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3rd Aug**

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Fri 3rd, 17th, 31st July

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**Mon 13th, 27th July;
10th Aug**

(Denton & Caldecote: Mon 6th, 20th, 3rd)

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Every Monday

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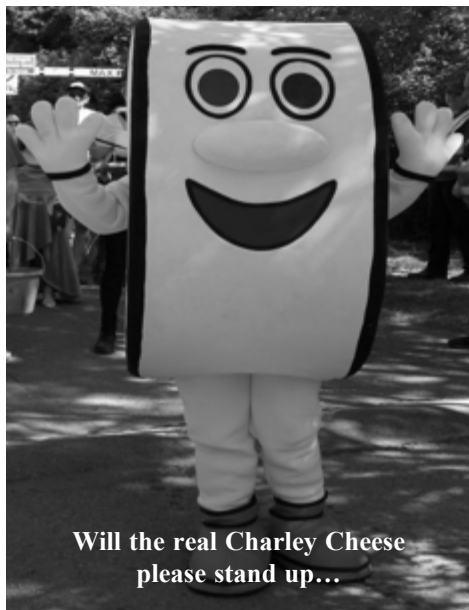
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Stilton Culture

WHAT A SCORCHER!

We've had hot Cheese Rolling days - especially 1988 - but this must have been a record breaker, *writes Tianda Woolner*. But neither the hot weather nor the football stopped people turning out to enjoy our special festival, even if some did go home to watch the footie and came back again for the rest of the festivities. So many groups picnicking on the field, and queuing up for cold drinks, ice cream and the great food we had on offer was wonderful to see.

Our morning began with the now traditional parade from the top of North Street with the B&Q bucket drummers making the most noise of course. Meeting Charlie Cheese at the Pavilion was a big surprise, leading us into the field to start the day's activities.



Will the real Charley Cheese
please stand up...

COURT APPEARANCE

Sponsored by The Stilton & District Twinning Association, the May Court were crowned. Pleasingly, there were nine youngsters in our court this year: May Queen Sienna, May Princesses Lara, Tanaya, Olivia and Olivia, and May Rosebuds Grace, Poppy, Isla and Sophia. These graceful young ladies went on to represent Stilton at The Sawtry Carnival on June 13th.

After signing up the rollers Paul and I send the list to race HQ where Carol Warren takes over, managing the races and collecting all the information we need to present prizes and trophies and for me to let you know who the winners and wannabes were.

Special thanks also to our impressive MCs Adam Vickers and Sara Dunleavy who kept us informed and entertained throughout the morning. Adam decided to dress up as a cowboy on a horse this year, adding to the fun by joining a few races.

HIGH KICKIN'



We are honoured to have a young world kick-boxing champion living in Stilton. Lana Strickland joined us on the day to demonstrate her techniques and tell us about her journey to represent Team England at the WMAC

World Champion ships. Why not support her GoFundMe campaign and help Lana represent Team England?

This year our two dance troupes were Julie's steppers and J's Jewels. They were both outstanding in their costumes and I hope you joined in where you could. Julie 'stepped' in literally at the last minute as the square dancers pulled out just a few weeks before the event and I was blown away by the wings that J's Jewels used to emphasise their dance moves - it was mesmerising.

I think that entries to the Welly Wanging competition were the highest we've ever had. We will have to limit entries next year as it took nearly three hours to complete! We have four categories, Out of 17 entries for the girls, the winner was Edith with a throw of 15.1m, second was Sienna, 9.7m and third was Phoebe with 9.6m. 16 boys signed up and Josh threw an amazing 17.3m to win, followed by William, 15.7m and Theo, 15.0m exactly. Well done girls and boys for joining in this tradition, I hope you compete for many years to come and perhaps get your name on the famous Flying Welly trophy one day.

Of 22 ladies Rachel Quinton's great technique took first prize with 17.1m after her daughter had just won the girls - what a double act! Second was Jo Mason with 16.9m and then Jessica King with 15.3m. And then 40 hopeful men stepped up, full of banter, jostling and jeers. Defending his title, Joseph Missen was just beaten by Matt Coleman with a throw of 26.9m, Joseph threw an impressive 26m and third was Anto Le Pore with a throw of 22.7m Well done everyone, thank you for taking part and see you next year.



This year we introduced a free Kidzone, manned by Stilton Rainbows and Guides leaders who arranged games, competitions and quizzes to keep the youngsters entertained. There were also some foam cheeses so they could practice rolling, with great success. Feedback last year was about there not being much for the little ones to do so we hope that the Kidzone filled that need; if there is anything else you would like us to look into please let us know! And of course, if you could also volunteer to run something for part of the day we would be very grateful.

There was a great mix of crafts, gifts and food stalls so I hope that you all managed to buy something special. I understand the cheeses and meat pies were delicious!

The church ladies ran the kitchen again this year with tempting sweet and savoury food and nicely priced tea or coffee. We set up tables in the Pavilion and on the patios too this year so if you did get a chance to go inside I hope you admired all the pictures and cartoons sent in by Stilton and Folksworth schools and children from Stilton Rainbows, Brownies and Guide. The little ones coloured in a picture of Charlie Cheese and a few of the older children entered a cartoon about Charlie's Adventure. I am glad that I didn't have to judge them but the Folksworth Art club judged the pictures and Lily Kitching, a teacher at SVA, judged the cartoons. Well done to everyone that entered, we hope you enjoyed your goody bags!

Finally, as the day was nearly done it was time for the evening music festival to begin. Adam Vickers has been able to bring singers and bands to entertain us every year. The

very young Maria Marr sang some beautiful songs for us, followed by local bands Midas, High Haden and 2012. Then Adam took to the stage and sang a mix of old favourites and songs from his new album Forever Young. He then joined David as the duo DNA to finish off an amazing day of fun, food, drink, laughter and very hot sun.

As usual, the men were competitive, the children were excited and the F1 grudge match was chaos. But our two guest referees, District Cllr Tim Alban and County Cllr Simon Bywater, managed to rein everyone in. Many thanks for joining us this year, next year maybe bring a team?

THE SCORE SHEET

This year's men's final - sponsored by Robinsons Pies - was run between Cool Rollings and 3½ Men, both teams returning after being knocked out in 2025. Cool Rollings won this year and also took home the prizes for the F1 race under their other name - Cool Rollings F1 Rollers. Well done boys, enjoy your Stilton cheese and ale party.

We had just two ladies' entries this year, The Survivors, who beat Martin's Gang. Thank you for rolling this year, let's get more ladies involved in 2027! We are grateful to Christopher from Vibrant Colour, Sawtry for sponsoring the ladies' races.

The family teams lined up next, Ledbury Losers, Rocket Rollers, Cheesy Socks and The Colemans; the Rocket Rollers and The Colemans. Rocket Rollers won, but left without collecting their prize so if someone from the team can get in touch with Tianda we'd love to give you your Stilton cheese, ale and wine and gift vouchers for the children.

The mini-rollers made us very proud since relaunching the rolling on the field. They are so enthusiastic and I'm sure have been secretly practicing their techniques. So this was the line-up for 2026. Wild Wotzits won against a strong field of Blazing Cheeseballs, Fantastic Four, Alpha Potatoes, Small Cheeses, Cheese Rolling Goats, Cheesy Does It and Lava Chickens. Very well done, we hope you enjoy your Amazon Vouchers and goody bags kindly sponsored by Angel Spice.

This year we introduced a special race using real Stilton Cheese from the Long Clawson dairy. The winning ladies team rolled against four volunteers, Tim Alban, Simon Bywater, Ebony Smith and Keira Dunleavy. The Survivors won and after the cheeses were rolled we cut them up and offered free cheese tasting. Everyone said it was the best they'd ever tasted! A full recap of all the races including the real cheese race is on Youtube, search for Stilton Cheese Rolling Festival 2026 - Cheese Rolling Finals on the Everything Peterborough channel.

Two photographers supported us this year, Jonathan Paice and David Arthur. Thank you very much for your time on the day and for the editing you did for us. Most of the photos are now on our Facebook page or other social media, please add to them if you have a great memory of the day.

As usual we thank everyone who supports us on the day, or with planning, setting up or clearing the site on Monday. We couldn't do it without you all. We hope to engage a few more volunteers for next year's festival so if you have any time at all, please help us get ready for the next Stilton Cheese Rolling on Sunday, May 30th 2027.



Cheese-Rolling pictures to make you glow with pride! Lots more on Facebook!

Photo credits: Tianda Woolner

Heritage News

COME AND LEARN ABOUT FOLKSWORTH'S HISTORY

Our regular monthly meetings in Stilton Church continued in June with an interesting talk by Roger Leivers on the 'House of Spies'. This was all about Farm Hall in Godmanchester and the World War 2 spies who lived and worked there.

We're delighted that, for our meeting in July, Stilton Heritage member Alison Brown will be talking on 'Aspects of Folksworth' - some of the history of our local area. We're looking forward to one of our local historians providing insights into our past. This will take place at 7:30pm on Thursday 9th July at Stilton Church. All welcome. Stilton Heritage members are free, non-members can pay at the door £5 (light refreshments included).

We shall be having our summer break in August; meetings will resume on September 10th when we plan to hold our Annual General Meeting. Also at the September meeting, Roger Dewis will be speaking on Early Flight - The story of flight in Peterborough and the surrounding area.

And don't forget to visit the Stilton Heritage website - www.stiltonheritage.org - for more information on our local history.

Stilton Stumblers

Summer's here! Come and join us!



5 th July	Houghton Mill	5 mi	19 th July	Great Casterton	6 mi
2 nd Aug	Denford	6 mi	16 th Aug	Greatford	6 mi

For all walks, meet at the Pump at 10:00. For more information about Stumbling, visit stumblers.stilton.org or call Sarah or Michael on 01733 241804

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Find Parish Council meeting minutes, Pavilion booking details, availability calendar and hire fees on our website www.stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk

To report any village issues, fill out the form on our website.

Parish Council News

BARN CLOSE PLAY AREA - THINGS ARE MOVING!

After consultation with residents in Barn Close and speaking to families of under-6 children we have reviewed the four plans submitted for the new play equipment in Barn Close Play Area. Below is the chosen design which will be supplied by Kompan.



We have our hopes on a Lottery bid to part fund this project but, if not successful, will use CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) monies. Works should begin in July and we are hoping for a Grand Opening in September. Thank you to everyone who provided feedback at the various events in the village.

APREECE WAY BENCH

We have ordered a new bench for residents to sit and enjoy the Apreece Way Wildlife garden. This should be installed in July, providing a quiet resting place for residents and visitors as they walk around the village.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

We opened the doors to the Pavilion for our Annual Parish Meeting in May and, as well as sharing community news, celebrated three village Local Heroes: Paul, who collects village litter all year round, Jim, who reacted immediately to the spate of

graffiti in the village recently, removing all traces in his own time and cost, and Dee who donates her time to populating our planters both at Caldecote Road and the entrance to the play area at the Pavilion. We thank them all!

COUNCILLORS LEAVING AND ARRIVING

We wish to thank Adam Vickers and Deborah Paice who have recently left the Parish Council. Their participation in the council's work has been greatly appreciated. Adam continues to be the driving force behind the Cheese Rolling event so he will certainly be kept busy with plans for 2027. Deborah has kindly agreed to stay on the Cemetery Working Group so we look forward to seeing her at these meetings.

We also welcome three new councillors who were co-opted at the May and June meetings: Clark Graham, Terri Mitchell and Fiona McCullough. Terri has lived in the village for 35 years and wishes to support the PC with the development of green spaces. Fiona has attended our monthly meetings for some time and has now decided to be on the other side of the table. She is also interested in green spaces along with the Cemetery, Churchyard and the Pavilion. Clark has been a member of the Traffic and Parking Working Group for a fair while but is widening his involvement to join, not only the Parish Council, but all our committees

DECISIONS, DECISIONS...

At our June meeting we decided to:

- Award the Church a Supporting the Community grant of £340 to enable it to get up and running as it starts a mother and baby group in the Church Meeting Room. The funds are to train two people in Paediatric First Aid.
- Add the top end of Church Street, near the junction with Caldecote Road to our village maintenance schedule. Cambridgeshire County Council made the request (as technically their responsibility to maintain), following communication with residents in the area who have been cutting the grass themselves. The grass cutting will be covered from now on.
- Write to Halls the Chemist again to highlight the ongoing need for a lift that would enable less mobile residents to enter the building.
- Award the contract for the Barn Close Play Area to Kompan at a cost of £31,999.85 (as mentioned above). The play area will continue to be for those under 6 years old and will include seating and swings. There were four returned quotes and some great options to evaluate. We look forward to arranging an opening event later this year.

NEW! COMING TO THE PAVILION IN SEPTEMBER

Join our Puppy School
Mondays 6-7pm
Stilton Pavillion

Obedience workshops
"Prepare for new puppy" visits
Private 1-2-1 training

Schooling Skye

DOG TRAINING

Safe, structured socialisation
Recall foundations
Loose lead walking
Calm greetings
Confidence building
Food manners

Led by experienced dog trainer Laura Clark
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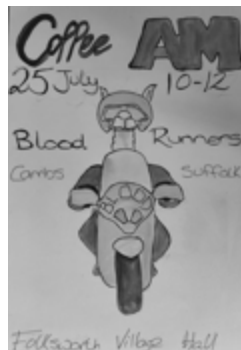


News & Info for Folksworth,
Morborne & Washingley Folk

July Diary Dates

MOST EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Sat 4 th	Folksworth School Fete
Tues 7 th	Annual visit to Toilethorpe
Sat 18 th	Pub Night
Mon 20 th	Driving Safely workshop
Sat 25 th	Coffee AM
Mon 13 th , 27 th	Carpet Bowls
3 rd Tuesday (21 st)	Parish Council Meeting
Every Tue 10:00-noon	Worthy Folk Coffee Morning
Wed 1 st , 8 th , 15 th , 2-4pm	Worthy Folk Coffee Afternoon
Every Thurs afternoon	Art Group



LADIES CIRCLE

In May, our planned bowls evening in Yaxley was unfortunately rained off so some of us enjoyed coffee and cake at The Farmers instead. In July we have our annual visit to Toilethorpe so we will not be at our usual meeting in the Village Hall.

FOLKSWORTH CARPET BOWLS

During the summer the club meets every two weeks at Folksworth Village Hall at 7pm. In July we will meet on the 13th and 27th. Visitors are always welcome. Further details about the club are available from Jonathan Wray whose contact details are to be found in **SCAN** diary.

FOLKSWORTH ART CLUB

Exhibiting our work and being able to talk to people about it, and explaining the ideas and methods used, gives our members great pleasure. It was lovely to meet so many people at the recent Folksworth Open Gardens Day event, and our thanks go to all the organisers and participants.

Thanks are also due to the members of the Folksworth Art Club who exhibited their work and to all those who helped on the day. Watch out for our next exhibition!

For information about Folksworth Art Club, call Cherry on 01733 244258.

**Folksworth
Pub Night**
Saturday July 18th
19:00 - 22:30

Open Gardens 2026

Our second Open Gardens event happened on the 6th June, *writes Andy Goodfellow*, expanded to cover three villages: Folksworth Denton and Morborne.

Despite the changeable weather, it was well-attended. HQ was the village hall, where you could buy a fabulous selection of plants, peruse the art and craft work of villagers and enjoy a cake and a cuppa.

You could then explore eight eclectic gardens and a flower festival at St Helens Church, take a short drive to Morborne to meet the bees, wander round All Saints Church, then have afternoon tea in the garden of Manor farm. A short ride out to Denton to visit a garden there, with the rabbits. A beautiful way to spend a few hours.

The event also raised money for several local organisations: the School, Preschool, First Responders, St Helen's, All Saints and the Village Hall. As **SCAN** goes to print, we don't have the final totals, but as soon as we do, you will be informed. Thanks go to:

- **All the gardeners who work tirelessly through the year to maintain them and then open them up for us to see.**
- **Those who donated plants for the sale, and Linda and Noah for manning the stall.**
- **Ladies Circle for providing teas coffee and cake**
- **Steve for selling tickets**
- **The Art Group with Cheryl and Wendy displaying and selling their wares.**

- **Colin, Mick and Bruce for running the car park, which means thanks to the school for allowing us to use it.**
- **The village hall, who let us take it over for the day as well as use it for planning meetings free of charge**
- **Joy and Nikki for the afternoon teas - see below**
- **Nigel & Janet for turning their garden into a tearoom.**
- **Johnathon and Dru in St Helens, and Yvonne made the flower crowns. I wore mine with pride.**
- **And everybody who came out to visit our beautiful corner of Cambridgeshire**
- **Anyone I am bound to have missed!**

And finally, a massive thank you to my amazing wife Emma who has to put up with me!

Firstly, thank you to all who supported Morborne's afternoon tea at Manor Farm, *add Nikki and Joy*. To Janet and Nigel for allowing us to invade their home to produce the teas. To Veronica Jane and Terry for manning the church. To Theresa, David and Lesley for working in the kitchen. The teas made £500, but also Matt generously donated the sale of his honey to our funds so £620 was made on the day.

Secondly thank you to all who bought our surplus plants outside 74 Folksworth Road (albeit not as advanced as other years due to the weather). An amazing total of £103.09 was raised for church funds"

Around the Parish

WELCOME TO OUR NEW COUNCIL CHAIR

At the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, Cllr Mark Randall stepped down as Chair after several years of dedicated service to the parish. Councillors elected Cllr Lisa Blackman as the new Chair, with Cllr Andy Lobb serving as Vice-Chair.

We would like to thank Mark for his hard work, commitment and leadership on behalf of Folksworth and Wasingley residents over recent years.

DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTION

The Parish Council was delighted to see Tim Alban re-elected as District Councillor. Tim has always worked closely with the Parish Council and continues to be a strong advocate for residents.

The District Council remains under no overall political control, with the Liberal Democrats holding the largest number of seats. We understand they will form a joint administration with Independent and Green Party councillors. Sarah Conboy has been re-elected as Council Leader.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION

As previously, the preferred option emerging from consultation would see Huntingdonshire become a standalone unitary authority, rather than merging with South Cambridgeshire, East Cambridgeshire or Peterborough.

The final decision now rests with central government and is expected before Parliament rises for the summer recess on 16th July. Subject to approval, the new authority would come into effect on 1st April 2028, with a transitional period beforehand.

At present, it remains unclear what practical changes residents will see, as this will depend on the government's final decision and the arrangements put in place during the transition.

POTHoles AND ROAD SURFACES

Please continue to report potholes, damaged pavements and other highway defects as soon as you spot them via the Cambridgeshire Highways reporting system:

<https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/en-gb> Alternatively, please contact me and I will report the issue on your behalf.

Even if a defect has already been reported, additional reports help demonstrate the scale of the problem and can increase the likelihood of action being taken.

Several residents have asked why some roads are completely resurfaced while others with visible potholes appear to receive little attention. The reason is that resurfacing schemes and pothole repairs are funded through separate highways budgets, which cannot easily be transferred between programmes.

FLY TIPPING

Unfortunately, there has recently been an increase in fly tipping across Huntingdonshire. If you spot any dumped waste, please report it to Huntingdonshire District Council as soon as possible. Reports are usually dealt with quickly and waste is often removed within a few days.

Please do not move or clear the rubbish yourself, as important evidence that could identify those responsible may be lost.

Fly tipping can be reported at: www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/environmental-issues/fly-tipping/

PARISH TREES

Councillors have long been concerned about the condition of some trees within the parish and have sought assurances from a number of organisations regarding their safety.

To ensure we have a clear understanding of the situation, the Council has commissioned a qualified arboriculturist to survey all trees for which the Council is responsible, together with others that have raised concerns or are located on areas of uncertain ownership.

The survey is being undertaken over the coming weeks and will provide both a detailed record of tree condition and a long-term management plan for the future.

Jackie Stanbridge

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Village Hall News

Thank you to everyone who supported our book clearance sale from our garage. The Book Fayre in the village hall will take place on Saturday 5th September.

We are now able to accept more books. We are very grateful for donations and on average raise about £1,000 a year which goes to the hall for maintenance and improvement projects. We have been holding book fayres for seven years and now have a good understanding of what books sell and what don't. So, we can only accept books that have a bar code on the back of them. And please, no dictionaries, encyclopaedias, annuals or pricing guides. Call Sarah on 07410 709376 if you need directions to house or books collecting.

Our Annual General Meeting is on Tuesday 14th July at 7:30pm. Come along to hear about just how busy the hall has been this year and further improvements made. If you use the hall, come along and tell us how we could make it even better.

On Monday 20th July, PC Adrian Boddington who is an Accident Reduction Officer from Cambridgeshire Police will be giving us hints and tips on how to drive safely. It's an interactive two-hour session in the afternoon and refreshments will be provided. Free of charge and no need to book. See ad for further details. Please note it doesn't involve any actual driving.

Early One Morning...

ANOTHER LOOK FOR WILDLIFE IN ST HELEN'S CHURCHYARD

Regular readers will remember that last summer Andy Goodfellow and I spent an evening in the churchyard of St Helen's Church in Folksworth recording the wildlife, particularly the birds we found there as night drew in. The results were sent to the charity Caring for God's Acre, who were organising a national wildlife survey of churchyards.

We were particularly hoping to see Muntjac deer which we knew had previously been seen there, but sadly we came away unlucky. However, we agreed to do further survey sessions and that the next one should be in the morning. Accordingly, at 6am one morning in late May we arrived bleary eyed - well at least I was - at the churchyard, set up our chairs and waited. We had with us a range of the ever-useful Wild ID guides, long produced by the Field Studies Council, and we both had the Merlin bird identification app. on our phones. (Other guides and apps are of course available.) The latter works by identifying bird song, which it can pick up quite a distance away from where the operator is.

So what did we find? Well, we decided this time to concentrate on birds. Our 'non-exhaustive list' included Blackbird, Great Tit, Pigeon, Robin, Coal Tit, Sparrow and Dunnock. We also heard skylark. There was nothing particularly special in the list but sitting there as the day started does make you feel relaxed and cheerful. We were particularly fascinated by a grey squirrel who dug up and feasted on an acorn it had clearly previously buried by the churchyard

bench. A most absorbing several minutes observation.

So what next? Well, the results will again be forwarded to Caring for God's Acre. Andy and I would like to spend some time recording the lichens on the gravestones, not least because we do not have to get up at an unearthly hour in the morning to do it. A bat survey is on the cards too. One of us has a bat recorder so we will have a go with that. The congregation at St Helen's well know that the church is a summer roost for bats, but the species is not known. So we will try and solve that.

But did we spot a Muntjac deer this time? YES, WE DID! As we arrived there was a deer behind the church. It immediately moved off, but not before both of us had seen it. Success.

Jonathan Wray



Cambridgeshire
Constabulary

Driving Safely Workshop

Monday 20th July 1pm - 3pm

Folksworth, Washingley
and Morborne Village Hall

Contact Sarah Abbott on 07410 709376
for further details
refreshments provided



2026 FOLKSWORTH VILLAGE FETE



Saturday 4th July, 12pm - 4pm

Held at Folksworth C of E Primary School on the school's playing fields.

A fun-filled family event, including inflatables, traditional fete games, tombola, raffle, BBQ, bar, music, cakes and much more.

A fundraising event for the school, run by Folksworth Friends who help fund extra educational activities for the children of the school.
Supported by local business and the community.

All welcome, sorry no pets allowed.

FOLKSWORTH

WASHINGLEY & MORBORNE
VILLAGE HALL - 1952



Notice of Annual General Meeting

To be held in the hall on
Tuesday 14th July, 2026 at 7:30pm

**Folksworth, Washingley & Morborne
Village Hall Management Committee**

Charity No: 270663

The SCAN Diary

What to do.

	WHAT	WHEN	
YOUNGSTERS	Pre-School (Folksworth)	Mon,Tue,Wed,Fri 9:00am - 3:00pm; Thurs 9:00am - 12pm	Folksworth
	To join Stilton or Folksworth Rainbows, Brownies or Guides, please visit: www.girlguiding.org and click on 'Get Involved'		Stilton
	YES Youth Zone	Wednesday 6:15 to 7:45 pm	Stilton
	Futsal Tots	Thursday 10-11am	Stilton
ADULTS	Parish Council (Stilton)	7:30pm 2nd Tuesday in month	Stilton
	Parish Council (Folksworth)	7:30 - 9:30pm 3rd Tuesday in month	Folksworth
	Stilton Stitchers	Tue 2:30 - 5pm	Stilton
	Friday Social Group	Fri 2 - 4pm	Stilton
	Folksworth Coffee Morning	4th Sat in month 10am-12noon	Folksworth
	Worthy Folk Coffee Morning	Tuesdays, 10am-noon; Wednesdays 2-4pm	Folksworth
	Stilton Church Coffee Morning	Monthly, every 3rd Saturday, 10:30-noon	Stilton
	For up to date details of church services, please visit the Stilton Group of Churches website www.achurchnearyou.com/		
SPORT & LEISURE	Stilton Gardening Club	7:30pm 3rd Tuesday in month	Stilton
	Pilates with Vicky	Fri 11:15am-12:15	Stilton
	Pilates with Fran	Tues, Wed. 9:30-10:30	Stilton
	Jungle Fitness	Wednesdays 11am-12noon	Stilton
	Timeless Together Fitness – over 60s	Tuesdays 11:30am-12:30pm	Stilton
	Stilton Table Tennis Club	Mon (snrs) 11am-1pm; Tue (jnrs) 6:00-7:30pm + club nt 7:30-9:30pm	Stilton
	Stilton Football Club		Stilton
	Stilton Carpet Bowls Club	Mon 2-4pm, Fri 7-9pm	Stilton
	Stilton Wednesday Club	Wed 2-4pm Coffee, cake & conversation.	Stilton
	Folksworth Carpet Bowls Club	Mon 7 - 9pm	Folksworth
	Sawtry Table Tennis Club	Mon 6:30-8:30pm during term time	Sawtry
	Peterborough Opera Group	Fri 7:30 - 9:30pm	Folksworth
	Folksworth Art Club	Thu 12:30-4:30pm	Folksworth
	Folksworth Ladies' Circle	1st Tuesday in month 7:30-9:30pm	Folksworth
	Bridge Club	Tuesday 6:45pm - 10:00pm	Folksworth
	Stilton Stumblers (walking group)	Alternate Sundays 10:00am - see info in this issue	Mildenhall
OTHER	Mobile Library (Stilton and Folksworth)	1st Tuesday in month - see info in this issue	Stilton
	Age Well Club	Tue 9:30 - 11:45am	Age Well
	'Chatterbox' Carers' Support Group	2nd & 4th Mondays in month, 2:15-4:15pm	Carers
	Music & Spoken Word Social Group	2nd & 4th Fridays in month, 1:30-3pm	Carers
	Green End Day Club	Mon-Thurs 10am - 1:30pm	Carers
	The CARESCO Cave	Mon, Thurs 9am - 1pm; Tue 9am - 4pm	Carers

Are we up to date? Tell SCAN about it.

where to do it and who to do it with

WHERE	WHO	CONTACT
Folksworth Village Hall	Nikki	07542 172075
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Stilton Church Meeting Room	Diane Glenn	07400 693351
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Folksworth Village Hall	Rosemary Dyer	07794 551256
Stilton Church Meeting Room		
church/13949/		
Stilton Church Meeting Room	Pat Maltman	242229
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Feet at the Pump	Sarah Burns	241804
See advert in this issue		mobilelibraries@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
Justin Hall, Main Street, Yaxley		
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out your activities!

Young people Engagement Stilton (YES)

Stilton Christmas Fair 2026

Saturday 28th November 2026

at Stilton Pavilion 10.00am till 3.00pm.

This will be our 8th Christmas Fair in Stilton. We are really proud of what we have been able to achieve with the funds raised, whilst also giving so much pleasure through a fantastic village event. As well as running the weekly Youth Zone for children from years 7 to 11, last year we provided a fun day at the Pavilion, free of charge, for over 100 children to experience a bungee-trampoline event. This year we are holding a "zorbing" event for all our young people, again free of charge.

Should you wish to book a stall at the Fair please contact Dee Darnell (dee.darnell.cyan@gmail.com or on 07806833555)

Charges are £10 for a 4ft pitch and £15 for a 6ft pitch.

As well as around 35 craft stalls selling high quality, locally made crafts, we will have our 'Made in Stilton' stall, Tombola and our fabulous Christmas Café.

Grand Christmas Draw

We will once again be offering a chance to win wonderful prizes. Tickets will be available soon.

Should you wish to donate a Draw prize or Tombola prize, or if you'll have something for our Made in Stilton stall, please contact Linda Angus (lindaangus.stilton@gmail.co. or on 07709216426)

Ward Rounds

News from our
District Councillor

FINELY BALANCED

Following the District Council elections in May, the 52 member council is now run by a 'Joint Administration' made up of 20 Liberal Democrats, along with the 2 Green Party councillors and the 4 'Independents', *writes Cllr Tim Alban.*

The Opposition is made up of 15 Conservatives, 10 Reform UK and 1 Labour Councillor - meaning both the Joint Administration and the Opposition have 26 councillors each; some decisions have already come down to the casting (second) vote of the Council Chair - including the one to elect me to chair an Overview & Scrutiny Panel.

With half the councillors not having served as members of HDC before (although some serve or have served on other councils) I believe it is all the more important for councillors to work together to make this situation work for the benefit of local residents.

There are issues where there is support across the groups, such as Local Government Reform, where the council backed a Conservative group motion, which re-affirmed the council's backing for a Unitary Huntingdonshire council.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE WORK

I was all set to continue as a member of the Environment, Communities and Partnerships Overview & Scrutiny Panel, which covers the areas of council life I am

most interested in - Health & Wellbeing, Leisure and the Environment, but to be elected to chair it again is a real privilege.

COUNCIL WARD WORK

Dealing with issues in the electoral ward continued right through the election period and has increased since I was re-elected in May; I am currently dealing with issues in Folksworth, Stilton and Holme.

After a succession of emails, I finally received an acknowledgement from Bellway about the issues on the North Street edge of their development and am waiting from a further response about issues such as the failed hedge planting, the redundant sign and the wood bark path.

Despite some of them being fixed, potholes continue to be a problem and I am especially frustrated that some which were marked up to be dealt with have not been touched; the prime examples being Manor Road and Norman Drive in Stilton. I am grateful for the assistance of our County Councillor, Simon Bywater, with whom I am working to try and make progress.

OUT AND ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY

I am working my way round the various Parish Councils in the electoral ward. So far, I have visited Folksworth, Holme and Great & Little Gidding, as well as the Stilton Annual Parish Meeting.

We have some cracking local events and I like to support as many as I can. During the late May Bank Holiday Weekend, Councillor Marge Beuttell and I attended the Stilton Cheese Rolling Festival, where County Councillor Simon Bywater and I were guest Umpires; Simon and I then went to Glatton for the Official Opening of the new village hall.

HOW TO CONTACT ME

Although I am active on Facebook, the best way to contact me is via email; this is also the council's preferred method of communication. My council email address is tim.alban@huntingdonshire.gov.uk

Your District Councillors

Councillor Tim Alban

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Focussing on Stilton, Folksworth & Washingley, Holme, Denton & Caldecote, Great & Little Gidding, Glatton and Conington

Councillor Marge Beuttell

marge.beuttell@huntingdonshire.gov.uk 07714 428586

Focussing on Sibson-cum-Stibbington, Elton, Alwalton, Morborne, Haddon, Water Newton and Chesterton



Stilton Gardening and Natural History Club

For everyone interested in gardening and the environment

Wednesday July 15th

Visit to Strictly Daylilies

**Note the date,
time and venue!**

This is a visit we have been trying to organise for a couple of years. Strictly Daylilies holds the National Collection of Daylilies, growing over 2,000 Varieties. We shall have an introductory talk on daylilies and a tour round the growing areas. Refreshments will be available and daylily plants for sale.

Members free, non-members £5.

Meet at 2 Primes Corner, Cottenham Road, Histon, Cambs, CB24 9AG at 3pm

Yaxley Surgery News

Have
Your
Say

Patient
Participation
Group

DONATION

Thanks to the generosity of a patient of the practice, we have been able to purchase a much-needed trolley for storing and safely moving the practice ECG machine, which has made such a difference. We really have been so blessed by such generous patients.

Owing to the bank placing a monthly charge for our bank account, we have now closed the PPG account, as valued donations would be lost in bank fees. The remainder of the account funds were included in the purchase of this specialist trolley.

The practice hold a patient fund account should anyone wish to make any donations.

DROP-IN DIGITAL SUPPORT SESSIONS

These remain suspended whilst the ongoing Anima IT issue that has affected the general assessment and fit note options continue. In the meantime, some access is available via the NHS app.

Contributors!

Please send us your material by the 14th of the month.

- For **SCAN** to:
scan1@stilton.org
- For **Folklore** to:
folkloreeditor@hotmail.com



NEXT MEETING

Monday July 6th, 18:30 in the Yaxley practice reception area (enter via car park doors). Our speaker will be outlining the excellent work by Living Keys on domestic abuse and bring practical tips and advice.

Attend the PPG meeting and take the opportunity to seek (non clinical) answers. All our patients welcome, no cost to attend and the meeting lasts approximately one hour.

Join the PPG Facebook. Search for Lakeside Yaxley Patient Group, or via the QR code. Please answer all questions when applying to join.



Any questions or wish to contact us in confidence? yaxleyppg@gmail.com

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Bookworm



Library News

Happy Snaps?

LEARN ABOUT RAF PHOTO-RECONNAISSANCE

ENGAGE IN THE AFTERNOON

RAF Photographic Reconnaissance, Part 1
Wednesday 8th July, 2-3pm

Join speaker James Blackwood from RAF Wyton as he talks about RAF photographic reconnaissance in NW Europe during WWII, covering the years 1939 to 1943.

Free event, donations welcomed.

Adults only. Booking is essential.

ADULT EVENTS

(Free. Donations welcome!)

Scrabble Mondays, from 3pm

Knitting Group Thursdays, 2-4pm

Dementia Social Group Last Monday of the month, 10-11:30am

(pre-booking required - please contact
Volunteers@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

SAVE THE DATE

Friends of Yaxley Library Quiz Night!

Saturday 5th September at Austin Hall,
Main Street, Yaxley, PE7 3LU.

Doors open at 6:30pm, Quiz 7-9:30pm

Tickets on sale now at Yaxley library.
£5 each. Teams of up to 8.

Bring your own drink and snacks.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Rhymetime Tuesdays, 10:30-11am

U-5s Stay & Play Fridays, 9:30-10:30am

Lego Club Saturdays, 10-11am. (50p/child)

Children's Art Club

Saturday 11th July, 10-11am,

3D Summer Scene Join us to let your creative talents come to life with a themed art session. For ages 4+ Kindly supported and funded by Friends of Yaxley Library.

Summer Reading Challenge 2026

Read to the Beat at Yaxley Library

Sign up at Yaxley Library from Saturday 4th July!

Hand Drums Craft

Thursday 23rd July, 10:30-11:30am

Come and join us for some musical fun where you will design and make your very own hand drum to take home and make some noise with! £2 per child, for ages 4+

Record Player Craft

Saturday 1st August, 10:30-12pm

Join us for some record-breaking fun! Create your own record player with a secret storage

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

Route H2 - 1st Tuesday

Tues 7th July

Folksworth

10:45 - 11:10am Elm Road

Stilton

9:45-10:30am

Stilton School

3:10 - 4pm

Outside The Talbot

As well as a large range of library books, you can get your NHS hearing batteries, replacement walking stick ferrules and dispose of old household batteries.

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/libraries/mobiles

MobileLibraries@cambridgeshire.gov.uk



As I write this, I hope summer is here and many of us are looking forward to a change of pace in the weeks ahead.

For some, this marks the end of another school year. Children and young people will soon be breaking up for the summer holidays, while others will be breathing a sigh of relief as exams are over. Teachers, parents, carers, and students alike will be looking forward to a well-earned rest.

The rhythm of the Christian life has always recognised the importance of both work and rest. In the opening chapters of Genesis, God works in creation and then rests on the seventh day. Jesus balanced busy periods of teaching and ministry with times of quiet prayer and renewal. We are not designed simply to keep going at full speed all the time. Rest is not a luxury; it is part of God's gift to us.



As we move into the summer months, perhaps we can all find opportunities to pause, give thanks, and enjoy the blessings that surround us - whether that is time with family, a walk in the countryside, a holiday, or simply a few moments of peace in the garden.

There is much to look forward to across the Benefice. On the 11th July we have our Family Event in the Rectory Garden, an opportunity for fun and spending time together as a community – all are welcome. Then on the 19th July we have our Afternoon Tea at The Talbot. Full details of both events can be found in the adverts elsewhere in this magazine.

Whatever your plans this summer, may you find a balance between work and rest, activity and stillness, and may you know God's peace and blessing in the weeks ahead

With every blessing, Rev Diane.



Services in July ~ All Welcome

MORBORNE All Saints PE7 3TG

19th July 3pm Holy Communion



HADDON

St Mary's PE7 3TR



5th July
11.15am Family Praise

12th July
11.15th Holy Communion

19th July
11.15am Messy Praise

26th July
6pm Evening Praise

ELTON

All Saints' PE8 6RU



5th July
9.30am Holy Communion

12th July
6pm Evening Praise

19th July
9.30am Holy Communion

26th July
9.30am Morning Praise

STILTON

St Mary Magdalene
PE7 3RF



5th July
11.15am Holy Communion

12th July
11.15am All Age Service

19th July
11.15am Morning Praise

26th July
11.15am Holy Communion

FOLKSWORTH

St Helen's PE7 3SS



5th July
9.45am Morning Praise

12th July
9.45am Holy Communion

19th July
9.45am Morning Praise

26th July
9.45am All Age Service



CHURCH FAMILY FUN EVENT

ALL FREE

11TH JULY
2-6PM

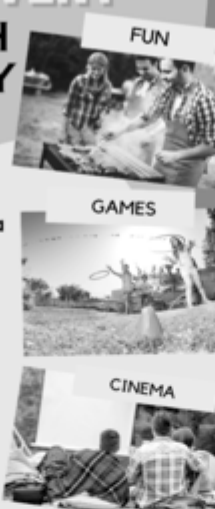
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- Crafts
- A Tasty BBQ

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AFTERNOON TEA

AT
The Talbot

SUNDAY 19TH JULY

3.00 PM - 5.00 PM

- MUSIC FROM STEVE AMBLER
- JOHN WILL HAVE THE BAR OPEN FOR LIQUID REFRESHMENTS
- HOME MADE CAKES IN THE GARDEN COURTESY OF THE CHURCH

ALL DONATIONS TO SUPPORT THE WORK AND UPKEEP OF THE CHURCH.



ST MARY MAGDALENE
STILTON CHURCH

BINGO NIGHT



7PM

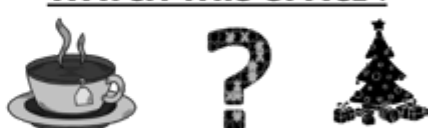
THURSDAY 16TH JULY

EVERY THIRD THURSDAY

Winners will receive non-cash prizes
IN THE CHURCH MEETING ROOM

SAVE THE DATE

WATCH THIS SPACE !



19th July – Afternoon Tea at Talbot
July - Summer Quiz Sheet
5th and 6th December Christmas Tree Festival at Stilton

STILTON COFFEE MORNING

In the church meeting room

Saturday 18th July
10.30am - 12.00.



Homemade cake and a raffle.

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION

1st Wednesday of the month
(1st July) Stilton 12.30pm *with a soup lunch.*



2nd & 4th Wednesday of the
month (8th July and 22nd July) at Elton 10am *followed by coffee*

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STILTON BARN DANCE

Saturday 5th September

Stilton Pavilion

7pm – 11pm



Dancing to live music from 'Five String Thing'

★ Bring your friends and family ★

Includes a Burger or Hot Dog with home made salads

Bring your own drinks

£20 Adults ★ £10 Children (4-10yrs)

Tickets available in advance only

Please contact

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To book your tickets

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