SCAN Stilton Community Association Newsletter

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Mon 14th, 28th Sept; 12th Oct
(Denton & Caldecote: Mon 7th, 21st, 5th)

Garden Bin Days:

Fri 11th, 25th Sept; 9th Oct
(Denton & Caldecote: Fri 4th, 18th, 2nd)

Recycling Bins:

Mon 7th, 21st Sept; 5th Oct
(Denton & Caldecote: Mon 14th, 28th, 12th)



Food Bins:

Every Monday
www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins

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Stilton Culture

Sometimes, Stilton seems to resemble the proverbial swan: all quiet and calm on the surface but paddling vigorously underneath! This issue makes the point, with lots of news about village activities that only happen because of dedicated volunteers.

BIG BIRTHDAYS

For a start, overleaf you'll see that the Twinning Association is celebrating its 30th birthday. So they can be excused for wanting their news 'jazzed up'!

Not to be outdone, Stilton Table Tennis Club celebrates its own 10th anniversary this month. From a standing start to becoming one of the region's premier clubs is no mean achievement, largely due to the energetic leadership of Steve Ambler. More on p5.

STILL KICKING UP A STORM!

Last month we reported on Stilton teenager Lana Strickland, who has a talent for lifting World Championship titles in kickboxing. This month she and dad Alan are off to Austria for the 2026 World Championships, so (just to keep on form of course) she warmed up at the WKO Open World Championships. Nothing special; just 4 gold medals, 4 silver and 1 bronze! Oh, and being named as female fighter of the day!

We can't wait to report on her Austrian tour.

Join the SCAN Team

SCAN doesn't happen by itself; it takes a small team of willing volunteers, each of whom is vital to the whole process. Doug Maltman has long been a stalwart, quietly managing our finances, but after many years he now wishes to step down. So we need a new…

Treasurer

The role might suit a retired/semi-retired accountant and while not especially onerous - a few hours a month - it's very important! It involves:

- **Book-keeping**
- **Making payments and processing receipts**
- **Compiling and submitting end-of-year results to Companies House and HMRC.**

…all of which are straightforward for one familiar with the financial arts, but none the less essential to **SCAN**'s operation!

If you would like to take on this satisfying role and contribute to village life, please email scan1@stilton.org or call Kelvin Davis on 01733 244140.

Sorry - it's an unpaid post, but you can work from home!

"We have done some cool things"

30 YEARS of friendship 1997 - 2027

STILTON ⟷ ST CHRISTOL

Two towns, one connection

Not my quote but that of a young teen during a recent exchange, it's what the Stilton and District Twinning Association has now been serving up for **30 years**.

In the October half term of 1996 a trial exchange visit to St Christol in the south of France was arranged; a dipping of the toe in the water to see if it would work. Well it did, so in 1997 a formal link, through the signing of a charter, was formed between our respective councils. We will be returning in April 2027 to celebrate the 30 years milestone. Our twinning is very much driven by people, not council formality, and we firmly believe that is why it has worked so well, surviving both Brexit and Covid!

- **1996** Trial exchange visit to St Christol
- **1997** Formal twinning established with the signing of a charter
- **2027** Returning in April to celebrate 30 years





In addition to arranging for hundreds of people, including our football and Table Tennis Clubs to visit St Christol, we have been a major player in running social events for our local community. Originally our aim was to simply raise money for exchange visits but in time we realised how much fun people were having at our events so now our focus is more on affordable events for all age groups.



Good people, great nights!

Over the next 12 months we are planning:

17TH OCTOBER

RACE NIGHT

Whole family entertainment

★

12TH DECEMBER

RAF BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Enjoyed by all, but especially our seniors – a joint fund raiser with the Church

★

6TH FEBRUARY

DRAG BINGO

A lively evening, particularly enjoyed by our young adults

★

DATE TO BE CONFIRMED

QUIZ NIGHT

For adults and attended by a wide range of ages

★

We have established a strong foundation but, to be honest, *we would like more young adults to become involved.*

Being a grandparent I am fully aware of pressures on family life, the Twinning Association is however both informal and low commitment. The exchanges we organise are a stress free way to experience the south of France, their people and their culture.

Make friends. Share culture. Make memories.

Come and join us!

Mark Angus
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stilton.twinning@gmail.com

At the Top Table

TABLE TENNIS CLUB CELEBRATES A DECADE OF SUCCESS

This month sees Stilton Table Tennis Club celebrating its 10th anniversary; a decade of sustained achievement to become one the sport's leading clubs in our region.

A twinkle in Steve Ambler's eye in 2011 blossomed into the club's founding in 2016, with 30 enthusiastic members and a detailed three-year development plan.

A generous grant from Sport England in 2017 laid solid foundations, to become one of Table Tennis England's 'Premier Clubs', supported by an ex-England international player, Mark Mitchell, as visiting coach.

The club quickly established its combination of strong competitiveness with social 'bat & chat' sessions for members (and guests) wanting an engaging social activity or just an easy introduction to this rewarding sport.

The club's progress up the rankings was only briefly delayed by the Covid precautions, thanks to strong performances in both adult and junior leagues. By 2022, not only had club members received prestigious awards from TTE for volunteering and coaching achievements, but the 'bat & chat' section had grown to over 30 active members.

2023 saw junior players growing in numbers and confidence, leading to the provision of an outdoor table, supported by a contribution from YES. Meanwhile the club's A team had won Division 2 of the local league to take on Peterborough's elite players in the following season.

2024 saw another milestone in the club's growth, with record membership and - to nobody's surprise - the Club of the Year award for TTE's Eastern Region, followed by being finalists in the national Club of the Year awards. Last season, flushed with success the A team blooded their talented youngsters in the 2nd division and won promotion to division 1 again., with Bryan Bowen topping the division's averages..

Pleasingly, competitive success hasn't gone entirely to their heads though. The club retains its friendly, welcoming nature, with its strong 'bat & chat' membership. The club has also actively engaged in Stilton's Anglo-French Twinning exchanges and even sent a team to Germany to take part in a German club's 60th anniversary celebrations.



Welcoming St Christol to Stilton TTC!

With the club now firmly established in a leadership position, Steve Ambler has decided to step back from day-to-day involvement, passing the baton to an enthusiastic new generation of champion players.

Congratulations to you all!

Oh, YES...

FOR AND WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF STILTON AND SURROUNDING AREA

Our Youth Zone (which runs on Wednesday evenings at the Pavilion from 6:15 till 7:30 pm) is increasingly popular, with up to 40 young people from Years 7 - 11, *writes Dee Darnell.* We offer a range of activities including table tennis, badminton, crafting, swingball, pool and space for them to just hang out and chat!

In other news, we welcome two new trustees, Hazel Parmenter and Pete *(Foz)* Foskett. We say a special thankyou to our two outgoing trustees, Scott Parmenter and Julie Gillies. We appreciate all the hard work and support given to YES by Scott and Julie.

YES relies on its fund-raising activities to carry out its work. Every penny raised goes towards our young people.

BOOK A STALL NOW!

Our main event is the annual Christmas Fair, which this year will be held on Saturday 28th November at Stilton Pavilion. If you would like to book a stall please contact Dee Darnell on 07806 833555 or at dee.darnell.cyan@gmail.com

Thank you for your support!

Two Years Old

STILTON HERITAGE CONTINUES TO GROW

Stilton Heritage was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission on 19th August 2024, *writes Keith Bull.* So we've just celebrated our second birthday! From the Parish Council's initial enquiries on creating a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) in March 2020, it took over 4 years to get our Constitution and Trustees in place. But the effort was well worth it to have the thriving organisation we have today.

NEXT TALK

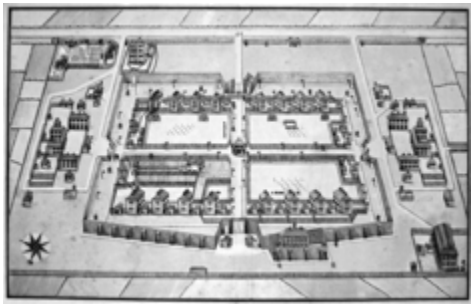
Now that the summer break is over, we are looking forward to our autumn/winter meetings. These start on 10th September when John Dewis will speak on 'The Story of Flight in Peterborough and the surrounding area'. As usual, this will be in Stilton Church starting at 7:30pm (doors open at 7pm). Members free, non-Members £5, and you are welcome to light refreshments in the Church Meeting Room after the talk.

AGM

Prior to this September meeting we shall be holding our Annual General Meeting for Stilton Heritage Members (yes, a year has passed since our last one!). We'll hold this in the Church Meeting Room on the same evening as John Dewis's talk. It will start at 6:50pm. Members will be circulated with an agenda prior to the meeting. The Chair and Treasurer will present their reports, and you will have the opportunity to provide feedback on what we've been doing and what you'd like to see from Stilton Heritage in the future.

DON'T MISS THESE…

In October, Stuart Orme will visit us again to speak on 'Life at Norman Cross - the world's first PoW camp'. And in November, Toby Wood will also return to entertain us with 'Postcards then and now - comparing bygone postcards with recent photos'. Again, these will be in Stilton Church starting at 7:30pm with refreshments to follow.



Come and learn about the Norman Cross Depot from an expert. (Picture credit, Doug Maltman.)

Finally, advanced warning for Members: we shall hold our usual December gathering for Members on 10th December in the Church Meeting Room. A chance for us to get together informally, share stories and think about the way forward for Stilton Heritage.

Parish Council News

A BIT OF HOME IMPROVEMENT...

APREECE WAY WORKS

The Apreece Way Wildflower Garden now has a bench to rest and relax on. We will also shortly be having the creepers and briars at the bottom of the garden removed and the ditch that runs along the bottom of the site will be receiving a major cut back too. This is as part of the CCC (Cambridgeshire County Council) Watercourse grant awarded last year to help water flow effectively through the village. When the rains come, we will be ready!

BARN CLOSE PLAY AREA

What a difference a few days makes ... the play area is looking dazzling with all-new equipment for the Under-6s and a snazzy new seating area too. We are almost there for the grand opening but await slightly milder conditions and some much-needed rainfall as the grass needs to grow before the play area is ready for use. Less scorchio and more squelchio. It'll be worth the wait.



ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Unfortunately this last month we have seen an increase in anti-social behaviour at the Pavilion and around the Community Field, which not only costs the Parish Council time and funds to fix but also presents safety issues for children and adults using our village facilities.

Recent activity, whereby the picnic tables were pulled out of the ground and flipped over, has been caught on our CCTV and reported to the Police. The CCTV covers the whole of the Pavilion, Skate Park, Community Field and access road. This is monitored live 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by Huntingdonshire District Council.

DECISIONS, DECISIONS

At our August meeting we decided to:

- Put a new bin process in place at the Pavilion. Instead of putting everything in general waste we will be recycling, and joining the rest of the village in collecting food waste separately. We must do this from 01/04/27 as part of Simpler Recycling but estimate it will also generate the village nearly £1,000 in extra Pavilion income every year too.

- The carousel at the Pavilion Play Park has been taken out of action but we have works lined up to solve some maintenance issues that will finally get it spinning freely again. Apologies for it taking so long to be sorted.

- Ask for the HDC bin at the bottom of Caldecote Road to be replaced after its recent removal. HDC tell us this was due to it being little used and being without a lid. Several residents let us know it was valued so we'll ask for a new bin.

- Councillor Murtagh is a man on a mission to get Stilton's Neighbourhood Plan finished. This should help control development in the village and bring in extra funds through increased CIL payments. The Neighbourhood Plan Working Group will be invited to a meeting shortly where the road map to completion will be unveiled. ** Extra members are very welcome - if you'd like to help, please get in touch **

HIRE THE PAVILION

Perfect for parties, weddings, children's birthdays or regular classes (sports, exercise, music, etc).

For more details call: Julianne 01733 639106

25% DISCOUNT FOR STILTON RESIDENTS

WHAT'S ON AT STILTON PAVILION?

CLASSES, CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS AT STILTON PAVILION

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
Table Tennis 11:00 - 13:00	Pilates with Fran 09:30 - 10:30	Pilates with Fran 09:30 - 10:30	Futsal Tots 10:00 - 11:00 (Term time only)	Pilates with Vicky 11:15 - 12:15
Carpet Bowls 14:00 - 16:00	Debbie's Fitness 60s+ 11:30 - 12:30	Linda's Jungle Body Fitness 11:00 - noon	Contact us for more information on any of these classes or if you would like to hold a new class at the Pavilion. pavilion@stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk 01733 639106	
NEW! Puppy Training 18:00 - 19:00	Table Tennis 19:30 - 21:30 Adults Club	YES Youth Zone 18:15 - 19:45		

STILTON PARISH CLERK:

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Stilton PE7 3RF
Tel: (01733) 639106
clerk@stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk

PAVILION ADMINISTRATOR

Tel: 07484 746894 (Pavilion booking line open 10am-midday Monday to Friday)

pavilion@stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk

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.

Folklore

News & Info for Folksworth, Morborne & Washingley Folk

September Diary Dates

ALL EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Sat 5th	Book Fayre & Art Exhibition - 2-5pm
Sat 19th	Pub Night
Sat 26th	Coffee AM
Every Monday	Carpet Bowls - 7-9pm
Every Tuesday	Worthy Folk Coffee Morning - 10:00-4pm
Wed 9th,16th, 23rd, 30th	Worthy Folk afternoon - 2-4pm
Every Thurs afternoon	Art Group

LADIES CIRCLE

In August a group of us visited Blatherwycke Estate and Gardens. The gardens are beautiful, thanks to the tremendous amount of work done by Sarah & Pete Bonney who were our hosts. The tour ended with tea and delicious homemade cakes!

On Tuesday 1st September we are in the village hall to welcome back Sophie Michell who will be telling us about Peterborough's Women. Come and join us at 7:30pm.

FOLKSWORTH ART CLUB

We had to cancel some meetings due to the hot weather and the redecorating of the village hall. One Thursday when we couldn't meet in early August, our members enjoyed a trip to the Tap & Grill (Farmers) restaurant in Yaxley for an Art Club lunch, together with partners, which was a very enjoyable event.

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

In July, PC Adrian Boddington (Cambridgeshire Constabulary Accident Reduction Officer) shared with us lots of hints and tips to help us drive safely. I had no idea that a small object like a mobile phone can become a deadly force in an accident. The message was stow away loose items in the glove compartment or boot.

We've taken advantage of the school holidays to have a lot of decorating done in the main hall, kitchen and disabled toilet.

Money raised from the Book Fayre and Art Exhibition on Saturday 5th September will go towards replacing the kitchen floor. We are grateful for all the book donations received but our storage depot (also known as Sarah and Stephen's garage) is full, so we are unable to take in any more.





FOLKSWORTH ANNUAL BOOK FAYRE
&
ART CLUB EXHIBITION
in Folksworth Village Hall

ON SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

2pm to 5pm
FREE ADMISSION

Good value pre-loved books including:

- Fiction
- Crime & thrillers
- The Classics
- Children's (for all ages)
- History
- Cooking
- Military
- Health & Fitness
- Gardening
- Nature
- Sport
- Travel
- Autobiographies

Tea/coffee and home-made cakes available too

All profit will go towards further improvements to the Village Hall
Registered Charity No. 270663

Around the Parish

SURVIVING THE HEATWAVE

FIRES AND BBQS

Despite the peak of the heatwave thought to have passed, for now, Cambridgeshire residents are being urged to continue to take extra care when out and about this summer to cut the risk of avoidable fires.

Out of control bonfires, a discarded cigarette and bin fires were among the causes of 14 fires in the open - including five classed as wildfires- that Cambridgeshire firefighters dealt with recently. These types of fires are being dealt with by crews across the county, alongside other fire and rescue emergencies.

Several of these were large incidents, requiring significant resources, and five of the largest were classed as wildfires due to their size and the number of appliances required to attend.

Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue Service has no legal powers to ban bonfires or stop the use of sky lanterns or disposable barbecues. However, they are encouraging people not to use them during these prolonged hot and dry conditions as they can easily cause fires that can spread and present a threat to life and property.

BBQs are not allowed on the playing field at Townsend Way nor the pond area on Elm Road. Many large retailers, including the Co-Op in Yaxley have temporarily withdrawn portable BBQs from sale.

HELP PROTECT THE FISH

With the current spell of hot weather, we would ask everyone to use their discretion when fishing at Elm Road Pond. Water levels are lower than usual, which means oxygen levels in the pond are also reduced. The surrounding planting and natural vegetation are helping to keep conditions as stable as possible, but the fish are still under additional stress.

If you regularly feed the fish, we would be grateful if you could avoid doing so for the time being, as uneaten food can further reduce oxygen levels and affect water quality.

Although Elm Road Pond is owned and managed by Cambridgeshire County Council, your Parish Councillors are monitoring the situation closely and will continue to keep an eye on conditions.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping to protect this important local habitat.

OVERHANGING TREES & HEDGES

As we approach the end of the bird nesting season, residents are reminded that trees and hedges should not encroach onto roads and footpaths and should end at the property boundary. Overhanging vegetation can cause problems for pedestrians and those with pushchairs or mobility scooters.

BUS SERVICE CONSULTATION

Cambridgeshire County Council recently carried out a survey on the bus services it offers throughout the county. The results are being reviewed and proposals will be presented to the next Combined Authority Board on 23rd September.

You can find out more at: https://cpca-yourvoice.co.uk/bus-network-review-engagement/

USE IT OR LOSE IT

It is important to use the existing weekly Wednesday bus service or risk losing it. The current timetable for this service is:

Toward Peterborough (from Upwood):

Dep Upwood (Church Lane):	09:48
Folksworth Road (Norman Cross):	10:27
Folksworth Manor Road:	10:28
Folksworth Townsend Way:	10:29
Folksworth Elm Road:	10:30
Hampton Serpentine Green:	10.43
Queensgate Bus Station:	10:53

Toward Upwood (from Peterborough):

Queensgate Bus Station (Bay 8):	13:30
Hampton Serpentine Green:	13:40
Folksworth Manor Road:	13:49
Folksworth Townsend Way:	13:50
Folksworth Elm Road:	13:51
Folksworth Road (Norman Cross):	14.01
Arr Upwood (Church Lane):	14:25

WHERE DO I REPORT?

Potholes and Road Surfaces:
https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/en-gb

Fly Tipping
https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/environmental-issues/fly-tipping/

Dog issues
https://forms.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/DOGISSUE/launch

Dog Fouling
https://forms.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/DOGFOUL/launch

Street Lighting
https://lightingcambridgeshire.com/report-a-fault/

Public Footpaths, footbridges etc
https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/en-gb

Trees on District Council land
https://forms.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/TREEWORKSREQUEST/launch

Overhanging trees on highway verges
https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/en-gb

NO SMARTPHONE OR COMPUTER?

Not everyone has access to the internet. So if you need help accessing information, reporting an issue or finding out more about Parish Council activities, please get in touch. We are happy to help.
Jackie Stanbridge
Clerk to the Council/RFO
07724 171158

Do You Live in Folksworth?

Want to meet new people?

Catch up with friends?

Find out about what goes in our village?

Then take the plunge...

...join the WORTHY FOLK

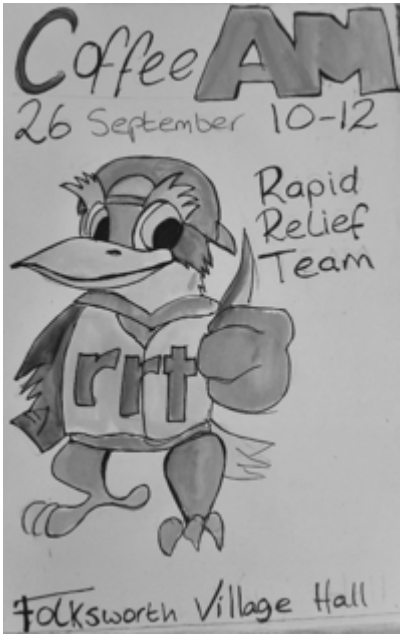
at one of their weekly catch ups over a cuppa and a biscuit in the village Hall

Tuesdays - 10am to 12pm

Wednesdays (except the 3rd Sept) - 2pm to 4pm

No need to book!

Call Sarah on 07410 709376 or Rose on 07794 551256 if you want to know more or need a lift



Folksworth Pub Night

Saturday September 19th

19:00 - 22:30

Contributors!

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

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

Ward Rounds

News from our District Councillor

SUMMER THOUGHTS

I am writing this on the evening of Sunday 9th August, where the temperature is still showing as 27°C.

A few days ago, I wrote to the Fire & Rescue Service to thank them for their work, especially with the fires at Holme Fen. I think the work of the full-time, retained and volunteer fire fighters really has been impressive.

AUGUST

- no meetings but still busy!

Whilst I haven't had any formal District Council meetings scheduled in August, I've still been busy. There have been informal meetings with council officers, liaison with parish councils and work on behalf of individual residents.

FOOD CADDY SURVEY

The district council's Food Caddy Service has produced some strong reactions - both complimentary and critical. The council's survey is open until 3rd September and can be completed via this link:
www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/consultations/food-waste-collections-survey/

POTHOLE PROGRESS?

The potholes in Norman Drive and Manor Road, Stilton, which were marked up but not completed a couple of months ago, with the others, have been marked up again. I hope that by the time **SCAN** goes through letter boxes in early September, the work will finally have been done. As ever, I am grateful to work with County Councillor Simon Bywater in trying to get this work completed.

BELLWAY ESTATE SNAGS

Having continued to lobby Bellway, I am pleased to see that the redundant sign near the former site entrance on North Street in Stilton has been removed. I am still waiting for more news on the bark path which leads to a fence, and the replacement hedging, which continues to struggle.

JOINT PARISHES MEETING

As part of our commitment to encouraging Parish Councils to work together, Marge and I have organised another joint meeting for the autumn, where we will have speakers from the District Council's One Leisure team.

AND FINALLY...

Although I am active on Facebook, rather than sending a Direct Message, please email me via tim.alban@huntingdonshire.gov.uk or call me on 07903 518967

With best wishes,

Tim

Councillor Tim Alban
Stilton, Folksworth & Washingley Ward
Huntingdonshire District Council

Twinning Jumelage

SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2026

Stilton & District Twinning Association

RACE NIGHT!

STARTS 7PM
FIRST RACE 7.30PM

STILTON PAVILION

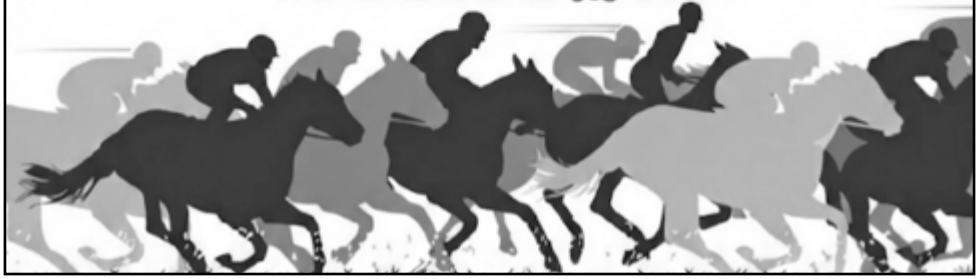
PLEASE BRING OWN DRINKS AND GLASSES

£10.00 PER TICKET

Includes Ploughmans Supper & Homemade Desserts

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM

IAN AND HAZEL 01733 243056
OR EMAIL stilton.twinning@gmail.com



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)

The SCAN Diary

What to do,

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

Are we up to date? Tell SCAN ab

, where to do it and who to do it with

WHERE	WHO	CONTACT	
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tilton Pavilion	Jade Ramm	07850 492601	info@copfc.co.uk
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tilton Church Meeting Room	Pat Maltman	242229	
tilton Church Meeting Room	Diane Glenn	07400 693351	
olksworth Village Hall	Andy Goodfellow	07946 033882	
olksworth Village Hall	Rosemary Dyer	07794 551256	
tilton Church Meeting Room			
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tilton Church Meeting Room	Pat Maltman	242229	
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tilton Pavilion	Frances Crooks	07714 773528	
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tilton Pavilion	Debbie Dobedoe	07834 238664	debbie@timelesstogether.co.uk
tilton Pavilion	Steve Ambler	242156	
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tilton Pavilion	Scott Sherrington	242409	
tilton Church Meeting Room	Tianda Woolner	07758 368255	
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olksworth Village Hall	Terry Francis	07896 205333	telfolksworth@msn.com
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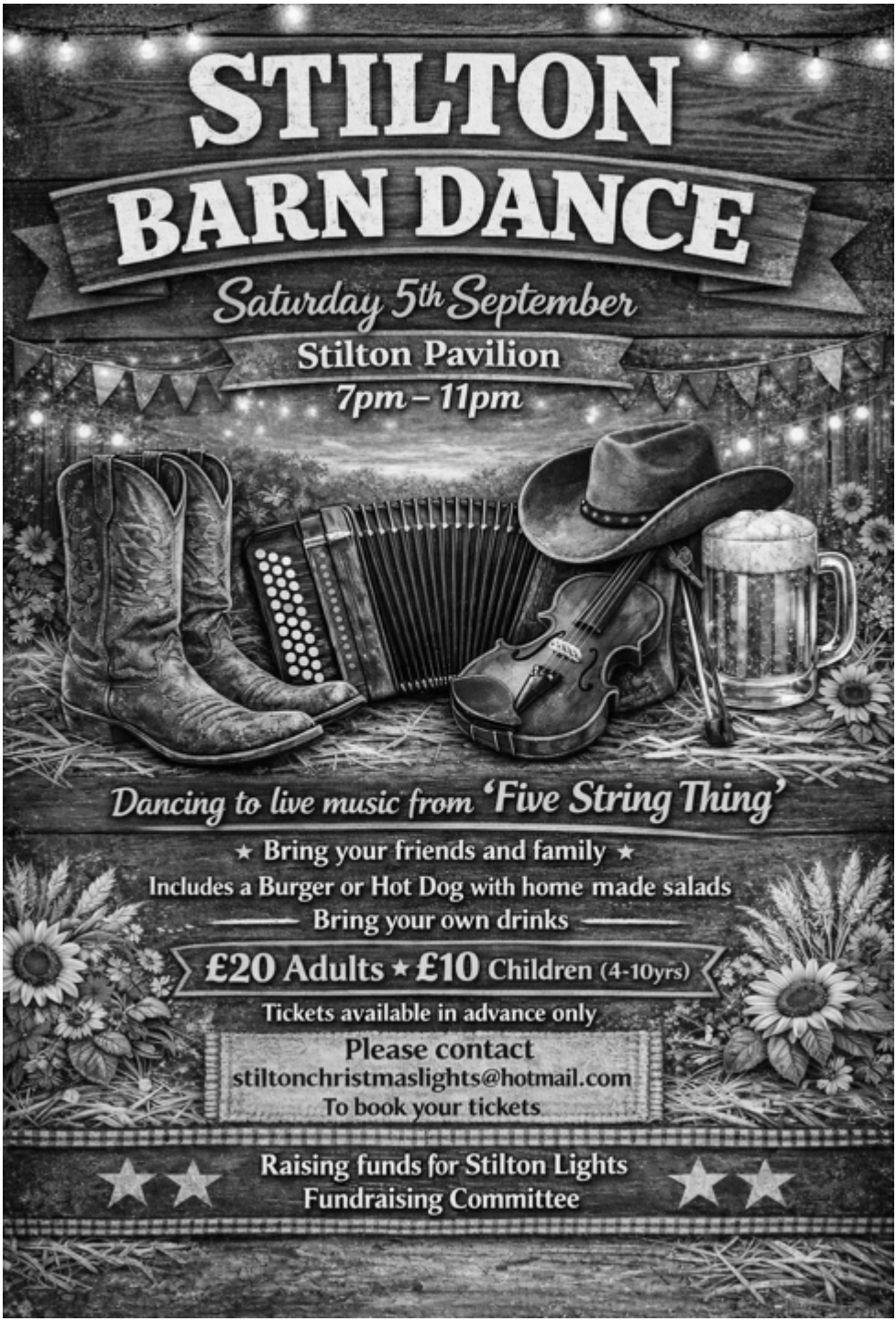
STILTON
BARN DANCE
Saturday 5th September
Stilton Pavilion
7pm – 11pm
Dancing to live music from 'Five String Thing'
★ Bring your friends and family ★
Includes a Burger or Hot Dog with home made salads
Bring your own drinks
£20 Adults ★ £10 Children (4-10yrs)
Tickets available in advance only
Please contact
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Gardens of Earthy Delight

NEWS FROM STILTON GARDENING AND NATURAL HISTORY CLUB

Just a reminder, *writes Pat Maltman*, that we shall be restarting our meetings with illustrated talks in the Church Meeting Room on Tuesday September 15th at 7:30 pm.

Janette Merillion will be giving us a talk entitled 'Gardening on Walls and Fences'.

Janette is a registered RHS speaker and has travelled the world giving talks on many aspects of gardening; this time it's how to fill the void above your garden with climbers and shrubs. She will bring plants for sale.

Before our summer break we had a very successful series of talks and visits, starting in April with an illustrated talk by Fiona Cumberpatch. Fiona writes regularly for various gardening magazine. After downsizing from a large garden in a village, Fiona found herself with little more than a backyard in Stamford but, undeterred, she soon converted this to a colourful garden with interest all year round. In 2025 her garden appeared on BBC Gardeners' World.

In May we started our usual series of summer visits with a walk in the Knot Garden then around the park at Buckden Towers. Neil Crossman led the walk and introduced us to an ancient plane tree, said to have been planted in the 1600s and one of the oldest in the country. We thought we were going to get soaked that evening (remember rain?) but the torrential downpour we had on the way there cleared for a lovely sunny evening. We are very grateful to Neil for sharing his extensive knowledge and spending time with us.

In June we enjoyed a farm walk with David and George Hicks. They showed us what was planted where and the area to become a huge planting of trees in the autumn. We saw hares and the tree where buzzards were nesting. Afterwards we returned to Panny and David's beautiful garden where we enjoyed tea or coffee and cake.

In July we visited the Strictly Daylilies at Histon. We were given an introductory talk by Paula Dyason who, with her husband Chris, owns and runs the immaculately kept 5 acres and 2,000 cultivars of Hemerocallis which makes up the National Collection. We were then left to wander round and be amazed at the range of colours and forms in the growing areas. They had very kindly put up a small marquee and provided a wonderful range of cold and hot drinks and cakes for a lovely afternoon tea. It was quite a place!



All of our events are free for members, who pay just £30 a year membership fee, but if you would like to come along to any of our autumn and winter talks you will be made very welcome and can do so for just £4 per visit. We look forward to welcoming you!

Birthday Girl !

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF THE TENNIS GIRL

As we're celebrating anniversaries, this month (30th September, to be precise) sees the 50th anniversary of the famous Tennis Girl poster, a beloved icon of all men of a certain age!



The photograph was taken at the University of Birmingham's tennis courts by 30-year-old Martin Elliott and features his then girlfriend, 18-year-old Fiona Butler.

The image was first published as part of a calendar for the 1977 Silver Jubilee and, as a poster, went on to sell over two million copies. Needless to say, it has been parodied in many ways ever since, some tasteful, most not, but the original still encapsulates the youthful, carefree culture of the 1970s.

Elliott died in 2010, but Ms Butler is now Mrs Walker, a happy mother of three and has no regrets about the photo, nor even about never getting any royalties!

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We know many of you can't resist Sudoku, so we ferreted around on the interweb to bring you a little light diversion.

You can find loads more like this on sudoku.com (where else?), both printable and online.

Bookworm Library News

Arts & Crafts

ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS AT YAXLEY LIBRARY

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Rhymetime - Tuesdays, 10:30-11am
U-5s Stay & Play - Fridays, 9:30-10:30am
Lego Club - Saturdays, 10-11am
(50p/child donation)

Children's Art Club

Saturday 5th September, 10-11am

Parrot Crafts!

Join us to let your creative talents come to life with a themed art session. Suitable for ages 4+. Kindly supported and funded by Friends of Yaxley Library.

Lucky Dip Craft Event

Saturday 26th September, 10:30am-12noon.

Choose from a range of craft activities. Including starfish and dinosaur sewing kits or gingerbread houses plus lots more - whatever takes your fancy on the day!

£2 per child. Suitable for ages 4+

Booking is advised for children's events as places are limited. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

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

ENGAGE IN THE AFTERNOON

A History of Place Names

Wednesday 9th September, 2-3pm

Join speaker Grahame Middleton to explore the understanding of what place names can tell us about past environments and the people who named where they lived.

Free event, donations welcomed. Adults only. Booking is essential.

FoYL 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.

BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR LIBRARY LOAN SCHEME

Cambridgeshire Libraries are offering blood pressure monitors to borrow from all libraries and mobile libraries. Any library member aged 18 or over can borrow a monitor for three weeks.

It's completely free, and you don't need a GP referral. Please ask library staff for more information.

CAMBS SKILLS GUIDANCE HUB

Thursday 17th September, 9:30am-12:30pm

To make an appointment, contact Jason.Ramtohul@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or call 07484 021651.

NEW BUS PASSES AND RENEWALS

Please contact us at 0345 045 5225, ask at Yaxley Library or contact huntingdon.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

SUE'S ESSENTIALS

Yaxley Library stocks an assortment of necessities for those in need, such as toiletries and hygiene products. These are free for anyone to take. Just pop in!

Any quality unused donations would be greatly appreciated to keep our stock replenished. Thank you!

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 1st Sept

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.

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New Beginnings

September has always felt like a month of new beginnings. The summer holidays come to an end, schools return, routines are re-established and, for many of us, there is a sense of turning a page and starting afresh. We have several new beginnings as a Church this year.

This September, we have a particularly exciting new beginning to celebrate as we launch Little Flock, our new baby and toddler group at St Mary Magdalene Church. Little Flock will begin on Thursday 10th September at 9.00am, and we would love to welcome babies, toddlers, parents, grandparents and carers from across our community. It will be a relaxed and friendly opportunity to meet other families, enjoy some time together and, we hope, discover new friends.If you have a baby or toddler, or know someone who does, please do encourage them to come along. We would love you to register your interest, even if you are not yet sure whether you will be able to make it regularly. It will help us as we prepare for our first sessions.





We also have a new beginning, building on established roots when we welcome new leaders to our Messy Praise service, at 11.15am at St Mary's Haddon every third Sunday. Mike and Claire Kirk are following on from Pat Maltman who took her last Messy Praise in July. We are very grateful for all she has done and all Mike and Claire will bring to this family service.

We also begin our new Bible Study Series in the book of Exodus on Monday evenings, starting 21st September, 7pm at the Church Meeting Room, Stilton.

So, as September begins, let us embrace these new beginnings together. New faces, new friendships, new possibilities, and perhaps the beginning of some really special things for our church and our community

With every blessing, Rev Diane.

Services in September ~ All Welcome

STILTON
St Mary Magdalene PE7 3RF



6th September
11.15am Holy Communion

13th September
11.15am Holy Communion

20th September
11.15am Morning Praise

27th September
11.15am Morning Praise

FOLKSWORTH
St Helen's PE7 3SS



6th September
9.45am Morning Praise

13th September
9.45am Holy Communion

20th September
9.45am Morning Praise

27th September
9.45am Holy Communion

MORBORNE **All Saints PE7 3TG**



20th September 3pm Harvest Service *with memorial for Pam Dow*

HADDON
St Mary's PE7 3TR



6th September
11.15am Family Praise

13th September
11.15am Holy Communion

20th September
11.15am Messy Praise

27th September
6.00pm Evening Praise

ELTON
All Saints' PE8 6RU



6th September
9.30am Holy Communion

13th September
6.00pm Service of Light

20th September
9.30am Holy Communion

27th September
9.30am Morning Praise

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION

1st Wednesday of the month (2nd Sept) Stilton 12.30pm *with a soup lunch*

2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month (9th September and 23rd September) at Elton 10am

STILTON COFFEE MORNING

In the church meeting room

Saturday 19th September
10.30am - 12.00.
Homemade cake and a raffle.

BINGO NIGHT

Every Third Thursday

Thursday 17th September
7pm start (prompt!)
St Mary' Magdalene Church
Church Meeting Room, Stilton
Winners will receive non-cash prizes.



St Mary's

Little Flock

Baby & Toddler Group

Launching 10th September!

A friendly and welcoming group for babies, toddlers and their grown-ups.

Songs · Crafts · Refreshments

Thursdays in term time
9.00am – 10.30am
Stilton Church

Numbers limited
Please register your interest to reserve your place.

For more information or to register your interest:

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SERVICE OF LIGHT

13TH SEPTEMBER

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH ELTON

AT 6PM

An opportunity to remember and reflect on loved ones who are no longer with us. All are welcome to come and have names read and light a candle in memory.

ALL ARE WELCOME

SAVE THE DATE

BIBLE Study

EXODUS

The Presence of God

STARTS 21ST SEPTEMBER

MONDAYS 7–9PM

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW AFTER THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

St Mary's Church, Haddon
12th September
Join us in praying for the nations
For more details contact:
rectorstiltongroup@gmail.com

Global Week of 24-7 Prayer
6 – 13 SEPTEMBER 2026

Join the nations in prayer

•••• SAVE THE DATE *WATCH THIS SPACE* ••••



5th and 6th December Christmas Tree Festival at Stilton





A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR

Pam Dow

20TH SEPTEMBER | 3PM | MORBORNE CHURCH

AS PART OF OUR HARVEST SERVICE

ALL WELCOME



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Yaxley Surgery News

Have Your Say Patient Participation Group

DROP-IN DIGITAL SUPPORT SESSIONS

The PPG hold regular drop-in digital support sessions in the reception area of the practice. We can give you time and space to get to grips with the NHS app or Anima. Bring your device and any passwords with you.

These sessions are on the 3rd Monday of every other month, 8:30-10am;

Mon Sept 21st Mon Nov 16th

NEXT MEETING

All our patients are welcome to our quarterly meetings; no cost to attend and the meeting lasts approximately one hour.

Next meeting: Monday Oct 5th 2026, 18:30 in the Yaxley practice reception area (enter via car park doors) This will be our AGM. Owing to being in post for the maximum 3 years, the positions of Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary are all seeking new volunteers.

Please reach out to us at the email address above if you are interested in supporting and want more information.

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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Stilton Stumblers

Autumn's coming! A great season for walking.

13th Sept	Barholm	6 mi	27th Sept	Exton	5 mi
11th Oct	Three Villages	5 mi	25th Oct	Hampton Lakes	5 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