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LETTERS & COMMENTS

Thank you

James Edwards and family would like to thank everyone for the messages of sympathy an support received following the peaceful death, in her sleep, of Peggy Edwards an 1st October, and for the practical help thereafter.

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The Hilton Town Charity benefits from longstanding endowments reserved for the inhabitants of the village. Each year a number of grants are available towards meeting the cost of specific projects or needs; requests may be submitted at any time by or on behalf of a resident of Hilton, or by an organisation providing a service to Hilton village.

A detailed report of the charity's activities last year was given to the Parish Council on 26th April 2012, and an annual return is submitted to the Charity Commissioners.

In more recent years provisions have been distributed at Christmas to Hilton's more senior residents and to those families who are known to be ill or in need. The distribution list is updated at this time and the trustees (listed below) are ready to be informed (by formal letter please) of any person who wishes to be added or removed

Revd	David Busk
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Prisons Week 2012: 18th-24th November (www.prisonsweek.org)

Prison Fellowship (England & Wales) will once again be giving its full support this autumn to Prisons Week. The theme in 2012 will be "Taking the Path to Life". All aspects of prison ministry and support will be celebrated. Focussing on themes from Psalm 16.11, churches and individual Christians can be involved in a variety of ways: organise a preacher for Sunday 18th November, make sure that your prayers are informed for Prisons Week and support the work of all those working in prisons. Watch the website for more and more resources as the date approaches:<u>www.prisonfellowship.org.uk</u>. **Prisons Week 2012** *Taking the* **Path to Life**

John Deeks has researched the **History of Fenstanton** going back to the Domesday Book, we aim to publish his findings as a series in the next few issues. (Thank you John)

What was life like in Fenstanton (Stanton) in 1086 and who owned the Manor?

FENSTANTON MANOR: This was an Ancient Parish including **Boxworth** and a Cambridgeshire portion of **Papworth**. **Boxworth** was a jurisdiction of it and **Papworth** was said to 'lie in' it. The creation of shires had probably cut through pre-existing tenures. 15 hides (A hide = 120 acres) at **(Fen)Stantun** and **Hiltun** had been granted in 1012 by

King Ethelred II to Godwine, Bishop of **Rochester**, but were subsequently alienated (*sic*). Two hides also appear to have been removed, or the tax-burden reassessed.

At the end of the reign of King Edward the Confessor in January 1066, much of the land in and around **Fenstanton** was in the ownership of one powerful thane and member of the King's household. Ulf was of Scandinavian extraction and some historians believe that Ulf's by-name could indicate that he came from Fjon (Fyn) a large island off the eastern coast of Denmark. Ulf was based at **Lincoln** where he held the rank and distinction of 'lawman', but the Domesday Book of 1086 reveals that Ulf had owned estates throughout eleven counties from **Yorkshire** in the North to **Berkshire** in the South. 'Fenman' may imply more than 'from the fens', a possibility is that he was an expert on water-flow or drainage.

A summary of English land holdings in 1066 reveals that immediately after the list of the great earldoms, the third largest of the lay estates was owned by Ulf the Fenman at an annual value of £394. Besides his principal residence at **Lincoln**, Ulf also had a house at **Wallingford** in Oxfordshire and two more at **Warwick**. Eighteen of the 256 burgesses at **Huntingdon** owed allegiance to Ulf and, as a mark of his high status, he was a member of a small and select list of Thanes enjoying the rare privileges of market rights and legal jurisdiction. All of these powers were lost after the Conquest and Ulf disappears from the historical record. However his son and heir, Swartbrand, managed to retain a few estates close to **Lincoln** where he held the office of 'lawman' in 1086.

<u>Gilbert of Ghent</u> The Domesday Book of 1086 makes it clear that Gilbert had received the bulk of Ulf Fenman's estates from William the Conqueror. This name is associated with zero places before the Conquest and 276 after the Conquest.

Lord of 276 manors in 1086 including:

<u>Fen Drayton, Swavesey, Boxworth, Conington, Elsworth, Papworth [Everard and St</u> <u>Agnes]</u> all part of Papworth, Cambridgeshire; <u>Fenstanton</u>, Toseland, Cambridgeshire / Huntingdonshire, Tenant-in-chief in 1086 of (among others).

Baron Gilbert de Ghent, born c 1030 – died c 1095

Gilbert de Ghent or Gilbert de Gand, fought for King William at **Hastings** and was one of two Norman commanders who assisted Duke William in reducing **Yorkshire**, where he held the garrison at **York**. He received grants of 172 manors and lordships in England and became the Baron **Folkingham**. He was apparently the younger son of Baldwin, Count of Flanders, and Gilbert's participation at the Battle of **Hastings** ensured great riches,

Gilbert de Gaunt was based at his home at **Folkingham Castle** and died about 1095 being buried at the abbey of **Bardney near Lincoln City**. He was married to Alice de Montford sur Risle in about 1071 and had numerous children amongst whom were Sir Walter de Lindsay (who had connections with the Lindsey family of **Scotland** and was the father of Gilbert, first Earl of **Lincoln**), Gilbert, Hugh, Robert, Ralph, Henry, Emma and Agnes. *(to be continued)*

FENSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL - OCTOBER

Police report: During the month of August, the latest month for which official information is available, the following crimes and incidents were reported: 4 incidents of anti social behaviour; 1 incident of vehicle crime; 1 incident of violent crime; 2 incidents of other theft; 3 incidents of other crime.

The Parish Council urges Parishioners to be vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour to the Police. Telephone 101, Crimestoppers can be contacted on 0800 55 51 11 or in an emergency 999.

Parish Council Newsletter: Every house in the Parish should have received a copy of the Parish Council's newsletter. However, due to an oversight by the editor and proof readers Richard Geard was omitted from the list of Councillors. Cllr. Geard is also Chairman of the General Purposes Committee.

Since the publication of the newsletter Cllrs. Boyd, Jacob and Tilbury have resigned, following their objections to the principles involved in the new Code of Conduct and the declaration of Members Pecuniary Interests.

Annual Pond Clean: The Annual Pond Clean took place on Saturday 13th October. The work was completed successfully and the pond is now in an excellent condition. We would like to express our thanks to those willing volunteers who came to help.

<u>Community Plan</u>: The Parish Council discussed the possible formulation of a Community Plan for the Parish. The objective of such a plan is not to be Parish Council led but Community driven. Further information is being sought and a review is being undertaken by two Members of the Parish Council into the feasibility and possible benefits of such a Plan. It is expected that the review will be completed in time for the Parish Council to discuss the matter at the February meeting.

<u>Next Meeting</u>: The next meeting of Fenstanton Parish Council will be held on **Thursday** 8th November 2012 at 7:30pm at Fenstanton & Hilton Primary School, School Lane, Fenstanton. Members of the press and public are welcome.

Choirbook for the Queen During the wonderful celebrations of Her Majesty The Queen's Diamond Jubilee a project to celebrate her sixty years as Queen has been quietly unfolding in Cathedrals, Churches and Chapels across the Country. www.choirbookfortheaueen.ora.uk contains 44 anthems written in the last decade, 11 anthems were specially commissioned from leading British composers and are being premiered across the country. Many have been heard on BBC Radio 3's Choral Evensong. The final anthem to be premiered (BBC Radio 3 Choral Evensong on 5th December 2012 from Westminster Abbey) is called 'Advent Calendar'. It is composed by Sir Peter Maxwell Davies and based on a poem by Rowan Williams, who steps down as

Archbishop of Canterbury in the New Year. Universally acknowledged as one of the foremost composers of our time. Sir Peter Maxwell Davies has made a significant contribution to musical history through his wide-ranging and prolific output. He lives in the Orkney Islands where he writes most of his music. Maxwell Davies' huge output of work includes operas, two ballets, musictheatre works. symphonies eiaht and numerous concerti, light orchestral works and large-scale works for chorus. Maxwell Davies has quest-conducted international orchestras at the highest level and retains close links with the St. Magnus Festival, which he founded in 1977. He was knighted in 1987 and appointed Master of The Queen's Music in 2004.

HILTON PARISH COUNCIL— OCTOBER

Fireworks – Annual bonfire and firework display will be held on **Saturday 3rd November**. Wood donations for the bonfire gratefully received on the morning of Saturday 3rd November 8.30am – 11.30am. Fenstanton and Hilton Cubs will once again be providing Guy Fawkes that will be judged by the Parish Council. Tickets on the gate - £3 per adult, £1 per child.

New Clerk: Please continue to contact Mrs Nadine Taylor on the numbers below.

Essential Tree Maintenance - urgent trees work are being undertaken to some parish owned trees.

Our next meeting is **Monday 3rd December** (there will be no meeting in November) at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. Anyone is welcome to attend and parishioners are allowed to speak during the open session only. The Agendas for Parish Council meetings are posted on the 3 notice boards and on the village website 5 days before each meeting.

All Minutes of our meetings can be found on the village website. <u>www.hilton-village.com</u>

If you need to contact Hilton Parish Council Please email Nadine Taylor, the Clerk <u>thehiltonclerk@btopenworld.com</u> or write to 9 Mill Hill End, Hilton

CAMBRIDGE BOTANIC GARDENS

At the Botanic Garden we are privileged to look after one of the best tree collections in the region. The towering evergreen cedars, redwoods and pines together with limes, tulip trees, walnuts and wingnuts form the backbone of the landscape. Some of our trees are the finest specimens in UK cultivation and have acquired 'champion' status; others are heritage trees, noteworthy for the stories they tell. Some surprise and delight, like the recent flowering of the beautiful Chinese tree, *Emmenopterys henryi*, for the first time with us after a thirty year wait! But not all of our trees are huge specimens or botanical rarities. Many of our most eye-catching trees are good options for Cambridgeshire gardens, being low maintenance and offering seasonal interest, as well as nesting sites and food sources for a whole host of animals. The end of November, after leaf fall, being the best time to get new trees in the ground.

The maple family has much to offer and there are several species to choose from in our Winter Garden, including the paperbark maple, *Acer griseum*. After the vivid red and orange leaves are shed in autumn, the beautiful trunk detail comes to the fore, as papery, rich chestnut strips peel away to flutter in the breeze and seem to catch fire in the low winter sun – positioning is key. Nearby is *Acer davidii*, the snakebark maple, which displays in contrast a smooth, olive-green bark with pale green stripes and diamond shapes that give rise to the common name. One of the most spectacular trees at this time of year is the trio of *Acer palmatum* 'Osakazuki' in the Autumn Garden. These are the best Japanese maples for Cambridgeshire's generally chalky soils, but still needs some shelter from cold easterly winds to prevent leaf scorch. The leaves are relatively large, seven-lobed, green but flush a deep burgundy in early autumn before turning orange-scarlet, the whole tree strung with bright magenta winged samara fruits.

The Botanic Garden is open all through the winter, closing at 4pm from November- January (ring for Christmas closing times). Adult admission is £4.50 (Giftaid admission £4.95) or join the Friends, get free admission & help the Garden grow! For news and events, detailed information about the Garden or to discover this week's Plant Picks from the Head of Horticulture, please visit the website at <u>www.botanic.cam.ac.uk</u>

LOCAL WEATHER WATCH

When I ended my last article at the beginning of May, it was cold and changeable and these conditions prevailed for three weeks. A complete contrast then occurred with warm and sunny conditions before rain returned in time for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Bank Holiday. This heralded a month dominated by low pressure making June one of the wettest and dullest on record, in fact it was the wettest for 100 years. The lack of sunshine resulted in many cool days and only one day reached 22C (72F). On the 3^{rd} and 11^{th} the maximum temperature was only 11.5C (53F).

For the first thee weeks of July, cool, dull and wet conditions continued but then a dramatic change to very warm and sunny weather with the warmest day of the 24th summer on the when the temperature reached 30.2C (86.4F). Rain returned before the end of the month making July the wettest month of summer with total the а of 4.71" (119mm).

August turned out to be the best month of a disappointing summer with warmer than normal conditions and daytime temperatures reaching 21C (70F) or more on all but a couple of days. 30C (86F) was reached on both the 18th and 19th. During the three summer months 11.46" (292mm) fell making it the wettest summer for 100 years. During the five months April to August a total of 18.45" (5500mm) fell, which is nearly an inch more than fell in the whole of 2011.

Inevitably, the wet summer raised the spectre of global warming being the cause. In fact it was due to the jet stream flowing much further south than normal and the linkage between that and global warming remains unproven. Also, when rain falls is not governed by a calendar. If one looks at all three month periods at any time of the year, there have previously been 64 wetter occurrences. In other words such a wet spell is likely to occur every four or five years as part of nature's pattern, though this is less likely to occur during the summer.

Rainfall is September was however, below average the first three weeks of the month being dry. Apart from a wet day spanning the 23rd/24th, rain bearing fronts largely petered out before arriving in our region.

Having now lived in Hilton for the last seven years as a weather observer it has been interesting to note the local microclimate particularly when it comes to rain and snowfall, especially during showery conditions. When threatening clouds appear on the horizon they tend to fragment as they approach Hilton, veering either to the south over the slightly higher ground of Cambourne, or to the north along the Ouse and the higher ground towards Somersham. When snow occurs Cambourne generally receives a greater amount. Often vou can clearly see the fragmentation of the clouds when driving along the A428 from the west and east.

Finally, a couple of curios. It is reputed that Anne of Cleves refused to sail in bad weather to meet Henry VIII for fear it might "alter her complexion". The term "a bolt from the blue" otherwise known as a "positive giant" is a bolt of lightning that strikes the ground up to 20 miles away from the storm. Look out for more curios next time.

Patrick Landucci

FENSTANTON & HILTON PARISH CHURCHES—NOVEMBER			
Saturday 3 rd			
Fenstanton	11.00am	Service for All Souls' – we remember those who have died in our communities. All are welcome.	
Sunday 4 th	All Saints	Sunday	
Hilton	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
Fenstanton	9.30am	Holy Communion & Sunday Club. Launch of Fenstanton Church <i>Community Fund</i>	
Hilton	10.00am	Children's Church	
Fenstanton	12.30pm	Baptism: Harry White	
Fenstanton	6.00pm	Said Evensong	
Thursday 8 th			
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer (15 mins)	
Sunday 11 th	Remembra	ance Day	
Fenstanton	10.00am	Joint Remembrance Service at Parish Church with gathering at War Memorial at 11am	
Hilton	10.45am	United Remembrance Service, start at Lych gate. Sunday Club in Methodist school room.	
Thursday 15 th			
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer (15 mins)	
Fenstanton	3.30pm	Jaffa Club	
Sunday 18 th	2 nd before Advent		
Hilton	8.00am	Holy Communion	
Fenstanton	9.30am	Holy Communion & Sunday Club	
Godmanchester	6.30pm	Deanery Choral Evensong with Bishop Stephen of Ely	
Thursday 22 nd			
Fenstanton	8.30am	Morning Prayer (15 mins)	
Saturday 24 th			
Hilton	1pm-4pm	Christmas Fayre in Parish Church	
<i>Sunday 25th</i> Fenstanton	Christ the King 9.30am Family Communion		
Hilton	11.15am	Family Worship with coffee served beforehand at 11.00am	
Tuesday 27 th			
Hilton	1.30pm	Tot's Praise	
Wednesday 28 th			
Hilton		Advent Lunch	

Contact information:

For *Fenstanton*: Rev'd Dr Robin McKenzie on 01480 466162 or <u>mckenzie robin@hotmail.com</u> (matters of pastoral concern and for baptisms), Licensed Lay Minister Harvey Marshall 01480 395936 (funerals), Anne White 01480 382370 (weddings), or Ian Hucklesby 01480 465211 (general enquiries).

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<u>Hilton Church Re-decoration</u> - We are delighted to report that the re-decoration in the parish church is now complete - hurray! The PCC would like to thank everyone for their good will and patience during this period of disruption. We had rather naively thought that we could continue to hold services during the refurbishment (albeit in a restricted area) but the dust proved to be just too overwhelming and we had to miss out on a whole month of worship in church. It's great to be back to normal again and a huge THANK YOU is due to all the parishioners who gave up their time and energy, descending with mops, buckets and cloths, to help with the massive clean up operation. Do take a detour the next time you are walking through the churchyard and admire their work in our lovely "new" church.



TOTS PRAISE - HILTON

It's so good to be back in church, we missed so many services. We look forward to more tots joining us for the experience of singing and hearing stories, doing a bit of art work, learning new things together. Come and join us for hula hoops! on the last Tuesday of the month. Next date, **27th November**, **1.30 - 2.30pm**.

Fenstanton Parish Church, November 2012

This November, we have two ways in which the parish church and the wider village community come together.

The first, on **Sunday 11th Nov. at 10.00am** for our **Annual Remembrance Service**. We are pleased to welcome you to this time of reflection and thanksgiving. The Rev Catherine Ball, URC minister has created and leads this year's service. This continuation of use the Parish church for this service will ensure most people will have a seat.

The second is rather different. A number of us in the Parish Church have become aware that there may be hidden needs within our community. Often these needs will be met with help from families, friends, well known charities, the local authority or similar services. We are aware, though, that people can 'fall through gaps' in the system. To assist such people we have set up a Community Fund. Posters and flyers will be around the village and we will be launching it (if this is the right word) at the Sunday morning service, 4th November, you are all welcome.

Please do be in touch if you have any questions or comments.,

Revd Dr Robin McKenzie, Priest in Charge (Vicar), Fenstanton, Fenstanton Parish Church Community Fund. The church is here to help you! Are you, or someone you know in the village, in need of urgent financial help? We are building up a small Community Fund, and can make occasional one-off discretionary payments, as funds allow. You can contact us through a dedicated email FenstantonCommunityFund@gmail.com, or through the Vicar, or one of the

Churchwardens – details are in Spectrum. Your request will be dealt with in the strictest confidence.

HILTON METHODIST CHURCH - NOVEMBER

<u>Contact:</u> Sandy Monk (01480 830273), email: sandy.monk@btinternet.com and Heather Woods (830686), email ianwoods1992@aol.com

4th 10.00am Mr Derek Rutherford

- 11th 10.50am **Remembrance Service** at Parish Church meeting at the Lych gate. Sunday Club for children
- 18th 10.00am Mrs Barbara Churms

25th 10.00am Holy Communion service led by Rev Katy Dunn

FAIRTRADE COFFEE MORNING At Hilton Methodist Church, **Saturday 3rd November from 10am until 12 noon.** Fairtrade groceries, greetings cards, jewellery, crafts and other gifts for sale .All profits go to Fairtrade ,St Ives. Please drop in to see what is for sale - items vary from month to month or just drop by for tea/coffee/biscuits and a chat. Profit from refreshments goes to East Anglian Children's Hospice

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS WORKSHOPS.

There will be a workshop from **10 30 till 11 30am on Saturday 3rd November and on Saturday 1st December in the Methodist Church.**

We hope lots of children will come along to help complete the Christmas Frieze we started last year and to make some Christmas decorations.

Mums are very welcome to come and have a cup of coffee in the hall. We shall have the Fair Trade goods there, with some festive items on show.

Look forward to seeing you all.

.Linda Stott.

Action for Children

The house-to-house collection for Action for Children (formerly known as NCH) in Hilton during September raised £641.73. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who volunteered (thank goodness the weather was fine for venturing out!) and to all those who gave generously. I should perhaps point out that the charity raises over £140,000 a year through house-to-house collections in the UK. For more information, go to www.actionforchildren.org.uk. Richard Dunn (Local coordinator)

Hilton Churches Advent Lunches.

Time passes so quickly and the year rolls on. I can hardly believe that it is time to announce the venues for the This Advent the Charity chosen for all donations received is The Huntingdon Women's Refuge which is a very worth while cause. Venues as follows: TIME:- 12.30 to 2.00 pm

28th November Pat Bellass, Noroc, Potton Road

5th December Hilary Holmes, Park Farm, The Green

12th December Heather Woods, 7 Chequers Croft

19th December Muriel Bell, 6 Tithe Close

Everyone is very welcome to attend any or all of the venues, you will be made very welcome and an enjoyable light lunch provided for a donation of \pounds 3-00 or more. Hope to see you all again.

If any further information required please contact Heather Woods 830686.

FENSTANTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH—NOVEMBER

Come and join us. A warm welcome awaits you.

Fenstanton United Reformed Church is part of the St Ives Group of Churches.

Contact Revd Dr Catherine Ball on 01480 352058

or the Free Church St Ives on 01480 468535

- 4th 9:30am Revd Derek Newton (Holy Communion)
 - 3:00pm Songs of Praise.
- 11th 10:00am **REMEMBRANCE SERVICE** (at the Parish Church) Revd Catherine Ball 6:00pm Evening Service, Mrs Jo Dyke
- 18th 9:30am Mr Keith Cakebread
- 25th 9:30am Revd Catherine Ball

OTHER EVENTS in November

Mon	All Mondays in November at 7.15pm, ALPHA Course			
Tues	6th and 20th	10.00am	Open Door Coffee Morning	
Tues	13th and 27th	10.00am	Knitters and Natters	
Tues	13th and 27th	12.00noon	Cross Stitching	
Tues	13th	2.30pm	Monthly Christian Meditation	
Sat	17th	2.00pm	November Fayre	
Thurs	29th	7.00pm	Churches Together Advent Course - first of four	

United Reformed Church, Chequer Street, Fenstanton

Sunday, November 4th -- 3.00pm



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An afternoon of hymns from the 'Sankey & Moody' era! Everyone is welcome, come for a lively sing, or just to listen Refreshments afterwards - (we'll need them!)

Retiring collection to support 'Love-in-a-Box'

The United Reformed Church Fenstanton In partnership with the Bridge Church St Ives,

are presenting an **ALPHA** course at the

URC Church Fenstanton from 7.15 pm on all Mondays in November.

For further information, please contact one of the following people. *Ray Conder on: 01480 493909: or 07912 411600: or <u>ray@silvertonecleaningltd.co.uk</u> <i>John Deeks on: 01480 468718: or 07748 653443: or <u>john.deeks@ntlworld.com</u> <i>or anyone at the United Reformed Church Chequer Street Fenstanton*

THE BRIDGE CHURCH-Serving St Ives and Local Communities www.thebridgechurch.co.uk

Sunday Church Services: We meet together at 10.30am on Sundays at Westfield School, Ramsey Road, St Ives, to worship Jesus and hear His good news. We also meet together in small groups' midweek where our church family make deep friendships and grow together in their faith.

There is a home worship group in Fenstanton which serves both Fenstanton and Hilton.

Bible Study & Prayer: We have weekly bible study for women, monthly church prayer meetings and weekly men's prayer mornings.

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

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

St Ives, Church of the Sacred Heart, 19 Needingworth Rd. Parish Priest: Fr Edward Tredota; Ass.Fr. Marek Pabis; Tel 01480 462192, <u>www.sacredheart-stives.org</u>

Mass Times: Saturday 17.00, Sunday 08.00 and 11.00

Papworth Everard, at the Parish Church, Saturday Mass 18.00.

The Particular Baptist Chapel Church Lane Fenstanton PE28 9JW

There has been a witness to the worship of God here over the years since 1643

Services are on Sundays at 10.30am and 2.30pm and on Thursday evenings at 7.15pm

We still use the Authorised, King James Bible, believe in Particular Redemption and the traditional manner of worship.

All are welcome

Pastor: BE Izzard (01480830142)

FENSTANTON & HILTON MEN'S FELLOWSHIP SATURDAY BREAKFAST



The next series of breakfasts are planned for November10th, February 9th and April 13th. Our next meeting on November 10th will be based on the theme of remembrance.

These interdenominational fellowship breakfasts are held in the Social Centre of the United Reformed church, in

Chequer Street Fenstanton, from 8.00am to approximately 10.00am. Breakfast is served from 8.30 am. All local men are welcome. For catering purposes or additional information please contact:

John Guthrie (01480 392018) or john.guthrie39@gmail.com.



On **November 13th** we will be celebrating our 5th birthday, we will have a Bring and Share lunch.

This year (at the time of writing October 8th) we have sent/ delivered 2354 items to charities here and overseas, spending $\pm 1025-70$ on yarn!

Well done to all that have knitted and crochet these items. THANK YOU

Lacemaking Club

There are a few lace-makers in Fenstanton who would like to get together to form a lace-making club. In the first instance we propose meeting on the last Saturday of every month in one of our homes. The first meeting will be on the **27th October** at 37 Lancelot Way at 2.30pm until about 4.30pm. For further details, contact 01480 352724. Beginners welcome.

<u>Christmas Fayre in Hilton Parish Church</u>

Get your Christmas shopping done early! Join us in church on Saturday 24th November from 1pm - 4pm. There will be stalls selling Christmas Gifts and Stocking Fillers as well as Teas & Coffees, a Raffle and activities for the children. Father Christmas will also be putting in an appearance during the course of the afternoon so come along and meet him.

For further information, please contact Rachel Wood on 830866.



The Mobile, School Lane, Fenstanton, Huntingdon, Cambs , PE28 9JR Registered Charity no. 292600 Telephone: 01480 496156 Email: fenstantonpreschool@yahoo.co.uk



After a VERY busy and hectic last school year, with unprecedented numbers, we now find ourselves in a position where this school year our numbers are much lower. Therefore currently we do have places available.

We take children into the group in the half term in which they become 3. If you are interested in registering your child or coming along to see us, please contact us on 01480 496156.

Can you help us?

We are looking for unwanted paving slabs – any amount, any shape, any colour, to pave an area for bikes, scooters and buggies. Please contact us if you think you can help. Thank you.

FENSTANTON BABY & TODDLER GROUP

We are a friendly group running a weekly play session for children from birth to school age. We are open every **Wednesday** (including school holidays), 10am - 11.30am, at the Church Centre. We would love to welcome any new faces so please feel free to come along and have a coffee or contact Becky on 493067 for any further information.



The first session is free, £2 thereafter.

Our **Children's Christmas Party** will be held this year on **Wednesday 19th December, starting at 10am.** We will be holding a Christmas Raffle to raise desperately needed funds for the group (due to the heating costs over the winter the group is usually running at a loss!) and ask for any donations of raffle prizes. If you have anything suitable which could be used as a prize, please bring along to the group over the next few weeks – thank you!! There will be lots of fun and games for the children and hopefully a visit from Father Christmas. We look forward to seeing you all there.

BABY CLINIC IN FENSTANTON

The St. Ives Health Visitors now run a baby clinic in the village, offering the chance for parents to have their babies weighed or to ask any questions. Sessions will take place on the second Wednesday of each month at the Church Centre, 10 - 11am. Please drop in or contact your usual health visitor if you would like further details.

FENSTANTON WI

At our AGM on Thursday 4th October, we were pleased to welcome Marilyn Parsons and Deborah Markl on to our committee. We were sad that Pam. our President felt it was time to stand down but she has been our President at different times for 10 or 11 years. Pam said that she had enjoyed her time as President but was now looking forward to sit facing in the opposite direction. Val Spain and Daphne Loveday thanked Pam for all her hard work and presented her with a bouquet of flowers. A former President, Becky Cumbers was unanimously elected in a secret ballot to stand again.

Fenstanton WI's membership has increased again this year and Andrea was thanked for a diverse programme of speakers ranging from Les Priestly the long Distance Lorry Driver to Linda Shepherd who married a Native American, Grey Wolf. Fenstanton members have again taken part in many County workshops, talks, social events and have visited Denman College. Becky Cumbers organised our Ghost walk in Ely. Pam Hucklesby organised her legendary Garden Party and Shirley Oliver organised our meal at the George and Dragon at Elsworth. We hosted the Spring Walk this year which was very successful. Some of those who went on the long walk saw a Woodpecker, a Barn Owl, a Weasel and an Otter swimming in the river Ouse. We had a Tombola stall at the Jubilee Celebrations and a stall at Sports Day - both very cold and wet! So all in all another good year for our WI.

Dates for future events:

November 1st:

Traditional Breeds for Tasty Pork by Mr David Baker

December 6th:

Christmas Celebrations

January 8th, 2013:

Pantomime Trip – Peter Pan at the Burgess Hall.

We are a lively, friendly group who meet on the first Thursday of each month, except in January. If you would like to join, please come along to the Church Centre at 7.30pm. For more information please contact our secretary Val Spain (01480 463653)

FENSTANTON OVER 60'S

On our meeting on 19th September we had an enjoyable game of Bingo, after which we had a discussion on future events.

The next meeting on 3rd October was an extremely interesting talk on the History of Warboys, by two ladies Mrs A Wyatt and Mrs H Moulds and we learnt what an interesting and historical village we have just a few miles away.

On the **31**st **October** a flower arranging demonstration by Beverley from Hilton, please come along to this demonstration you could learn to make some nice personal Christmas gifts

We meet on alternate Wednesdays at the United Reformed Church Chequer Street at 2.00pm, all welcome.

FENSTANTON VILLAGE HALL

Thank you very much to the intrepid people who turned out on a dreadful night to support the Big Quiz at The George on 26th September. Thanks also to Dai for organising yet another brilliant quiz. We didn't raise much money - £60 - but every little helps towards the big pot we need to build a new Village Hall. With that in mind, we are gearing up to selling our Christmas Draw tickets round the village and they'll also be available from Ron's Farm Shop and the Post Office. There are some great prizes to be won on the night, **Tuesday, 4th December**, at the Clock Tower when Santa Claus switches on the lights on the Christmas tree whilst you drink your mulled wine and eat mince pies or ginger biscuits. The Scouts will be selling refreshments as well and there'll be craft, jewellery, toiletry and confectionery stalls so treat yourselves(!) and remember Santa's post box awaits the children's letters. Barry's Plaice will be doing a deal on fish and chips so you shouldn't go hungry either. Then we'll finish with carol-singing and other Christmas songs. We look forward to seeing you there! *Jane Blunt*

1st FENSTANTON & HILTON SCOUT GROUP www.scubes.co.uk

Family Photographic Portaits – open to anyone (no connection to Scout Group required) Once again this this year we have been able to arrange a fantastic opportunity for people to have some wonderful portraits taken without having to travel far! Ideal items to grace your own homes or an ideal Christmas gifts for friends and family. The event is on Sunday 9th December, and will be in Fenstanton.

A professional mobile studio will once again be setting up in our Scout Hut, taking photographs of your family. The photographs are all taken against a white backdrop which results in a modern, natural, more candid shot. Your photos can all then be viewed instantly. A range of products are available, from standard size basic prints to fully framed multiple shots.

There is a sitting fee of just £5.00 per family (a sitting fee is normally £25.00) and you pay this directly to the Scout Group on the day. Each slot allows 30 minutes for your sitting followed by 30 minutes to view your photographs. There is a maximum of 6 people per sitting (although if you would like to bring more family members then simply book two consecutive slots).

If you decide to purchase any of the photographs then a % of the value of these sales go directly to the Scout Group. Full payment is taken on the day - debit card, credit card or cash only. The photos will be delivered to Louise Clover the following week-end, who will notify you so you can arrange to collect.

Spaces will be allocated on a first come first served basis so simply contact us (<u>scubes1@btinternet.com</u>) to book a slot!

Christmas Lights event

We join the rest of the village on the evening of **Tuesday 4th December** in celebrating as the Christmas Lights are switched on in Fenstanton, and there is family fun. As always we set the challenge to the Cub Pack Sixers, Seconders and their families to plan and run our fundraising stalls with the support of the Exec! Please come and support them as they help us raise much needed funds!

Louise Clover (01480 831715)_

FENSTANTON YOUTH FOOTBALL

www.fenstantonyouthfc.co.uk

Fixtures can be found at: www.thefa.com/full-time

FENSTANTON YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

(enter Huntingdon as your league).

Fixtures often change, especially Hunts Youth Matches and with winter approaching matches will inevitably be postponed, Coaches will keep you informed but please refer to the full-time website which should always be up-to-date.

<u>Under Seven Training</u> –Kristian Pether is the new coach for this age group. Training takes place every Saturday, 10 until 11 am. All children in Reception, year one and year 2 welcome to join in. £2 turn up and play, no commitment necessary at this age, first week's training is free.

<u>Committee Meetings</u> – are held every third Monday of the month at 8.00pm in the George Public House. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

<u>Contact Details</u> – Charlie Darling – Chairman 01480 395338. Nadine Taylor - Club Administrator 01480 830839 or by emailing fyfc@btinternet.com

FENSTANTON VILLAGE SPORTS

Your barely literate sports reporter types on a computer thingy, having been banned from using sharp objects such as pencils and pens *again*. It wasn't entirely my fault it's just that we were in the Common Room enjoying our free time and our secretary kept on at us about arranging a committee meeting, frankly he was getting on my nerves. It was then that I felt the old red mist rise up in front of my eyes so I stuck my crayon up his nose and tried to 'write clear off' on the lining of his cap!

Thud! Thud! Thud! Do you know what that is? It's Matron's jack boots as she gallops down the corridor to arrest me. Next thing I am on the naughty stool in the cupboard under the stairs for the rest of the day or until I say sorry, which aint' going to happen. However, dear villager, there is a silver lining, cos' the cupboard is next to the camp commandant's office so I have snuck in to use the computer thingy while they are all dealing with our secretary's nose bleed. Although I will have to be quick because we all know that they have detector vans driving around the village picking up signals and once they get a triangulation on this machine I may have to climb out of the window slide down the coal shed roof and leg it to the Spanish border.

There is no sports news by the way except to say that we can always do with (NO, WE ARE DESPERATE FOR) a couple of extra committee members if anybody out there feels a burning need to volunteer. I just felt that it would be nice to know what sort of people we are if you did want to join us that is.

HILTON BABY & TODDLER GROUP

We are a friendly group with babies and toddlers of all ages.

We have a great range of toys and a well stocked biscuit tin so feel free to come along and have a chat while the little ones burn off some energy!

Sessions cost £2 (1st one is free) and run from 10.00 - 11.30am every Tuesday, not including school holidays.

For more information contact Katy – katyjackson1@gmail.com"

HILTON FLOWER CLUB

October's meeting was a great success. We had a workshop where flowers and containers were supplied, and members brought their own foliage, so they could do their own arrangement. Everybody had the same amount of flowers but everybody created something different.

What a wonderful afternoon we had.

November 5th meeting will be a Christmas Demonstration by Amy Jones, this meeting is not to be missed. Look forward to seeing you all. Hilton Village Hall 2.00--4.00pm Tea and biscuits. New members are welcome to join our enjoyable afternoons.

HILTON WI

Our AGM this year was a very special occasion. The patchwork cloth which has been so beautifully made by our very talented members, was unveiled by Doreen Bates as her last duty as President. It was made to celebrate our Ruby Anniversary and the Jubilee celebrations. Red background, white squares and red blue and other colours each square artistically embroidered ,every one is different. Many photographs were taken and much credit given to everyone who worked so hard to make an idea a reality. Many thanks to Donna and her team of crafters for putting it all together.

We also had two ladies from the Federation Office in Huntingdon. Phyllis Brooks and Jackie Daniels. Jackie is a WI adviser and gave us a talk on how the WI was formed. It began in Canada and has spread all over the world by giving women a voice and being both democratic and non political has enabled all of us to make a huge difference in many ways over the years.

Many of us have been to Denman College on courses covering so many subjects that we could not have even thought about without the pioneer spirit shown by those brave ladies years ago.

Our next meeting on **November 12th** is "Life of an Entertainer". Chris Bylett is a ventriloquist so we can expect some interesting conversations!

If you would like to come along you will be made very welcome at the Village Hall at 7.30. Ruth Salem our secretary is always on hand to help, just ring 830358. *Kath Charter*.

HILTON FEAST WEEK

Hello from your new Feast Week committee who were voted in at the AGM in September. I am very happy to take on the post of Chairman, after many years of being involved with Feast week, I will take up the challenge to follow in Justo's footsteps, who has been a fantastic Chairman. I would like to thank Justo for all his hard work over the last 5 years, always there with a smile, and hands on with all the practical work ! Justo has over the years, organised, liaised, talked, problem solved, and laughed with most people in the village.

Above all Feast week has continued to be a tremendous success since he has been Chairman, and as a committee he has been a great leader to work with .We all have had such a laugh with Justo, even at the busiest of events, he has kept our spirits up, and made it all so enjoyable to be part of the committee.

Lastly, Justo, we will miss your washing up skills, especially after a quiz night curry!

Our first event will be the Feast Week Committee supporting 'Hilton Fire Work **Display**' with our fantastic burgers, hot dogs, soup, sweets, and beverages. Also Mulled wine and new for this year HOT CHOCOLATE !

Gates open and food available from 6 pm and fireworks start at 7 pm, always a fantastic display thanks to the Hilton Parish Council.

We then have the popular **Quiz on 24th November 2012**, please contact Sara Sampson or myself to book your tables of 8-10 people.

We will have a new trophy this year for the winning team, hopefully it will be as tasteful as the last one! To keep your stamina up, there will be a tasty curry with rice and naan etc, and a fully stocked bar of course. All for £10 per person.

We will be dropping a leaflet through each door in the village, explaining the ethos of Feast Week, and a list of dates for your diary as below for fund raising events in 2013. Also check the website at http://ww.hilton-village.com/

24/12/12 - NATIVITY with the Crib Service in the church.

26/01/13 - QUIZ NIGHT

16/03/13 - QUIZ NIGHT

29/03/12 - FAMILY EASTER EGG TREASURE HUNT

08/06/13 - MURDER MYSTERY NIGHT ... more details to follow !

Keep checking the Hilton Village Website and your Spectrum for more detail. Hope to see you all soon,

Sharon Walker.

Chair :Sharon Walker – 07984232424 / sharonwalker@nhs.netVice Chair:Gill Gill - 07793248287Treasurer:Graeme Gribbin - 01480 830481Secretary :Sara Sampson - 01480 830383

Other committee members:

Hilary Holmes, Richard Hunt, Craig and Suzie Sutherland, Lynne Radbone, Becca Graveling, and Emma Payne .

HILTON PRODUCE SHOW

The Produce Show Committee is already working hard on ideas for next year's Produce Show and in the meantime would like to thank those people who have already returned their rosettes to Cheska. It all helps to keep expenses down so a big thank you from the committee for that.

This year has not been the best for growing but despite this we were delighted with the wonderful show and would like to thank all those producers who came up trumps again with such stunning results.

With autumn now upon us and dare we say it, Christmas just around the corner, we are hunkering down for the winter but we are working on some exciting new ideas and will be back again in print very early in the new year with news of the Produce Show and the 2013 Schedule so that you can plan your planting programme in good time.

So may we once again thank those of you who contributed to the 2012 Produce Show, in whatever capacity, and wish you all, a little early maybe, a very happy Christmas and productive 2013.

As always you can obtain horticultural advice from Herbie on 830838, or call Deb Bridge for organisational advice on 830157

(email: <u>debleebridge@aol.com</u>).

Hilton Produce Show Committee

PAPWORTH TENNIS CLUB

Reduced winter membership fees start in October!

If Andy Murray's recent big win inspired you, why not join Papworth Tennis Club?

This month brings the chance to join our friendly and lively club at a reduced winter fee. From October 1st 2012 to the end of March 2013 the membership fees are reduced by 40 per cent.



The club has four all-weather and floodlit courts and Club Nights, on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6.30pm, run throughout the year, as do the club's match fixtures. All members receive discounted coaching rates and can play free throughout the year.

Adult membership is reduced to £46.80 from £78

Family membership (up to 2 adults and all children 17 years and under) is reduced to £102 from \pounds 170

Students and young adults (18-23 on 1st January) reduced to £30 from £50

Juniors (17 years and under and student in full time education living away from home) is reduced to £20.40 from £34

Wheelchair player is reduced to £19.20 from £32

For more details and to download a membership form see <u>www.papworthtennis.co.uk</u> or call membership secretary Lisa Seeley on: 01480 831161

ELSWORTH PRE-SCHOOL

The children at Elsworth Pre-School enjoyed their nature trail in the nearby woodland. It was a chance to see Summer turning to Autumn. It was also an opportunity to collect conkers and other materials for play and art! The Pre-School is also getting more involved with the school so that the transition to school will be easier for the children. The pre-school children enjoyed watching one of the school classes putting on an assembly. The preschool children were so well behaved that this will be a regular activity for them from now on.



WILD LIFE TRUSTS—HUNTINGDONSHIRE LOCAL GROUP

The Wildlife of the Falklands

The Falklands Islands will be the subject of the next meeting of the Wildlife Trust, Huntingdonshire Local Group, on Wednesday 14th

November 2012 at 7.30pm at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton.

The Falklands are renowned for their seabirds, including 5 different types of penguin and the largest population of blacked-browed albatross. They also provide a home for inland birds such as Silver Teal and Chiloe Wigeon. Heath is commonly found inland, where Balsam Bog and Red Crowberry can be found.

Tonight our presentation will be given by Don and Sara Perring who lived on the Falkland Islands for 18th months whilst Sara was working for the MOD. Don, who has had a lifelong interest in wildlife, is a retired RAF Officer and Sara is a keen photographer, so their combined skills should make for an entertaining evening.

Anyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend. Suggested donation: £2.00 members; £2.50 non-members. Please visit the web site for more information www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/ or contact Phil on 07894708352.

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

NSPCC CAMBRIDGE

Monday, 5th November

NSPCC Cambridge Dining Club Luncheon, 12.00 noon for 12.30 prompt Guest Speaker, Lucy Lewis – first Woman Bomb Disposal Officer For more information – Visit Facebook: nspcc south cambridgeshire branch Wednesday, 21st November

NSPCC FESTIVE AUTUMN FAIR, 11.00 am. to 4.00 pm. Entrance £5 includes Goodie Bag Anstey Hall, Maris Lane, Trumpington, Cambridge CB2 9LN Over 40 stalls and home made refreshments Visit Facebook: nspcc south cambridgeshire branch

FAIRTRADE COFFEE MORNING

At Hilton Methodist Church, Saturday 3rd November from 10am until 12 noon.

Fairtrade groceries, cards, jewellery and other crafts for sale.

Profit from sales go to Fairtrade, St Ives

Drop in to see what is for sale - items vary from month to month

or just join us for a tea/coffee/biscuits and a chat.

Profit from refreshments go to East Anglian Children's Hospice.





FIREWORKS in HEMINGFORD

Saturday NOVEMBER 3^{rd 2012} Come rain or shine the show will go on. See you there!



London Road St Ives Gates Open 5.00pm Bonfire 5.30pm Fireworks 6.30pm

Locally tickets available from Ash's Shop and the Post Office

for more information Tel: 07784 586267 e: fireworksinhem@aol.com

PAPWORTH SURGERY PATIENTS' LINK

NEWTON SCHOOL CAXTON END ELTISLEY

7.30 p.m. ON THURSDAN SE NOVEMBER 2012

TEAMS OF UP TO SIX

SIX CASH PRIZES, RAFFLE TICKETS £3.50

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS AND GLASSES

ALL PROCEEDS TO PATIENTS' LINK

Bookings for tickets to Jeff Tossell after the 8th Oct. Email: jhtossell@yahoo.co.uk Tel: 01480880441

WHAT'S ON in NOVEMBER

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1st	Fenstanton WI	Church Centre	7.30pm	p23
3rd	Hilton Coffee Morning	Methodist Church	10.00am	p18
3rd	Children's Christmas WS	Methodist Church	10.30am	p18
5th	Hilton Flower Club	Village Hall	2.00pm	p29
8th	Fenstanton PC	School Hall	7.30pm	p11
10th	Mens Breakfast	URC Church	8.00am	p20
12th	Hilton WI	Village Hall	7.30pm	p29
13th	Knitters/Natters 5th Birthday	URC Church	10.30am	p21
14th	Fenstanton Over 60's	URC Church	2.00pm	p23
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18th	Youth Football Committee	The George	8.00pm	p27
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