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### PANCREATIC CANCER UK - STRIVING FOR SURVIVAL

7600 cases are diagnosed each year but over 80% die within the first year. 3% only survive up to 5 years.



Our family friend, Martin Hill, from Hilton, decided he would run for the charity in the L O N D O N MARATHON

On Sunday April 25. This was his fourth

marathon and he had hoped to beat his best time.

Despite having a calf injury just before the run he set off with the help of strong pain relief and much strapping, and in with the fun-runners, cheered along by family members.

Martin said at the finish line, that "The fear of failure and the need to justify the sponsorship was largely responsible for keeping me going. It is much more of a fun-run atmosphere further back and was a great experience. The support in general is fantastic - particularly for those who look like they are struggling- and having family and friends at 7, 13, 15, 20 miles, I then felt so much better about jogging alongside people carrying a refrigerator on their back or dressed in a Rhino costume!"

His wonderful effort means that to date we have £2,800 to give to the charity. We would like to thank everyone for their very generous support.

*Pauline Driver*

### Sponsored SkyDive

On June 19th, I am doing a sponsored SkyDive in Cape Town, S Africa, with my nephew, in aid of 'Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY).

My son David died seven years ago of an undetected heart attack, which is believed to affect between eight and twelve under thirty-fives in this country each week. He was just 22. My nephew who has progressed through Beavers and Scouts, with his local Wellingborough Group is training to become a trainer and wishes to raise funds for them

We would like to raise £1000 and intend to divide our Sponsor money equally between the two charities.

If you could support us we would be very grateful.

*Celia Byford-Fox, 3 Rutland Green, Hilton*

### The London Marathon

Simon completed the London Marathon on behalf of The Motor Neurone Society, although he was suffering from tonsillitis and was advised not to compete. We would both like to thank all those who helped raise an Amazing Total of £6,000.

He has asked me to say how humbled he is by this amount, which will do so much for this small charity and hopefully go some way to finding a cure so that our children do not have to experience this disease, either personally or by having to watch it affect a loved one.

This is, of course, the second time you have helped us raise money - Stuart did the Plymouth/Dakar old banger rally as few years back (Simon said that was easier as Stuart mainly sat on his backside rather than pounding the London streets!) - that's brothers for you.

I would like to thank you all - Hilton is an amazing village and has wonderful, generous and kind people living here.

Thank you all

*Celia Sutton*

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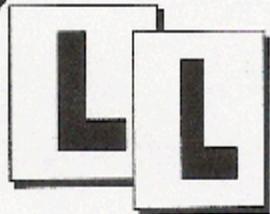
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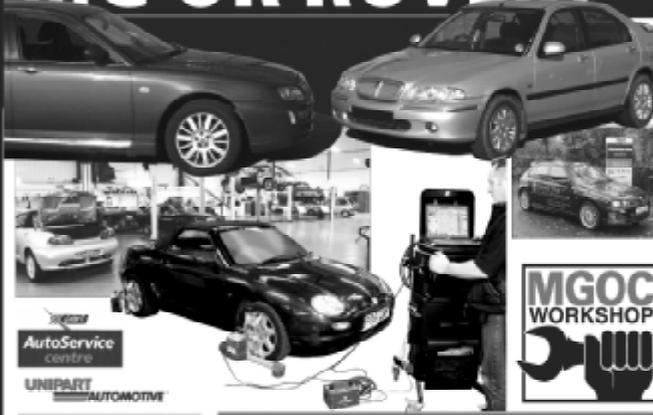
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The Chairman opened the 115th Assembly of the Parish Assembly by welcoming those in attendance and expressed the Council's thanks to the following Parishioners for their contribution to the Village during the past year :

- **Mr. Garth Turner**, for his diligence in keeping the Village litter free.
- **Mr. Deryck Burton**, as Chairman of the P3 Committee.
- **Mrs. Donna Butcher**, for tending the flower bed at the base of the Village sign at her own expense.
- **Mr. Martin Haywood** for undertaking the general Village maintenance.
- **Mr. Sydney Barnett**, although not a Councillor, for his regular attendance and contribution to P C Meetings.
- **Mr. Nigel Tilbury**, for producing and maintaining the informative Village web site.

The Chairman thanked the Councillors for their commitment and those who undertake additional responsibilities of representing the Parish with other organisations.

**Review of the year:** The Chairman opened by stating the Parish Council had not been confronted

with any major issues but many minor ones

**Boundary Changes**, changes to the Parish boundaries became effective from 1st April. As a result and also following a review by the District Council the number of Parish Councillors will be reduced by 2 from May 2011.

**Police:** Whilst the Village has seen incidents of vandalism they have been at a relatively low level. There has been an increase in the number of burglaries reported and with current level of Police participation within the Village the best advice that can be offered to parishioners is to remain vigilant.

**Guided Busway:** Although services have not commenced the upgrading of Fen Lane has been an improvement although it is still susceptible to flooding.

**A14:** It is the Parish Council's intention to speak at the Public Inquiry. It supports the proposed route but has identified deficiencies in the amount of sound-proofing included in the planning. These issues will be raised at the Public Inquiry.

**Bus services:** Despite the Parish Council's best efforts Stagecoach have continued to reduce their services without any consultation with the Parish Council.



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**Village parking:** This continues to be a Village wide problem. The Parish Council attempted to find a solution but was defeated by the high costs involved and the lack of funding from the County or District Councils. The Parish Council is currently considering methods to prevent further erosion of Chapel Green by vehicles and the restoration of the verge in Chequer Street.

**Speeding and traffic calming:** this continues to be a problem in the Village. In some instances the speed limit is not being exceeded but the speed is inappropriate for the infrastructure of the Village. The mini roundabouts on the High Street received criticism as vehicles do not always slow or give way. The Parish Council had the traffic calming measures reviewed by the County Council. The findings concluded that the measures met the criteria required and that no changes could be implemented.

**Subway – Hilton Road:** The Highways Agency and the County Council continue to discuss ownership and responsibility and fail to agree. The Parish Council will continue to keep this matter before those responsible.

**Dog Fouling:** It is an observation that the Village dog population has increased and with it the percentage of irresponsible owners.

**Responsible Financial Officers Report:** It was reported that the Parish Council had remained within and in some instances under budget during the Financial Year 2009 / 2010. Because of the careful approach adopted it was expected to see a modest surplus, which will support the general reserve. The Parish Council approved a 2% increase to the precept. This is in line with expected inflation.

**General Discussion:** It had been observed that election material distributed by the various political parties contained false statements of activities by claiming the credit for the Parish Council's achievements. It was hoped that in future all candidates would adopt a more honest approach to the electorate and seek election on their own merit.

**The Responsible Financial Officer** had advised the meeting that the 2% increase to the precept had been approved but the Council Tax statement issued by the District Council showed a 5.9% increase. The assembly was advised that the figure of 5.9% is incorrect and the District Council have been advised of their error.

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## HILTON VILLAGE ACTION on TRAFFIC

Following the recent consultation, the County Council has decided to adopt the Countywide Advisory Freight Map without further change. It has decided next to undertake a review of the environmental weight limit policy and the development of a Lorry Management Strategy.

The Officers noted residents' views about the B1040, its unsuitability as a lorry route and requests that night time ban should be extended to 24 hours. County Cllr Ian Bates spoke in support of the removal of the B1040 (shown on the map as a "local access route") because of the continued cost of repairing the damage caused by heavy commercial vehicles and in view of the environmental impact to the dwellings along its route, proposing also that the weight restriction ban should be extended to 24 hours.

The County Council stated there would be further opportunities to review the map as a result of the proposed review of the environmental weight limit policy. It will also review it in the light of significant future changes to the road hierarchy and the effects of large scale developments such as Northstowe.

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## NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE CHURCHES

### View from the United Reformed Church

June 20<sup>th</sup> 2010 is Fathers' Day. Along with Mothering Sunday, this day can be family day of celebration, acknowledging the love and care that our parents have shown us. For those with relatives who live nearby, they are a good opportunity for family members to get together and enjoy each other's company. They might go for a day out, or simply for a walk; they might enjoy an outdoor concert, or have a BBQ in the back garden. There are all kinds of things a family can do together. Or, if family members no longer live near each other, at least to send greetings to say thank you and that you care.

However, as much as we would like this family time to be true for everyone, for some the reality is very different. There are some for whom childhood memories are not happy ones. Their home-life was unhappy and their parents were neglectful or abusive. For others, one or both of their parents were absent. It is therefore important for us to be sensitive to people in different situations on these occasions.

Thankfully the Christian Church has something positive to *all* people, whatever their experience of parenting. Firstly, in God we have an example of a loving parent. God is faithful and true; God keeps promises and is always there for us, always watching over us. God is loving and kind, full of compassion and understanding and wants the best for his children. Through his Son, Jesus Christ, God experienced the different challenges and limitations of human life and so can empathise with us, whatever the circumstances in which we find ourselves.

God also gives us guidance and direction; in the Scriptures we are taught how to live in order to enjoy peace with ourselves, with God and with each other. Any good parent would do likewise to enable their children to learn and grow with freedom but at the same time, provide protection from situations that could be harmful to them or others.

Secondly, the Church is a community of sisters and brothers in Christ – an extended family if you will - where all are welcomed and included and where we as God's offspring may show caring, encouragement and support toward one another. In God's family all my have a sense of history and belonging and know themselves to be accepted and loved.

So, may you enjoy family time and time with our neighbours and friends on warm summer days as we celebrate being part of the whole human family, created and loved by God.

With all good wishes

*Revd Dr Catherine Ball*

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**For further information please see our website or call us on 01480 498801**

## FENSTANTON & HILTON PARISH CHURCHES—JUNE

<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	
Hilton	8.15am	Holy Communion (BCP) with David Busk
Fenstanton	9.30am	Parish Communion with Sunday Club
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Said Evensong
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup></b>		
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer
<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup></b>		
Fenstanton		Open Gardens
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	
Fenstanton	10.00am	Worship for All
Hilton	11.00am	United Service at Methodist Church with Sunday Club
Fenstanton		Open Gardens
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup></b>		
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Fenstanton	3.30pm	Jaffa Club
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	
Hilton	8.15am	Holy Communion
Fenstanton	9.30am	Parish Communion & Sunday Club
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Evensong
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup></b>		
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Fenstanton	3.30pm	Jaffa Club
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	
Fenstanton	9.30am	Family Communion
Hilton	11.15am	Family Worship with coffee served beforehand at 11.00am
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup></b>		
Hilton	1.30pm	Tots' Praise

**From the Vicar**—Do phone or email me with any questions or issues about faith, or about matters of pastoral concern. For more regular matters such as baptisms, weddings and funerals, please first contact one of the churchwardens:

For **Fenstanton**, Martyn Saunders, 01480 301068 (baptisms, weddings and funerals) or Ian Hucklesby 01480 465211 (general enquiries)

For **Hilton**, Rachel Wood 01480 830866 (weddings and baptisms) or Ralph Slayter (funerals) 01480 830466

I work Sunday on parish business, together with Thursday and one other day in the week. I listen to my answer-phone regularly. Please do call on 01480 466162 with a 1571 service, or email [mckenzie\\_robin@hotmail.com](mailto:mckenzie_robin@hotmail.com)

<b>Hilton &amp; Fenstanton Parish Churches —Regular Weekly Events</b>		
Wednesdays at Hilton	10.00am	Morning Prayer/Communion at 20 Chequers Croft
Fridays at Fenstanton	7.30pm	Teenage Christians

### **Fundraising Update for Hilton Church Roof Appeal**

Good news ... the quotations for the restoration of the south aisle roof have come in quite a bit lower than we had originally anticipated. We are now expecting to pay a total of £105,800 for the work to be completed. English Heritage have reduced their grant to £58,000, in line with the reduced costs, but our contribution is also lower which means we only have to find £47,800 instead of the £58,000 we originally thought. To date we have raised just over £24,000 and we can reclaim the VAT on the total cost of the work (estimated £14,000) which leaves us with just under £10,000 still to raise. Hurrah! The work is planned to start in the middle of May and we can make use of interest-free loans whilst we continue to fundraise.

We have had a terrific response so far with lots of people taking part in our church-organised activities (envelope collection, fetes, roving supper, wine tasting, pudding party etc) as well as running their own events to help boost the appeal. Thanks to everyone who has helped so far with particular thanks to Jane & Richard Garnett, Vine McGill, Monarch Farm, the Fleming family and Fields View Kennels & Cattery for their individual fundraising efforts.

Our next big activity will be a second - and final - door-to-door envelope collection in June. People gave generously to our first collection so we won't be offended if you don't want to contribute again—but anything you can spare will take us closer to our final target **For more information, please contact Rachel Wood on 830866.**

### **HILTON TOTS PRAISE—JUNE**

The story & activity that Linda led last time, about Jesus, the sea & silver fishes was so good. What are we going to have next? Do come & hear a story, make new friends on the last Tuesday of the month. June 29th 2010, 1.30 - 2.30pm. We shall be there to greet you & your little ones to have fun in Church !

### **HILTON METHODIST CHURCH - JUNE**

6th June	10 00am	Revd. Janet Roe
13th June	11 00am	United Holy Communion Service – Revd. Katy Dunn Children's Sunday Club in Methodist Hall
20th June	10 00am	Mr John Garner
27th June	10 00am	Revd. Hugh Sheehan . There will be a baptism during this service.

**MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING.** The next coffee morning is on **Saturday 5th June**, from 10 00am - 12 30pm. Come along for a coffee and a slice of cake, a chat and a browse through the fair trade goods on sale. Profit from the goods goes back to Just Sharing and Fair Trade and our refreshment money will be sent to the East Anglian Childrens' Hospice near Cambridge.

**EXPLORATIONS DISCUSSION GROUP** Our meeting is on **Monday 28th June** at 7 30pm, beginning with tea/coffee and cake. Please refer to the notice boards for the topic for the evening.

## FENSTANTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH—JUNE

June 6 th	9:30am	Mr George Mwaura
June 13th	9:30am	Revd Catherine Ball Holy Communion
	6:00pm	Alan Curtis
June 20th	9:30am	Mrs Maureen Kendall
June 27th	9:30am	Revd Catherine Ball
July 4th	9:30am	Revd Derek Newton

### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

***Tuesday, 1st, 15th, & 29th*** 10.00am KNITTERS & NATTERS

***Tuesday, 8th*** 2.30pm Meditation Sessions\*\*

***Tuesday, 8th & 22nd*** 10.00am THE OPEN DOOR

***Saturday, 12th*** 8.30am MEN'S BREAKFAST

(All men welcome, call John on 468718)

***Saturday, 26th*** 10.00am BOOK SALE

### **\*\*MEDITATION SESSIONS**

Each Meditation lasts 30-45 mins. ALL are welcome, beginners as well as those more experienced. If you have not attended before please come along and join us, the circle is always open. It does not involve wearing any special clothing and is done in a sitting position. Relaxation techniques are given for the body and mind, followed by readings from The Bible or other Christian writings to contemplate. Many people have already found benefits from it.

For any queries you may have please contact John on 01480 463 117

**Come and join us. A warm welcome awaits you.**

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## FENSTANTON & HILTON MEN'S FELLOWSHIP SATURDAY BREAKFAST

We will be meeting for breakfast and fellowship on Saturday June 12th. This month we will be discussing the various forms of worship within the Christian church.

These interdenominational fellowship breakfasts are for Christian and non-Christian men and are held on the second Saturday of each month in the social centre of the United Reformed church in Chequer Street Fenstanton, (opposite Ron's farm shop); from 8.00 am to approximately 10.00 am. Breakfast is served from 8.30 am.

As always, all local men are welcome to this meeting. Do come and enjoy a hearty breakfast and some lively discussion.

For catering purposes please book in or for further information please contact John Deeks on 468718 or 07748 653443 or [john.deeks@ntlworld.com](mailto:john.deeks@ntlworld.com)

### **Befriending – your chance to make a difference**

Did you know that **one in four** of us will, at some point, experience mental health problems? It's a surprising statistic, and one which highlights how little we know about mental illness. It is an issue that is largely pushed aside, but the reality is **anyone** can have a mental health problem, be it depression, an anxiety disorder or a psychotic illness, mental health is everybody's issue.

**Cam-mind** is a charity that offers support to people experiencing mental illness, through local projects and services, they help mental health service users in their recovery, and encourage them to return to an active life within the community.

**But you don't need to be a health professional to make a difference.**

**Cam-mind's** one-to-one Befriending Scheme is an opportunity for you to offer support and friendship to people who are among the most isolated in our community.

The volunteer scheme allows you to spend a couple of hours a week with your befriender. You might meet up for a cup of tea, do a bit of shopping, or even attend an exercise class - things that some people may find difficult to do on their own.

**Marly's Story** Fifteen years ago, Marly was a busy working mum. But following a period of severe mental illness, she was forced to leave her job and her marriage collapsed. Following several long periods in hospital, Marly became increasingly isolated. She found it difficult to leave her home or talk to her family. She was then put in touch with Cam-mind's Befriending Scheme.

"When I was referred to Cam-mind, I was at a very low point" says Marly, "I was feeling very isolated, hardly getting out at all, and I was really going down hill."

Marly was matched up with a volunteer befriender. They now meet every Tuesday.

"We couldn't have been matched any better," says Marly. "Since we started meeting up, Tuesday has become my get-up-and-go day. My befriender comes in like a breath of fresh air, and we go out and do all sorts of things together."

Marly's new-found confidence has made a positive impact on other areas of her life.

"When I see my neighbour or talk to one of my relatives, I feel I've got a bit of a conversation now. I say, 'I've been out with my befriender today' and they'll say, 'Oh yes and what did you do?' and I'll say, 'Well what didn't we do,' whereas before, Tuesdays were just another day."

Sally Smith, Cam-mind, 100 Chesterton Road, Cambridge, CB4 1ER,  
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**Jamie Ward & Matt Morris's Cake Stall (see p 27)**



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## FENSTANTON VILLAGE HALL

### Cycle Treasure Hunt

Despite a pretty unfavourable weather forecast over 130 of you braved the day on Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> May, and took part in the Cycle Treasure Hunt and joined us for a barbecue afterwards at The George. The winners of the 15-mile course were Julia Mitchell, Esther Bates and Keith Page; the winners of the 5-mile course were Ms Hudson and Ms Pluck; and the winners of the 2-mile course were the Duncan family. Well done to you all for getting the correct answers even if you may have taken a bit longer to get back. In the event, we are thankful that the rain passed us by and everyone had a good time. Our thanks go to Dai and Jo Heafield for letting us use The George car park and garden as a base, to Macro Art for their eye-catching posters, the Hucklesbys for their generous contribution of salad vegetables and to Robert Ashdown for lending us his bouncy castle.

### Look out for our future fund-raising events:

#### **Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> July:**

Barn Dance at Hall Green to the music of 'Bricks and Brussel'  
(in conjunction with the Church Restoration Committee)

#### **Sunday and Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> August**

Cream Teas with Hats and Bags stall at The Manor House  
:  
(in conjunction with the Women's Institute)

(Don't forget the **Quiz Evening** each month at **The George**, next one on **9th June**)

*Jane Blunt, Chair*

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After seven years since Westbury Homes completed their development, work has now started on the area set aside for a junior football pitch. It is close to the end of Hampton Close. All being well it should be ready for use in September. The grass has been cut and fertilised. PLEASE KEEP DOGS OFF THE AREA.

At a site meeting on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May Persimmon Homes agreed to make safe the bridge over Moores Brook and use secure nuts so that thieves and vandals will be deterred. The fence around the junior football pitch will be repaired and the self sown willow trees in the balance pond will be removed. Persimmon are not obliged to do anything about the pond but seem keen to make a goodwill gesture.

Steve Dartford, the parish clerk, seized the opportunity to ask for a couple of litter bins adjacent to the walk by Cranesbrook. Hopefully the district council will agree to this. Their representative was optimistic.

A very big vote of thanks is due to Carol Carman and the team at the Andy Harper programme of BBC Radio Cambridgeshire for their assistance in persuading Persimmon Homes to finally meet the obligations that they inherited from Westbury Homes.

Colin Saunderson,  
District Councillor

## FENSTANTON YOUTH FOOTBALL

Registrations are now complete for next season. However, we are still seeking boys and girls who will be in Year 5 from September to form an Under Ten Team. If your child hasn't registered but is keen to join a club then please don't hesitate to call Charlie on 395338.

Training sessions for each team will vary over the summer months, please check with your Coach or contact Charlie if you are unsure. We are entered into the Hunts F.A. mini soccer tournament on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June and wish all 4 teams' success.

Our AGM will be held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June in the Church Centre, Fenstanton at 8 pm. We are rather proud of our achievements to date and would like to celebrate, so please do come and join us. We are still looking for volunteers to help us next season and ideally we would like someone to come forward from each age group. Contact Helen Rodriguez or speak to any Committee Member for more information.

On behalf of everyone involved with the Club, I would like to thank Helen Rodriguez, Club Administrator. She keeps us all in order and within F.A. rules throughout the season, and at this time of year, has the unenviable task of preparing all the registration paperwork, AGM business, arranging insurances and much much more. .

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**Scout Cake Stall**

We would like to thank everyone who supported our cake stall outside school on polling day. The stall raised **£113.50** for 'Shelter Box' the charity Fenstanton & Hilton Scouts are supporting this year. All the scouts have been challenged with doing something to help buy one box which cost nearly £500 and this was our idea to help. Many thanks to all the parents and children who, via school, donated cakes and to all those who came along to buy.

Jamie Ward & Matt Morris,  
Y6 pupils and  
1<sup>st</sup> Fenstanton & Hilton Scout Group

**2nd Fenstanton Brownies**

Girls! Are you aged between 7 and 10?  
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If the answers are yes, then why not think about becoming a Brownie.

This year the Girl Guiding Association is celebrating its centenary and we have lots of fun activities lined up. If you are interested we have spaces on our waiting list. Please contact Jenny Stimpson on 01480 464939 or Alison Deaves on 01480 374721 and have a chat. We meet on Wednesday evenings during term time in the United Reformed Church from 5-6.30pm.  
We hope to see you soon.

**Hilton Jamboree - Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June**

Come and support us as we also attend this fun family event, an ideal chance to learn more about the opportunities we offer and help us raise much needed funds at the same time.

**Big Breakfast 2010 -  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June**

Our Scouts will be cooking up the annual Big Breakfast, well supported in various tasks by our Beavers and Cubs. As usual we will be at the Clock Tower in Fenstanton, food ready from 8.30am onwards, simply follow that delicious smell of cooking bacon.....

So bring friends and family to dine "al-fresco" for breakfast – leaving us to do the washing up and helping us raise funds. Don't fancy a delicious fry up or a bacon buttie? Then please come along and see what else we have on offer – including some delicious cakes.

**We're on the web...**

For those who wonder how scouting compares to "in their day", those who want to see what the local Scout Group take part in or simply to find out how you can offer your help then why not pay a visit to our website? It's kept up to date with the boys and girls in action, so you'll find photos of everything from rocket launching to catering college and climbing to camping. Simply visit [www.scubes.co.uk](http://www.scubes.co.uk)

**Come and join the fun**

Want to do something for you, but that will make a difference to others? Then why not come and join the fun? Whether you can offer a few hours a year or a few hours a week there is bound to be something you can help with. We're always looking for adults (aged 18 or over) to help at meetings, with fundraising or as leaders. So what are YOU waiting for? Stop thinking about it and come and see what's involved - remember it's all about what you can do, not what you can't !

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## FENSTANTON BOWLS CLUB

The new season opened on a bright sunny warm day on April 24th a great start. It's gone down hill since then! The weather must improve or I shall give up outdoor bowling for good! Both the ladies teams have started well and we took 3.5 points off Coton in the Cams. and District league which we were all well surprised about ! With 2 teams in the Over 60's League there are plenty of games to play. As well, there are our club competitions which, our competitions secretary tells me. is the best take up since the club began! We must be doing something right!

Our congratulations go to Janice, Pat, Heather and Joan for their excellent run in the County Competitions Indoors.

The season has a long, long way to go but I feel it will be a good year,

My thanks must go to all those who braved the May Bank Holiday weather to help our Annual Car Boot be a great success, especially Joan Weston whom without her organisation skills it would have not happened. Thanks Joan.

Don't forget you are most welcome at the club, Best night to give bowling a try is Wednesday, as this is our Club Night. Looking "four wood " to the rest of the season—Line Length and LUCK

**Daphne Loveday (Secretary)**

## FENSTANTON OVER 60's

Our April meetings seem to have taken on a theatrical air! At the first, we were entertained by Deena Hudson who is a costume dresser and has met and dressed many interesting people. . She brought some of her extensive collection of costumes with her and invited a member to model for her., Doreen was very patient whilst being fitted with whale-bone corsets, beautifully stitched cotton bloomers and petticoats topped off with a lovely crinoline dress. She assured us it was not as uncomfortable as it looked. We thanked Deena for sharing some of her treasures with us.

At the second , Cynthia Ayers talked about her work as a make-up artist,. She asked for a volunteer, Brenda went first and we realised what a difference a professional makes, she was made up beautifully! Then, Mick was given a most realistic black eye, we felt really sorry for him! Richard was made up as a cowboy with a Mexican moustache and Grace was given a make over including a blonde wig with plaits. Cynthia also told us of interesting incidents which happen back stage. All in all it was a fun afternoon!

Our next meetings will be **June, 2nd, 16th and 30th.** New members are always welcome. Do come along and give us a try. PS. Thelma is out of hospital and we hope to see her soon.

## BABY & TODDLER GROUPS

### Fenstanton Group

*We are a friendly group which meets every Wednesday in Fenstanton Church Centre from 10.00 - 11.30am. We welcome children from birth to school age and have a good selection of toys for all as well as a secure area for babies.*

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## FENSTANTON WI

There was only one Resolution to discuss at our meeting on Thursday May 6<sup>th</sup>. It called for the Government to introduce clear and mandatory country of origin labelling on all meat, poultry and fish products sold in this country. We all agreed with this and the voting was unanimous.

While we had refreshments we were able to look at the great variety of art and crafts that members had brought along. There were paintings, beautifully knitted garments, needlework, crochet, lace making to name but a few. Apart from samples of jewellery that she has made Claire also spoke about making soap. She and Susan have both been experimenting with successful outcomes. Claire brought some beautifully scented samples which have a very creamy lather when used. Susan inspired by Fabergé brought along some delicate decorated eggs which fully deserved first prize. Kathleen explained how she made a gorgeous picture of a windmill with her lace-making skills. Daphne who has been going to an art class once a week since she retired showed her paintings and explained the various techniques that she has learnt. Val explained the reason and the technique in making a hyperbolic crochet coral reef and Sylvia explained how her beautiful piece of knot embroidery became a family joint effort when her brother in law made the frame and her sister painted it.

Susan Kearns then challenged us with a quiz of twenty questions which ended a very cosy enjoyable evening.

### Dates for Future Meetings

June 3<sup>rd</sup> Around Alaska by Mr Geoff Evans

July 1<sup>st</sup> Tales out of School by Mrs Jean Hodson

August 5<sup>th</sup> The History of Chocolate by Mrs Sara Fowler

We were pleased to welcome Brenda who has now joined us.

If you would like to join our friendly, lively group please come along.

**We meet on the first Thursday of each month at 7.30pm in the Church Centre.**

For more information please ring our secretary Beryl Harvey (01480) 469278.

## HILTON COMPANION DOG SHOW

Hilton village hall is holding a Companion Dog Show on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May,  
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## HILTON PRODUCE SHOW

Hello again. At the time of writing our short-lived Spring has retreated and nightly frosts are back with us (we did warn you last month!) so hopefully your tender plants have survived. Now that June is nearly with us let's hope those difficulties will now be behind us.

Lots to do in the garden - weeding, dead-heading, continuing care of lawns and edges, watching out for pests and planting out those summer bedding flowers.

Tender vegetables such as courgettes, runner and dwarf beans can be planted as frosts should now be behind us. Continue successional sowings of salads and other vegetables so that you have a constant supply well into the autumn.

Please could cup winners from last year give their trophies a final polish and return them to Jane Roberts **by June 21<sup>st</sup>**.

Look out for the Produce Show stall at the Jamboree on June 13<sup>th</sup> and if you have any healthy spare plants, flower or vegetable, please bring them along to the 'bring & buy' area on our stall.

Also on Jamboree day, Brian Vincent will also be trialling a novelty class in the forthcoming Produce Show drinks section where you are invited to bring along a bottle of wine from a supermarket or wine shop costing £5 or less. The winner will be judged by him to find the best 'value for money' bottle.

We will be having a raffle on Show Day, July 25<sup>th</sup>, with 3 lucky winners each being presented with one of the splendid hampers that will be on display. Tickets will be on sale both at the Jamboree and on Show Day so don't forget to buy yours and have the chance to win one.

### **Herbie's Hints/Tips**

Make sure that new plants are watered regularly, especially if late May has been dry. Some roses may have already flowered and when dead-heading, larger flowers will benefit from removing 2-3 buds together with the old bloom. The main crop of flowers will come later.. Many other plants will have a second show of flowers if treated in this way.

For any horticultural advice please call Herbie on 830838.

For organisational advice email Jane on jane.ernie@talktalk.net or 830896, and you can of course also find us in the events section on the village website - [www.hilton-village.com](http://www.hilton-village.com)

## HILTON FLOWER CLUB

By the time you read this report we will have been on our outing on May 26<sup>th</sup> and hope that the temperature has been kind to us! More later.

### **Next meeting**

Monday June 7<sup>th</sup> 2pm,  
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### **Future event:**

**July 5<sup>th</sup> – Garden Party**  
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## HILTON FEAST WEEK

The Feast Week Committee would like to thank everyone who turned up to support the inaugural Hilton Feast Week – **'Bavarian Night with Oom-pah band and bratwurst'** and make it an outstanding success. Not just with Hiltonians as can be seen from this letter *"My name is Sue and I was at your Bavarian night on Saturday. It was a superb evening, much fun had by all! I am not local, but was visiting my sister for the weekend; we live in Winfarthing, Norfolk. My husband and I were very impressed with the Oompah band"*

The room was bedecked in the blue and white of Bavaria and dressed quite brilliantly. The food was authentic (bratwurst, sauerkraut, potato salad) as was the beer, with the 'hand-made' (baked fresh that morning in Hilton) Pretzels a big hit with the punters. Particular thanks must go to Simon of Hilton's own 'Prince of Wales' who generously donated the use of the mobile bar and Rob who helped set up and take away.

The Bavarian Strollers worked the crowd wonderfully starting slowly to build enthusiasm and create familiarity by the end they had the 'steins clinking' the 'tables thumping' and the crowd singing and swaying as one!

In fact the feedback was so positive on the night that we will definitely run this event again – "Ein Prosit"

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June – 'Hilton Village Jamboree'** – Flyers will be posted through your door reminding you all that it's that time of year again for the 'Village Jamboree' This wonderful event captures all that we love about living in Hilton. Friends and families getting together for a big picnic enjoying each other's company and talking excitedly about the forthcoming Feast Week.

This year we hope to have representations from WI, Hilton Cricket Club and Hilton Produce show and the Sports Day Committee, as well as the usual face painting, bouncy castle, BBQ, Raffle and Bar. Please join us by the Village Hall between 12:00 and 5:30pm

The Feast Week Committee will be shortly going 'door to door' selling **Summer Grand Draw** tickets. The Committee can't stress enough how vital the sale of these tickets are toward staging Feast Week. We all thank you in advance for your continued support of this wonderful Hilton tradition.

I am also happy to announce that the theme for Feast Week will be **'Disney.'** Adults and children alike have all been charmed by the magic of Disney and will; I am sure draw inspiration from all that fine body of work for their floats and artwork creative contributions. Please contact Claire Macdonald of the Feast Week Art Show.

We continue to work closely with the fantastic Village Website so we can bring you updates on how preparations and fundraising for Feast Week is progressing along with pictures from previous events. These will be found at: [www.hilton-village.com](http://www.hilton-village.com)

The new committee details are

**Chairman: Justo Perez 831106 – matfel@aol.com**

**Vice Chair: Sara Sampson 830383**

**Treasurer: Graeme Gribbin 830481**

**Secretary: Tracy Wilkinson 831302**

**Other committee members:**

Craig Sutherland, Gill Gill, Hilary Holmes, Keith Miller, Adrian Snooke, Ett McCarthy, Sharon Walker

## HILTON WI

Hilton WI's important task at the May meeting was to consider the single resolution to be debated at the National WI AGM which *'urges HM Government to introduce clear and mandatory country of origin labelling on all meat, poultry and fish products sold in this country'*. We heard arguments for and against the resolution, but the overriding concern amongst members was that under EU legislation the "country of origin" means that, for example, a pork pie can be labelled as British if it was made into a pie in Britain, even if the pork it contains comes from pigs born, reared and slaughtered elsewhere. Such unclear and misleading information on packaging denies consumers the chance to make an informed choice when purchasing goods and we voted unanimously in favour of the resolution. This vote will be registered by our delegate at the National AGM in June, ensuring our voice is heard.

Our social calendar is busy as always: the outing to Woburn is on 15th July; Celia announced the trip to Thursford on Sunday 21st November will be £33 per head and another WI wants to do the Hilton Walk in June so volunteers were sought to do teas.

Our speaker this month was from Magpas, the emergency medical charity for Cambridgeshire, Bedfordshire and Peterborough. We heard that Magpas operate two lifesaving schemes: the Emergency Medical Team and the Community First Responder Scheme. The first is made up of highly trained doctors and paramedics who are able to save lives at the scenes of road traffic accidents and other serious incidents across the region, flying on the East Anglian Air Ambulance and Cambridge Police Helicopter. Community First Responders are non-medical volunteers who save lives in their local town or village. There are currently 33 such groups across Cambridgeshire. Fully trained by Magpas and provided with the vital equipment they need, we heard how Community First Responders make a difference to patients suffering all sorts of emergencies by giving assistance in those vital first minutes before the paramedics arrive. Our nearest group is in Hemingford and we felt extremely fortunate to hear from first hand that this charity is doing such sterling work for the area in which we live.

If you would like to come along to WI, give our secretary, Ruth Salem, a ring on 830358. We meet in Hilton Village Hall at 7.30pm and next month our meeting is on 14th June when the speaker will be Alison Dickens speaking about the archaeology under the Grand Arcade in Cambridge.

**Carol Yarrow**

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*"Speaking Up for Families has been great for me. I felt very supported when my advocate came to meetings about my children with me". (Sharon Nisbet, mum of three and user of the service)*



## FEN DRAYTON LAKES

Last month, the cold spring had delayed nesting for many birds, and a month later, it is cold again. We had a warm spell, which encouraged some birds to start laying eggs, but the latest cold snap has put others on hold. The first ducklings and goslings appeared on Easter weekend (how did they know?), and the first lapwing chicks hatched before the end of April. As I write this, two mute swans are sitting on nests on islands at either end of Moore Lake (the lake closest to Fenstanton). One swan is sharing "her" island with a nesting greylag goose, and oystercatchers and lapwings are sitting on nests on other islands. We have seen more wheatears at Fen Drayton Lakes this spring. These migrants rest here, typically for two or three days, before continuing their northward journey to the British uplands, or even to Greenland. Perhaps they decided they would be better off spending time with us when it was so cold, brought to us on northerly winds. Cuckoos arrived from the second half of April, so if you haven't heard one yet, you should try to get to the Lakes soon. They will stop singing soon, and the adults will be heading off to Africa from the end of June, leaving their eggs and chicks in the care of reed warblers, dunnocks, robins and wrens.

We have four events planned for June:

**3<sup>rd</sup>** Children's session making masks and hats – please book (no charge for adults)

**11th** Workshop for beginners, called "How to watch wildlife" – please book

**13th** Chasing dragons, from the Holywell Lake car park at 2pm.

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**17th** A walk to link with the national Green Transport Week. This is scheduled to start at the Busway stop at the Lakes and end at the Swavesey stop. (planned when we thought the service would be operating from last November, to encourage people to travel on public transport. This walk would be free to anyone who arrived by guided bus!). It now looks as if we'll make this a circular route from the car park.

Our new events programme leaflets are available from us at the Lakes, and at Roris Farm Shop in Fenstanton. (Thanks Ron and Chris). You can also find it online, at [www.rspb.org.uk/reserves/guide/f/fendraytonlakes/index](http://www.rspb.org.uk/reserves/guide/f/fendraytonlakes/index), or (01954 233267) or E: [neil.renwick@rspb.org.uk](mailto:neil.renwick@rspb.org.uk)

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We hope to see a rich variety of wildlife including: Sedge, Reed and Cetti's Warblers, Hobbies, Red Kite and Buzzard, Scarce Chaser and Hairy Dragonfly, Small Cooper and Grizzled Skipper butterflies, Bee Orchid, Meadow Rue and Grass Vetchling, and the water beetle hydraticus transversalis.

Everyone is very welcome. Please meet at 10.30am in the car park, grid ref TL008814. Suggested donation: adults £2.00, children free. For more information please visit the website [www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/](http://www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/) or contact George on 01480 450809.

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3rd	Fenstanton WI	Church Centre	7.30pm	p31
7th	Hilton Flower Club	Village Hall	2.00pm	p33
7th	Hilton PC	Village Hall	7.30pm	P13
9th	Quiz Night	The George	8.00pm	p23
10th	Fenstanton PC	The School	7.30pm	p11
12th	Men's Breakfast	Fenstanton URC	8.30am	p19
12th	Scouts Big Breakfast	Clock Tower	8.30am	p27
12th	Knitting in Public	St Ives Library	10.00am	p23
12th & 13th Fenstanton Open Gardens from 2.00pm (p22)				
12th	Afternoon at The Vicarage	OVER	2.00pm	p7
13th	Hilton Jamboree		12.00	P27/35
14th	Hilton WI	Village Hall	7.30pm	p36
16th	Fenstanton Over 60's	Church Centre	2.00pm	p29
21st	Fenstanton Youth Football AGM	Church Centre	8.00pm	p25
27th	Titchmarsh Nature walk		10.30am	p38
30th	Fenstanton Over 60's	Church Centre	2.00pm	p29
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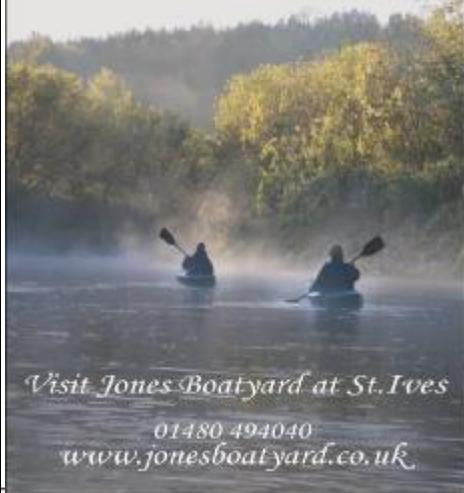
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