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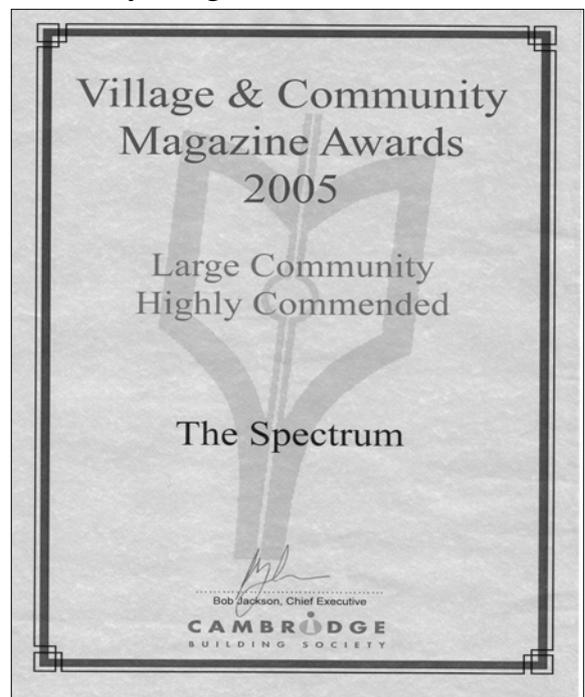
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Letters

Obituary

We are sad to announce the death of a much respected and dearly loved member of our community.



Alfred John Dady, known to all as "**Jack**" passed away peacefully just after 4pm on Thursday 30th November 2006 at the age of 93.

POPPY APPEAL

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who collected door to door for the Poppy Appeal in the villages of Fenstanton and Hilton, the businesses in the Villages who had collecting boxes and to the Churches for their kind donations.

Also to all of you who donated to the Appeal. To date, a total of 2649.30 has been paid in to the bank for this years appeal which is an increase, so far, of £216.00 on last years total.

I would also like to say thank you for the very many messages of support I received with regard to Remembrance Sunday.

Gill Dartford

Poppy Appeal Organiser

Dear Spectrum

I write to you on behalf of the United Reformed Church in Fenstanton, thanking you and your distribution team for the splendid job done in delivery this season's Christmas cards. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

Ray Condor

Secretary to Fenstanton United Reformed Church

Plymouth – Dakar Challenge.

Thank you to everyone that supported my coffee morning in December – it raised £400 for the Motor Neurone Society. The boys left in a 1977 Peugeot 205 and VW camper van during the morning and arrived, via Cambridge, London, Plymouth, Spain, Morocco, Western Sahara, Mauritania and Senegal, in Banjul, Gambia 3 weeks later. The vehicles took a battering (driving through soft sand at 60 to 70 kph); the camper took off a couple of times but dealt with the desert better than the boys! The pot holes in Senegal and the Gambia were the size of bath tubs, and add darkness, no sleep, hanging exhausts, donkey carts without lights, customs officials and police patrols, and it was certainly an adventure. The boys reported that it was an 'adventure of a lifetime, if a little frustrating at times'.

The Peugeot is to be sold for a Gambian charity, but Stuart (my son) and Allan (from Norway) intend to bring the camper van back to Hilton - another 4,000 miles (they must be mad!). Stuart is rather attached to the camper and after all what is my garage for – certainly not my car!

Thank you all for your interest and support.

Celia Sutton.

Parish Council Report

FENSTANTON

Held 11th January 2007

Prior to commencement of the meeting a minutes silence was held as a mark of respect to the late Mr Jack Dady a former member and Chairman of the Council.

Police Report.

During the period 4th November 2006 to 9th January 2007 the following incidents had been reported to the Police :-2 criminal damage; 1 theft. Members of the Council expressed concern that the report received from the Police did not include all reported crimes.

A14

The new A14 proposals caused considerable debate. It was overwhelmingly agreed to oppose the Blue Route Variation 2 due to the catastrophic effect the proposed scheme would have on the Village. The Highways Agency booklet, which has been distributed to every house in the Village, states that 5 houses in the Village and several farm outbuildings will be demolished. The close proximity of this route will greatly increase air pollution (which is already monitored) and will significantly increase the level of noise. A further knock on effect will be a significant reduction in house prices and possibly some parishioners suffering negative equity on their properties.

It was agreed to hold a Public Meeting on the 25th January in the Church Centre to ensure that the views of all members of the Parish are incorporated into the Parish Council's response to the Highways Agency and to consider other methods of opposition to this outrageous scheme.

Parishioners are requested to complete and return the questionnaire on the back of the Highways Agency leaflet as soon as possible. If this has been accidentally mislaid your comments can be addressed to :

Miss Cara Cosson, Business Manager & A14 Support, Woodlands, Manton Lane, Manton Industrial Estate, Bedford MK41 7LW. Your comments and views can also be sent to our MP at the constituency office: Mr D Djanogly MP, HCCA, 8 Stukeley Road, Huntingdon PE29 6XG.

Parish Boundary Changes.

The District Council are currently consulting on a number of Parish boundary changes, one of which will affect Fenstanton. Consideration is being given to amalgamating Greenfields, Maytrees, Elizabeth Court, London Road, Bridge Terrace, Enderby's Wharf and the Low Road (as far as the White Bridge) into St Ives. Residents have not been advised of these possible changes by the District Council and the effect it will have, for example an increase in Council Tax as the St Ives Rate is higher than levied in Fenstanton. Before the Parish Council responds to the consultation we would be pleased to receive the views of those parishioners affected. Please write to the Clerk, Fenstanton Parish Council, 12 Dove Close, Fenstanton PE28 9LX before 6th February as the matter will be discussed at the Parish Council Meeting to be held on 8th February.

Village Sign & Festive Lights.

The Parish Council would like to thank the following;

Mrs Donna Butcher for her efforts in maintaining the flower bed at the base of the Village sign during the past year.

Mrs Daphne Loveday for organising the display of lights on the Clock Tower over the Christmas period and Mr Harvey Loveday for braving the elements during the installation of the lights.

Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 8th February 2007 at 7:30pm at Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School. All members of the press and public are welcome.

Parish Council Report

HILTON

A14 Consultation A second A14 exhibition was to be held in the village on 8 December. Following this, a public meeting was scheduled to be held in the Chapel on 12 December to enable the Council and the A14 Action Group to assess the feelings of the village regarding the latest A14 proposals. Residents were urged to attend. The Council believes we can make a difference, especially to the environmental issues and urges residents to make the Highways Agency know of your concerns. The closure date for comments to the Highways Agency is 9 March 2007.

Traffic. Following a meeting between the Parish Council and Cambridgeshire County Council, it was agreed that they would carry out a full speed and volume census of traffic through the village in the New Year although funding for any major work was currently not available. In addition, Mr Bill Halford had agreed to set up a group to look specifically at HGV issues and anyone interested in supporting this work is asked to contact either the Clerk or Mr Halford.

Planning Matters The Council has had a relatively quiet period with only some amendments being made to existing approved applications at the land opposite Hilton Hall and at 20 Scotts Close.

Village Hall Car Park The new car park at the Village Hall was completed on time and on cost. Until the grass seed planted during construction has taken root, the surface is likely to remain a little muddy. However this will improve over time. In addition the holes in the gravel have been repaired.

Parking on the Green. In an attempt to reduce the damage being done to the Green along Wraggs Row, the Council has embarked on a trial involving the erection of some anti parking posts and some raised earth verges. The effectiveness of these measures will be evaluated in the Spring.

Cricket Nets. The Parish Council have not agreed to proposals for the erection of a permanent cricket net on The Green believing that there would be problems from vandalism, long term maintenance concerns, the creation of an unsustainable precedence and the potential visual impact on The Green

Finance. The Council has requested a Precept of £18375 for the financial year starting April 2007 which represents an increase of 5% over last year. This level of increase is in line with the expected level of Council Tax rise.

Crime. There has been an increase in reported crime over the past month. There was an attempted break on the Green on 8 Nov with an attempted distraction burglary in St Ives Road on the following day.

Over the period 15/16 Nov there were three vehicle crimes: In Kidmans Close, rear seats of an insecure car were stolen. In Chequers Croft, the door of a vehicle was forced and items of stereo equipment stolen. In the High Street a car was forced open and a Radio/MP3 player stolen. Finally on 28 Nov the brake pipes on a car in Potton Road were cut.

A14

To the Residents of Fenstanton and Hilton Parishes

December 2006

Dear Residents,

A14

I am sure you are all aware that the Highways Agency is undertaking consultation about a new route for the A14. I would very much appreciate receiving your views on this subject.

The Highways Agency has arranged consultation exhibitions at the following venues in the New Year, which will enable you to see more details of the proposals –

The George Hotel, George Street, Huntingdon – Thursday, 11th January 2007, 12 noon/8 pm

The Church Centre, Church Lane, Fenstanton – Friday, 12th January, 12 noon/8 pm

Memorial Centre, Thrapston Road, Brampton – Saturday, 13th January, 10 am/4 pm.

The consultation period finishes on 9th March 2007 and it would, therefore, be useful if I could receive your views by the end of February/beginning of March.

Yours sincerely,



Councillor Ian Bates

County Councillor for The Hemingfords & Fenstanton Ward,

District Councillor for The Hemingfords Ward

 01480 830250

email Ian.Bates@huntsdc.gov.uk

Hilton A14 Action Group

We are asking all villagers to take the time to send in comments to the Highways Agency on the A14 consultation before the cut off date of 9 March. In fact, we suggest you send in your comments by Monday 27th February to ensure that they arrive in time, and copy them to our local MP Jonathan Djanogly, and our local Councillors Ian Bates and Chris Stephens. You might also want to consider copying your views to the Secretary of State for Transport. For those of you with email, all of these people can be contacted by email. Contact information at the end of this item.

By the time you receive this, the last of the public exhibitions will have been held. The first of these was in Hilton and we were pleased to see it was very well attended. We then held a public meeting in December which was reasonably well attended with a good discussion on the merits of each route.

The consensus at that meeting was to support the Brown Route. The Brown route is the one that appears to follow the line of the original CHUMMS 2001 proposals most closely. It is the one that we have been pressing for a return to in all our meetings and correspondence

STOP PRESS!

The District Council will be voting on the preferred route for the A14 on February 21st get your views to Ian Bates and Chris Stephens by then!

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with our elected representatives and government bodies. It was one of the demands of the petition we submitted last year.

Although, on the face of it, Blue Option 2 route might look more attractive to Hilton there was very considerable concern about the main junction for this section of the road being sited at Galley Hill under this option, potentially adding to traffic through the village on the B1040. Doubts were also expressed on the likelihood of such an option ever being chosen, given its likely impact on Fenstanton.

Any route, including the Brown Route, will, however, have some impacts on the village. In line with our previously stated aims, we will continue to press for the best possible amelioration measures to lessen these impacts. As far as possible, we will be working with other villages that will be affected by the new road to press for these. To this end, representatives from a number of parish councils will be attending a meeting on 25 January called by Hilton PC. Whilst villages may have differences on which route they prefer, we hope that we will be able to present a united front on the mitigation aspects. It is important that these matters are considered at every opportunity.

We will therefore be pressing the Highways Agency to see what measures are going to be taken. We hope to be meeting with Jonathon Djanogly again on 9 February and will seek his assurance again that he will be pressing for a public enquiry once the route has been announced. This will be a further opportunity to ensure that amelioration is done to the best possible standards.

So, whatever your views, please take the opportunity to respond to the Highways Agency consultation either by returning their questionnaire, filling it in on-line at www.highways.gov.uk or by writing a letter. If anyone has mislaid their form and would like another please let us know and we will be happy to help. **This is your opportunity to have your say. The more people who write in, the more the Highways Agency will have to take notice of your views.**

If you need any information whatsoever to assist you in submitting your views please contact Peter Balicki on 831787 Lissie Wright 830577 or Jon Dooley 07885 636745 to discuss.

Contacts:

Miss Cara Cosson, A14 Project Support, Woodlands, Manton Lane, Manton Industrial Estate, Bedford, MK41 7LW. Email: cara.cosson@highways.gsi.gov.uk

Jonathan Djanogly MP, HCCA, 8 Stukeley Road, Huntingdon, PE29 6XG or electronically via his website www.jonathandjanogly.com .

Ian Bates, 4 Church End, Hilton, Cambs PE28 9NJ,
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Chris Stephens, March House, Madeley Court, Hemingford Grey, Huntingdon, PE28 9DF,
email Chris.Stephens@huntsdc.gov.uk

Secretary of State for Transport

Rt Hon Douglas Alexander MP, Secretary of State for Transport, Department for Transport, Great Minster House, 76 Marsham Street, London SW1P 4DR

Email Douglas.Alexander@dft.gsi.gov.uk

Parc Project

Aged 11-19?

Want fun things
to do in Hilton?

YOUNG PEOPLE

Want new and exciting activities for young people?
Want to make a difference in your village?

Then come along to the PARC Project!!



PARC is a project running in Hilton to help make the village better for you! So if you've got ideas about what you want to see or do come along to the Methodist Chapel at 6pm on either 6th or 20th Feb or contact

Lorna: lorna@young-lives.org.uk
or tel: 01480 494333 for more information.

Young People's Music Evening at Hilton Village Hall

Friday October 13th saw a superb music evening in Hilton Village Hall. The event was organised by a group of young people from the village under the guidance of the PARC Project, a local initiative to try and encourage young people to become more involved in their communities.

I was lucky to be present throughout the evening and was impressed by many things:

- The quality of the music.
- The organisation that went into the evening.
- The friendly atmosphere created.
- The excellent behaviour of all the young people present.

I hope this is the first of many events that this enthusiastic group organises. Congratulations to all involved for putting on such a splendid evening.

If there are other young people who would like to be involved in the PARC Project in Hilton, call Lorna on 01480 494333 or e-mail: lorna@young-lives.org.uk Similarly, if your are an adult who would like to help with this project, please also make contact with Lorna. **Ian Stott**

Fenstanton Parish Church

February 2007

Thursday 1st Jaffa Club 3.30 p.m.

Sunday 4th *3rd Sunday before Lent.*
9.30 Parish Communion (traditional).
6.00 p.m. Said Evensong.

Sunday 11th *2nd Sunday before Lent.*
8.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
10.00 Worship for All.

Thursday 15th Jaffa Club 3.30 p.m.
PCC in Church Centre 7.45 p.m.

Sunday 18th *Sunday next before Lent.*
9.30 Parish Communion (contemporary).
6.00 Evensong.

Wednesday 21st *Ash Wednesday.*
7.45 p.m. Holy Communion with imposition of Ashes at Hilton.

Saturday 24th 7.30 for 8.00 p.m. Victorian Music Hall Evening in the Church Centre in aid of the Appeal Fund

Sunday 25th *1st Sunday of Lent.*
9.30 a.m. Family Communion.

DURING THE PERIOD OF THE 'INTERREGNUM' PLEASE REFER ANY MATTER ABOUT THE CHURCH IN FENSTANTON (Baptisms, Weddings etc) to THE CHURCHWARDENS (Martyn Saunders on 301068 and Ian Hucklesby on 465211)

The Parish Churches now have an e-mail list, which sends out notices of general interest to parishioners. If you would like to be on this list, please send your e-mail address to hilfens@btinternet.com

A Helping Hand -A FREE easy to use guide to community transport

What is a dial-a-ride service or a voluntary car scheme and am I eligible? If you've ever thought this then help is at hand. Cambridgeshire County Council has just published their indispensable Community Transport Guide for 2006 / 2007. And it's completely FREE. For a FREE copy of the guide contact Gavin Moulton on 01223 717755. Or write to him at Cambridgeshire County Council, ET1015, Castle Court, Shire Hall, Cambridge CB3 0AP. Or email him at gavin.moulton@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Hilton Parish Church

FEBRUARY 2007

We currently do not have a vicar in this parish. Until a new vicar is appointed, please contact one of the Churchwardens for all matters relating to the church, services, weddings, baptisms and funerals - Ralph Slayter (830466) or Rachel Wood (830866)

- Wednesday mornings 10.00am in term time – Discussion Group and Ecumenical House Communion (11.00am) at Hilton Hall. All are welcome to either or both.
- Please ask one of the Churchwardens about other Bible Study and Discussion Groups

Sunday 4th *3rd Sunday before Lent*

8.15 am Holy Communion

Derek Billings

11.15 am Family Service

Harvey Marshall

Sunday 11th *2nd Sunday before Lent*

11.15 am United Communion Service

H-N Sheehan

Sunday 18th *Sunday next before Lent*

8.15 am Holy Communion (by extension)

Harvey Marshall

11.15 am Family Service

Lay led

Weds 21st *Ash Wednesday*

7.45 United Communion Service

H-N Sheehan

Sunday 25th *1st Sunday of Lent*

11.15 am Family Communion

Peter Hill

6.00 pm Lent Evensong – Aspects of Faith

TBC

Tuesday 27th

1.30 pm Tots Praise (ages 0 – 5 welcome)

Doreen Prescott

The Churches in Hilton

Lent Lunches In aid of The Parkinson's Disease Society

Will be held at 12.30 to 2.30 on the following Wednesdays:

28 February Jane Garnett, Hilton Hall

7 March Angela Potter, The Garden House, High Street

14 March Christina Sheppard, 20 Chequer's Croft

21 March Doreen Prescott, 10 Graveley Way

28 March Heather Woods, 7 Chequer's Croft

Bread and cheese, tea, coffee or soft drink. Price 2 adults, children free.

Donations gratefully received.

CHILDREN AT HILTON CHURCHES – Children are always welcome at the mid-morning services in both the Parish and Methodist Churches and special activities are provided for them to do. Once a month, on the 2nd Sunday, we have a United Sunday Club which begins at 10.55am in the Methodist Schoolroom. Children can be picked up at noon when the church service has ended.

Fenstanton United Reformed Church

February

4th 9.30am Revd Bill Mahood
11th 9.30am Revd Bill Mahood
18th 9.30am Revd Bill Mahood - Holy Communion
25th 9.30am Revd Bill Mahood

March

4th 9.30am Revd Roy Muttram

Hilton Methodist Church

4th Feb 11am Mr Andy Nicholson from Godmanchester.

11th Feb 11.15am United Holy Communion Service at Parish Church.
Revd. Hugh Sheehan.
Sunday Club for children in Methodist Hall at 11am.

18th Feb 11am Mr Michael Benneworth from Gt Paxton.

25th Feb 11am Revd. Hugh Sheehan.

Meetings

15th Feb 7.45pm Church Council Meeting.

Thank you very much for your generous contributions to both church Christmas charity collections. At the candlelit carol service £120.30 was collected for The Samaritans.

Carol singing around the village raised £292.66 for Save the Children Fund. Thank you to all the singers and collectors who took part.

Hilton Churches Sunday Club

In December we took gifts to the service for National Children's Homes. During the service we made boxes and put a chocolate and a prayer inside, which were given to every member of the congregation at the end.

Hilton Village Hall

**Morning bookings are now available.
Please contact Leslie Fordham
for further information
Tel 07922 014991**

Fenstanton United Reformed Church is part of the St Ives Group of Churches. Revd Bill Mahood has pastoral oversight of Fenstanton.
Tel: 01480 301518
or at the Free Church, St Ives
Tel: 01480 468535

Hilton Toddler Group

We are a small friendly group who meet every Thursday from 1.45 until 3.15 in the Village Hall, all children 0 – 5 and their carers are welcome to come along, sessions cost just £1.50 per family. We are open as usual during Half Term. Just turn up or call Emily on 831142 or Nadine on 830839.

Hilton Feast Week Produce Show 2007

Why not treat yourself to a test run of the set recipes for the show?

The following recipes are for the WI Home Baking and Preserves Salver:

Semi Rich Fruit cake

5oz/150g Butter or margarine

5oz/150g Caster sugar

12oz/350g Mixed dried fruit

8oz/250g self raising flour

2 eggs standard

Small level teaspoon mixed spice

Milk to mix, about 6 tablespoons

Creaming method.

150 degrees C.

Gas mark 2

Time, 1 3/4 to 2 1/4 hours

Victoria Sandwich

4oz Self raising flour

4oz Margarine

4oz Caster sugar

2 eggs standard

Creaming method, add egg as you stir

Bake in 2x7 inch tins at 180 degrees C

Time aprox. 25 minutes

Jam filling

Dust caster sugar on top

Children's recipe, Melting Moments

175g/6oz Self raising flour

125g/4oz Butter

125g/4oz Rolled oats (for coating)

Pinch of salt

12 glace cherries

Method. Cream butter and caster sugar.

Bake 180 degrees C, gas mark 4

Time, 20 minutes

Enquires, technical to Herbie Collen, Show secretary 830838 and organisation to Ali Dunk, Show Chairman 831877.

Herbie's tips of the month:- Plant dahlias second half of this month. If they come through before the last frost cover overnight.

Hilton Feast Week Produce Show 2007

Producer's Question time and quiz

On Saturday 17th March 7.30pm

at Hilton Village Hall

With a homemade two course supper and coffee/tea, Licensed Bar

Luxury gardening/produce hamper raffle

Please come along, bring family and friends. Have supper prepared for you; there are meat, vegetarian and gluten free options available. Could it be Hilton's own version of Gardener's question time? Expert external judges from the Produce Show will form your panel. With a session of questions on subjects relating to the produce show, you can then relax over supper with a couple of quiz rounds to follow. Who knows there may well be other surprises in store!

Advance tickets are essential for this inaugural event.

Tickets from Ali Dunk 831877
or Jane Hazelwood 830896.

Cost £10

We need to raise funds to stage an event which is growing and draws in all age groups. So please help us to do this and enjoy a relaxing evening in the process.

Hilton Village Ball 2007

Preparations are under way for the staging of a Village Ball this year on 20 July 2007. The 2005 Village Ball generated lots of very positive feedback and so we were keen to respond to the many requests for another Ball. We have therefore liaised with the Parish Council and written to those Villagers whom we know had concerns last time and can confirm that, provided we get enough interest from Villagers, the 2007 Village Ball will go ahead on the Green again making use of the marquee that is put up for Feast Week.

Letters have gone to those Villagers who had tables in 2005 and we have also tried to identify new Villagers who might be interested in buying tickets. However, if you are a resident of Hilton and would like tickets and we have not been in touch, I apologise and would encourage you to contact any member of the Ball committee (names below) who will be more than happy to sell you a ticket.

We are aiming to sell a maximum of 350 tickets and we expect the ticket price will be £50 per head, the increase from last year being primarily as a result of increased catering costs, although we are trying hard to bring the price in a little lower. Weather permitting the format will be very similar to the 2005 format, canapés and a drinks reception around the Maze, a sit down dinner followed by dancing to a band and disco. We are also looking into other entertainment possibilities and of course we will be working hard to get the marquee looking its best!

To those of you who attended in 2005, I sincerely hope that you will support the Ball again – in my opinion it was a fabulous evening and a welcome addition to the Village's social calendar. To those of you

who, for whatever reason did not come along in 2005, I would encourage you to buy a ticket and join us for what I promise will be a very enjoyable evening.

Committee members:

Stuart Watson	830771
Hazel Platt	831922
David Cooper	830914
Lesley Fordham	831195
Angela Potter	831986
Guy Dolby	830446

Huntingdonshire Geranium & Fuchsia Society

Growing Pelargoniums from Seed a talk by Malcolm and Judi Harris

Wednesday 28th February,
Hilton Village Hall, 7.45pm
Refreshments, Raffle. ALL WELCOME

Badminton

Do you play Badminton? If so, do you know that on Tuesday evenings, members (both ladies & gentlemen) of Huntingdon Recreation Badminton Club play at St. Peter's School Sports Hall, Huntingdon, from 8:00pm to 10:00pm?

Why not come for a trial evening – fee £3. We're looking forward to meeting you there. For more details phone Andrea on 466692 or Sandy on 830273.

Wildlife Trust Huntingdon Area Group

www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/

Island Hopping Along the Equator

The Huntingdon Area Group will present an illustrated talk entitled 'Island Hopping Along the Equator' on Wednesday 14th February at 7.30pm at Brampton Memorial Centre, Thrapston Road, Brampton.

Fenstanton WI

We ended 2006 in style with a delicious Festive dinner cooked by Pam Hucklesby followed by a variety of puddings provided by the committee. Afterwards Daphne Loveday's wish of many years to have a magician for our entertainment came true. Mr. John Whitmore, a member of the Magic Circle certainly did not disappoint. His interest in magic started when he was 8yrs. old. He collected tops off Quaker Oat packets to obtain a book on magic. He first practised his tricks on family and friends and then progressed to public performances through Church events. He demonstrated a trick from that first book and Emily aged 8 yrs. whispered to Mum that the box was up his sleeve. She was right! But after that we were bemused and wondered how did he do that? He threw an invisible pack of cards to Lorna and she had to select an invisible card. Then she put the invisible card into a real envelope which she sealed herself. She told us the card was the nine of diamonds and when the envelope was opened there was the real card. A truly superb performance.

We started 2007 as we mean to go on with fun, laughter and friendship when we went to see Aladdin at The Burgess Hall. "He's behind you!" – a traditional pantomime with plenty of audience participation. Daniel will never forget the moment when the Dame pointed at him and shouted, "That boy just called me a fat lady". Come and join our friendly group. We meet on the first Thursday of each month in the Church Centre at 7.30 pm. For more information contact our secretary Beryl Harvey (01480) 469278.

Dates for Future Meetings.

February 1st Coach Holidays in the U.K. and Europe – Les Staniforth

March 1st The Secret Life of a Freelance Reporter – David Self

Hilton WI

After the official business, the Christmas celebrations began with mince pies, punch, a raffle and entertainment provided by the Music Hall Society featuring our member Noreen Plows who headed a riotous production of song and dance. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all and after showing our appreciation they concluded with Christmas songs. The Society performs in the area for charity and their evenings are thoroughly recommended.

2007 began with great hilarity – a talk on 'The Mistress, her maid and men in their lives' – Deana Hudson was her usual entertaining self, dressing Kathy in all the underclothes that a Victorian lady would have worn.

The speaker at February's meeting is Jo Murray, and the subject 'Circle of Care'.

Diary Notes

Saturday 24th February 2pm Jumble Sale at the Village Hall. Entry 20p. Please deliver jumble between 10am and 12pm.

Friday 16th March Celebration Dinner.

If you would like to join our friendly group please phone the Secretary, Ruth Salem on 830358, speak to a committee member or come to the Village Hall at 7.15pm – you will be made most welcome.

Hilton WI
Jumble Sale
Saturday 24th February
Hilton Village Hall
Sale doors open 2pm
Entrance 20p;
Drop off your jumble please
between 10 am and 12 noon.

Fenstanton Pre School

As we return from the Christmas holiday it is very busy at Pre School with all the children taking part in lots of activities around our alphabet theme. This week we had a granddad come and talk to us about being a paramedic as 'A' is for Ambulance!

Since moving into our new building the number of children attending has increased dramatically which is fantastic and we are now able to offer full days (9.15am – 3.00pm) as well as morning only or afternoon only with lunch club, if required.

In December we held our AGM, which was very well attended and were pleased that five new parents stepped forward to join the committee with Bernadette Weaver and Roz Cowburn taking on the role of joint chairperson. This is excellent news and will lead to many exciting things happening at Pre School as we move forward.

We take children from the age of 2 and 9 months, and will add them to our waiting list at age 2, so if you are interested in finding our more please do not hesitate to telephone on 01480 496156 or call in to see us.

Fenstanton Over 60's Club

This is our itinerary from before the Christmas break. We all met on 6th December and a friend demonstrated the art of Christmas table decoration. The displays were very colourful, using holly and various winter shrubs from gardens. We then raffled these off as prizes and all went away with ideas for our homes.

On the 13th we met at the "Dolphin" in St Ives for a nice meal and the following week continued our festivities with our annual party at the Church Centre. We enjoyed

snacks, drinks and lots of music and each had a present which we had contributed too. It was a sociable afternoon although a few members were not present due to illness; we wish them better soon.

The members of the club were invited to the nativity play at the school. It was performed very nicely, the children spoke clearly and the singing and acting were a pleasure to see. "3 cheers to the teachers!". We thank them for the invitation.

We resumed our meetings on 17th January when the itinerary for the following months was drawn up.

You are welcome to join us and make new friends or meet up with old ones. We meet every other Wednesday in the Church Centre between 2pm and 4pm.

Forthcoming meetings: January 31st, February 14th and 28th.

Fenstanton Church Appeal Committee

Music Hall Supper

***SATURDAY 24th FEBRUARY
7:30pm for 8:00 pm***

FENSTANTON CHURCH CENTRE

***Tickets £9.00 including supper
- bring your own drinks***

Music Hall costume optional

Tickets: (01480) 301068/463729

***Ron Jacob's Farm Shop,
Fenstanton Post Office***

Hilton Feast Week

Welcome to Feast Week in 2007!

We have several events in the pipeline, the first of which is to be a Disco in the Village Hall on the 24th of February. It will start at 8pm and finish at midnight, with music being provided by that Feast Week favourite, Dean's Disco! The ticket price of £10 will include 4 drinks (lager, wine, bitter or alcopop) of your choice. If you would like to purchase a ticket to include non-alcoholic drinks, these will be £7. Please note, the ticket price will NOT include food, although burgers etc. will be available on the evening. In order to give your hardworking committee a rest, a group of volunteers have kindly agreed to organise and run this event. If you would like tickets, please contact Pam and Phil Whitbread on 831946.

The next two events are a Murder Mystery evening on the 24th of March, followed by a quiz on the 28th of April. Details will follow, so keep an eye on the usual places for more information!

The committee would like to thank all those who purchased Christmas Hamper raffle tickets, and to our band of tireless volunteers who helped to sell them. Due to a misunderstanding, some people were sold tickets at £5 each instead of £1 and we would like to assure those people that we put extra tickets in the draw to the equivalent of their expenditure.

Congratulations to the Barradells who won the lovely hamper – we hope you enjoyed it!

Finally, as some of you may be aware, we now post information about Feast Week matters on the village website which can be found at www.hilton-village.com

As ever, if you wish to speak to any member of the committee, their contact details will follow.

Chairman: Hazel Platt (831922)

Vice Chair: Paul Williamson (831958)

Treasurer: Peter Balicki (831787)

Secretary: Emma Stubbs (839027)

Other committee members:

Helen Cooper (830914), Bernie Ashby (830455), Alistair Stewart (830301), Judy Ward (831875) & Sharon Walker (831299)

1st Fenstanton & Hilton Scout Group

Here's your chance to find out all the fun you could be having with one of the most popular Scout Groups in the area. So, if you're looking for a fun way to get fit and active in 2007 why not come and join us? We're always on the look out for those 18 or over who can spare a few hours a week to help make a difference to local youngsters ☺

Winter Camp 2007

So where were you on the first weekend in January? Tucked up nice and warm in your bed at night,



watching TV on the comfy sofa in your nice warm house during the day? Well some of our Scouts weren't !

19 Scouts and 4 courageous adults (thanks folks) were at Gilwell Park for the first major event of the Scouting Centenary – Winter Camp. It was just a little bit muddy!

Centenary

Did you know that this year we celebrate an amazing 100 years of Scouting?

To contact us or find out more about the fun and adventure that awaits simply visit our website at www.scubes.co.uk or contact Louise Clover on 01480 831715.

Fenstanton & Hilton Primary School PTA

Firstly, a big thank you to everyone that came along to the Christmas Fayre and especially to the parents, teachers, support staff and Year 6 children who helped set up and man stalls on the night. The event was a huge success and the money raised will go towards a new P.A system for the school. We have a couple events coming up in the next few months which are as follows:

Irish Quiz Night – Friday 16th March

We will be holding an Irish Quiz nights for adults on Friday 16th March in the School Hall starting at 7.30 p.m. We will have a bar selling Guinness, Lager and Wine and will be serving a meal of Irish stew and Jacket Potatoes.

The cost of the ticket, which includes the meal, is £7.50. Please see posters around the villages or school newsletters for more details on how to obtain tickets, or contact a member of the PTA.

Sports News

Fenstanton (& Hilton) Under 7s Football

Friendly Results:

- 👁️ We were defeated by Somersham Under Sevens, despite superb goals from Andrew Darling and Oliver Hirst, final score 6 – 2.
- 👁️ 2006 ended with **VICTORY**; we beat Over Under Sevens 5 – 2 with goals from Andrew Darling, Bailey Parr, Jordan Heaford and 2 from Harry Taylor.

Everyone played well during these two matches, coaching is really starting to pay off and the children are now recognising their positions within the team.

CONGRATULATIONS.

Our Plans for 2007:

- 👁️ We will join the Under Eights League.
- 👁️ We will have our own junior pitch marked out at the Fenstanton Football field.

School Disco – Friday 23rd March

We will be holding a school disco for all pupils on Friday 23rd March 2007, further details will be sent home nearer the time.

Bags for School

This is now scheduled for February 2007. We will be collecting unwanted clothes, shoes, blankets, towels etc. This will be a perfect chance for a new year clear out. There will be more details of this in a PTA Newsletter during February.

The PTA are always happy to welcome new members to this friendly informal group of fundraisers, so if you would like to come along and join us, and bring any new ideas to our group, our next meeting is on **Thursday 1st March at 7.00 p.m. in the school.** We look forward to seeing you then.

The PTA would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continued support and hope to see you at some of our forthcoming events, or our next meeting.

- 👁️ We will be kitted out in team colours.
- 👁️ We will continue to raise funds and seek sponsors to support the club.
- 👁️ There will be no stopping us!!!

And finally one thank you We must take this opportunity to “congratulate” the George Public House for hosting a great Christmas Party Lunch for so many excited boys and girls. *Same time next year??!*

If you are interested in joining us, to play or help, we meet on the Football Field in Fenstanton (Off Chequer Street Park) every Saturday, 10 – 11.30. Coaching is professional with emphasis on taking part and fair play. During these winter months please ensure your child is appropriately dressed for the weather conditions

For further information contact Charlie Darling on 01480 395338 after 6 pm

Sports News cont

Hilton Cricket Club

Our Christmas holiday was marred by events in the Antipodes. Here are a few of the headlines and newspaper quotes which tormented us:

POMMIES: SEND OVER YOUR FIRST TEAM, NEXT TIME (Sydney Morning Herald)

“In them days, if we bust a rib or two, we just shook ourselves and got on with it”

(G Boycott in The Barnsley Trumpet)

COMPLETE HUMIDIFICATION (The Sun)

“Aaaarrgh!” (A Flintoff, on realising that Harmison’s first ball was heading straight for him at second slip)

ASHES WHITEWASH CONSPIRACY: DID DUKE OF EDINBURGH ORDER IT?

(Daily Express)

“50°C – bah! In them days, they wouldn’t give us a drink until we’d batted for three days at least” (G Boycott in The Tadcaster Times)

Meanwhile, the outcome of Hilton’s Summer 2006 Tour of Cambridgeshire scarcely raised a mention in the press. We came a creditable third in our division. We’ll be doing it all over again when global warming sets in, three months from now. For those fans with SatNav, here is where we’ll be in 2007:

29 April	League	Alconbury II	A	15 July	League Feast	Gt Staughton	H
6 May	League	Waresley III	A	23 July	Week Feast	Hunts DC	H
13 May	League	Warboys II	A	24 July	Week Feast	Fenstanton	H
20 May	League	Gt Staughton	A	25 July	Week	Ivor Parker’s	H
27 May	League	Sawtry III	A	29 July	League	Upwood III	A
3 June	League	Alconbury II	H	5 August	League	Huntingdon II	A
10 June	League	Upwood III	H	12 August	League	Hinchingbrook	H
17 June	League	Huntingdon II	H	19 August	League	Bharat Sports	H
24 June	League	Hinchingbrook	A	2 September	Friendly	II	H
1 July	League	e	A	9 September	League	Hampton	H
8 July	League	Bharat Sports	A	16		Warboys II	H
		II	A	September	League	Waresley III	H
		Sawtry III	H				

We need your support. Recruiting to the Hilton Barmy Army has already begun. Join now! No previous experience of hooliganism necessary.

PS The Pavilion Clock has been returned, fit and well! The wonders of modern clock medicine conquered its paralysis and it can move its hands once again. Our thanks to Lou King, Graham Barradell, a ladder and a screwdriver!

What's On

February 2007

1 st	Fenstanton WI	Church Centre	7.30 pm
5 th	Hilton Flower Club	Village Hall	2.00 pm
6 th	Parc Project, Hilton	Chapel	6.00 pm
8 th	Fenstanton Parish Council Meeting	Primary School	7.30 pm
12 th	Hilton WI	Village Hall	7.15 pm
14 th	Fenstanton Over 60's Club	Church Centre	2.00 pm
14 th	Wildlife Trust Huntingdon Group	Brampton	7.30 pm
20 th	Parc Project, Hilton	Chapel	6.00 pm
24 th	Hilton WI Jumble Sale	Village Hall	2.00 pm
24 th	Fenstanton Church Appeal Supper	Church Centre	7.30 pm
24 th	Hilton Feast Week Disco	Village Hall	8.00 pm
28 th	Lent Lunch	Hilton	12 noon
28 th	Fenstanton Over 60's Club	Church Centre	2.00 pm
28 th	Hunts Geranium & Fuschia Society	Village Hall	7.45 pm

March

1 st	School PTA meeting	Primary School	7.00 pm
1 st	Fenstanton WI	Church Centre	7.30 pm
7 th	Lent Lunch	Hilton	12 noon
16 th	Hilton WI Celebration Dinner	to be announced	
17 th	Feast Week Produce Show Question Time	Village Hall	7.30 pm

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