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The Amenities Group have applied for funding from the AVIVA Community Fund. But winning a grant requires lots of votes in favour of our application. So go to https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/2028/ and register to get 10 votes. Then cast them ALL for the pavilion project!

We’re on the home straight now; one last push and the Group will have achieved Stilton’s biggest community project in living memory. See p19 for an update.

Tim Says Thanks

Tim Alban, our new District Councillor, writes to say thank you to everybody who voted for him in the recent elections. He looks forward to representing the interests of everybody in our village, as well as in Holme, Denton and Caldecote.

Tim used to be one of our unsung band of SCAN deliverers, so we know he’ll be using these pages to keep you informed. Right Tim? If you need to get in touch with him, you can go to his Facebook page: Facebook.com/TimAlbanForStiltonWard or call 07913 101145. And of course he tweets on @tim_alban.

We’ll include contact details of all our elected representatives in the next SCAN.

Great Haddon
NEW PROPOSALS

The northern end of the Great Haddon site, known as 'Gateway Peterborough', has had the road and utilities infrastructure developed. Some of the intended employment sites have been built. However, Roxhill Developments Ltd. now plan to use the southern part of the site for 600 dwellings and a primary school.

By the time you read this the public consultation event will have taken place. Notification was limited and the Norman Cross Action Group ignored but the news got out so that the surrounding Parish Councils were able to go to look at the proposals. You can rest assured this application will be inspected in depth and representations made.

Editor's note The Norman Cross Action group was set up in 2010 when plans were announced for a development of over 5200 houses and associated infrastructure on first grade agricultural land in the area between the A1(M) and A15. The industrial area lies to the north of the site, adjacent to the Fletton Parkway. The Group is made up of affected Parish Councils, District and County Councillors and Mr Shailesh Vara MP. For details see www.nxag.org.uk
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

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

Call 101 and ask for the Hampton office

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

Keep this somewhere handy!
Tour of Cambridgeshire
LOCAL ROAD CLOSURES FOR SOME SERIOUS CYCLING!

The weekend of 6 & 7 June sees an exciting bike race taking place around our local roads. Rather like the London Marathon, this event attracts not only top-class athletes out to win, but also a mixed field of amateurs all keen to test themselves.

The event comprises two races; a 16 mile time trial on 6 June and a 125km (about 80 mile) ‘Gran Fondo’ race on 7 June. Both routes come near Stilton; the time trial comes through Folksworth and Washingley, and the Gran Fondo along Bullock Road.

The races start from the Showground at 12 noon; road closures will be in force between various times from 10am until about 7pm, or when the ‘broom wagon’ has swept up the also-rans!

You can find full details of the event at: www.tourofcambridgeshire.com, including maps of the routes and details of the road closures. We reproduce the local map here.

If you want to watch the excitement of the start or finish of the race, there will be plenty of parking at the Showground. If you want to watch the riders out on the route, be sure to NOT park your car on the route itself! Why not walk over Caldecote Hill and get a roadside view in Folksworth?
The last year of this Council's term has been challenging and sometimes frustrating. Several members and officers of the Council have had to contend with illness or bereavement, but have not let their personal problems affect their commitment to the Council and I want to thank everyone for the hard work that has gone into keeping the Council going efficiently and effectively.

The unexpected resignation of Vice Chair John Warner meant the loss of his unequalled knowledge and experience, especially in Planning and maintenance, and we are grateful that Roy Baines stepped into the breach for the last few months. At the end of the year we lost Dick Butler, Alan Warren and Linda Worsley who all decided not to stand for re-election.

Also challenging was the reduced precept, which meant that every item of expenditure had to be carefully considered and cheaper options sought. Alan Warren, Chair of Finance and Resources, and our Treasurer Kathy Ray, presented a revised budget and monitored spending carefully so that we were able to meet all our obligations and end up with a small addition to our reserves. The precept for 2015/16 was agreed, based on the 2013/14 figures. The problems were fully explained in SCAN articles in both years and there was little or no reaction from residents.

As it is some years since we reviewed our financial policies, the new Council may well feel it is time to go back to these. The biggest project of the year was the complete relighting of the whole village, managed by Balfour Beatty on behalf of Cambridgeshire County Council. Members of the Council worked hard to ensure the scheme was relevant and made valuable suggestions. In most parts of the village the scheme was efficiently and successfully implemented but there are still unfinished works in Caldecote Road over a year on and, if Chris Wellford had not stuck tenaciously to his brief, we might not have retained our millennium lights. Even after all his efforts one light has still to be replaced and one of the hanging baskets returned. Balfour Beatty have acknowledged their responsibility but we would be better pleased if they would just finish the job.

Planning applications have mostly been uncontroversial, but we have not always been successful when we have objected. Notably, in spite of a clear policy on tandem development, such an application in Oak Road was agreed. Gala Close was refused. The enclosure of amenity land to become part of a garden can now be allowed and our fight with HDC over this issue appears lost. However, we are seriously angered at the lack of any action when we first raised the issue and are currently putting together a formal complaint. Proposed changes to the bridleway were also opposed and the Council was able to support Mr. Darke in his battles with the Highways Agency and Cambs. County Council.

Another problem involving the District
Council has been the suspension of the CCTV service. In the last few weeks new equipment has been installed and the system is now recording. 24-hour monitoring seems unlikely until a new 'hub' at Yaxley becomes available. We are now trying to get a new service level agreement before paying anything more.

The new Council will find the same issues recurring: trees, bus shelter refurbishment, the centre of the village, drainage, maintenance of the telephone box, dog fouling, and parking on grass verges will all reappear on our agendas next year. However, the recent annual village walk reported back on the attractive appearance of the village, its tidy and clean state, and for this the Parish Council can be thanked. The village maintenance contract is regularly reviewed and the village caretaker has a regular schedule. The annual bulky rubbish collection continues to minimise the menace of fly tipping.

We remain a law-abiding community with sporadic outbreaks of, for instance, car crime and antisocial behaviour. This last has been associated with the temporary and unavoidable closure of the playing field. We can, however, warn people of such incidents as we now have our own Facebook page!

As mentioned above, only seven members of this council decided to put themselves up for re-election, and only one new person was nominated. This means we hand over to a new council short by three members. The start of the year was challenging, as will be the new year. We need people willing to be involved in the Amenities Project as well as in the other offices we hold, notably the Almshouses Trust and the management of the Memorial Hall. Until we have a full council we are going to struggle, but I'm confident we will win through.

Finally, overshadowing all our other work has been the immense contribution of the Special Projects Group who have met fortnightly throughout the year under the chairmanship of Mark Angus to push forward the start of work. We are so fortunate that this small group continues to give their time and talents; it is certain that we could not have got anywhere as near starting building if we hadn't had them working so hard. All we can do is continue to support this in every way possible.

Olive Main, May 2015
It is five years since work began on this ambitious project for Stilton. It is fair to say that we are in the final stages of getting the funding together, with the intention that construction can start in the Autumn of 2015.

FIELD UPGRADE

The 12 month, £75,000 project to upgrade the field is now well under way. All the new drainage systems are in place. The remaining work is topping off and re-seeding. It is intended that the field will be open for light use at the end of July 2015 and for full use in the autumn.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE PAVILION/HALL

Final designs are being worked on. There will be fully 'match' specified changing facilities, a large hall with storage, community room and kitchen. The design will be such that the building can be extended at a later date, to include a 'youth wing', for example.

CONSTRUCTION

‘Stilton Needs You’. Tenders have been received from construction companies. However, the Steering Group are keen to involve in the project as many local people in the building industry. The specification has been divided up and local people are currently submitting tenders. This is showing some considerable savings. The construction will be professionally project managed.

FUNDING

A huge amount of work has been done over the past year to secure funding, over and above the Parish Council’s contribution of £300k. The current funding position is summarised in the table below.

We have already applied to the 25 potential sports trust funders, asking for small donations of £1,000 to £3,000. We realise that many of these will not be granted, or funded to lesser amounts. We have a list of

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other funders we will be applying to for similar amounts.

Our own fundraising is ongoing and we continue to run events in Stilton. We have written to all local businesses, asking them for donations to our appeal.

**LOCAL CONSULTATION**

The group has kept the community informed through SCAN and through leaflets. It held a consultation meeting on 8th November 2014. A full report was given to the meeting together with next steps. It was here that recommendations were received to enable the new facilities to be extended at a later date. The meeting gave full approval to the work done by the Steering Group.

I would like to place on record my thanks to members of the Steering Group for their tireless work and commitment to this project, and to everyone who is supporting us. Local fundraising is really important and much appreciated. Anyone interested in joining the Steering Group to help with the next stage in the project will be most welcome.

*Mark Angus*
*Chairman, Stilton Amenities Steering Group*

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**DONATIONS TO PETERBOROUGH FOODBANK**

Thank you for your continuing generosity. At the moment there is a particular need for the following items:

- tinned spaghetti
- pasta sauce
- sugar
- tinned fruit
- long-life milk

Donations can be made at Nisa, or in the Church porch, which is open every:

- Tuesday afternoon [2:30-5:00pm]
- Thursday morning [8:00 – 8:45am]
- 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]

...as well as at service times.

**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](http://stumblers.stilton.org) or call Shirley on (01733) 246209 - or just turn up on the day with your boots on!

Be sure to tell our advertisers you found them in SCAN!
It has been another busy year in the life of the Stilton Memorial Hall!

USE OF THE HALL
The overall level of utilisation of the Hall has remained consistent. The Hall is used every weekday and more specifically in the evenings; the majority of the lettings are for local community groups and activities. As in previous years the majority of users of the hall take good care of it and are considerate to those living in the vicinity.

FACILITIES
Maintenance has continued this year, including cleaning of gutters, work on the external door (Eugene King), annual PAT testing and upgrading of fire extinguishers. Many thanks to all committee members, and partners, who help with the upkeep of our hall. There is still a leak coming through the wall by one of the windows when there is driving rain, but this does not seem to cause too much of a problem and hall users have mopped the floor and put out safety cones as requested. Sally’s cleaning cupboard has been thoroughly cleaned. Mops etc are rinsed well in disinfectant and the cupboard is now much tidier and fresher. New, very efficient, hand dryers have been installed in the toilets.

The Parish Council has had the Memorials refurbished on the front of the hall and Rob Tappenden (Retelec) supplied and fitted, without charge, new lighting above the Memorials in preparation for the WW1 Commemoration on 4th August 2014.

NEW MEMBERS
We are pleased to welcome two new members to the committee; Jade Smith our booking clerk and Anne Bainbridge who has recently moved into the village.

FUND RAISING
The Guides held a sleep-over in the Hall, when they not only had lots of fun (even cooking Christmas dinner) but raised £120 towards the amenities project fund.

FINANCE
In terms of routine running costs, the Hall continues to operate within the income from letting fees. A modest increase in the charges for the use of the Hall have been introduced with effect from April this year. This is the first increase for many years and continues to offer excellent value. Jade has designed new payment forms, which are simpler for regular Hall users and for our treasurer to identify incoming payments.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
The officers as at the start of this year are: Chair – Susan Grey, Secretary – Linda Walford, Treasurer – Janet Greenfield.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO:
- All the members of the Memorial Hall Management Committee who have freely given their time and expertise during the past year
- The Parish Council, for continued support
- Sally Sherington, the cleaner
- Jade Smith, our booking clerk
The Twinning Association has had another very successful year. New members have joined the committee to become active members of the Association. The committee currently consists of 24 members who work remarkably hard, enjoy each other’s company and have fun together.

**GREAT TIMES!**

During the year the Association has held popular Quiz Nights and Race Nights. The annual visit to France, in June 2014, was to Amiens. We visited the Peronne Museum and the Tiepval Memorials; most fitting as we commemorated 100 years since WW1. This year we go to historic city of Boulogne.

Our exchange visits have continued with great enthusiasm. The group visit by 21 people from here to St Christol took place in May 2014. We were magnificently hosted by families in St Christol. As always, the programme was very varied and included visits to the Fèria in Alès, a huge fête celebrating Pentecost with a strong regional theme. We also visited the Perrier water factory, Les Beaux and the Napoleon Museum in Arles. Andy Dann designed and produced a unique pen set to present to St Christol and we took, as always, a Stilton Cheese to share out.

A group of 33, aged 6 to 60 years, visited Stilton in April 2015. The mayor of St Christol plus two councillors were a part of the group. The programme comprised visits to Sandringham, Peterborough, the Norman Cross historic site, Greenwich Park and the Cutty Sark, and Peterborough Climbing Wall. A reception dinner was held at The Bell Inn and a farewell buffet at The Angel Spice. Andy Dann produced another wooden masterpiece, a writing box for the Salle de Marriage in the St Christol Mairie. We received a ceramic plaque depicting the St Christol Pyramid, a Camargue bull and an olive branch. It was a fantastic visit and my thanks go to everyone who took part.

The Association funds are healthy following very successful fund-raising events, which are very popular. The funds raised are devoted to travel grants for young people in full-time education who take part in twinning exchanges to St Christol, and to fund programmes of activities and visits when guests from St Christol visit us. The recent visit cost £4000. The Association also sponsors the Cheese Rolling Junior Championship, the SK8s fund-raising events and tournaments.

Over 500 people have been involved in exchanges over the past eighteen years. We are beginning to plan celebrations to mark 20 years since the signing of our twinning charters; 1997 in St Christol and 1998 here in Stilton. Where has the time gone?

The Association is actively supporting the Stilton Amenities Steering Group developing plans for new facilities for the village on the recreation field and applying for funding grants. This is the biggest project for the village in a generation. We held a Race Night on 17 May 2014, which raised over £600 for the project funds. The Association is looking forward to holding events in the new hall!
I would like to thank members of the Stilton & District Twinning Committee who work so hard, the Parish Council and St Christol Mairie for their ongoing support, the Twinning Association in St Christol for all that they do, and everyone in this area who supports the activities and events that the Association arranges.

*Chris Walford, Chairman*

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**Mobile Library**  
**Wed 24 June**  
**3:10 - 4pm**  
**Outside The Talbot**  
**Route M24**

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Say ‘paneer’! The 2014 Twinning group pose for photos after enjoying a farewell buffet at the Angel Spice

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**Twinning Diary Dates**

26 - 28 June  
   Weekend visit to France - details in this issue

10 July  
   Dinner Dance at The Bell in aid of the Village Amenities project

14 November  
   Quiz Night, Stilton Memorial Hall

If you are interested in any of these events or in becoming involved in the Association please contact Chris Walford on 241376.

Funds raised by the Association provide for travel grants for young people on exchange visits to St Christol and activities here when groups visit from St Christol.
Stilton & District Twinning Association presents

A WEEKEND IN FRANCE
26 - 28 June 2015

Join us in the historic walled city and port of

Boulogne

- Executive coach via the Channel Tunnel
- Two nights B+B in the old city
- Sunday lunch at a gourmet restaurant

Pick-up from Stilton or Folksworth at 9:00 am on Friday
Visit artisan brewery and Napoleonic monument
Arrive Boulogne approx 6 pm
Return Stilton/Folksworth approx 9 pm on Sunday

£219 per person tbc (twin/double room)
(£259 for single room)

Contact Audrey and Paul for details:
(01733) 241739
paul.springford@gmail.com

Better hurry - only a few places left!
The Trustees continue to meet regularly and work to ensure that the Almshouses provide very good accommodation for the residents, following the complete refurbishments in 2005/06.

The Trustees inspect the three cottages at least once per year; they are in good condition and well looked after by the residents.

Following the major expense of refurbishing the chimneys, the replacement of two wet-room floors and the replacement of three central heating boilers, the Trustees have continued to make every effort to increase the financial reserve. Major expenditure in the past year has been to rebuild the garden wall, to repair a central heating system, to paint the exterior woodwork and to cut back and simplify the garden area. The Almshouses finances, held by the Trustees, are just sufficient to meet unexpected contingencies. Running costs are covered by income.

The next two projects will be the replacement of the third wet-room floor covering and to replace double-glazing panels. Nisa in Stilton most generously made a donation towards the rebuilding of the garden wall.

The village maintenance contractors maintain the garden area.

The annual accounts are professionally and independently audited and submitted to the Charities Commission.

I would like to thank all the Trustees for their ongoing hard work, Yvonne Warner for her commitment and diligence as Secretary to the Trustees, and the Trustees’ Treasurer, Doug Maltman. Our particular thanks go to Alan Warren who has resigned as a Trustee after long service.

Almshouses Trustees are:

Mary Croll,
Olive Main,
Doug Maltman (Treasurer)
Chris Walford (Chairman)
Alan Warren
Linda Worsley
Yvonne Warner (Secretary)

Chris Walford, Chairman

Stilton Over 60’s Club
FANCY A DAY OUT?

We have a few seats left for Sandringham House and Gardens on Wednesday 3 June. Adults £29.00 Seniors £27.00

Also Wisbech Rose Fair on Wednesday 1st July £10.00

For information please contact:

Sylvie Ward 242457
Val Ward 240619
Doreen Clark 242643
SCA continues to produce a monthly village newsletter, SCAN. This year, we were asked if we could extend our coverage to Norman Cross as Folksworth's Folklore was not being produced. This means we distribute about 2500 copies each month, free of charge, into every household in Stilton, Denton, Caldecote and Norman Cross.

Stilton Parish Council also uses SCAN as its means of meeting its statutory obligation to keep its residents informed and makes a monthly contribution to the costs. SCAN is also committed to a monthly bulletin on the progress of the Amenities Project.

Costs of production have increased and competition from the colourful, professional Yaxley Gazette has probably cut into our advertising revenue, but SCAN remains financially sound and committed to helping Stilton's firms and services keep their names in front of their potential customers as cheaply as possible.

The Community Association continues to organise the Stilton Cheese Rolling; this year on May 4 celebrating the 70th Anniversary of VE Day. Organisation gets more bureaucratic and expensive each year but Cheese Rolling still manages to be true to its origins, in that the local pubs, shops etc. have their best day of the year, and local groups and organisations are able to fund raise for their own purposes.

The problem of car parking has not been solved, but there is some hope for next year. Also, for the second year running, there has been serious disturbance some hours after the end of the event, but clearly linked to the all-day drinking culture. It is exasperating that it is youths from outside the village, this year from Yaxley and Hampton it seems, who are spoiling our reputation. I am already in discussion with the Police but I suspect the costs of their proposals would be very high.

Olive Main

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**St Mary Magdalene, Stilton**

**Coffee Morning**

**June 27th**

10:30am - 12noon

Church Meeting Room

*Enjoy a cuppa and a cake for £1.50*
School Governors are appointed for four years; in July 2014 my term as a Community governor came to an end. It was decided to request that a Governor representing the Parish Council should be again appointed and I was asked if I would take this position for another four years. I did, however, step down from being Vice-Chair.

I remain a member of the Learning Committee and assist the Foundation Governors (appointed by Ely Diocese) in my capacity as a member of Stilton Parish Council Parochial Church Council.

Currently there are two vacancies on the governing body and efforts are being made to recruit new members. Alan Warren has resigned as he has moved away. He will be greatly missed because his financial expertise has been invaluable in ensuring a balanced budget in the face of fluctuating income. Particularly, this year has seen the extra expense of the free school meals initiative for the younger children. This has been tackled successfully and there is a very high take-up.

The Governors meet twice each term and review and update all the many policies the school has to have. They are also responsible for the maintenance of the premises and for Health & Safety. In between meetings, governors make monitoring visits, usually to experience specific activities or events. Governors also monitor the allocation of funds, such as the Pupil Premium and sports premium, both designed to 'raise aspirations'.

**OFSTED REPORT**

The Ofsted inspection in July 2013 listed a number of areas for development. Outside advisors have conducted audits of Behaviour and Safety and Teaching and Learning. Both audits were rated as ‘good’ with elements being ‘outstanding’.

*Olive Main*

**Stilton Church Choir**

Over the last year or so, a small group of Singers aged from 8+ to 80+ have got together to sing at special services in our group of Churches; most recently at the farewell service for Jamie and Linda Mackie held at Elton.

We are directed by Ceri Lackenby and Margaret Parsons is our accompanist. We don't all read music, but we enjoy singing both traditional Church music and more modern pieces.

We started rehearsals on 26th February and meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 7:30pm for about one hour in the Church Meeting Room. For more information contact:

Pat Maltman  (242229) or
Ceri Lackenby  (617916)
The governing body plays several important roles in the work of a school.

Governors:

- help to create the vision, ethos and strategic direction of the school
- ensure that high educational standards are maintained
- ensure that the school's finances are used properly and effectively

Governors are all volunteers drawn from four groups of people:

- parents and carers
- staff at the school
- the church
- the wider community

Our governors are local volunteers who meet six times a year. They also serve on either the Resources or the Learning Committee, each of which meets once a term, and they take part in task groups and monitoring visits as and when these are required.

If you would like to be considered for this exciting opportunity, or simply wish to find out more about what is involved, please contact the Clerk to the Governors, Mrs Crane - (01733) 240480 or by email to office@stilton.cambs.sch.uk Training is provided free of charge for anyone joining the governing body.

You don't need to be an education expert; you do need to be committed and interested in children and young people. What better way to invest in the future of our community than by serving on the governing body of our local school?

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**Stilton Memorial Hall**

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

**Revised Charges from 1st April 2015**

To book the Hall, please contact the Booking Clerk:
Jade Smith 15 Woodward Close (01733) 735001

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.
We're having a very busy summer term at Stilton C of E Primary School. Children from Years 3 and 4 recently went on a residential trip to Grafham Water. The children completed activities to test their problem-solving and teamwork skills, such as rafted canoeing, archery, climbing, catapult building, orienteering and low ropes. They also took part in the Grafham Challenge, which involved the children completing an obstacle course whilst being blindfolded! The children successfully finished the course by working together and communicating really effectively.

Children from Otter and Robin class went on a walk around Stilton, as part of their plants topic. The children were amazed to find so many different species of flowers and plants in the village. They were thinking about how the plants were similar and different to each other, and completed some observational drawings.

Owl Class are learning about bugs this term. The children are currently busy planning for their 'Ugly Bug Ball', by writing invitations to their grown-ups and shopping lists of items they'll need for the ball!

The topic in Key Stage 2 this term is 'invasion', with the children learning about the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. The children have been thinking about raids, settlements and artefacts.
The Art of Skating
STILTON SKATE PARK TO GET A MAKEOVER!

Exciting news! Not only has the skate park passed its RoSPA inspection, but Sawtry Village Academy will be bringing a talented team of artists to the skate park on 20th and 27th June to do some fantastic art work on the ramps for us. This will mean the skate park will be closed for those two days but it will be worth it.

The skate park has a small committee of volunteers who raise funds and maintain it. If you would be willing to help us please phone Carol on 07508 502534. It would be great to have a few more people to help us.

Sponsor Tilly
TOGETHER WE CAN BEAT CANCER

I am taking part in Race for Life at Ferry Meadows on 7th July to raise money for cancer research, writes Tilly Warren. I am only 11 years old but this is the 10th year I have taken part. I will be racing with my mum Carol, my big sister Emily and some special friends.

If you would like to sponsor me, you can visit my Just Giving web page, where you can also read my story and see photos taken at Race for Life in previous years. Thanks for reading.

www.justgiving.com/TillyWarren11

Race for Life
Loads of Likes!
EVERYBODY LOVED CHEESE-ROLLING

Thanks to Emily Warren and Clare Sanderson for a concerted campaign of publicising this year's Cheese Rolling on Facebook. While the event was taking place they and others were busy sending out pictures and text. By the end they had achieved 735 'likes' - almost all complimentary. We were able to post the results out quickly as well, with some brilliant photographs.

The village website, www.stilton.org also received a huge amount of traffic in the run-up to Cheese-Rolling.

THANKS TO:

Stilton Community Association
Carol Warren and Olive Main

Road Management
New laws mean that only professionals can close roads. We are very lucky that Ringway of Stilton depot very generously took this on, negotiated with Cambridgeshire County Council and signposted the diversion route.

Refuse
Huntingdon District Council no longer takes the mountain of rubbish free of charge. We were rescued by Roy Baines at the Tunnel, who arranged for its disposal at his expense.

Safety and Security
Cambs Constabulary provided two 'Specials'. Through PubWatch, the pubs and shops agreed on a common policy to try and reduce the danger of too much alcohol. CCTV was used to photograph any efforts by underage drinkers to access alcohol.

Risk Management
St John's Ambulance provided First Aid and medical cover. The event is fully insured, but all fairground rides, food stalls and commercial stall must also provide evidence of their own insurance. Carol Warren designs, organises and manages the layout to ensure easy passage for emergency vehicles and no danger for overhead wires. Thanks also to Stilton Guest House and Colbrook for providing parking for participants’ vehicles.

MayDay Celebrations
Organized by Carol Warren and sponsored by Stilton Community Association and Linda Mitchell.

May Queen & King
Amelia Guest and William Stevenson

Princesses
Teagan Chamberlain and Charlotte Bennett
Crowns by Mary Croll
King's coronet by Carol Warren
Crowned by Tilly Warren
Chevrolet driven by Peter Tibbs

Maypole dancing
Stilton School, directed by Mrs Petty.

May garland
Stilton Guides collecting for their summer camping experience

Entertainment
Pig Dyke Molly, Magic Dave, Blue Vision Twirlers, Helen Smith (Bloomfield), Derek Vickers and The Vintage Cheeses.
Presenters and Directors
Adam Vickers - also responsible for the sound and Gary Albone. Their unremitting effort and good humour held everything together over the whole day.

Race Control
Terry Baker

Referees (firm but fair!)
Tom Carrington and Martin Pearce

Course building and Control Tent
When most of us are still in bed the team led by Keith Gipson, of Peter, Emily and Tilly Warren, Ian and Erica Constable, Kath and Ruth Gipson and Carol Warren are busy from a very early hour. Later they clear up and get everything put away and sweep the street.

Bunting
Tony Darke

Sponsorship
All the prizes were sponsored, thanks to - Stilton and District Twinning Association; Stilton Cheesemakers Association (Tuxford and Tebbutt); The Bell Inn; The Talbot; The Tunnels; Nisa and The Angel Spice

RESULTS

Juniors (sponsored by Stilton and District Twinning Association)
1 Churchills, 2 Double Trouble

Ladies (Sponsored by Stilton Cheese Makers Association, Bell Inn, the Talbot and the Tunnels)
1 Vintage Cheese, 2 Stilton Street Party

Men's (sponsored by Stilton Cheese Makers Association, Bell Inn, The Talbot and the Tunnels)
1 Stilton Sombreros

Best dressed teams
Juniors (sponsored by Stilton & District Twinning association) The Twirlers
Adults (sponsored by Nisa)
Stilton Street Party
Something borrowed - something blue! Blue Vision Twirlers showed their winning talent while Pig Dyke Molly, The Vintage Cheeses and the pupils of Stilton School brought history and tradition to life in Stilton High Street.
When a cheese will roll all the way by itself, why does everybody make it look so difficult?
**Arts Alive**

**IN SAWTRY LIBRARY...**

Sawtry Library hosts an afternoon of Frozen fun on Saturday 6th June, with craft activities from 1:30pm and a screening of the sing-a-long version of Frozen from 2pm. Tickets are available in Sawtry Library priced at £5 per adult, £2.50 per child, £7.50 for a family ticket (1 adult with 2 children). Spaces are limited!

**...AND IN YAXLEY LIBRARY**

Yaxley Library presents the film *The 100 Foot Journey* on Saturday 18th July at 7pm. Final details and ticket prices to be confirmed. Please enquire in Yaxley Library.

**RHYMETIME & STORYTIME**

Our popular Rhymetime event, aimed at babies from 0-18 months, runs every Friday during term time from 10:30am to 11am. Storytime, aimed at children aged 18 months to 5 years, will be held on Tuesday 2nd, 16th and 30th June at 10:30am.

**BOOK & BISCUIT STORY CLUB**

The new after-school story club for children aged 4-7 years continues with a *Rumble in the Jungle* on Tuesday 9th June. If your child enjoys reading and sharing stories why not come along and join us from 3:30-4:15pm? There is no need to book. Parents / carers will need to stay with their children.

**EngAge IN THE AFTERNOON**

The June EngAge speaker will be Louise Rackham on *The Great Fen* project; progress to date and future plans. This event takes place on Wednesday 17th June at 2pm. Please call in to Yaxley Library to book a free ticket (limited availability).

**DO YOU NEED HELP WITH COMPUTER BASICS?**

Are you new to computers? Would you benefit from one-to-one assistance with computer basics? Our Computer Buddies can offer FREE basic help to beginners. Please ask a member of library staff for more information.

**ANYONE FOR TEA & TABLETS?**

Would you like to join a group of people who are learning to use their tablet devices? Could you share what you already know to help someone else?

Call in to Yaxley Library for more details of our new Tea & Tablets group.

**CARERS SUPPORT**

Do you need information and advice; are you living with a long-term illness or disability; provide unpaid support to adult family members, or are struggling with an age-related condition? If you have answered yes, why not come along to the adult support drop-in session on Tuesday 16th June from 10am to midday.
**VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY**

Do you have an interest in libraries, books, new technology and people?

Do you have a couple of hours to spare once a fortnight?

We are looking for volunteers to work in partnership with library staff to support people of all ages who need help using the library and to help with support work such as shelving returned books.

Please ask a member of staff in Yaxley Library for more information on this opportunity.

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**Yaxley Library**

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

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**Improve Your Piano Skills and Enjoy Your Playing!**

**Beginners welcome!**

Margaret Parsons  Tel: (01733) 243352

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**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:

- 09:45 Church Close bus stop
- 09:47 Colbrook Garage
- 09:50 Opposite Stilton Cheese
- 09:52 Mill Road bus stop

Apparantly 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.
Amenities Update
WE’RE NEARLY THERE!

FIELD UPGRADE
The work to upgrade the quality of the field surface is almost complete. The new deep and surface drains are in place. What remains to be done is topping off and re-seeding. We hope that the field can be used for light use from the end of July and with matches taking place in the autumn.

PAVILION/HALL
The plans are being revised by the architects following recent consultations and in order to reduce the overall cost.

FUNDING - THE FINAL PUSH!
The Amenities Group are currently working on about 25 small grant applications and one very large grant application (£125,000) with the Football Foundation. This involves a huge amount of work, but the signs are good and we are very hopeful. If these grants are successful, construction should start in the autumn.

Be sure to vote for this project on the AVIVA Community Funding website. See p3 for details.

CONSTRUCTION WORK
Local people in the building business have responded well to the ‘Stilton Needs You’ initiative and most aspects of the construction can be done by local people. Thank you!

Anyone interested in joining the Amenities Group would be most welcome. If you don’t know who to contact, use the Contact form on www.stilton.org and we’ll pass it on.

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 close at 6am on Tuesday 5th August 2014 until August 2015 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
Stilton Amenities Project

Fund Raising Dinner Dance

Friday 10 July 2015
7:00 for 7:30 pm  The Bell Inn, Stilton

Three course meal, dancing and a bumper raffle

Cost per ticket: £35 - wine included

An evening of fun in aid of the new village hall and pavilion.
All proceeds will go towards the pavilion funds.

Bring friends.......tables of eight

Please support the largest community project for the village in a generation.

Tickets on a first come - first served basis available from The Bell Inn Reception.
(Cheques payable to Stilton Parish Council)

Sponsored by The Bell Inn and organised by the Twinning Association
## The Stilton Diary

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CHARITY RACE NIGHT

VENUE: MARLBOROUGH SUITE THE BELL INN, HIGH STREET, STILTON PE7 3RA

Friday, 12th June 2015

From 7:00pm             First Race 7:30pm

FREE ENTRY

Bar Open - Bar Snacks available

9 RACES TO BET ON - COME AND JOIN THE FUN!

Sponsor a race for just £20.00 - get a free advert in the programme
Buy and name your own horse - £5.00

Owners of the winning horse in each race will receive
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Enquiries contact: Jo 07740 582979 or Sue 07977 871329
email: jo@thebellstilton.co.uk

Jo and Sue are both running the Great North Run
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Stilton Group of Churches are proud to present on

**Saturday July 4th 2015**

**the**

RAF Wyton Area Voluntary Band in concert

by kind permission of the Commanding Officer of RAF Wyton Headquarters
Wing Commander O A Fashade BEng, MBA, MSc, CEng, RAF

**at**

All Saints Parish Church, Elton,

Tickets available from:
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or any of the Stilton Churches

For more information go to www.wytonband.co.uk
www.stiltonchurches.com

Proceeds in aid of Stilton Churches Group Funds

Tickets £10

Doors Open 7:00pm
Concert Starts 7:30pm
Complimentary Refreshments
Let’s Get Fruity!
SUMMER’S HERE AT LAST

While there is nothing better than strawberries & cream, by the end of June it will make a change to go to Lutton and buy a punnet each of strawberries, raspberries and blueberries. Mix them together in a pretty serving bowl, scatter over 2oz sugar and 4 tablespoons of cassis (blackcurrant liqueur). Pouring single cream adds a touch of luxury.

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:

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A deposit of £50 is required when booking.
The Garden in June
GET READY TO RELAX

Much of this month's activity will be routine maintenance; mowing the lawn and tidying the edges; dead heading; checking for pests and diseases and taking appropriate action.

It will be a relief that you can now get rid of the daffodil leaves, although a thorough foliar feed first will help next year's flowers.

Let's hope we have some warm, dry weather so that we can enjoy relaxing in the garden. But be sure to water the containers, hanging baskets and vegetables.

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Stilton Gardening & Natural History Club
Tuesday June 16th
7:30pm
Church Meeting Room

Indoor meeting - watch for poster

Whether you’re a green-fingered expert or just getting into gardening, the Gardening Club is a great way to learn more and make friends.

Details from Olive - 241206

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Yaxley Flower Club - our 25th year

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Contact: Helen Burton (01733) 242198

Meetings are held at 7:30pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month (excl. Aug & Dec) at the Yaxley British Legion, Broadway, Yaxley.
Prompted by a tragic accident last year when a young boy in Huntingdon drowned in the river, Cambs Fire & Rescue Service has launched a timely campaign to deliver water safety advice to every school in the county. But there is only so much they can do, so they’re calling on parents, carers and peers to talk to each other about water safety.

Warm weather and the summer holidays naturally tempt youngsters into the water, but there are hidden dangers in lakes and rivers. CFRS offers the following sound advice to everybody:

- Think twice before jumping into water this summer.
- You do not know what hazards lie beneath the surface of rivers, lakes, canals, etc.
- Strong undercurrents can be tough to conquer, even if you know how to swim.
- Cambridgeshire’s waterways are cold – even on the hottest days of the year – and this has a dramatic effect on your ability to swim and get yourself out of trouble, should you get stuck.

If someone is in trouble in the water, call 999 immediately and give clear details of your location.

For the latest news, incidents and safety advice, or to contact CFRS, log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk. Find them on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook. Call 01480 444500 for enquiries.
Diary Dates

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The next meeting of the Bereavement Support Group will be on Wednesday 24th June 2015 between 2-3:30pm in the Health Education Room.

HALF DAY CLOSURE

The practice will be closed on Wednesday 17th June from 1pm to 4pm.

CARER SUPPORT GROUP

The next meeting of the Carer Support Group will be on Wednesday 3rd June 2015 between 2pm-4pm in the Health Education Room. If you care for a family member or friend then you would be welcome to join our small but friendly group for coffee, biscuits and a chat. All carers will be made very welcome.

Medical advice when travelling abroad on holiday

If you are overseas on holiday and require medical advice or assistance, then please can you make contact with the local medical services nearest to you. We have had patients contact us from abroad asking for medical advice. As you can appreciate this is very difficult and it is not safe to offer professional medical advice when we cannot see people if required.

Health Advice for travellers can be viewed at: www.nhs.uk/livewell/travelhealth/Pages/Travelhealthhome.aspx

TRAVEL VACCINATIONS

If you're planning to travel outside the UK, you may need to be vaccinated against some of the serious diseases found in other parts of the world. Vaccinations are available to protect you against many travel-related infections, such as yellow fever, typhoid and hepatitis A.

You don't always need vaccinations to travel abroad. If you do, the type of travel jabs you need depends on which country you're visiting and what you're doing. Please ask at reception for a Travel Health questionnaire; one has to be completed for each person who is travelling. When completed, return to reception and one of our qualified Nurses who are trained in travel health management will contact you within three weeks of receiving your questionnaire to discuss what vaccinations are required. Please allow six weeks before you are due to travel, because some
vaccinations need to be given well in advance to allow your body to develop immunity, and some involve multiple doses spread over several weeks.

**Family Carers Prescription**

This is a free service for family carers of any age and is available in this surgery.

**ARE YOU CARING FOR SOMEONE?**

'A carer spends a significant proportion of their life providing unpaid support to family or, potentially, friends. This could be caring for a relative, partner or friend who is ill, frail, disabled or has mental health or substance misuse problems'.

Then it is really important that you look after your own health and wellbeing.

Would you like to know about:
- Your rights?
- Benefits?
- What's available to support you?
- What's available to support the person you care for?

**HOW TO ACCESS SUPPORT**

The prescription will give you access to a specialist worker at Carers Trust Cambridgeshire who will discuss options available to you, support you to access them and give you an information pack.

**HOW TO GET A PRESCRIPTION**

Please speak to your doctor or, for more information, please speak to Linda Smith in the Patients' Library

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**The Patients’ Association**

Yaxley Health Centre Patients’ Association was established in 1984. The Association forms a vital link and mechanism for communication between the clinicians working at the practice and the patients who use the service. They endeavour to raise funds to purchase medical and other equipment for use by the doctors, nurses and patients. Their other main priority has always been health education, with the provision of health information leaflets. In 1991 the Association decided to establish a Patients' Library and Resource Centre, and to employ a librarian partly funded by the Association.

The committee is made up of a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and other members. Meetings are held every six weeks, with one doctor attending. We are a registered charity. Over the years many fund-raising events have been organised; sponsored walks, quiz evenings, poetry and song evenings and many other social events.

We are keen to welcome new people onto the committee or anyone who would be willing to give a little of their time in supporting the work that we do for all patients of Yaxley Group Practice. For further information you can contact any of the committee members named on our notice board in the surgery, or you can have a chat with Linda in the Patients' Library.
Keeping Well
News from the Wellside Clinic

AFTERNOON CLOSURE
17TH JUNE 2015

Please note that the surgery will be closed for staff training from 1pm on Wednesday 17th June. During this time emergency GP cover will be provided by the Out of Hours Service.

ANNUAL ‘FLU CLINIC
SAVE THE DATE!

Our annual ‘flu clinic is scheduled to take place on Saturday 10th October 2015 subject to any alteration to our booked delivery dates.

GP AVAILABILITY

Please can we remind patients that our GPs’ normal days of work are as shown below. We appreciate that it can be difficult at times, but wherever possible, please try to see the same GP if you are returning regarding an ongoing problem.

Dr Ian Williams - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
Dr Charlotte Archer - Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
Dr Richard Smith - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
Dr Abby Richardson - Tuesday, Friday
Dr Basia Uszycka - Monday, Thursday
Dr Emily Morrison - Monday, Thursday

FRIENDS AND FAMILY TEST

As of 1st December 2014 all general practices have introduced the NHS Friends and Family Test. This is a way of gathering your feedback so that we can continually review our service. The test is based on one question - how likely are you to recommend our GP practice to friends and family if they needed similar care or treatment? You also have the opportunity to tell us the main reason for selecting your answer. All of our patients are welcome to answer this question and you can do so as frequently as you wish. Response cards are available in our waiting room and we would be very grateful if you could take a moment to complete a response form next time you are in the practice. In addition, the ability to complete the Friends and Family Test online is now available via our website.

BOOKING AN APPOINTMENT

As we try to meet increasing demand for appointments our reception staff may ask you if you are able to provide some information as to the nature of your need. This is so we can direct you to the best person or resource to meet that need and make best use of the increasingly limited resources we have available.

Best Regards,
Mrs Claire Wright, Practice Manager
Volunteer Drivers Wanted

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 something in the region of 40 people per month requiring this service and the number of Stilton drivers, due to various circumstances, has reduced to only two.

If anyone thinks they would like to offer their services, could they please contact Diane Hankins or Jenny Chambers on 07795 542084.

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
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Sunday Mass 9:15am weekly

Women's Institute Hall, Gidding Road, Sawtry

We are served by the Roman Catholic Parish of St Luke's 26 Benyon Grove, Orton Malborne, Peterborough PE2 5XS

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