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Letters & Notices

Hilton Church Heritage Boxes

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the recently collected heritage boxes. A total of £271.30 was raised towards the upkeep & repair of our parish church building. If anyone else has any spare change that they would like to put towards maintaining our village heritage then contact 830866 for further details.

I would like to thank Jane Hazelwood for hosting our coffee morning in aid of the 2008 Flower Festival, at which we raised a grand total of £333. My thanks also go to Lilly and Julie for supplying the wonderful cream scones and cheese straws, everybody who donated raffle prizes and to everyone who attended and made it a great success. **Beverley Tack.**

Christian Aid House to House Collection 13-19th May 2007.

The house to house envelope collection in aid of Christian Aid is 13-19th May this year. Could you help?

I am looking for collectors to help cover each street/road in Fenstanton. It only takes a little time but you could help raise money for some of the poorest people in our world. I can deliver all the materials you need direct to your house.

Please ring me if you would like to know more or can help.

**Many thanks Katherine Hucklesby.
Telephone 465211.**

We would like to say a big thank you for all those who attended our Garden Evening in the Church Centre.

Over sixty people attended to hear Melanie Sadler of Oakington Garden Centre . Melanie first explained what the charity "Addis Ababa Fistula Hospital in Ethiopia" was and why it was needed there.

It was a very entertaining and informative talk with some delightful slides of the beautiful specimens of shrubs she recommended. Melanie clearly knows her subject and she happily answered questions from the audience. She also prepared a quiz which many joined in with but few were able to complete. Great fun and one happy prize-winner.

There were a good range of plants and cakes for sale plus a raffle with many generous prizes. Lots of fun and , judging from the comments, a thoroughly good time was enjoyed by all.

We were delighted to send £450 pound to this charity. This means that at least one and a half operations can be performed at the hospital. **THANK YOU ALL.**

Pauline Driver.

President, Inner Wheel Club of St. Ives.

Fenstanton WI

Our forthcoming Cake Stall will be on
Saturday 19th May
at the Fenstanton Clock Tower
from 9.30am

Parish Council Report

FENSTANTON

Meeting held 12th April 2007.

Police Report

During the period 8th March to 11th April 2007, the following incidents had been reported to the Police: - theft of a cycle; 1 non-payment of petrol.

Road Surface

The Parish Council are concerned at the overall poor condition of road surfaces within the Village and Parish and the lack of action by Persimmon in surfacing Hampton Court.

The meeting was advised that a number of issues need to be resolved before work could be undertaken in Hampton Close. However, the County Council with whom responsibility lay were in discussions with Persimmon to resolve the situation.

The Parish Council has been pressing for action from the County Highways to repair and re-surface many of the roads within the Village and Parish which are in poor condition and in some instances could be considered as dangerous. It was felt that at the start of a new financial year greater pressure must be asserted to bring the condition of the roads back to a safe and satisfactory standard.

Car Parking

Concern has, again, been expressed at the dangerous practice of parking on corners. The problem is becoming particularly acute on the corner of Chequer Street and the High Street. Whilst the Parish Council appreciates the parking problem may, to some extent, be caused by visitors to the Village, the request is made not to park on corners and to park safely and considerately.

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Community Awards.

Consideration was given to participating in the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Community Award Scheme. It was felt, however, that to stand any chance of success a considerable amount of Parishioner participation would be required. Concern was expressed at the possibility of mustering sufficient support to enter this year's competition. It was agreed not to enter this year but to look towards next year.

Parish Council Elections

An uncontested election has been declared for the Parish Council Ele
May following the nomination of 13 candidates for 15 seats.

As the 2 vacant seats must be filled, the Parish Council is starting the
is, therefore, looking for nominations to fill the seats. Any eligible P
they would like to make a contribution to the Parish can contact the C
telephone (01480) 465300

The Maltings
High Street
Fenstanton
Cambs
PE28 9JZ

Next Meeting

The Annual meeting of Fenstanton Parish Council will be held on Thursday 10th May at 7.30 pm at Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School, School Lane, Fenstanton. All members of the press and public are welcome

Parish Council Report

HILTON

A14 Consultation The input phase of the Consultation process has closed and the primary concern of the A14 Action Group was to keep up the pressure on the Highways Agency to ensure that environmental issues were fully addressed. The A14AG is currently exploring the value of engaging an acoustic consultant to provide specialist advice to Hilton, and perhaps other nearby villages. The cost for the consultant was estimated at some £1400 and it was hoped to meet this by a mixture of Council funding and monies raised from the village. The A14AG and the Parish Council had also agreed to lend support to Mr Burton's for his generous offer to build a screening bund between the village and the A14, but had agreed that their first approach was to continue to press the Highways Agency to resolve the environmental problems.

Parking on The Green The Parish Council agreed that the stakes and ropes along Wraggs Row should be removed at the end of the present trial and further agreed that the best long-term solution to deter vehicles from driving onto the Green at this point would be to erect a low earth bund alongside the road and to seed it with grass which would be left uncut. The fixing of permanent traffic control bollards was rejected for reasons of appearance, high initial and substantial ownership costs.

Gate to the Wilderness. The Council agreed to provide a new traffic barrier to replace the current bollards at the end of Wraggs Row. The new barrier would be of the forest gate pattern.

Memorial to Mr Britten. The Hilton Ecumenical Group had proposed that two trees be planted on the Green as a memorial to Mr Britten. One tree would be provided by the two Churches and the second from the Civic Body.

Lorrywatch. The Parish Council agreed to support the new Cambridgeshire County Council sponsored Lorrywatch Scheme which is designed to tackle the problem of HGVs running through the village during the prohibited hours. The Parish Council is looking for a volunteer to help coordinate the new scheme. Anyone interested should contact the Parish Clerk.

Vacancy Parish Councillor. The Parish Council has a vacancy for a Councillor and the position is open to anyone over 18 who is resident within the village. If anyone is interested in sitting on the Parish Council, or would like more information, they are requested to obtain details from the Clerk to the Parish Council on 832030.

Date of Village Annual Meeting. The Village Annual Meeting will be held on 30 May.

Planning. The Parish Council recommended that the application for the erection of two sheds in the Garden of The Grange be rejected.

Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

Has operated in Hilton for some years. Some changes have been introduced within our local scheme and others are the result of changes to national and local policing policy. The success of a NW scheme is largely down to the level of involvement and support of villagers to make it work. I would like to thank all of the village co-ordinators for their continued support, to Andy Bush who has been extremely active in raising the profile of NW through the village website, and especially Mrs Angie Walters, our Police Community Contact Officer (CCO) who retires in April after 10 years staunch service to the St Ives & District NW scheme.

Village Website: The internet is a fast and effective way of passing crime data and warnings around the village. Please take a look at the village website and fill in the **Sign Up Form** if you would like to be connected to receive this sort of data directly from the village website. Include your comments to help us develop the site tailored to your needs. If you have time, please visit the NW section of the Discussion Forum, where you can post questions or comments to me. I'd also like to hear from anyone who is not connected to the internet, and would like information about NW and details of their local co-ordinator.

E COPS: There have been some teething issues with this system, and I am working with the new CCO to clarify the status of our scheme and iron out the problems.

Police Contact: On Angie Walter's retirement, her basic contact role is being passed to the Huntingdon CCO. The other police interface is with the **Neighbourhood Policing Teams** who should also provide support and advice to their NW groups. I will pass more detail through your co-ordinators in due course.

Finally, if anyone would like to help I have a couple of local co-ordinator vacancies. Just ring!

**Chris Potter Hilton Village NW
Co-ordinator. Ring : 831986
E-mail: potterhilton@tiscali.co.uk**

Hilton Stores changes hands

At a time when many smaller villages are losing their only shop/Sub Post Office, Hilton's one shop- which is being renamed as Hilton Stores, has changed hands. Since 1970 the Perry family have run B&A News, their contribution to village life is greatly appreciated. Following the tragic death of Brian in a car accident in 2003, his widow Anne, and son Simon have been running both the village pub and shop at the same time. Now, however, Simon will be able to give The Prince of Wales (pub of course) his undivided attention and plans to extend opening hours at lunchtimes.

Mr Mohammed Suleman from St Ives, previously ran the village stores in Hemingford Grey. As soon as the formalities are in place he will also be running the sub Post Office. Everyone has been very welcoming and friendly and Mr Suleman is very pleased with his decision.



Hilton Stores opening hours are now extended – it will be open from 6.30 am to 7.00 pm every day (excluding Christmas Day!) and Mr Suleman intends to increase the variety of stock available on the shelves.

Fenstanton village is very fortunate to have a good selection of shops. All villagers, in Hilton and Fenstanton alike, should appreciate and support their local traders. Use them, or lose them!

Fenstanton Church Appeal Committee

'Some Enchanted Evening...'

*Summer Concert in the garden of
Fenstanton Manor,
Huntingdon Road, Fenstanton*

SATURDAY 9th JUNE 2007

*Garden open from 5.30pm, concert
begins 6.30pm*

*Tickets £5.00 adult, £2 child, bring
your own picnic, rugs and chairs
Raffle and auction of a basket of
roses*

*Tickets: Fenstanton 301068/
Hilton 830934
Ron Jacob's Farm Shop,
Fenstanton Post Office*

FENSTANTON YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

Are Seeking donations to
sell at a Car Boot Sale on
Monday 28th May.

(Proceeds to our club)

Please contact Bridget
07930610359 or 384365



OXHOLME FARM



STRAWBERRIES

Early May to September

Also, Raspberries, Loganberries,
Tayberries and Blackberries in
season.

Open Monday – Saturday

Fenstanton Road, Hilton
01480 830138



Girlguiding 1st Papworth Guides

Being a Guide is all about learning new skills, making new
friends and helping others.

Guides are usually aged between ten and 14, although some
Guides like to stay until they are older. Any girl over the age
of ten can become a Guide as long as she is able to
understand, and wants to make, the Guide Promise.

**Tuesday
6.30–8.00 PM
Papworth
Village Hall**

For further details contact :
Emma at papworthgg@aol.com

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS IN THE TWO PARISHES:

NEW VICAR FOR FENSTANTON AND HILTON

We were delighted to announce on Easter Sunday that the Bishop has appointed a new half-time priest-in-charge for the two parishes. Dr Robin McKenzie comes from curacies in Shrewsbury in the Diocese of Lichfield, with his wife Amanda and two children Annabel (10) and Caroline (8). He is 46.

We are not certain when he will move into the Fenstanton vicarage, or when he will be licensed by the Bishop (which is when his ministry here begins), but we hope that it will be sometime during the summer.

He will only be half-time as a vicar, and this will mean that everyone in the two parishes will have to adjust to this, and not expect a half-time vicar to do as much as a full-time one. We understand that in the other half of his time he will embark on a Management Consultancy (his background is in Engineering and Marketing, and he came late to ordained ministry). He may therefore be away from the parishes at times, and suitable arrangements will be made so that urgent messages can be dealt with in his absence. We are confident that Lay members of the congregations will understand that he will delegate some of his tasks, and support him completely in this.

We are sure that everyone will give him a warm welcome when he comes, and in the meantime any enquiries should continue to be directed to the Churchwardens.



Do you want to communicate with your neighbourhood policing team? Would you like to receive regular crime and community information that is local to you? E-cops is the answer.

E-cops is an exciting new interactive email scheme from Cambridgeshire Constabulary. By signing up you will be able to find out what your team are doing to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour in your neighbourhood, find out about policing priorities in your area and how you can influence them and keep up to date with community news. E-cops also allows you to send emails to your neighbourhood policing team about any issues or crime and disorder concerns you may have in your area.

To find out more and to sign up for free visit the Cambridgeshire Constabulary website:
www.cambs.police.uk/signup/ecops

Fenstanton Parish Church

May 2007

- Thursday 3rd 3.30 p.m. Jaffa Club
- Sunday 6th 5th Sunday of Easter.**
9.30 Parish Communion (traditional).
6.00 p.m. Said Evensong.
- Sunday 13th 6th Sunday of Easter.**
8.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
10.00 Worship for All
- Thursday 17th *Ascension Day.*
3.30 p.m. Jaffa Club
7.45 p.m. Holy Communion at Hilton.
- Sunday 20th 7th Sunday of Easter.**
9.30 Parish Communion (contemporary).
6.00 Evensong.
- Sunday 27th Pentecost.**
9.30 a.m. Family Communion.
- Sunday 3rd June Trinity Sunday.**
9.30 Parish Communion (traditional).
6.00 p.m. Said Evensong.

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

1st Fenstanton & Hilton Scout Group



Our Scouts
will be ready
and waiting so



please come along and support us on the day. The fun and adventure for our 80 youngsters can only happen with your support ☺

Sat 5th May, 9.30 am – 2.00pm
Wilderspin's Garage, Fen Drayton
Minimum suggested donation £3

FENSTANTON MORRIS

Fenstanton Morris are planning to welcome in the summer as usual by dancing at Fenstanton clock tower at dawn (5.30am) on proper May day, 1st May. If you are having a problem sleeping or are just interested

do come and watch us!

Penny James

Hilton Parish Church

Revd Dr Robin McKenzie will be joining us as our new vicar in the summer (date to be confirmed). Until this time, 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
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MAY 2007

Saturday 5 th	1 pm	Wedding of Emma Jane Jakes & David Stephen Hanna	
Sunday 6 th	<i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>		
	8.15 am	Holy Communion	Derek Billings
	11.15 am	Family Service	Harvey Marshall
Sunday 13 th	<i>6th Sunday of Easter</i>		
	11.00 am	United Communion Service	H-N Sheehan
in the Methodist Chapel			
Thursday 17 th	<i>Ascension Day</i>		
	7.45 pm	United Service at Parish Church	H-N Sheehan
Sunday 20 th	<i>7th Sunday of Easter</i>		
	8.15 am	Holy Communion (by extension)	Harvey Marshall
	11.15 am	Family Service with Baptism of Christian Lobo and Gregory Bingham	Brian Atling
Sunday 27 th	<i>Pentecost</i>		
	11.15 am	Family Communion	Peter Hill
	6.00 pm	Evensong	Harvey Marshall
Tuesday 29 th	1.30 pm	Tots Praise (ages 0 – 5 welcome)	

From the registers

Funerals : 19/02/07	Ian Henry Philip Gardner
09/03/07	George William Britten M.B.E
Weddings :14/04/07	Kimberley Louise Fleming & Keith William Seacombe

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

May

- 1st 10.00am The Open Door
6th 9.30am Mrs Maureen Kendall
13th 10.00am Revd Bill Mahood & Ms Ann Sheldon
United Service with St Ives Free Church.
13th 6.00pm Revd Bill Mahood-Meditation Service
15th 10.00am The Open Door
20th 9.30am Revd Bill Mahood-Holy Communion
27th 9.30am Revd Bill Mahood
29th 10.00am The Open Door

June

- 3rd 9.30am Mr Ray Conder

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 Methodist Church

May

- 6th 11.00 am Michael Benneworth from Great Paxton
13th 11.00 am United Holy Communion Service – Rev Hugh Sheehan.
Children's Sunday Club in Hall
20th 11.00 am Rev Hugh Sheehan
27th 11.00 am Derek Rutherford from Hemingford Grey

Other services and meetings

Sunday 13th May, 6.00 pm Circuit Service at St Ives Methodist Church.

Wednesday 23rd May, 7.30 pm, Church Council Meeting

Church Property

Over recent months we have repeatedly had to pay for repairs to brickwork on our disabled access ramp, and the low wall near the bench. We know that the damage has been caused by children on bikes and skateboards. Could parents please be aware of the potential damage caused by these activities and ensure that their children play elsewhere.

Roving Supper

Hilton was on the move during the evening of March 31st as people wandered from course to course. Everyone enjoyed good food and good company and contributed to the raffle to complete the evening. Thank you to Peter and Heather for all their hard work in organizing the evening. Thanks to all the cooks for their efforts and thank you to everyone who gave so generously. The £1200 raised will be shared between the Parish Church and the Methodist Chapel.

Hilton Churches Sunday Club

We had a busy hour at the Easter Sunday service in the Parish Church. We put flowers in the Easter Garden created by Jane Garnet and also made crosses from oasis and fresh flowers. We used sweet and chocolate wrappers and shiny paper to make collages of easter eggs. Afterwards we had an easter egg hunt outside. We next meet on May 13th at 11am in the Methodist Hall.

Fenstanton Pre-School

Pre-School is as busy as ever as we head towards the summer. Our older children have already had their first taster session at Primary School and there will be more to follow in the coming months.

Please remember that with morning and now some afternoon sessions being fully booked, please check availability with a member of staff before booking a place for your child. For early bird sessions, please call at 0830 to check availability for that morning.

We appreciate the help from Parents and Grandparents who have been able to lend a hand at pre-school. If you are interested in helping please add your name to the calendar on the cloakroom wall.

A reminder to you all of the next fundraising event. The Fashion Show is due to take place on Thursday 14th June at Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School. This will be a great night and remember the proceeds are to fund our new outdoor play area, so please come along and support us.

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

Huntingdonshire Geranium & Fuchsia Society

Pelargoniums My Way –
a talk by Mr Des Glover
Wednesday 23rd May,
Hilton Village Hall, 7.45pm
Refreshments, Raffle.
ALL WELCOME

Over 60s Club, Fenstanton

On March 14th we met for an afternoon of films on the history of St Ives. We met the Curator of the Norris Museum who showed us films from the start of the last century. We saw the town pump which was destroyed and later replaced by the statue of Oliver Cromwell. Scenes of the cattle pens where farmers brought their cattle to sell at the market – this is now the site of the bus station.

The chapel on the bridge was three storeys high and held residents but was taken down for safety. In 1970 the railway closed, the Fire Station was built as was the Police Station. Many other interesting buildings were to be seen which have also been demolished over the years. It was very interesting to see how the town has changed over the years.

On 28th March a representative from Aloe Vera came and showed us a variety of skin care products suitable for a many different problems such as skin complaints, to migraine! The cosmetics were all from natural sources. A very entertaining afternoon.

We meet next on 9th and 23rd May
New members always welcomed.

Tots Praise

Just a reminder to everyone that we hold Tot's Praise on the last Tuesday of the month at Hilton Church 1.30 – 2.30 pm, for children aged 0-5 years. There will be drinks, followed by songs, stories and activities. Everyone welcome! Next date May 29th.

Hilton A14 Action Group

The public consultation is now closed. Thank you to everyone who signed our petition and wrote in to the Highways Agency with their views over the proposed routing. If you have received a reply from the Agency, your MP or District Councillor that you are unhappy with, do feel free to respond to them. Just because the consultation period is over it does not mean that they do not have to address any matters that you have raised.

The preferred route will be announced in the summer; in the meantime we are looking at two issues which we will need to continue to pursue whatever the route announcement.

As a group working alongside the Parish Council we have an ongoing issue with the Highways Agency concerning their response over local road matters. The Agency advises that this is a matter for our local District and County Council to take forward. We rather feel that they are “washing their hands” of a matter that needs careful consideration and will be taking this forward with both the Agency and local Councils.

We are also considering using the services of a noise consultant who can provide us with our own specialist advice on the likely effect the road will have on sound levels in the village and what can be done to reduce it. Feedback from villagers expressed disappointment with the information on noise at the public exhibitions especially the way the displayed plans ran out of “blue shading” before they reached Hilton, and the lack of practical explanation on what the indicated increase in sound levels might actually mean to the village, in terms of what we might hear on a day-to-day basis. We have also approached neighbouring villages to see if there is any scope for a shared study.

The noise consultant would cost up to £1,500 and at this time we are investigating how this cost might be met. The Parish Council have indicated that they might be prepared to meet a part of the cost but we will need to raise some additional funds to help meet any shortfall. We are considering some sort of fund raising event. We should know more about this by the time the next Spectrum entry is due and will report back then.

As usual, if you if you need any further information please contact Peter Balicki on 831787 , Lissie Wright 830577 or Jon Dooley 07885 636745.

Hilton WI

36 members, husbands and friends enjoyed our annual spring dinner held at the Golden Ball, Boxworth. At our April meeting we were thoroughly entertained by Brian House and his pet hen, Henrietta. He talked about the trials and tribulations of living with and training animals, and we also heard some amusing tales of his exploits as an international dog judge.

Kentwell Manor – Tudor re-enactment visit on Friday 6th July. If you have not yet put your name down please do so at the next meeting. Payment is due in May, or by June at the latest.

Notes for your diary

Summer lunch on Tuesday 7th August. We are also hoping to arrange a visit to Peterborough Dog Racing on Wednesday 22nd August. The Picture Group still visit Huntingdon Cinema when there are interesting films on show (contact Jane Hazelwood if you are interested).

If you would like to join our friendly group please phone our secretary Ruth Salem on 830358, speak to one of the committee members or just arrive at the village hall by 7.15pm on the night – you will be made most welcome.

Wildlife Trust - Huntingdon Area Group

www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/

The Magical Bluebells of Brampton Wood



The Huntingdon Area Group of the Wildlife Trust invite you to come and experience the delights of a carpet of bluebells in this ancient woodland on our doorstep. You are welcome to share this spectacle/phenomenon by participating in guided walks through Brampton Wood Wednesday 2nd May at 7.00 p.m.

George Cottam, who is a leading member of the Huntingdon Area Group and also Warden at Brampton Wood, will lead us through this woodland, which is managed by the Wildlife Trust. A rich variety of flora will be seen, with the emphasis on this beautiful species.

George will seek to engage us in this magical wood, bringing to life the beautiful scent, colour and freshness of the bluebells that encapsulate the very essence of a traditional English spring.

Everyone is most welcome to attend. Please meet at Brampton Wood Car Park at 7.00pm. Admission: £2.00 members; non-members. For more information please visit the website www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/ or contact George on 01480 450809, or Jo on either 01480 370593 or 07817 574235.

Part of the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Peterborough. Registered Charity No: 1000412

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 – school age and their carers are welcome to come along.

A great way to make friends for you and the kids. Due to recent increases in the hall rent, subs will increase, from 1st May, to £2.00 per family which includes tea/coffee, squash and biscuits, still good value for money! Open during school holidays. Just turn up or call Emily on 831142 or Nadine on 830839.

Hilton Flower Club

In to our April meeting, and a very relaxing demonstration by Julie Woods (she has been before). Julie gave us a good display, and certainly ended with a 'wow' as she said ----! This gave more raffle prizes.

Next Event

May 23rd Flower Club Outing
Leaving Village Hall at 9 am prompt.
Contact Numbers Pat 830449
Jill 830319

A Great Day Out!

Future Meeting

Monday June 4th 2pm
Summer Splendour with Denise
Day Admissions £2.00 (including tea and biscuits) Sales Table, Raffle.

Papworth Tennis Club

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For more information call 01480 830958
Membership sec call 01954 267506

1st Fenstanton & Hilton Scout Group

www.scubes.co.uk

Car Wash



Please don't forget to come and support us on **Saturday 5th May 2007** 9.30am to 2.00pm as we raise much needed funds at Wilderspin's Garage in Fen Drayton

Big Breakfast 2007

On **Saturday 9th June 2007** 7.30am – 11.30am the 1st Fenstanton & Hilton Scout Group will be cooking up their annual Big Breakfast. As usual we will be at the Clock Tower in Fenstanton. So bring friends and family to dine "al-fresco" for breakfast – leaving us to do the washing up and helping us raise money needed for new tents. Don't fancy a delicious fry up or a bacon buttie? Then please come along see what else we have on offer – including some delicious cakes.

Adults invited

Why not see what fun you're missing out on by looking at the web site – and get in touch. You need to be 18 or over and be prepared to make a difference. It's a great way to meet new people and give something back to your local community. No previous experience required and full training and support will be given.

We are especially keen to find a new Akela (Cub Scout Leader) and Assistant Leaders for both the Cub Pack and Scout Troop, but would warmly welcome volunteers for any section.

Louise Clover, Chairman. 01480 831715

Fenstanton WI

Three of our members went to the Annual Council meeting on April 3rd and Anne Groome reported back about their interesting and stimulating day; the main speaker Peter Lawrence was excellent. Christopher Donaldson, the Fund Raising Manager for the East Anglian Air

Ambulance gave an excellent talk at our meeting on Thursday April 5th. The idea for an air ambulance came in 1985 in Cornwall. There was a serious road accident involving four cars in which two people were killed instantly. A boy of 8yrs. had serious head injuries but because of all the holiday traffic it took the ambulance 2 hours to get to the scene and another 90 minutes to take him to hospital by which time he had died. His mother wrote to the government to point out that if her son had reached hospital within an hour he would have survived and suggested an air ambulance. The government replied that the N.H.S. could not fund it. After much campaigning by the mother it was agreed that the government would fund two paramedics if money could be found for a helicopter and all the medical supplies. The biggest fans for the idea were the surgeons who contacted local radio stations and after a year the first air ambulance was in service.

Other counties took up the idea and our air ambulance now operates 10 hours a day, 7 days a week. A larger helicopter that will take two patients has recently been acquired and the service is hoping to expand into Bedfordshire. This life-saving charity plays now more than ever an essential role in our society. Claire Barratt gave the vote of thanks. A special thank you to Mavis who despite being very unwell made three beautiful birthday posies which were gratefully received by the birthday girls.

Dates for Future Meetings.

May 3rd: Resolutions and Presentation of Body Shop Products by Mrs. S. Gronow
May 19th: Cake Stall at the Clock Tower 9.30am

June 7th An Early Air Hostess Mrs. Sue Winn

We meet on the first Thursday of each month in the Church Centre at 7.30 pm. If you would like to join our friendly group please come along or ring our secretary Beryl Harvey (01480) 469278 for more information.

Hilton Feast Week Produce Show 2007

A preview of the proposed show schedule. For some advanced planning!

FRUIT CUP

1. Plate of mixed soft fruit
2. 1 eating apple
3. 1 cooking apple
4. 1 pear
5. 1 tomato
6. 1 stick rhubarb
7. 4 sticks rhubarb
8. 1 bunch of grapes
9. Plate of any 3 distinct fruits
10. Any fruit not named in schedule

VEGETABLE CUP

1. 4 runner beans
 12. 4 French beans
 13. 1 carrot
 14. 4 carrots
 15. 1 onion
 16. 2 courgettes
 17. 1 potato
 18. 4 pods of peas
 19. 1 beetroot
 20. 4 whole garlic
 21. Any vegetable not otherwise named in schedule
 22. 3 sprigs of 3 varieties herbs
 23. 3 distinct salad items
 24. Most unusual carrot
 25. Longest runner bean
 26. Heaviest marrow
- Vegetable and fruit should be clean, disease and pest free as possible

FLOWER

ARRANGEMENT CUP

27. Arrangement F.W. theme, flowers, foliage and sundries. No size limit.
 28. Tall & thin, three flowers 6" wide and 24" high. Foliage and oasis may be used.
 29. Tall & thin, five stems flowers 9" wide and 32" high. Foliage and oasis may be used
 30. In basket with handle, arrangement, any live plant material and oasis may be used.
 31. Table decoration 6" max. Shallow container. Flowers, foliage, seeds and oasis may be used. No sundries.
 32. Table decoration Flowers, foliage, seeds and oasis. No sundries. No size limit.
 33. Table decoration 4" max. Flowers only and oasis may be used.
 34. Dried flower arrangements, dried foliage and seeds, no sundries. No size limits.
 35. Victorian style bowl all fruit (including exotic fruit). All fruit may be bought.
- #### **FLOWER CUP**
36. 1 rose stem, single head
 37. 1 rose stem, multi head
 38. 3 rose stems, single head
 39. 1 dahlia stem, ball shaped head
 41. 1 stem sweet pea, perennial

42. 1 stem sweet pea, annual
 43. 3 stems sweet pea, any type
 44. 3 stems, mixed flowers
 45. 3 stems, any one variety flowers
 46. 3 stems, any shrub mixed
 47. Flowering plant in 6" or below pot
 48. Foliage plant in 6" or below pot
 49. Any cactus or succulent Flowers should be clean, disease and pest free as possible and at the peak of their beauty.
- #### **HILTON WOMENS INSTITUTE BAKING AND PRESERVES SALVER**
50. Semi rich cake to show recipe
 51. Fruit pie, pastry top and bottom
 52. 5 cheese scones, 2.5" cutter
 53. 5 fruit scones, 2.5" cutter
 54. 5 home made cookies
 55. Victoria sandwich cake to show recipe
 56. Loaf, machine made bread
 57. Loaf, handmade bread
 58. Bread rolls x 5
 59. Jar soft fruit jam
 60. Jar any stone fruit jam
 61. Jar any fruit marmalade
 62. Jar any fruit curd
 63. Jar of any chutney
 64. Jar of any pickles (no weight specified for any jars)
 65. 3 chicken eggs

DRINK

Produce Show

Committee Cup

- 66. Bottle of lemonade
- 67. Bottle of fruit smoothie
- 68. Bottle of cordial
- 69. Bottle of table wines, all types
- 70. Bottle of fortified wines and spirit based drinks (sloe gin etc)
- 71. Bottle of beer, all types
- 72. Bottle of any drink not named in schedule

Quick wine recipe available

from Brian Vincent. Tel 831776

CHILDRENS CLASSES

Alice Collen Cup, under 5's

- 73. Saucer of cress
- 74. Jam jar of flowers
- 75. Egg cup of flowers
- 76. Decorated hen's egg
- 77. Packet mix fairy cakes x 3 (You may want to eat the rest!)

Thomas Collen Cup, age 5 but under 9

- 78. 1 carrot
- 79. Egg cup of flowers
- 80. Jam jar of flowers
- 81. Planted shoe/boot
- 82. Garden in seed tray
- 83. Model from fruit, veg, seeds, flowers
- 84. Jewellery from fruit and veg
- 85. 5 melting moments to show recipe
- 86. 5 jam tart
- 87. 5 fairy cakes, decorated
- 88. 5 fairy cakes, undecorated

Jacob Collen Cup, 9 to 16 years

- 89. 1 carrot
- 90. Egg cup of flowers
- 91. Jam jar of flowers
- 92. Planted shoe/boot
- 93. Garden in seed tray
- 94. Model from fruit, veg, seeds, flowers
- 95. Jewellery from fruit and veg
- 96. 5 melting moments to show recipe

- 97. 5 jam tart
 - 98. 5 fairy cakes, decorated
 - 99. 5 fairy cakes, undecorated
- Children may also enter any of the other classes.***

Thank you to all those many people who supported the Producers Question Time fund raising event at Hilton Village Hall in March. There was a full house, great entertainment and a lovely homemade supper enjoyed by all. Everyone helped to raise funding for an estimated 3 years! We are all very grateful.

Enquiries, Technical to Herbie Collen, Show Secretary 830838 and organisation to Ali Dunk, Show Chairman 831877. www.hilton-village.com in the events section. You can email us from this site.

Hilton Village Ball 2007

The Village Ball will take place on 20 July 2007. If you would like tickets please contact any member of the Ball committee (names below) who will be more than happy to sell you a ticket.

We expect the ticket price will be £50 per head and 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.

Stuart Watson

Chairman, Hilton Village Ball Committee
Committee members:

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

Feast Week

The next event will be the Dog Show in conjunction with the Village Hall Committee on Sunday the 27th of May. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

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)

Fenstanton Youth Football

No matches to report on at going to press.

Training starts in earnest as we approach the last part of this season.

CLUB PROFILE:

Manager: Mr Charles Darling (Charlie): Imported from the Emerald Isle. Rumoured to be in the running as a replacement for Steve McClaren.

Coaches (a.k.a. "*Charlie's Angels*") These 4 will be in charge on Match Days:

Justo Perez: Spain didn't want him but we snapped him up as our European expert.

Mark Taylor: An outsider who travels a good distance for training each week braving the A14.

Kevin Smith: A local who has dedicated his life to Fenstanton Football Club.

Steven Parr (Stevie P.): He, and his wife, certainly know how to host a good party.

Excellent for our end of season celebrations!

The Players: 17 boys and one girl, whose passion for playing football is commendable. If they continue to train hard and use their abundance of energy on the field we are certainly in line for a lot more success.

Fundraising: Fenstanton Football Club will be holding a Car Boot Sale on Monday 28th May. Youth Football will have a tombola stall and a car boot table to help raise funds for our club. If you have anything to donate to be sold on our table or as a tombola prize, please contact Bridget Parr on 01480 384365. or 07930610359.

Under Sevens Football: We are still seeking volunteers to take on the next intake of Under Sevens football. If you can spare 90 minutes every Saturday morning from September to train boys and girls please get in touch, the more the merrier! (CRB checks will be undertaken and if appropriate FA training course).

If you are interested in joining or supporting us, we meet on the Football Field in Fenstanton (Off Chequer Street Park) every Saturday, 10 – 11.30. **Training starts promptly at 10 am.** Coaching is professional with emphasis on taking part and fair play

For further information contact **Charlie Darling on 01480 395338** after 6 pm (or Nadine Taylor 01480 830839 for admin queries)

Car Boot Sales

Football Field, Hall Green Lane,
Fenstanton

Bank Holiday Mondays

May 7th 2007 (Bowls club)

May 28th 2007 (Football club)

9am - 1pm

Pitches £6 (no need to book just turn up on the day)

Sellers please arrive before 9:00am - field open to booters at 7.30 am.

For further details contact John Wosahlo on 395284 (Football).

Or Joan 465369 (Bowls)

Fenstanton Football Club
Fenstanton Bowls Club

Hilton Cricket Club

All the signs are there. The weeds are growing. The flies are buzzing (the bees have reportedly been zapped by microwaves from all those mobile phones). Bored boy-racers have left their tyre-prints all over the Green. Over-eager worms, celebrating an unusually wet winter, have caused the surface of the square to erupt in hundreds of places to such a degree that producers at 20th Century Fox have their eye on it as perfect film set for a series about the Battle of the Somme. It's all Mother Nature's way of telling us that Hilton is approaching the new cricket season.

The first few confrontations will be held on opponents' grounds, beginning at Alconbury on 29th April. The theatre of conflict transfers to Hilton Village Green from Sunday 3rd June, by which time our gladiators will already have annihilated five hapless teams. Such warlike hyperbole, accompanied by images of snarling, unshaven players like Freddie Flintoff and Ricky Ponting, is usually designed to increase ratings on Sky Sports TV. Cricket as played by Hilton is, in contrast, only a game and although we might have spent the past few months producing enriched uranium on an industrial scale, we can assure everyone that it is entirely for peaceful purposes.

We anticipate an exciting and successful season and we are now able to announce that when our players are finally released in mid-September, they will be permitted to sell their stories to the press or to anyone else bewildered enough to pay for them.

Fenstanton Cricket Club

The season is nearly on us now and new players are needed and will be welcomed. Running only one side it can be a big struggle some weeks to get a team out. The majority of the team is nearing the 50 mark (not average runs, average years old!) and younger players are needed to safeguard the future of the club. Helpers are welcomed to assist in the running of the club as well. Teas, groundwork, committee. If you are interested contact us at the numbers below. We have received our fixtures for the Cambs league

May fixtures..All Saturday fixtures

5th May Witcham home
12th May Burwell 3rds home
26th May Ely/Haddenham 2nds home

Secretary Richard (Ronnie) Corbett 07766130392

Andy Taylor 07749057178

Website: www.fenstanton.play-cricket.com

What's On

May

1 st Fenstanton May Day Morris Dance	Clock Tower	5.30 am!!!!
2 nd Wildlife Trust Bluebell Walk	Brampton Wood	7.00 pm
3 rd Fenstanton WI	Church Centre	7.30 pm
5 th Scout Troop Car Wash	Fen Drayton	9.30 am
5 th Free play Tennis Open Day	Papworth Tennis	10.00 am
5 th Fenstanton Cricket Club match	Fenstanton	
7 th Fenstanton (Bowls) Car Boot	Football Pitch	9.00 am
9 th Fenstanton Over 60s Club	Church Centre	2.00 pm
10 th Fenstanton Parish Council Annual Meeting	School	7.30 pm
12 th Fenstanton Cricket Club match	Fenstanton	
19 th Fenstanton WI Cake Stall	Clock Tower	9.30 am
23 rd Hunts Geranium & Fuschia Soc	Hilton Village Hall	7.45 pm
23 rd Fenstanton Over 60s	Church Centre	2.00 pm
23 rd Hilton Flower Club outing	meet village hall	9.00 am
26 th Fenstanton Cricket Club match	Fenstanton	
27 th Hilton Dog Show	Village Green	
28 th Fenstanton Football Club Car Boot	Football Field	9.00 am
29 th Hilton Tot's Praise	Parish Church	1.30 pm
30 th Hilton Village Annual Meeting	Village Hall	

June

4 th Hilton Flower Club	Village Hall	2.00 pm
9 th Fenstanton Church Appeal Concert	Fenstanton Manor	5.30 on
9 th Scouts Big Breakfast	Clock Tower	7.30 am
14 th Fenstanton Pre School Fashion Show	Primary School	

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