Farewell Jane

CASH IN HAND
PARISH COUNCIL SECURES GRANT FOR SPORTS FIELD

AMENITIES UPDATE
MAKING PROGRESS!

TOP TODDLERS
FOLKSWORTH TODDLERS’ GROUP WINS AN ‘OSCAR’

FLOWER POWER
DON’T MISS THE CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL

For 25 years, Jane Wilkinson has been synonymous with Stilton Playgroup; there can hardly be anyone under that age who doesn’t have fond memories of Jane from their earliest years. We all wish you a long and happy retirement Jane, and much joy as a grandmother.
Be sure to tell our advertisers you found them in SCAN!

GRAY BIN DAYS:
Monday 8th 22nd July, 5th August

GARDEN BIN AND RECYCLING DAYS:
Monday 1st 15th 29th July, 12th August

For latest information on refuse collections, go to www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk

NOW RECYCLING BOTTLES

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Parish Council News
BIG FUNDING BOOST FOR OUR SPORTS FIELD

Stilton Parish Council has secured £50,000 of National Lottery investment from Sport England's Protecting Playing Fields fund, towards the cost of developing the village’s sports field. The funds will be used to improve the drainage and provide a top-quality playing surface.

The Working Group are to be congratulated for their success, which comes after Sport England announced a £5 million boost to the Olympic and Paralympic legacy fund. This is in response to huge demand from sports clubs and local groups like our own, and has been made possible by strong sales of National Lottery tickets.

FIRST-CLASS FACILITY
Parish Council Chairman Olive Main, said: ‘This investment means we can upgrade our playing field to match the quality of our football teams. Stilton United will be able to return to playing in the village and its younger players to develop their skills on a quality surface. This is a key part of our strategy to provide Stilton with a first-class sports facility.’

The playing field will also be protected from developers for at least 25 years, creating an enduring benefit for sport.

ABOUT THE LEGACY FUND
Sport England Chair, Nick Bitel, said: ‘The popularity of this legacy fund shows just how important good local playing fields are to grassroots sport. But Sport England's support for playing fields is about much more than money; every day our experts play a vital role in protecting sports provision through the planning system.’

76 projects across England share a total of £3.5 million in this the fourth funding round. Altogether, 727 pitches and 2,600 acres have been protected and improved.

Minister for Sport, Hugh Robertson, said: ‘Good pitches, that can be used all year round, are vital to sustain and encourage sports participation. This additional lottery investment will help increase opportunities for people to get involved in sport.’

In the next round of funding, Sport England will invest between £20-50,000 of lottery funding in playing fields projects by:

- Bringing disused playing fields back into use
- Improving the condition of pitches (e.g. levelling, drainage, reseeding)
- Buying new playing field land
- Buying existing playing field land where there is a known threat, such as the expiry of a lease or a development proposal.
Sawtry Day Care Centre

The CARESCO Centre, Green End Road
Wednesdays and Thursdays 10:00am - 3:00pm
The Centre provides:

- A day out for the housebound or socially isolated, and a break for those who care for them.
- Transport door to door
- Tea, coffee and biscuits on arrival
- A local shopping trip
- A short session of gentle chair exercises, for those wishing to take part
- A two-course mid-day lunch prepared in the Centre’s own kitchen using fresh ingredients
- A small raffle on both days, with members providing the prizes. Monies raised go into the member's social fund which subsidises occasional trips out.
- Wednesday afternoon Bingo session. For those who do not wish to take part, there is a selection of board games, or you can just chat or relax.

On some Thursday afternoons a local man (Terry) plays old-style music. On other occasions visiting speakers give talks/slideshows on a wide range of subjects. The Centre currently has some spaces and is looking for new members.

For more information, please contact the CARESCO Centre on 01487 832105 or email office@caresco.org.uk

Stilton Stumblers
Summer 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, visit http://stumblers.stilton.org or call Jan on 07740 167377 (mobile) - or just turn up on the day with your boots on!
Last year SCAN highlighted the misery suffered by residents whose homes were adjacent to the green open spaces from the bad behaviour of some of our adolescent residents.

As Editor I received a number of (sometimes abusive) letters and emails suggesting I was an old fuddy-duddy, anti-youth and exaggerating the problem. Sadly, a recent letter to Stilton Parish Council re-opens the issue in relation to the Apreece Way green, where the police had to be called out when a group wilfully destroyed a fence. This was after the local householders had suffered from weeks of noise, verbal abuse, foul language, litter and destruction of gardens from youths mostly from other parts of the village.

The Parish Council are looking for ways to force the vandals to pay for the damage both to public property and to the fences and gardens of residents. This will take some time and may not be possible. Meanwhile, parents are asked to point out to their sons (it is mainly boys who act this way) that the only appropriate place to play football is on the playing field.

If a child is old enough to go to school/college alone he is old enough to go to the field. It may even be nearer to home than Apreece Way for some youngsters.

People want to be comfortable in their homes and gardens and do not appreciate shouting and screaming day after day, especially when much of it is swearing and foul. Damage to any property should be admitted to and paid for promptly. Litter should be taken home (when a litter bin was provided it was thrown into the dyke.)

The village will not tolerate rudeness and intimidation of its senior citizens, nor bullying of younger children.

Olive Main, Editor

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**Summer Holiday Dread**

**ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR WILL NOT BE TOLERATED**

**The Haven**

**AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB**

Will be opening at The Junction this year due to a new boiler being fitted in the school.

**Open from 24th July to 9th August**

**Opening times are 8am to 5:30**

Julie Richards

Haven tel: (01733) 244878
Mobile: 07753 417619

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**Twinning Diary Dates**

9 Nov 2013 Race Night

If you are interested in any of these events or in becoming involved in the Association please contact Chris Walford on 241376.
Stilton Parish Council
JUNE MEETING REPORT

1. Attendance of County Councillor Mac McGuire to brief the Council on the street lighting project.

2. Planning issues, including ongoing discussions with H.D.C. on a number of encroachments onto council-owned land by residents.

3. Re-design of the village web site and the need to develop a policy on advertising.

4. Complaint to the County Council over the poor quality of 'pot hole' filling all over the village.

5. Update on the Playing field development.


7. Crime figures - PCSO Chamberlain reported that a number of cars have been broken into recently. Tools and equipment seem to be the targets. Also reported was an attempted scam by a tarmac contractor which was foiled by Barry Chamberlain.

8. Church Street cemetery - available spaces have now been identified and marked.

The Council noted with pleasure that, after a protracted fight, the bus stop flag at the Bus Shelter stop has been replaced!

Mrs Worthington's
Almshouses Fen Street

Adjacent to the three cottages is a garden that is attractively planted and laid out. The grass is cut by contractors but the flower bed, trees and bushes are getting out of control. The Almshouses Trustees are seeking volunteers who would like to look after the gardens. If you can help please contact Yvonne Warner at the Old School or Chris Walford (241376).

Support Our Stilton
CAMPAIGN UPDATE

All the signatures that came in to support the amendment to the P.D.O. (Protection of Designation of Origin) were passed to DEFRA; the consultation period ends on July 29th. However, the Stilton Cheese Makers Association has lodged an objection, which means that DEFRA has three months more to try to get an agreement. After this there will be a lengthy procedure while the EU also makes a decision.

It could be two years before we know the outcome, but be assured that not only will SCAN keep you informed, cheese will be produced in Stilton.

RICK TAKES ON WIKIPEDIA!

Rick Landy has fought off an attempt to prevent him editing the entry on Stilton Cheese in the world's leading e-encyclopaedia.
The Amenities Group has achieved two important milestones. Planning permission for the Hall/Pavilion has been approved by Huntingdon District Council and, as you can read on p3, Sport England have awarded a grant of £50,000 to upgrade the field playing surfaces.

Mark Angus, Chairman of the Stilton Amenities Steering Group stated: ‘This is great news. We can begin the work on the field in the autumn and the planning permission makes the work on further grant applications so much easier. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to achieve this news.’

**NEXT STEPS**

The outcomes of a number of other fund-raising activities are eagerly awaited:

- News on the Parish Council loan application
- News about the Woodford Trust application for £35,000
- News about the Mick George application for £35,000
- News about the Sport England Inspired Facilities application for £50,000 for the MUGA
- News about the Sport England Improved Facilities expression of interest proposal for £388,000 is awaited
- The QE2 application and has been submitted for £28,000
- News about the Amery Cespa expression of interest for £40,000

The Football Foundation grant application for £100,000 is nearing completion for the end of July. The updated Project Business Plan will be discussed by the Parish Council on 9 July, and work is taking place on applications to Biffa, Big Lottery, Hunts DC, and WREN.

**COMMUNICATION**

Banners promoting the project are hanging in the centre of the village and every household has received a leaflet giving details.

**DIARY DATE!**

**Fund Raising Dinner Dance at The Bell Inn**

Saturday 5 October 19:00 for 19:30.
Three course meal and disco

Reserve the date and come and support the biggest project in the village for a generation. Watch SCAN for more information.

**New Technology!**

CARESCO, who print SCAN every month, have at last embraced the digital age with a new printer. Needless to say, this has come complete with its own set of bugs, so please be forbearing if bits of SCAN don’t quite look as they should for a while!
RISING FIVES
Our Rising Fives have continued their preparation for school this month, with getting changed for PE in the school hall for the first time. So grown up!

Our transition board of photographs of the school is a great talking point and is helping those who are not so familiar with the school to understand what goes on a little more. The children did fantastically well in sitting for our leavers group photograph, a lovely memento for the children to take with them.

It's hard to believe that another school year will draw to a close this month and we will be soon be saying sad goodbye to our oldest children ready to start school in September. (Though not before we have lots of fun together at our leavers party at Brewsters!)

GROW YOUR OWN
Our carrots and radishes, planted by the children earlier this year, have been growing beautifully and will soon be ready to try at snack time.

SUMMER FUN
This term we are talking and learning about summer with lots of outdoor activities. Following the success of our Pirates and Princesses day we will be holding another themed day very soon. We also can't wait for our annual Teddy Bears’ Picnic later this month.

Our afternoon sessions are filling up fast (these will be our morning/older children from September) so please contact us soon to guarantee your child’s space.

A FOND FAREWELL TO JANE
This month of course we also say a very fond farewell to Jane Wilkinson, who is retiring after more than 25 years with Playgroup. Jane has been loved by two generations of village children and we will be very sad to see her go. But we also wish her every happiness in retirement; we know she won't be able to resist popping along to visit from time to time!

Jane has been the backbone of Playgroup for so long. Our children have so much fun and everything Jane and the team do provides them with a wonderful start in life and prepares them for school so well.

COME TO THE FETE!
The Playgroup is holding a Summer Fete on Saturday July 20th at Stilton School Playground as a fun farewell to Jane. (See the advert in this issue.) Lots of fun in the sun and maybe even a surprise special guest or two.

Please come along and join us in giving Jane a fabulous send-off at her last Fundraising Event for Playgroup, and share your playgroup memories. She (and we) will love to see you.

Jane, this is a message from your colleagues to say thank you for all your support and guidance over the years and for being a good friend. We will all miss you more than you could ever know and coming to work will not be the same without you.

We wish you the best in your retirement and joy in looking after your beautiful granddaughter.

Love from Lesley, Julie, Nicola and Charlotte.

ps don’t forget to bring us cakes in!
STILTON PLAYGROUP

Church Street, Stilton

Our pre-school offers fun-play and learning for under 5's, with close links to Stilton Primary School.

We welcome children from 2 years 9 months to our afternoon sessions.

12:30pm to 3:30pm  
Monday to Thursday

From September (in the year before they start School) our children move to morning sessions where we slowly introduce more structure in preparation for school life. In the Summer Term our Rising 5's programme includes weekly visits to Stilton Primary School.

8:45am to 11:45am  
Monday to Friday

Nursery vouchers welcome

For further information please contact:

Jane Wilkinson 01733 247682

St Mary Magdalene, Stilton

Coffee Morning

Sat 27th July

10:30am - 12noon

Church Meeting Room

Charity

Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy

August 13th 10:30 - 12:30

Folksworth Village Hall

Featuring a Village History display

Tea/Coffee & Homemade Cake £1

Raffle

All welcome!

Proceeds in aid of Parkinsons and the Ladies’ Circle
Let There Be Light
CAMBS COUNTY COUNCIL STREET LIGHTING PROJECT

As in many other areas, Cambridgeshire's street lights are generally old and inefficient. In Stilton we have a mish-mash of styles, including many concrete lamp standards which can be in danger of collapse. With support from Government, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire have entered a 25 year partnership with Balfour Beatty. In the first five years around 56,000 street lighting units will be replaced or updated. That means that many columns will be replaced and the rest will have their heads replaced. In Stilton, the major part of the work will be carried out in May and June 2014, but a small number of newer lights will be updated this summer.

The contract requires a reduction of 10% in the number of lights across the county, but in most cases a new column will be erected close to an existing light.

Stilton Parish Council met with County Councillor Mac McGuire to discuss the impact on this village. We will be checking the plans to ensure that no area is disadvantaged. We are also checking that our 'heritage' lights in the conservation area (North Street/High Street) are not affected and we will be requesting information on the updating of the lights owned by the Parish Council.

If we are satisfied on the above points, the Parish Council will welcome the project because it will:

- save energy and use lower wattage lamps
- reduce carbon emissions
- be cheaper
- be safer, with steel columns, all one design

The system will be remotely managed and controlled, enabling dimming at night.

The County Council's web site has a comprehensive account of the project, www.lightingcambridgeshire.com. The 'New Lighting' tab enables users to find the plans for their street.

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Stilton Memorial Hall
Charges

- Hourly charge £6 / hour
  (minimum 2 hours)
- Child's party £35
- Adult party £60
- Commercial £12 / hour

To book the Hall, please contact the Booking Secretary:
Jade Smith  15 Woodward Close  (01733) 243691

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!)
We would like to thank all the people who supported our cake stall at Cheese Rolling on the 6th May, writes Marion Hodson. It was very successful as we raised £175 from cake sales and donations. This was taken by Terri Newell and myself to The Queen’s Veterinary School Hospital, University of Cambridge, on Monday 13th May. As a thank you we were given a tour of the Vet School, and shown where the donations will be used.

This was a great eye opener for us both. We were shown the different departments for x-rays, operations, MRI scans and the different wards where dogs, cats and large farm animals are housed while they are being treated.

The Vet School’s research teams work very closely with Addenbrooke’s Hospital, as they are both part of the University of Cambridge. Their work on stem cells is an exciting development for animal and human health and has been reported worldwide. After 15 years in an NHS hospital, a radiotherapy machine was given a new lease of life at the Vet School, where it spent another 15 years treating animal patients. The Vet School can even use pacemakers that have been used in humans and reuse them in animals with heart problems. One of the recent fundraising projects was to buy a new radiotherapy machine for the Cancer Therapy Unit, but much more equipment is still needed.

Terri and myself had good reasons to support Cambridge Veterinary School as we have both had dogs that needed their expert help to keep them in good health. Neither would have survived without considerable pain and distress; they may not have even be alive now. For this reason we decided we would try and raise some funds, as the Vet School only receives limited funding from the Government.

The University of Cambridge Veterinary School Trust was set up in 1983 to help provide facilities and equipment to treat their patients and train the veterinary surgeons of the future. Some 4,000 seriously ill and injured animals are treated every year.

Many thanks again for your support.

Yaxley Flower Club

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Contact: Helen Burton (01733) 242198 or Lesley Young (01733) 240265

Meetings are held at 7:30pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month (excl. Aug & Dec) at the Yaxley British Legion, Broadway, Yaxley.
There has recently been an increase in thefts from vehicles in the area. Offences have occurred both during the day and overnight in Wansford, Huntingdon, Sawtry, and in High Street and St Mary’s Road in Stilton. Stolen items have included tax disks, satnavs, sunglasses and tools.

Be sure to keep your vehicles locked and secure at all times. If you have a satnav it is advisable to wipe off the ‘sucker mark’ that it leaves on the windscreen; thieves look for this mark.

Police are looking out for insecure vehicles and vehicles with items left on display in order to educate and prevent further victims of crime. They are also speaking to secondhand shops and sales rooms and are searching sites such as Ebay to try and identify stolen goods and perpetrators. They are actively patrolling areas which have been targeted and will stop and challenge anybody seen in suspicious circumstances.

Be a good neighbour; if you see a neighbour or friend leaving things on display in their vehicle, or leaving it insecure, please pass on this message.

Contacting our Local Police
MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU...

Yaxley Office: 1 Queen Street Yaxley PE7 3JE
Call 101 and ask for the Yaxley office

Stilton and Villages:
PC Paul Sykes: 07889 499 066
PCSO Barry Chamberlain: 07921 094 828
email:- huntscops@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Don’t Forget!
WE WANT YOUR PICTURES OF STILTON LIFE FOR THE 2014 CALENDAR

Be sure to tell our advertisers you found them in SCAN!
Edible flowers feature in many top restaurants, both as a garnish and as a flavouring. Of course, not all flowers can be eaten; some such as tomato, potato and sweet pea flowers are poisonous. Some can cause an allergic reaction and flowers that have been sprayed with pesticides must be avoided.

One flower that can be wholeheartedly recommended is English lavender, and not only the flower but also the leaves. It is a member of the mint family and related to sage, thyme and rosemary. Grow your own so you know it is pesticide-free.

Cut the ripe flowers just before you want to use them, wash them in cold water and dry. Use a small amount to start with until you are sure you like the taste.

**GRILLED PORK CHOPS WITH LAVENDER FLOWERS**

Mix together:

- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
- 1 teaspoon of chopped lavender flowers
- 1 tablespoon of olive oil.

Rub this into pork chops, cover the dish with cling film and marinate at room temperature for up to two hours before grilling as usual.

**LAVENDER LEMONADE (A BEAUTIFUL PINK)**

Put 1 cup of sugar and 2½ cups of water into a pan and bring to a boil, making sure the sugar has dissolved. Add ¼ cup of lavender flowers. Cover and stand until cold.

Strain the liquid; add one cup of fresh lemon juice and 2½ cups of water. Stir and see the lemonade turn pink. Store in the fridge and serve with ice.

**Anyone for Cricket?**

The newly reformed Elton Park Cricket Club (previously Ashton Wold CC) are looking for new players. All ages and abilities are welcome to come and have a game at one of Northamptonshire's most beautiful grounds - the home of traditional village cricket.

The current squad ranges from 14-72 years old. We play friendly cricket on Sundays and a few Saturdays throughout the summer.

If you are interested in playing, whether regularly or just occasionally, then please contact Mark Buckley on 01536 359842 or Harry Chapman on 07702 877120.
July is a very exciting time in the library calendar as it sees the launch of the Summer Reading Challenge for the year. This year the theme is ‘Creepy House’.

The idea of the challenge is to read six library books over the duration of the school summer holidays, calling in to the library regularly to collect stickers and activities and to talk about the books you have been reading. If you are successful in meeting the challenge you will be invited to a presentation ceremony in September to collect a certificate and medal.

Look out for the special assembly in school soon and register to take part anytime from 15th July onwards.

Rhymetime & Storytime

Rhymetime (for children aged 0-18 months) continues on Fridays 5th, 12th and 19th July from 10:30-11am. We will then take a break from Rhymetime during the school summer holidays and return in September.

Storytime (for children aged 18 months upwards) will be held on Tuesdays 2nd and 16th July from 10:30-11am.

Knitting Group

Our popular knitting group will be meeting in the library on alternate Thursday afternoons and new members are always welcome.

Thank you to our Friends!

An enormous thank you goes out to the Friends of Yaxley Library (FOYL), who were successful in obtaining funding from News International to replace the worn-out carpet on the mezzanine floor in Yaxley Library. FOYL have also purchased two new tables and the area now has a bright new feel, which is great for the many groups who meet there.

If you would like to help FOYL with projects such as this, or can spare any time to assist with events, please ask at Yaxley Library to find out more.

Engage social group

The next Engage social group event will be on Wednesday 17th July at 2pm. This month's talk is ‘Companion Gardening’, a wonderful talk by Linda Hutchings about how gentle therapeutic gardening helps people - particularly those with health concerns or a disability. Free tickets for this event are available in Yaxley Library from 1st July. Hurry - numbers are limited!

Creative writing / reading group

This popular Group continue to meet once a month on a Monday evening. The next meeting is on Monday 15th July at 5:45pm.
St Mary Magdalene, Stilton

Men’s Prayer Breakfast

Sat 13th July
8am
Church Meeting Room

New worshippers welcome
Please telephone
Derek Foot 242761 or
Rev. Jamie Mackay 243253

St Mary Magdalene, Stilton

Wednesday Worship at Lunchtime

Holy Communion followed by a soup & bread lunch
Every 3rd Wednesday in the month

17th July
12:30 - 1:30pm
Church Meeting Room

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 24 July
3:10 - 4:00pm

Outside The Talbot
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 |
| Half Day (9am - 1pm or 2 - 6pm) | £25 |

A deposit of £50 is required when booking.

St Mary Magdalene, Stilton
Activities For Parents and Children

Drop in and try these:

- **Tuesday 9am:** Children’s Fun Dance
- **Wednesday 9am:** Drop in for a drink and chat
- **1st Wednesday:** Children’s Songs
- **Friday 9am:** Linking Hands
- **Sunday 11am:** 2nd Sunday LinCup Café worship
- **4th Sunday Family Worship**

Growing together in Worship - Reaching out with Christian Love
Baby You're the Best!

FOLKSWORTH TODDLER GROUP WINS 'PARENTING OSCARS'

Tracy Martin is celebrating after her Folksworth Toddler Group was named one of the best in the area in the UK's biggest parenting competition.

The group was voted the area's most popular in the prestigious competition run by Netmums.com, Britain's largest parenting website.

Folksworth Toddlers is open to children aged from birth until school age. It has been running for many years and is a firm favourite with local mums, dads and carers, who have called it 'the highlight of our week.' Parents also told how the group was special for its 'caring volunteers, a great range of activities and for putting a smile on the face of everyone who attends.'

Tracy Martin said: ‘The Netmums awards are the Parenting Oscars, so we are delighted to have won. It's an award for everyone involved in Folksworth Toddlers; the parents, carers and, of course, the children. We try hard to make the group the best it can be and are so pleased to have been recognized.’

Netmums founder Siobhan Freegard said: ‘Well done to Folksworth Toddlers. We had thousands of mums voting in the area - but Tracy's group stood out. Parents love the homely atmosphere and look forward to going every week.’

The Group runs at Folksworth Village Hall on Tuesdays, 10-11:30am. For more information, please contact Tracy Martin on 07402 955367 or find them on Facebook.
Peterborough Opera

Summer Concert

Saturday 20th July
7:30pm

The singers will be presenting a varied programme of solos and choruses at

St John’s Church, Peterborough

Tickets £10 in advance
from Peterborough Visitor Information Centre - 01733 452336
£12 on the door
Includes a glass of wine

St Mary Magdalene Church, Stilton

INVITATION TO ALL STILTON’S TEDDY BEARS

Whatever your size or condition you are cordially invited to a picnic, arranged specially for you, in the Church Meeting Room

on Wednesday afternoon, July 10, 2 to 3:15pm

That means you can be on time to collect your less fortunate mates who go to school.

Bring your "owners"
St Mary Magdalene Church Stilton

**Flower Festival**

**Saturday July 6th**, 11.00 to 7.00 pm

**Sunday July 7th**, 12.00 to 6.00 pm

Concert: Saturday 6th 7.30 pm in the Church

Words & Music for a Summer Evening

**Flowers & Music, Cakes & Teas in the Church**

**Sunday Service**

11.00 am All Age Service

Proceeds towards Stilton Church, special collection for Church repairs. Please use the Gift Aid Envelopes
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Stilton Playgroup’s

SUMMER FETE

SATURDAY 20TH JULY
11-2 PM
Stilton School playground

JOIN US FOR SOME FUN IN THE SUN!
- and to say a sad and fond farewell to Jane Wilkinson who has been such a dedicated and loved part of Playgroup for over 25 years!

★ Hook-a-duck
★ Lucky dip
★ Cafe
★ Books
★ Face paints
★ Tattoos
★ Summer trail
★ Free activities
★ Bric-a-brac
★ Balloons
★ Strawberries & Cream
.... and much more!

Everyone welcome, children of all ages!

Come and share your memories of your time at Playgroup with Jane at her final Playgroup event.

All profits to Stilton Playgroup Registered Charity No. 1000319
Stilton Children’s & Young Peoples Facilities Association
Skate Park Prize Draw

The Skate Park has been in operation since mid-2009 and costs about £1,500 a year to insure and maintain. Many of the youths who were involved in its development have now moved on and are either in work or at university. It is funded by 1/3rd from the Parish Council, 1/3rd from Huntingdonshire District Council and 1/3rd from local funding, raised mostly by the Prize Draw held at Cheese Rolling.

This year the Prize Draw will be matched funded by Barclay’s Bank, which will help us to keep the Park up to its excellent standard.

NOW WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are about to start on further Children and Youth Outdoor Facilities and we need the help and guidance of some young people and parents to make sure that we develop what is wanted. We also need some help to run events on the existing ramps.

Parents & Children, would you like to join us?

Then contact:-
Carol, Ian, or Peter or just phone.

Peter Mitchell on 01733 244666

The SC&YP-FA trustees are: -
John Warner, Carol Warren, Ian Parmenter and Peter Mitchell
Charity No. 1124254
**NHS Insulin Passport**

If you take insulin as part of your diabetic care you may wish to pick up an Insulin Passport from your Diabetic Nurse or from Rowlands Pharmacy. The Insulin Passport is for you to document your current insulin products and enables a safety check for prescribing, dispensing and administration. When insulin is prescribed, dispensed or administered, healthcare professionals cross-reference available information to confirm the correct identity of insulin products.

It is important that you keep it with you for emergencies (it folds up to credit card size) and also that you keep the information up to date. For more details please speak to your diabetic nurse.

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**Bereavement Support Group**

The first monthly meeting of the Bereavement Support Group will be held in the Health Education Room on Wednesday 17th July from 2-3:30pm. This is your opportunity to find friendly support, fellowship and refreshments.

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**Dr First**

**APPOINTMENT SYSTEM UPDATE**

We have now completed 12 months of Dr First our new appointment system and overall are delighted with the results. Most of the feedback we have had from patients has been very positive. We have all had to learn a new way of working and hopefully patients are finding it easier to get through on the phone and that we are even more accessible for advice than ever before. Please remember that, because all the calls are done by the doctors first, it means we have lots of space to see people the same day or at peak times, like after work. If it is causing difficulties for you then speak to Trish, our senior receptionist, or your doctor, who will advise how we can make it work better for you.

It is also worth reminding you that the telephone calls are not to put you off seeing the doctor. If you don't want to talk on the phone and still want to be seen face to face then say so and you will be booked in.

*Dr. Alison Graham*

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**Staff News**

The following staff members have left Yaxley Group Practice employment. Kathryn Lilley, who was a Receptionist, left us in October 2012, and Laura Falconer, Secretariat/I.T./Administrative Assistant left in April 2013. We would like to wish them both well in the future in their new ventures.

We also welcome Barbara Olim to the Practice Team.
Orchid
FIGHTING MALE CANCER

Orchid is dedicated to supporting men affected by male cancer through groundbreaking research, awareness and education programmes. Their Male Cancer Information Nurses offer a wide range of much-needed services to men and their families.

Orchid's new testicular cancer microsite - www.yourprivates.org.uk - provides comprehensive information, advice and support for any man diagnosed with testicular cancer.

For more information about Orchid you can contact a Orchid Male Cancer Information Nurse on: Tel. 020 3465 5766
Email: nurse@orchid-cancer.org.uk or info@orchid-cancer.org.uk

Diary Dates
CARER SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The next meeting of the Carer Support Group will be on Wednesday 3rd July between 2-4pm in the Health Education Room.

We are always keen to welcome any carer to our small but friendly group; for more information please speak to Linda in the Patients’ Library. All carers are welcome to attend.

HALF-DAY CLOSING

The practice will be closed on Wednesday 17th July 2013 from 1-4pm

Age Well Club July

Tue 2nd History of Food 1900 - 1960’s
Fiona Lucraft

Tue 9th Coffee Morning and Quiz

Tue 16th TBA

Tue 23rd Luminus - Out and About and Lifeline
Ruby Gray

Tue 30th Outing to Foxton Locks for Lunch
Leaving YGP at 11.30am

For more details and information please see Linda in the Patients’ Library.

Stilton Over 60's Club

Several members have been on shopping outings to Morrisons at Stamford and Downton Shopping Outlet, near Grantham. Further outings are planned for Wyvale Garden Centre at Crowland and Waterside Garden Centre at Baston.

The club meets on Friday afternoons from 2-4pm in the Church Meeting Room

For more details of meetings and outings please contact Sylvia Ward 242457 or Doreen Clark 242643

Diary Date!

A reminder about the outing to Melton Mowbray on Tuesday 1 October. The cost will be announced soon.