2 - 4 pm: Carers' Group
  - 10am - 2:30pm: Sawtry Day Centre
  - 10:30am - 1:30pm: Sawtry Friendship Club

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## CROSSED OUT ITEMS:

- **Stilton Gardening Club**
  - 3rd Tues 7:30pm
  - Church Meeting Room
  - Olive Main
  - 241206

- **Stilton United FC**
  - 3:00pm kick-off
  - Glen Woolner
  - 07771 784643

- **Taoist Tai Chi**
  - 7:30pm
  - Austin Hall, Main Street, Yaxley
  - Glen Woolner
  - 07771 784643

- **LinCup (Café style worship)**
  - 2nd Sun 11am
  - St Mary Magdalene
  - Irene Goldsmith
  - 244229

- **Age Well Club**
  - 10 - 11:45am
  - Yaxley Health Centre
  - Linda Smith
  - 240478

- **Mobile Library**
  - 3:10 - 4pm (4th Wed in month)
  - Outside The Talbot
  - Linda Smith
  - 240478

## CONTACT SCAN!

Be sure to tell our advertisers you found them in SCAN!
Every Thursday - 9.30am to 12.00pm
Every Saturday - 8.30am to 11.30am

Sociable indoor soft play session for parents and under 6s.

There will be a variety of soft play equipment, bouncy castle and a ball pool for children to play in a safe environment. Tea, coffee and a variety of treats also available.

£1 per child
Workers’ Educational Association, Yaxley

Russia and Russian Culture - sharing a witnesses experience of living, studying and working in the USSR (behind the 'Iron Curtain')

A new course with Tutor Marina Burrell
This 10-week course begins at 7:30 - 9:00pm on 12th January at The British Legion Clubroom, Broadway, Yaxley.

Course fee £48.00
For further information contact D. Cleverley at (01733) 240010

Volunteer Drivers Wanted
FOR STILTON, FOLKSWORTH AND WASHINGLEY

The North Huntingdon Community Car Scheme has completed its tenth year of operating a volunteer service, supplying transport to people who do not have their own means of getting to such places as doctors’ surgeries or hospitals.

The volunteers supply their own transport and receive a fixed sum of money per mile to cover fuel etc.

Stilton has around 40 people per month requiring this service but the number of Stilton drivers has reduced to only two. Folksworth also needs drivers.

No volunteer is obliged to do any particular number of runs or times, each lift being requested as and when required and the volunteer can accept or decline any opportunity offered.

At the moment the local region consists of some 16 drivers, 14 of whom do not live in Stilton. Because of this shortfall it means that undue pressure is falling on other members of the group, who are not only based further away but have their own local people to transport.

If anyone thinks they would like to offer their services, could they please contact Diane Hankins or Jenny Chambers on 07795 542084.
Don’t Waste a Scrap!
MAKE THE MOST OF THE CHRISTMAS LEFTOVERS

Appalled by the statistics on the amount of food we all throw away SCAN is determined to reform its shopping and cooking habits in 2016. The main sufferers will be the birds, who enjoy a very exotic (and expensive!) diet when we clear out the fridge.

So we started to look for recipes that will use up the leftovers that get put into little Tupperware boxes and then forgotten. The obvious place to start is with the ends of several pieces of Stilton cheese, so here are two recipes that complement each other.

**STILTON AND AVOCADO DIP**

Mash 4oz of Stilton cheese with a small tub of soured cream. Mash a ripe avocado with a little lemon juice (to prevent discolouration). Combine the two. Season to taste and chill.

**STILTON FINGERS**

Roll out a pack of defrosted puff pastry to about 1/4” thick. Sprinkle 2oz of grated Stilton cheese over the lower 2/3rds of the pastry, then fold as if making flaky pastry (ie upper 1/3rd over middle 1/3rd, and lower 1/3rd over the top). Flatten lightly with the rolling pin. Brush with beaten egg, cut into fingers and bake at 200°C (Gas Mark 7) for about 10 minutes.

These are ideal for dipping in to the dip. You can also cut up carrots, cucumber etc. to serve as crudities.

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**Stilton Stumblers**

Winter Itinerary

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Our regular walks are between 5 - 8 miles and meet at 10:00am at The Pump.

For more information about Stumbling, just Google ‘Stilton Stumblers’ or call Shirley on (01733) 246209 - or just turn up on the day with your boots on!
HUNTINGDONSHIRE ASSOCIATION FOR COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

The Ring & Ride service for the Huntingdonshire area

Monday – Peterborough
Tuesday – Peterborough
Wednesday – Huntingdon
Thursday – Peterborough
Friday – Stamford
Monthly – Corby, Bar Hill, St Neots, Morrisons at Cambourne

Door-to-door transport. FREE with bus pass!
Unlimited use. Membership only £10 per year.
You can bring shopping trolleys and wheelchairs.
They also offer day trips (coastal and shopping)
and pub lunches!

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Improve Your Piano Skills and Enjoy Your Playing!
Beginners welcome!
Margaret Parsons  Tel: (01733) 243352

Stilton Parish Council

Clerk:  Mrs. Mary Croll
10 Caldecote Road, Stilton
Peterborough, PE7 3RH
Tel: 01733 241042
Email: stiltonpc@yahoo.co.uk

PLAYING FIELD CLOSED

Under the Health and Safety act 1974 the playing field will be
CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE to enable essential maintenance work
to be undertaken to improve the playing field surface.

By Order of the Parish Council
Mary Croll, Clerk to Stilton Parish Council
There has been a recent series of incidents involving fraudsters either telephoning or visiting elderly people, claiming to be police officers. Be on your guard!

The fake officer/s will claim that they are investigating a fraud which they believe you to be a victim of. The fake officer/s will then request your bank cards and PIN numbers, claiming that these are needed for investigation purposes. If the first contact was made by a phone call, the fake officer/s will tell the victim that someone will be over to collect the evidence.

In one case a victim was instructed to attend their local bank and withdraw all of the money from their account. The suspect was left alone in the victim’s house whilst the victim carried out the instructions.

**PROTECT YOURSELF**

Before letting into your home anyone who claims to be from any law enforcement agency, ask to see their identity card and check it by calling 101. Ask if they can attend at a pre-arranged time when a family member or friend can also be present.

If you receive a phone call from a police officer, ask for their name and force and tell them you will call them back. Wait a few minutes and then use 101 to call them back through their force’s switchboard and verify their identity.

The Police will **NEVER** ask for your PIN or passwords. **Do not give this information to anyone.** The Police will **NEVER** request that you withdraw/transfer any money to them.

If you believe that you have been a victim of fraud you can report it online at www.actionfraud.police.uk/report_fraud or by telephone to 0300 123 2040.

**SCAN** says: Most of us are sufficiently compos mentis to not fall for this sort of fraud, which is targeted at the elderly or vulnerable in the community. But if you have a relative, friend or neighbour who might be targeted, do your bit and help them to avoid becoming yet another victim.

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**St Mary Magdalene, Stilton**

For full details of church services, visit [www.stiltonchurches.com](http://www.stiltonchurches.com)

or see the **Church Link**

- delivered to your door every month!
Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service are encouraging readers to make three New Year's Resolutions in 2016 - and stick to them!

1. Make sure you have a correctly fitted and working smoke alarm on every floor of your house and test it weekly.

2. Check that older relatives and friends have working smoke alarms and test theirs regularly.

3. Make a fire plan so you and your family know what to do in case a fire breaks out in your home.

**SCAN SAYS:**

What’s a fire plan, we hear you ask? Well, it’s basically knowing what to do to prevent fires and, if any likely fire breaks out in your home, how you would deal with it and/or escape safely.

For example, your bedtime routine should include:

- Extinguish any candles or open flames.
- Guard and damp down solid-fuel fires
- Turn off electrical appliances
- Close all internal doors
- Check that your main escape route is clear of obstructions

Among the commonest fire scenarios are:

- A kitchen fire while cooking. Do you have a fire blanket in the kitchen, or could you quickly smother a burning pan with a wet tea-towel? Could you get out of the house in the dark or if it’s full of smoke?

- A downstairs fire while you’re asleep upstairs. How would you get out of the house safely? Could you unlock the door in the dark? (Try doing it blindfold!)

Why not make fire planning a family game with the children? See how many scenarios you can think up and how you would respond.

Most domestic fires are caused by carelessness; an unguarded open fire, a dropped cigarette, an unattended candle, the iron left on a garment while answering the phone. Treat any open flame as a potential attacker; don’t leave it alone or unwatched.

There’s some excellent and authoritative advice on fire safety in the home on the CFRS website: www.cambsfire.gov.uk

Like the CFRS fan page on Facebook: www.facebook.com/cambsfrs, or follow them on Twitter @cambsfrs.

To find out if you are eligible for a free home fire safety check, call 0800 917 99 94.