

# CAMBOURNE CRIER

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**"Cambourne - A place to live"**

Much has been written about Cambourne, and from those people who don't live here it can be critical comments.

There has always been a positive feeling from residents about Cambourne and much has been achieved in building a community. It is true that it has sometimes been difficult but has it now matured in its 10 years? [Yes it really is nearly 10 years!](#)

### [Let's look at what we have.](#)

We have an excellent health care system that is prepared to go the extra mile.

Dr Bailey and his team are excellent, we heard of a recent experience where Dr Bailey personally lifted an elderly patient into bed - as otherwise it may have meant a stay in hospital (the carers were unable to risk doing it).

We have a dentist that now is able take National health patients as well as private, and I have heard many reports of how good they are!

An opticians has recently opened, and also does hearing tests.

A library. How many villages have that? It was certainly on our list of "must haves" when we moved here.

We have a 20 minute bus service to Cambridge and a recently improved service to St Neots. How many villages 10 miles from Cambridge can claim that?

There are 2 excellent primary schools (soon to be 3) and the secondary school which serves Cambourne is probably second to none in the country.

A recently re-launched nursery is available and just received an excellent Ofsted report.

A chemist, not by any means something that can be taken for granted away from the city or major town.

A major supermarket that you can rely on for everyday needs.

A recently introduced post office service Is there anywhere else in the whole country that has a new service?

We have various other retail services where you can have your hair cut, get your laundry and dry cleaning done, eat a meal, or grab a take-away, our local pub has good value food and drink, even place a bet.

A building society to take care of your money, and a 4 star hotel that are always offering facilities to local groups.

And of course a veterinary service.



If you want to sell or let your house we have 4 estate/letting agents, is that not a very good sign that Cambourne is a popular place to live?

Just look at page two of this magazine to see how many community groups there are.

The Wildlife Trust headquarters in Cambourne are maintaining the local countryside, an excellent opportunity to learn more about wildlife and to use those areas for recreation.

The church are well established, having originally provided the first and only (at the time) community space. They are now building a church!

Excellent sports fields, a multi - use games area, bowls green, playgrounds, skate park, tennis courts and allotments. Somewhere safe to store your caravan.

We have a youth service that is providing an opportunity for youth to take part and make friends and is planned to expand extensively.

A business park that boasts the District Council offices and many other businesses, providing employment. A new arrival soon will be a BMW dealership.

And we have the Cambourne Crier, "By the community for the community".

[If you have a good news story from Cambourne, we want to hear about it](#)

The Editors

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Thursday 6.30pm Monkfield Park School.  
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### Cambourne Cafe:

Tuesday, 3.15 - 5.45pm, open to years 9,10,11. Free entry. At the Soul Youth Club Building  
Contact: Amenda Barnard 01223 264935  
[abarnard@cambsyouthservice.org.uk](mailto:abarnard@cambsyouthservice.org.uk)

### Cambourne Garden Club

4th Thursday every month expect December 8 p.m in the Hub Committee Room. Contact Fran Panrucker 710858 or email: [fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk](mailto:fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk)

### Cambourne Internet Cafe And Hang Out

Thursday, 6.30 - 8.30pm, open to teenagers, free entry. Cambourne Soul Youth Club Building  
[Michelle.Link@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:Michelle.Link@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) mob 0783 3481 527

### Cambourne Junior Youth Club

Thursday 3.45 -5.30, 7 - 11 years of age £1 entry  
Cambourne Soul Youth Club Building  
Contact David 0770 3342788 or email [cypadmin@uwclub.net](mailto:cypadmin@uwclub.net)

CU@4 Mondays 3.45 -5.30 ages 9-13 £1 Entry contact [cypadmin@uwclub.net](mailto:cypadmin@uwclub.net) mob 07703342788

### Carers & Tots:

Thursday 10.00 - 11.30am (term time only) in The Hub.  
Contact: Ali Withers 714909

### Church Youth Group:

Sunday mornings 11.30am - 12.15pm for those in years 7-9 in Youth Club Building.  
Church Youth Group - Monday evenings fortnightly 7.30 - 9pm for those in years 10-13 in the Ark  
Contact Jon Sanders 07729977463

### Cricket Club:

Sunday nets in season. See: [www.cambournecc.com](http://www.cambournecc.com)  
Contact: Danny White - 07774 142740  
email: [cccadmin@cambournecc.com](mailto:cccadmin@cambournecc.com)

### Cubs and Beavers & Scouts:

Beavers meet at the Ark Thursdays 4.30pm - 5.30pm  
Cubs & Scouts meet at The Vine main hall  
Thursdays 5.45pm - 7.15pm  
Waiting list contacts - 715262 for Cubs and Beavers. 205640 for Scouts

### Football:

Junior Coaching Nic Pillinger. Contact Jill - 715930  
Adult football visit: [www.cambournerovers.co.uk](http://www.cambournerovers.co.uk)  
Cambourne Rovers Juniors Tel : 715422

### www.camjuniors.co.uk

#### Guides (girls aged 10-14):

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Waiting to join list contact Nadine- 07766 117975  
Email- [cambourneguides@googlemail.com](mailto:cambourneguides@googlemail.com)

#### Second Cambourne Guides

Dion Badcock on 01954 714421 or Fiona Orford on 01954 719645 you can also contact us by email on [secondcambourneguides@live.co.uk](mailto:secondcambourneguides@live.co.uk)

#### St John Badgers (aged 5-10):

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web address: [www.Cambourne-netball.co.uk](http://www.Cambourne-netball.co.uk)

#### NCT:

Monday 10.30am - 12.00pm Informal coffee, chat and support. Contact: Laura Watts -203833  
email: [lewatts@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lewatts@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Pub Lunch Forum:

1st Thursday each month. Friendship for seniors.  
Contact: Margaret & Glyn Talbot - 715407

#### Rainbows (girls aged 5-7):

Monday 6.15 - 7.15pm Cat - 715805  
Wednesday 6.15 - 7.15pm Tracey - 710504  
Thursday 6.15 - 7.15pm Kim - 715722  
Waiting to join list contact Cat - 715805

#### Reading Group:

Every 3rd Thursday of each month 7.30pm  
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#### Rugby:

Contact: Neil Ingham 07956 410309, or visit [www.cambourneexiles.com](http://www.cambourneexiles.com)  
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Junior: Coaching from 10am, every Sunday;  
[youth@cambourneexiles.com](mailto:youth@cambourneexiles.com)

#### Swavesey Camera Club:

Thursday 7.30 - 9.00pm Swavesey Village College  
Contact - 230414 [www.swavesey.org.uk/camera\\_club](http://www.swavesey.org.uk/camera_club)

#### Tennis:

Contact: Lisa Ellis  
07949062360 [Lisa\\_m\\_ellis@hotmail.com](mailto:Lisa_m_ellis@hotmail.com)

#### Women's Institute:

2nd Thursday every month 7.30pm in The Hub for women of all ages. Contact: Fran Panrucker on 710858

#### Women's Running Club:

Meet every Tuesday evening, 7.15 for 7.30 start, at the Ark  
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#### Cambourne Business Park:

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01223 262503

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Cambourne - 282153

#### Monkfield Park School:

Jacqueline Durrant (Administrator) - 273377  
email: [office@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk)

#### The Vine Inter-Church Primary School:

Debbie Higham - 719630

#### Police:

Histon Station  
John Bunyan & Barry Cleet are now in posts as the community support officers. There is an answer phone system set up in the neighbourhood office at Histon where non urgent messages can be left for the team.  
The non emergency number for Cambridgeshire Police is 0845 456 456 4

#### South Cambs. District Council (SCDC):

08450 450 500 [www.scambs.gov.uk](http://www.scambs.gov.uk)

#### Multi Use Games Area (MUGA): & HUB BOOK-INGS

To book for tennis, basketball, cricket & football: 714403 or email: [mandy.simmons@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:mandy.simmons@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk)

#### Stagecoach:

Bus timetable enquiries - 0870 6082608

#### Streetlight faults:

John Vickery (Parish Clerk) - 714403  
Wimpey only [CustomerCare6@taylorwimpey.com](mailto:CustomerCare6@taylorwimpey.com)  
Bovis 714300 (diverted to customer care)

#### Wildlife Trusts:

Jenny Mackay/David Price - 713500  
[www.wildlifecnp.org](http://www.wildlifecnp.org)

#### Cambourne Youth Partnership:

Back Lane, Great Cambourne (near the Skate park)  
For all bookings please contact David McEwan-Cox 07703 342788 email - [cypbookings@uwclub.net](mailto:cypbookings@uwclub.net)

#### Cambourne Youth Groups:

Contact Amanda Barnard 01223 264935  
[abarnard@cambsyouthservice.org.uk](mailto:abarnard@cambsyouthservice.org.uk)



# Cambourne Village Fete

**Saturday 15th August 2009**

The fete is part of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations of Cambourne.

If you would like to volunteer, run a stall, donate, or get involved in any way, please get in touch with us:  
e-mail [fete@cambourneallin.org](mailto:fete@cambourneallin.org) or phone 07890 553 036

Cambourne All-In is your community group. It is purely voluntary and any funds raised will be put towards a future community event or activity.

Tallest Sunflower Competition

Final of Cambourne's Got Talent

Fancy Dress Competition

'Garden In A Box' Competition



# MUSIC QUIZ

## Friday 15th May

## The Hub - 7.30pm

A Fundraising Event For



**Girlguiding UK**  
*girls in the lead*

**£7.50 Per Person**  
**Max 6 Per Team**  
(No Minimum)

**Entry fee includes a yummy Ploughmans Supper!**

Places are limited so reserve your tickets **TODAY!**

**Families Welcome!**

**To Book Your Place Please**  
**Contact:- Michelle Stevens - 07968 010514 [michelle@stevens.ms](mailto:michelle@stevens.ms)**





Bring your own wine & beer!

Great Prizes!

## Cambourne Garden Club

Our March speaker saw us learning how to be creative with colour with a talk on "Colourways in the border". A whole new perspective was offered on how to make seemingly incompatible colours work for you in a way that is personally pleasing, not necessarily in vogue today and out tomorrow.

In April we looked at how to get gorgeous hanging baskets for a fraction of the readymade price.

In May we'll be having a Garden Crawl of members gardens, and then heading off into the enclosed academic gardens of Clare and Trinity for what will hopefully be some sunkissed evenings out for late summer.

We are arranging for a trip to the RHS garden at Wisley on 8th August which, other than the coach fare will be free for Members. There are likely to be spare seats available for non-members too for the cost of coach fare + £5ish. If you are interested in coming with us for this – please use the contacts below.

For more details contact us by phone (Fran Panrucker – Chair – 710858 / Debbie Walker – Secretary – 719019) or by email at [cambournegardenclub@postmaster.co.uk](mailto:cambournegardenclub@postmaster.co.uk) or join us for a "no-obligation" trial meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month in The Hub @ 8pm

## Rubbish News

You will receive a weekly collection each Thursday, alternating each week between your green bin and box and your black bin. Your bins and boxes should be collected between 7am and 6.30pm.

08/05/2009 : Black Bin. (Day late collection)\*.

14/05/2009 : Green Bin and Box.

21/05/2009 : Black Bin.

29/05/2009 : Green Bin and Box. (Day late collection)\*.

04/06/2009 : Black Bin.

11/06/2009 : Green Bin and Box..

18/06/2009 : Black Bin



TELEPHONE THE WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICE AT SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES ABOUT YOUR BINS. TELEPHONE 08450 450063.





Welcome to our May update!

I thought I would start by telling you all a little bit more about Sunflower Nursery.

CAMBRIDGE HOUSING SOCIETY (CHS), who own and run the Cambourne Nursery, is a non-profit making organisation. In Cambourne, it focuses on community projects such as affordable housing for rent, shared ownership housing and community investment services and CHS provides a Community Development Worker – Laura Parkinson.

Through CHS' interest in providing services for local people, and given the need for childcare in Cambourne, CHS opened a new Nursery in Cambourne in September 2008. CHS already has a successful established community nursery on Stretton Avenue in Cambridge, and the new Sunflower Nursery in Cambourne reflects CHS' experience of delivering high quality childcare.

The Sunflower Nursery offers Day Care for children aged from 4 months to 5 years, from 8 till 6pm. Through our local community connections with the Cambourne Children Centre and the local Parent Support Advisor, we have provided the crèche facilities for a number of local courses for parents in Cambourne. We also have Government Funded Pre- school places which residents can apply for.

The Sunflower Nursery is a small business, with its own budget, income and costs - and has to fund itself. The fees are set to cover the cost of high quality childcare and all staff are professionally trained in childcare and are all First Aid trained. Having only being open for 5 months, we received a 'Good' grading in all 14 aspects assessed by Ofsted – the Government inspection body that regulates childcare and education – these great results reflect the high quality of the service. and staff are working towards attaining "outstanding" grades from Ofsted next time they inspect.

#### WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO THIS MONTH?

##### EASTER ACTIVITIES

Jackie our cook who runs the weekly cookery club made Easter nests with the children, which they enjoyed immensely – there was a lot of bowl licking going on!

On April 6<sup>th</sup>, we were part of the community Easter Egg Hunt run by Laura (Community Development Worker) and Jenny from the Wildlife Trust. Almost 100 children and adults visited our garden to seek out the eggs that Nursery Staff had artfully hidden, watched by the Easter Bunny....or was it Laura?!

##### OUR GARDEN – SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

The children have been very busy planting seedlings and bulbs with Tricia, Ian, Manda, and Barry (staff in the over 2's wing) and we are now starting to see results. We have herbs and vegetables that are beginning to grow. The plan is for Jackie to include them in the Nursery meals. Barry has planted a 'Willow Wigwam' which is flourishing, and the children have great fun using it as a den.

##### SUNFLOWER: THE OFFICIAL OPENING

This is planned for the morning of Wednesday May 20<sup>th</sup> and will include Maggie Hunt, Acting Head of Early Years and Childcare, saying a few words. All are welcome, so if you would like to come please contact the Nursery on 01223 719440.



## *The Music Scene*

As the Cambourne Youth Fest 09 rapidly approaches, featuring headline band The Mono Effect, it just may be that Cambourne has an opportunity to place itself firmly on the Cambridgeshire music map.



Cambridgeshire is already well known for the world famous Cambridge Folk Festival, celebrating its 45<sup>th</sup> year this summer. There's also the Cambridge Band Competition 2009, currently showcasing the best local talent with a grand final at the Cambridge Corn Exchange on Friday 15th May.

In response to this budding music scene, we've made some space to spread the word on anything with a live music theme and ideally a Cambourne /local community connection. Perhaps you're band is playing its first gig, or you're involved in a forthcoming community event you would like to give us a head's up about.

Remember, there are already existing support networks offering ways for budding musicians and music fans to get involved with local activities. See the contacts page for a full listing.

So, let me know if you have anything music wise to sing about. After all, the last couple of years have seen a huge resurgence in live music performances throughout the country and with the help of the Internet many talented musicians have found new audiences. It doesn't matter if you're young or old, as the marvellous Susan Boyle of recent television 'Britain's Got Talent' fame has dramatically shown, it's never too late to rock! All in all this is becoming an exciting time to be a musician, or a music fan. Let's celebrate hidden talent!



Contact the "Rock Scribe" with all the gossip via the [editorial@cambourne.info](mailto:editorial@cambourne.info)





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Wildlife Review May 2009

The blossom is out, the trees are turning green again and life is busy for the wildlife in Cambourne. Birds will be making nests, some in trees and some on the ground, so we have to be very careful when doing any work around the site. Walking through the woods you can hear many male birds singing to defend their territories and attract mates. The most distinctive include chiffchaffs (who call out their name repeatedly), greenfinches (wheeeze) and great tits (like a squeaky wheelbarrow). Let me know when you see the first swallows arriving!

Chiffchaff – easier to hear than to see!



Bluebells will be coming out in Monkfield Wood and near the A428, but for really spectacular displays go along to one of our ancient woodland reserves at Waresley, Gamlingay or Hayley Wood. Check on our website for directions. Around Cambourne the Hawthorn will be blossoming, and buttercups, oxeye daisy and cow parsley will be flowering. Dragonflies will start to emerge towards the end of the month and common blue butterflies will appear.

During the Easter holidays 17 volunteers came out to help me litter pick in the Country Park, Eco Park and Monkfield Wood. A huge thank you to them and all those who collect litter through the year. If you would like to borrow our litter picking equipment at any time please get in touch.

## Events



The Plant Sale is on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May (sorry I got the date wrong last month) from 2pm to 5pm. As usual there will be a wide variety of plants on sale that will attract wildlife to your garden. The people that grow these plants for us through the year will also be available to advise you on what will be best for your garden. There will also be home made teas available, as well as free parking.

During May half-term we will be out around Cambourne with telescopes and binoculars to get you closer to the birds of Cambourne. On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May we will be at different locations around the green spaces for about an hour. You will find us at Oaks Wood from 10am, Crow Hill from 11am and Whomping Willow Lake at midday. You can come along to one or more of the locations and you should see a wide variety of bird species. We will also have lots of information about how you can help the birds in your own garden.

If you would like to be on a mailing list to receive emails about wildlife events in Cambourne just email me at the address below and I will add your name.

If you have any comments, questions or suggestions about the green spaces in Cambourne please get in touch.

Email: [jenny.mackay@wildlifebcnp.org](mailto:jenny.mackay@wildlifebcnp.org)

Or Call: 01954 713516 (please leave a message and we will get back to you)

Jenny Mackay - Wildlife Trust Cambourne Officer

**Cambourne Wildlife and  
Walking Group**  
**Sunday May 31st**

RSPB Fowlmere  
(Bring a picnic lunch )  
meeting at Oak Woods Car  
Park on School Lane at  
10am.



Please contact David on  
01954 715283 or  
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further  
information.

# Cambourne Church Pages



## Cambourne Church

A partnership of the  
Church of England, Baptist, Methodist & United Reformed Church  
Service times: Sunday 9.30 & 11.00am (2nd Sunday Holy Communion)  
1st Sunday in Month 10.00am. Meeting in The Hub  
[www.cambournechurch.org.uk](http://www.cambournechurch.org.uk)



### Update on Building Work of The New Church Centre

We have made a great start with work on site. What great weather we had for digging the foundations and pumping in the concrete with this great arched tube. We look forward to the arrival of the main frames at the beginning of May. The true height of the building will then emerge. Children from The Vine School really enjoyed a visit to find out how Bob the Builder used all these wonderful machines.



### Our Next Social Fundraisers



**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May in The Hub**  
**Grand Book Sale 2-4.30pm with Afternoon tea**

**Bargains galore – books and new unwanted present stall (items up to £1 each)**

**Auction of Promises 7.30pm**

**Come along for a fun evening and bid for something special/different/useful....**

**Some of the lots include:**

Takeaway Indian meal for 6  
Guitar lessons – course of 10  
Pencil portrait sitting  
many more!

Hot air balloon ride for 2  
Personal training session  
Children's football party

Ironing  
Scuba-diving session  
Professional massage

...and

**\* Professional auctioneer \* Bar \* Refreshments on sale \* Free admission**

***Tickets are required to gain entry.***

***A brochure containing all the lots for the evening will be available two weeks prior to the event. Please contact Julie Whitbread for tickets and brochures - tel. 202546***

### Christian Aid Week 10-17<sup>th</sup> May

Can you be part of the country's largest door-to-door collection, by covering a few roads in Cambourne. If so, please contact Julie 202546

Coffee Morning in Sackville House Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 9.15-11.30am

Call in for a cup of fair trade coffee or tea. Any donations will go to Christian Aid.

Cambourne Roman Catholic Church  
The Vine Inter Church Primary School  
Saturday's – 5pm

[www.cambournerc.kk5.org](http://www.cambournerc.kk5.org)

[cambournerc@aol.com](mailto:cambournerc@aol.com)

April is a very busy month in the Church year, and this was also reflected in Cambourne, with Easter and various other celebrations. We were very fortunate to have an Easter Mass on Easter Sunday, in the Vine, which normally doesn't happen because of the big parish the priests have to support in Cambridge, which more recently include the merger of our parish with Sawston. The mass was great, and we all gathered as a growing community to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. On the 18<sup>th</sup> April we were also very fortunate to celebrate the baptism of Aoife, a member of community.

The building of the new Church is well underway now, and we are trying our best to raise as much money as we can as a community. Our weekly collection is now being donated to the new Church fund, and we are supporting the fundraisers going on. If you have any ideas for fundraisers or if you can donate anything to the fund, visit [www.cambournechurch.org.uk](http://www.cambournechurch.org.uk). An upcoming fundraiser is the Auction of Promises being held on May 16<sup>th</sup>, in the Hub. Free entry and the first drink is free – so come along for a great night and to help support the new Church Building. If you have any skills, or anything to offer, we would be very grateful - please contact us – [cambournerc@aol.com](mailto:cambournerc@aol.com). More details on our website.

By Vincent Menezes



## Peacehaven Baptist Church

Meeting Sundays  
11 am  
At the  
Belfry Hotel

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01954 710510

Pastor  
Donavan Bangs

## Pastoral Thoughts

Dear Friends,

Sitting on the floor with my legs hanging out the back of the helicopter as we went over the jungle in almost total darkness was an interesting experience. I then noticed another noise that had not been there before. It was not our engine or the miniguns rattling in their mounts, but a much deeper droning noise coming from outside the aircraft. Of course, ordinarily I could see nothing but darkness, but I knew there was something else there. I pulled down my night vision goggles and switched them on. Straight away I could see where once there had been just a blanket of dark sky now I saw our refueling aircraft and the other helicopter. Now many of you realize that this happened many years ago. However, the vast contrast in that situation remains with me still. What a difference it made from the isolating darkness to the reassuring vision of friends there providing what we needed to carry on. Many of you have been in dark places whether physically or spiritually and you know what a difference a little light can make. Some of you may still be in places of darkness and you feel isolated and alone. You may not know which way to turn because you cannot see your way out. I have some good news for you. Jesus said in

John 8:12 Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

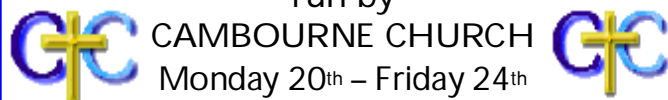
Before I came to Christ I was not only in spiritual darkness, but spiritually dead. But then I heard that message of love and hope and a glimmer of light came to my life. I turned away from the darkness and went into the light which is Christ. I asked Christ to save me July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1992 and he did. If you are tired of the darkness, that same message is there for you. And remember for those of you who know Him, we are to bring the light to others and that is hard to do if the lenses of your life are covered in mud so don't hide it, clean up, and let it shine.

If you have any questions or just need to chat, let us know, we're here to help.

Donavan Bangs

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## Cambourne WI

At our last meeting Brian Payne, who had newly retired as a magistrate in Cambridge, gave us a fascinating insight into the workings of a magistrate court. He also outlined a case to us and asked us to decide what sentence we would give to the guilty person. Most of us gave a much more lenient sentence than was given in real life, a good many years ago, but it was interesting to hear the reasoning behind it. We also had our AGM and although we are losing some valued members of the committee, we are very pleased to welcome several new members.

We had another successful theatre outing when 11 members went to see "Brief Encounter" at the Cambridge Arts Theatre. The book club also is still thriving. There are several outings in the pipeline, some with the Cambridge Federation, and our own on 9<sup>th</sup> July, which this year will be a boat trip on the river with Huntingdon Passenger Cruises. We will share transport to get there, leaving the Hub at 6.30pm. If you would like to go and have not yet signed up could you try to let Hilery know at the May meeting or phone her on 01954 710908

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in the Hub Meeting Room when Maureen Ridley will be giving a Demonstration and Tasting! of Thai cookery. I think that is something we can all look forward to. There will also be time as usual to socialise over a coffee or tea and biscuits.

For more details please contact: Fran 01954 710858



# SCHOOLS PAGES

## News from Monkfield Park Primary School

Anderson Telegraph!!

### The Care and Learning Centre

It has been very busy in the Care and Learning Centre, especially the pre-school, which has seen the implementation of the new Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. All the Care and Learning Centre staff have completed training relating to the new curriculum and are looking forward to implementing their new skills and knowledge.

This exciting new curriculum involves play based activities both indoors and outdoors relating to the six areas of learning and development. These six areas cover:

- Personal, Social & Emotional
- Physical Development
- Communication, Language & Literacy
- Knowledge & Understanding of the World
- Creative Development and Problem Solving
- Reasoning & Numeracy

We aim to provide our children with a free-flow accessible environment which enables them to access all available areas including our large garden and outdoor area. The new curriculum encourages the children to make choices and become independent learners. We have recently transformed our garden and now have a chessboard paved digging and planting area where we will be growing herbs, vegetables and other plants as the year goes on.

I meet regularly with the Headteacher and the Foundation Stage Director of Learning of Monkfield Park Primary School and the Local Authority Early Years Foundation Stage Advisor to discuss matters relating to the curriculum and to ensure the children experience a smooth transition from pre-school to starting school. Members of my staff also attend joint training with staff at Monkfield Park Primary school.

The Centre's Breakfast, After School and Holiday Club sessions continue to grow from strength to strength and I am very pleased we are able to provide these services to the local community.

We are delighted with the feedback from our annual questionnaires, which clearly shows the children enjoy attending the Care and Learning Centre and that it is well supported by parents and carers.

Finally if you have recently moved into the village and have a child due to start school, could you please make contact with the school Finance Office Manager, Mrs J. Durrant, on 01954 273377. We look forward to hearing from you.

Juliet Ferris

Monkfield Park Care and Learning Centre Manager

## CAMBOURNE PRE-SCHOOL

Easter Egg Events – the children at Pre-School prepared for Easter by having a competition for decorating an Easter egg template. There were numerous entries – both those aided and unaided by adults. The winners were chosen at random and they received a 'real' Easter egg!

In the week before the Easter holidays began, the children were encouraged to 'dress down' on an Easter theme. There were some amazing Easter bonnets, some Easter themed face painting and much more!

Beans, beans, beans! – a few weeks ago the children planted some bean seeds as part of the term's focus on 'Growing' and the story of Jack and the Beanstalk. There was a fantastic rate of germination and some of them have grown to an amazing height while others have been planted out in gardens to await the harvest later in the year.

Moving on! – a significant number of children will be leaving the Pre-School at the end of the summer term in order to go to 'big' school. By the beginning of the term school places will have been confirmed and the Pre-School can then look towards the Leavers Party in July. More details to follow next month.



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# THE VINE SCHOOL

## Burwell House Visit

Early in March 2009 years 3 and 4 from The Vine Inter-Church Primary School spent three days at Burwell House

We all had a fantastic time, team building learning new skills being part of a community serving each other, finding out about the local area and the obligatory sleepless nights !!!

Part of our literacy was to learn journalistic skills one of which was how to put together a final page of a Newspaper On our return the children put together their front pages of their time at Burwell House

### THE GREAT EGG ESCAPE!!!!

On Tuesday 10th March 2009 the Vine School year three and 4 pupils, whilst staying at Burwell House, made an egg craft, to help the eggs survive from the chicken thieves.

To begin they had to do different types of Challenges so that they could earn feathers and golden eggs. 3 feathers was worth 1 golden egg.

They got feathers by completing three challenges. 1 feather was if they tried hard, 2 feathers was for trying hard 0 was for not trying at all

After that they had to plan the egg craft and build it, the more feathers they got decided what they were able to buy for their craft.

Finally they had to drop it from the fire escape and see which ones cracked and which didn't

"I felt excited and honoured to be dropping the egg from the fire escape" said Sophie, a pupil who took part

Another pupil Rachel, confirmed that their group's egg was the only one to escape breakage!

If you would like to find out more about The Vine School then Debbie Higham, Headteacher, would be pleased to hear from you on 01954 719630 or e-mail: [office@thevine.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@thevine.cambs.sch.uk)

## The Burwell Times

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### Tissues and Twigs

Children at Burwell House collected leaves and twigs on Tuesday morning. Story continued on page 7.

### Early Risers

Teachers were disturbed in the early hours of Tuesday morning. Full story on page 3.

### Burwell Fox

Foxes had to hide from farmers at Burwell House yesterday. Turn to page 5 to find out why.



Planning the egg craft

No time to sleep at Burwell House - there's too much to do!!!!



## Comberton Village College A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

What is true education? Rather a large question requiring more than just a brief column from a local educationalist might be a fair response! For sure, it goes far beyond the acquisition of significant qualifications (although a formal education in our society is reasonably bound to involve gaining meaningful qualifications). It will certainly involve the development of the individual, a proper preparation for later life, an appreciation of the world in which we live, an ability to live with and work with others and other things as well.

Perhaps real education has something involved in it that could be described as 'transformational'. This is a phrase perhaps too easily and potentially glibly used. However, powerful education perhaps has the power to affect and to change lives. This begs a question about what might ever achieve that. I was reminded recently about the sort of thing that can. I was fortunate to spend a further week in Mozambique before Easter (a similar visit had taken place two years) to look at establishing further school links for several Cambridgeshire schools as well as strengthening Comberton Village College's pre-existing link with a large secondary school in Maputo. It was a really good week with much possibility for further work and possible exchanges for students and staff from Cambridgeshire in the future. We already have a visit planned for six students and two staff this July, following one last July (in addition to the long-standing similar visit to our partner school near Pretoria in South Africa).

Why do this? It is a lot of effort to make such links and visits possible. It does not give a formal qualification to any student or count for anything in an Ofsted inspection. The answer is, I believe, obvious and simple: it is true education that has the power to be transformational. Probably every student from this country involved in such a visit is strongly affected in a way that impacts upon their outlook on life. Visiting schools with 100 children in a class, no equipment at all (including desks, hence they sit on the floor) but with a joy for education and life puts virtually everything in perspective. Recognising that turning on a tap and being able not only to get water but to drink it is a wonderful thing not even dreamt of by very many in our world is something that affects young people's lives. Knowing that many students walk more than 10 kilometres every day to get to school for a 7.30 a.m. start is salutary. I vividly remember asking one student from this country who had been on such a visit how his studies were now going on his return. He had not been the most diligent of students before the visit. His slightly embarrassed reply was that he was now, for the first time, working hard to try to do as well as he could "because how could I do anything else now that I have seen and got to know others who have nothing but do not complain and try to do as well as they can". He made a fair point. Many such students go back later to work in the schools, orphanages and other settings they have visited. For all of them, they would say that these experiences have been the most powerful, and positive, educational experience they received in their school years.

Stephen Munday

## Greetings from Cambourne Library

Our May "Engage in the Afternoon session" will be on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm and this will be on Tai Chi. If you are over 50 you are very welcome to join us for this interesting session, we'll even throw in tea and biscuits. Our June topic on 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 2.00 – 4.00 will be a session on introducing the Ancestry.com website. Places will be limited so booking will be necessary. Please see the library staff to book or phone 0345 045 5225

The Cambridge Law Centre is offering a free drop-in service at the library, for advice on debt, housing and welfare benefits. The sessions will be fortnightly from 10.00 – 12.30 on Wednesdays. The next session is on Wed. 29<sup>th</sup> April. Just drop in to the main reception at Sackville House.

We seem to have a lot of items in our lost property here. We will keep them for another couple of weeks. This includes a cycling helmet, backpack and several children's jackets and jumpers. If you think you may have left one of these items at the library please see the library staff. Thank you.

When the library is closed you can still become a member, return your books in our drop box, issue books to yourself at the self-issue machine or ask a member of staff to do this for you at the counter. You can also make photocopies and use the computers in the reception area. We also have a selection of DVDs available for hire.

Best wishes from the Cambourne library staff



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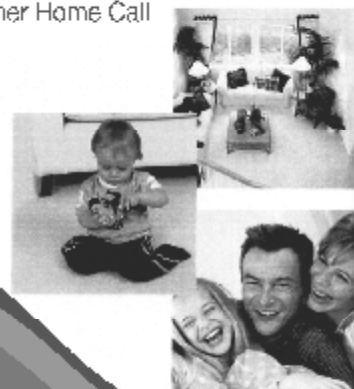
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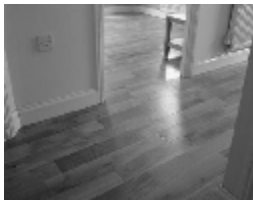
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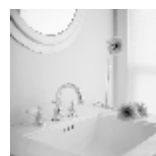
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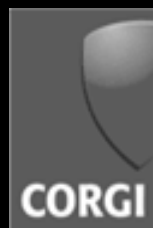
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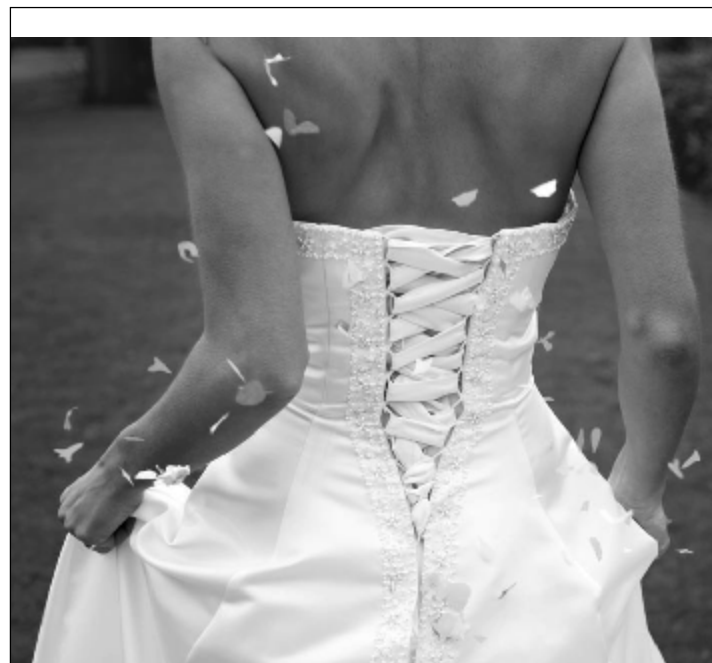
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## NEWS FROM CAMBOURNE ARTS

### OUR CAMBOURNE

Isn't Cambourne Great! As part of the 10-year Cambourne celebrations, Cambourne Arts is organising a display of aspects of life in Cambourne as shown through photographs, painting, textile, sculpture, stories, verse, etc. Entries will be displayed in the Hub Committee Room on August 15th. It doesn't matter how young or old you are, just have a go.

Entry forms will be available soon, or contact Alan on 01480 880442, email [snibgo@earthling.net](mailto:snibgo@earthling.net) or Fran on 710858, email [fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk](mailto:fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk)

### Important Notice

There was a meeting on April 24th to assess the interest in art of all sorts in Cambourne. If you missed the meeting but are interested in joining us, it is not too late, so please get in touch with Alan on 01480 880442, email [snibgo@earthling.net](mailto:snibgo@earthling.net) or Fran on 710858, email [fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk](mailto:fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk). Also, visit the Cambourne Arts website at [www.cambournearts.org/groups.htm](http://www.cambournearts.org/groups.htm)

### TREASURER WANTED

**Cambourne Arts need a Treasurer  
pretty quickly.  
Is there someone out there who can  
help ?  
Phone 710858**

### Rutland Open-Air Theatre Visit

Cambourne Arts is proposing to organise a visit to Stamford Shakespeare Season at Rutland Open Air Theatre (though the audience is undercover) in late August. The production we will be seeing is 'The Tempest' The cost of the coach and theatre ticket together would be around £25.

This new venture would be on a non-profit-making basis but would have to cover costs.

As we hope it will be the start of many such visits, maybe to other places such as Bury St Edmunds, Ely and London, we need to gauge the level of interest in Cambourne and also the villages nearby where people might like the opportunity to join in such visits to theatre, concerts, etc.

For further details and to register an interest, please contact

Pat on: 01954 718836 or

Fran on 01954 710858

## CAMBOURNE CRIER EDITORIAL

We hope you enjoy reading this months edition of the Cambourne Crier. The editors would like to thank all this months contributors and hope that others may be inspired to contribute to next months edition. We would like to encourage residents to submit items they feel are relevant to life in Cambourne. It could be your observations when out walking, things you like about living here, things you would like to change or improve, places you have visited, photographs; anything you think other residents would find interesting or useful.

The Crier team are all residents who volunteer a few hours a month to bring the magazine to your door. The team aim to bring relevant information to the residents of Cambourne, so people can use it a tool for accessing local information, whether it is to find a trades person or to find/announce a local event. We hope to enhance a sense of community spirit as well as to provide a magazine that is interesting to read.

Contrary to urban myth, the Crier is independently funded. Unlike some village magazines that are funded by Parish Councils. All our revenue is raised independently through advertising. Advertising is the life blood of the Crier. Without this income the Crier would simply not exist. Unlike the editorial content, which has a team of volunteers, the essential role of coordinating with the advertisers is fulfilled by one volunteer who deals with everything from setting the artwork, keeping track of payments, leaflets, to looking after the delivery teams. As none of the editorial team are paid, our expenses are limited to printing, delivery costs and prizes for competitions. Any surplus funds are distributed back into the community to local groups by way of grants.

We would welcome any help from fellow residents. If you feel you could help out please contact us via email to [editorial@cambourne.info](mailto:editorial@cambourne.info)

We look forward to hearing from you.

**Blast from the past**

# 80's Prom night

**Saturday 4th July**

**8pm 'till late**

**The Hub, Cambourne**

**Bar open until 11.30**

**Tickets: £10 each or 2 for £16-includes food, dancing and games. Call 01954 719503 for tickets.**

**\*18+ ONLY\***

**This is a community event, not for fund raising,  
From the people who brought you Red Hot Salsa night**

Cambourne Supports Addenbrooke's Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (CSPI CU) will host:



**Car Boot Sale**

**Sunday 28th June**

**2-4 pm**

**Cambourne Hub Car Park**



**Limited spaces available, so please call Sarah on 0560 185 1944 or 07887 592 904 to book a pitch (£7 per pitch)**

*All proceeds from the pitch fee will go to the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) at Addenbrooke's Hospital. Please come along and grab yourself a bargain in aid of a fantastic cause (and unlike most car boots you can still have a lie in!)*



A toddler group for children aged 12 - 36 months at  
The Vine Family Centre  
Fridays 10.00 - 11.30am

£2 per adult and one child (50p for each additional child)  
Maximum 2 children per adult due to number restrictions

April 24<sup>th</sup> – St George Craft

May 1<sup>st</sup> – Story time

May 8<sup>th</sup> – May Day Craft

May 15<sup>th</sup> – Singing

May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Play and Chat

May 29<sup>th</sup> – CLOSED FOR HALF TERM

June 5<sup>th</sup> – Outdoor chalking

June 12<sup>th</sup> – Craft TBC

June 19<sup>th</sup> – Fathers Day Cards

June 26<sup>th</sup> – Parachute games

July 3<sup>rd</sup> – Story time

July 10<sup>th</sup> – CLOSED FOR VINE SUMMER FETE

July 17<sup>th</sup> – Summer Party

For more information please contact:  
Julia Daniel 01954 710215  
Sian Mole 01954 710471



**Monkfield Medical Practice**

## HAVE YOU SEEN OUR TRAINS?

The Practice train table is a great favourite with children visiting the doctor and we know a good game of trains can make a boring wait a little easier to bear. Unfortunately, all our trains have failed to return to the station and the track is now looking desperately sad and empty.

We wonder if some of our rolling stock has inadvertently gone home in children's hands or pockets without their parents or carers realising it. Please can you check your toy box for trains – our most recent batch had 'Monkfield Medical Practice' written on them – we will be delighted to see any that can be returned (either to one of our receptionists or directly to the table in the downstairs waiting area).

We can also give a very good home to any brio or similar trains or accessories that your children have outgrown.

Thank you very much.



# CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire



## FUN FAIR IN CAMBOURNE

At a recent meeting of the Parish Council it was agreed that a fun fair be held in Cambourne. The Fun Fair will be run by Larry Gray and is a family run Fun Fair. The fair is to have family oriented themes with the rides at £1.00 during the duration of the stay.

The Fun Fair will take place on Great Cambourne Green. The Fair will arrive on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2009. The Fun Fair is to be cleared by mid day Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2009. The Fair would be open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 6.30pm-9.30pm and Saturday 2.00pm-9.30pm. Any generators will be switched off prior to 10.00pm.

The Fun Fair organisers are liaising with the police over security during the event. If you have any questions about the arrangements please contact the Parish Clerk.

## SPORTS PITCHES

Further to the last article in the Crier the Parish Council is installing signs on the sports pitches stating "In the interest of health, hygiene and the safety of other members of the community, the exercise of dogs is strictly prohibited."

## CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

Date	Time	Meeting
5 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30pm	Annual Parish Meeting ( <i>the meeting of the electors</i> ) Planning Committee
19 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30pm	Annual Meeting of the Council ( <i>the start of the new municipal year – election of chairmen</i> ) followed by ordinary business of the Council Planning Committee Leisure and Amenities ( <i>Election of chairman only</i> )
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	7.30pm	Planning Committee Council

Residents are welcome to address the meeting before it formally starts on any matter that is on the agenda. If you have something else you would like to raise, please contact the Parish Clerk at least 10 days beforehand so that the item can be added if necessary.

John Vickery the Parish Clerk is available at Parish Office, The Hub, High Street, Cambourne, Cambridge CB23 6GW. Telephone 01954 714403 or by e-mail at [clerk@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk) The Parish Clerk will normally be in the office between 9.30 and 1.00 o'clock Monday to Friday and by appointment at other times

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT

### THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH OF CAMBOURNE Will be held in

The Hub, Cambourne Community Centre,  
Cambourne.

TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> May 2009 AT 7.30pm

All electors and residents of Cambourne are invited to attend.

## AGENDA

1. WELCOME BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, Councillor David Tilley.
2. MINUTES to receive the minutes of The Annual Parish Meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> April 2008
3. POLICE MATTERS to receive a report. Questions.
4. THE PARISH COUNCIL To receive a report from the Parish Chairman on events and activities of the Parish Council during the past year.
5. THE FINANCIAL SITUATION (10 mins) A report by the Council's Responsible Financial Officer.
6. TO RECEIVE COMMUNITY REPORTS to receive reports from community groups in Cambourne
7. QUESTIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL
8. CONCLUSION Councillor David Tilley.

Signed by Cllr David Tilley Dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2009 Cambourne Parish Chairman

All electors and residents of Cambourne are welcome to attend the meeting and ask questions of the Parish Council.

## MAY 2009 at Wysing Arts Centre

Across May we feature *As Long as it lasts* by Simon & Tom Bloor which runs until Sunday 10 May. The Birmingham based artists bring a new body of work inspired by their interest in modernist sculpture and flawed utopias. Our talk series continues on Thursday 7 May from 6-8pm; Gavin Wade, artist, curator of *As long as it lasts* and Director of Eastside Projects, Birmingham will talk about his diverse artistic practice. Free.

Later in the month we launch Wysing Arts Contemporary : PERFORMED on Saturday 16 May from 4-6pm. All Welcome.

Wysing Arts Contemporary's – Wysing's curated programme of selling exhibitions presents a selection of video, photography, installation, performances and documentation of performed actions and interventions by 10 artists based in the East of England. Elena Cologni, Simon Davenport, RJ Hinrichsen, Andy Holden, Katherine Hymers, Olga Jurgenson, CJ Mahony, Rob Smith, Townley and Bradby, & Mark Wilsher

From Andy Holden's series of LP records melted and morphed into bowl and vessel structures and hung like baskets from the gallery ceiling, to CJ Mahony's unsettling, intimate and humorous text based works exhibited in quirky and surprising locations throughout the gallery space, this stimulating exhibition explores the relationship between the artist and viewer and seeks to create a challenging and engaging meeting point between both.

Works include Mark Wilsher's series of *Estimated length drawings*, 2009 that are accompanied by a live performance of *5 estimated minutes* on the 12 June.

Video works include RJ Hinrichsen's *Melville Road*; a video still of the actual street in London in which a choir can be heard repeatedly rehearsing and in which the moment is intensified by both the frozen image and to the people you can hear but actually not see. Katherine Hymers' work spans film, video and performance, utilizing the body throughout.

### SPECIAL LIVE EVENTS ACCOMPANYING PERFORMED:

Friday 12 June, Special Late Evening of live performances from 7pm

Mark Wilsher *5 estimated minutes*

Andy Holden & his band The Grubby Mitts

Saturday 30 May, Symposium, 11am to 4pm.

A one day Symposium on performance and contemporary art practice today.

Cost: £15 or £7.50 concessions inc Lunch. For details please contact Wysing on 01954 718881 or [info@wysingartscentre.org](mailto:info@wysingartscentre.org)

PERFORMED runs Sunday 17 May – Sunday 28 June

Wysing is open every day from 12-5pm. Admission Free

Please check our website for details of opening hours across Bank Holidays. [www.wysingartscentre.org](http://www.wysingartscentre.org)

Wysing Arts Centre Fox Road, Bourn Cambridge, CB23 2TX T: 01954 718881



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## CALLING ALL MUSIC GROUPS in South Cambridgeshire

Local music groups are being given the chance to perform at the most widespread UK Cultural Olympiad event. The Bandstand Marathon is taking place at 400 bandstands and open spaces in the UK, including the Queen's bandstand at Bleinham Palace.

In South Cambridgeshire, Milton Country Park will be hosting the event on Saturday 26 September. There will be a day of music-making and performances around the park. If you are part of a music group who would like to perform you can book a slot on the programme. Please note you must be able to play acoustically as there will be no amplification.

To find out more please get in touch with Richard Brown on 01223 262503 ext 267 or [richard@start-arts.org.uk](mailto:richard@start-arts.org.uk). The deadline for booking a performance slot is Friday 31 July 2009.

## Bus travel becomes 'eggstemely' tempting!



To celebrate improvements to the bus services in Cambourne, commuters who travelled by bus on Thursday April 9 were greeted by the Easter Bunny and treated to a free Easter Egg!

"We regularly promote bus commuting to Cambourne Business Park as part of our Green Travel Plan. Not only is it cost-effective and 'green', it is becoming more and more convenient and easy to use," explains Lesley Scobell, Green Travel Co-ordinator at Cambourne Business Park. "And this year the Easter Bunny helped us tempt commuters on to the buses."

From Easter Sunday onwards the citi 4 service has been extended to run every hour from Cambourne to Eltisley, St Neots and the railway station. Some improvements have also happened to the No. 18 service from Cambridge. This now calls at Cambourne Business Park every hour and also stops in Grantchester, Barton, Toft, Bourn and Longstowe.

For full details of the new timetables, visit [www.cambournebusinesspark.co.uk/travel/how\\_travel.html](http://www.cambournebusinesspark.co.uk/travel/how_travel.html)

### SPRING FEVER

St Neots and District Cats Protection have had a very successful Winter, despite a shortage of food half way through. The Branch continues to steadily accommodate and re-home cats with regularity. The number of cats through the door has been steady and consistent but new home availability is lower than usual probably as a result of the financial downturn. Kitten numbers have been lower as a result of our extremely successful free neutering scheme in 2008, however, it is still early days and probably the calm before the storm.

### HARD TO HOME CATS

We still have 3 hard to home cats within the branch and they have been with us for several months. All are healthy but show some signs of stress or nervousness at times. All they need are experienced owners who have time and patience. All are to be homed separately. Scamp - 4yrs, Large Black and White Male, quiet and nervous. Ed - 2 yrs, Large Black Semi-Coated Male, lovely cat but needs to be homed with no other pets and a sleeping area with hard floors as he has a skin allergy. Stevie G, 18 months, Beautiful Large Black Semi-Coated Male, spoilt and very demanding young man, no other cats with him as he shows signs of aggression towards them. Fine with his original owner but will need his new owner to learn to understand him and meet all his demands, not suitable with children.

### FREE NEUTERING SCHEME

We still have funds available to assist with the cost of neutering and spaying cats. Contact us now to obtain your voucher. Neutering prevents the birth of unwanted kittens, spraying, fighting and the spread of infectious diseases. Don't delay, phone us now.

### GOOD QUALITY BRIC-A-BRAC NEEDED

Our charity shop in Cross Keys Mall, St Neots continues to be our main source of revenue. They really need good quality bric-a-brac to sell in the shop. (No Electrical Items, we have to pay to dispose of any unsaleable goods). Please take your goods to the shop or contact us for other local drop off points. Donations of cat food are always needed.



TEL: 01480 476696

This number is manned by volunteers, if no answer, please leave a message and your call will be returned within 24 hours.

<http://stneots.cats.org.uk/>







Start of the 10K run with Nicholas Beer (765) eventual winner



Runners crossing the bridge, 653 Chris Pyle 441- Daisy Glover first woman to finish

Pictures by Annette Bond



## Cambourne Women's Running Network Group out in force



2009

*Under starter's orders ... with help from the Women's Running Network*

The Women's Running Network has teamed up with Cancer Research UK's Race for Life 2009 and is inviting women all round the Country to join in with a beginners' training group near them! The ten week programme will offer help, advice and a training plan to make sure that anyone choosing to run the 5k event can put their best fundraising foot forward! Cancer Research UK's Race for Life 2009 is the UK's largest women only fundraising event where women everywhere are invited to do something amazing and simply walk, jog or run 5k and raise money to help beat cancer.

The WRN - whose vision is to get all women running, whatever their age, shape or size- was set up ten years ago, and now has more than 130 groups across the whole Country.

Pauline Beare, Director of the WRN says: "With more than one in three people in the UK being diagnosed with cancer at some point in their lives, almost everyone has been touched by the disease - either directly or indirectly. The all-women WRN training groups provide the perfect relaxed and non-competitive atmosphere that so many Race for Life women enjoy. And as it's believed that half of all cancers could be prevented by changes to lifestyle, by taking part in regular exercise sessions and trying to maintain a healthy weight, you could be helping to reduce your own risk of developing the disease." Once registered for Race for Life, the cost of the beginners' training course is £40 which includes a t-shirt, hand held water bottle, log book and membership of the WRN until March 2010.

Interested? Then why not join the Cambourne Group on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April for the start of our 10 week programme. As a group we will be training for the Race for Life event taking place in Cambridge on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2009.

Further details can be found at- [www.womensrunningnetwork.co.uk](http://www.womensrunningnetwork.co.uk),  
call 07803 012343 or email [wrn\\_cambourne@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:wrn_cambourne@dsl.pipex.com)

# The Pike Anglers of Cambourne

Contact us @ [cambourne.piking@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cambourne.piking@hotmail.co.uk) or @ [www.thepikers.net](http://www.thepikers.net)

Our congratulations must go to Nigel this month, for winning this season's Predator Cup. If you remember, Nigel caught a terrific Pike weighing 19lb 8ozs, a worthy fish to land this season's trophy. Unfortunately, we never managed to fulfil the whole 6 rounds this time. This was due, in the main, to the severe weather we encountered over those dark and cold winter months.

During the current official close season, we still like to keep ourselves busy. We tend to scout out new venues for the forthcoming winter, this is always top of our agenda. This means, of course, we also get to chuck a few lures around, which is a result! So, for this season I decided to join the CFPAS, The Cambridge Fish Preservation Angling Society. Many anglers out there will be familiar with this club, I'm sure.

The CFPAS have many sections along the River Cam, River Ouse, also the Reach and Burwell Lodes. There are other venues which include some still waters, one being Barnwell Lake. This lake runs parallel to Cambridge United F.C. along the Newmarket road.

Block Fen lakes A and B at Mepal are also included in the £25 annual subscription. Milton Country Park in Cambridge is another, very popular with the Cambridge carp anglers, dog walkers and the public generally.

All these venues and indeed others which I have not mentioned do offer some good fishing, some good pike fishing as well I hear!

Over the Easter bank holiday we decided to visit one of our favourite tackle shops, Shelton's of Peterborough. The tackle shop had relocated to much larger premises, next door! The grand reopening saw 3 famous anglers in attendance: Discovery Channel's "Total Fishing" programme and "The Great Rod Race series" favourite gentleman, "The Duke" Mick Brown.

Current World Champion Will Raison was also there as was the former 5 times World Champion Alan Scotthorne.

As I have always been a big fan of Mick Brown, one of pike angling's all time greats, I just had to grab this opportunity to have a chat with him. I was also extremely pleased that the great man also signed my book, a 1993 first edition of *The Pike and the Passion* by Mick Brown. After chatting for almost an hour, we did manage to pick up a few tips. I had asked Mick for his advice on how to fish with jigs and spinner baits the correct way. Sure enough he was happy to pass on his knowledge and experience and gave us a few great tips and ideas to try out.

Back in March the heaviest-ever river pike and the largest ever to come from a "natural" water, was landed recently by John Goble. The new best for the famous Broads system weighed an incredible 45lb 8ozs.

Other big fish of note fell to Chris Burdon who took a fish of 42lb 7ozs, and one of 40lb 10ozs which was caught by Stephen Davis. Both fish came from Boddington Reservoir, Northamptonshire.

Oh! Before I forget, don't forget to renew your fishing licences folks. This season it will cost £26 for you adults and nothing for those of you under the age of 12.

A junior concession is available to those between 12 and 16 years of age, this will cost you £5.

Just remember, if you are caught without one you could be fined up to £2500. Ouch!

Can you re-jumble these words, and find the names of these 7 species of fish, that can be found in our local ponds and rivers?

1) arhco, 2) rphec, 3) inwomn, 4) gdoneug,  
5) cbsilekctka, 6) hntce, 7) durd.

If you need a little help, the answers can be found @ [www.thepikers.net](http://www.thepikers.net).

*Until next time, good fishing and take care, Stu*

## 42nd OXFAM WALK - SUNDAY 17th MAY 2009

Enjoy a refreshing day walking in the Cambridgeshire countryside with your family and friends while raising money for Oxfam's Emergencies Fund.

Starting and finishing at Chilford Hall, near Cambridge, walkers can choose between routes of 4, 9, 13, 17 and 23 miles or a marathon route of 26 miles.

There are checkpoints on all routes with refreshments available.

We are proud to offer a 26 mile marathon walk for the fifth year running. This is not only a great opportunity to challenge yourself and your friends but it's also a lot of fun. All routes are clearly marked with marshals, maps and route directions, so now's your chance to walk a big route without getting lost!

It's fun to walk with family and friends! Get 5-10 of your friends and family together and you can walk to win the Oxfam Team Trophy. The highest fundraising team wins.

This year, the Oxfam Walk aims to raise £50,000 for Oxfam's Emergencies Fund. In all the recent disasters – political unrest in Kenya, flooding in Mozambique, the Bangladesh cyclone and conflict in Somalia to name a few, Oxfam was there every time, responding as quickly and effectively as possible to help the suffering of those worst hit. Just £50 raised by you could make a real difference – in fact it's enough to pay for a hygienic toilet, vital for preventing the spread of disease in an emergency.

For an registration form, please phone 0870 905 9060 or email [events@oxfam.org.uk](mailto:events@oxfam.org.uk) or visit [www.oxfam.org.uk/get\\_involved/fundraise/walk](http://www.oxfam.org.uk/get_involved/fundraise/walk).





# Cambourne Tennis Club

*“HERE TO SERVE”*

web site [www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk](http://www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk)



If you fancy a game of tennis and just want to see what the club is about please

Come and join the tennis revolution this Half Term Holiday from 26 May – 29 May at the MUGA.

Cambourne Tennis Club is really investing into the community to get the residents of Cambourne playing the GREATEST GAME on Earth – TENNIS.

The Cambourne Tennis Club nights on Monday's are fantastic, we have between 12 to 16 players come down and we are anticipating getting more players. This is great as we are raising funds for a CLUB HOUSE. Keiko Jeffries and Chad McVann have just completed their level 1 Coaching exam from the LTA, so Cambourne Tennis Club can Serve the Community better. Watch this space as we will be doing more and more as the time goes on.

Mom's you have to read this part, we are having a moms and tots sessions, which means we will be teaching the mothers and kids to play tennis together. This is really exciting and many tops tennis clubs are doing it. This starts at 11:15 – 11:45 and its only £7 for 4 days – that's GREAT.

To the little super hero's of Cambourne – if you are under 8 years of age, and you want to play tennis and have LOADS of fun and make new friends – then come on down as well, you guys will be playing at 9am to 9:45 and its £16 for 4 days – that is SUPER DOOPER.

To the our next generation of Super Tennis Players, so if you are aged 9 – 11, then you HAVE TO INVEST IN YOUR Game. So come down and learn from super Coaches. You will have loads of Fun and take your Game to the next level. This session starts at 10am to 11am and is only £16 for 4 days.

And FINALLY - RAW TENNIS – to the 12 – 17 years of age. If you want to take tennis up and learn how to serve over 100 miles an hour and hit forehands that spin off the line, then this is your opportunity. Male or Female, get down and learn how to be the BEST. You might find that there is a FREDERA OR GRAFF in you. Your session starts at Noon till 1pm and is only £10 for 4 days.

(So please book early to avoid any disappointment)

**BUT IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD ARE NOT SATISFIED AFTER THE FIRST HOUR YOU WILL BE FULLY REIMBURSED.**

**26 May – 29 May**

Session	Session	Time	Cost Members	Non-members
1	Under 8's	9.00am to 9.45am	£16.00 for 4 days	£20.00 for 4 days
2	Over 8's	10.00am to 11.00am	£16.00 for 4 days	£20.00 for 4 days
3	Mums & Tots	11.15am to 11.45am	£7.00 for 4 days	£10.00 for 4 days
4	Raw Tennis	Noon to 1.00pm	£10.00 for 4 days	£15.00 for 4 days



**Closing date 25<sup>th</sup> of May 2009**

For more details and/or application form please contact Sebastien at [sebastien.scaux@tenniscambridge.co.uk](mailto:sebastien.scaux@tenniscambridge.co.uk) or phone him on 07809 117689



**May Half Term Tennis Camp**

**25th – 29th May Monday – Friday**

**Mini (4-7yrs) 9.30am – 11.00am**

£8.50 members/£10.00 non-members per day Book in advance for all 5 days to get a discount: £34.00 members/£40.00 non-members.

**Junior (8yrs +) 9.30am – 12.30pm**

£15.00 members/£19.00 non-members per day Book in advance for all 5 days to get a discount: £60.00 members/£76.00 non-members.

Cambridge Lawn Tennis Club Wilberforce Road Cambridge CB3 0EQ

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# Cambourne Cricket Club

*"VINCERE DELECTANDO"*



The new season starts on Saturday May 2nd with the first home fixture.

New members are always welcome

Mid week practice from 6pm on Wednesdays in Lower Cambourne

We are looking for both senior and junior players for what should be another exciting season in 2009 where we will be looking to consolidate and build on the successes of 2008 in the senior teams, enter an U10 side for the first time and continue the growth of our Colts section as a whole. The entry of the 3rd senior team means we can offer cricket that will accommodate all standards of players, with the ground in Upper Cambourne being used for the first time to accommodate the extra fixtures. As a result we are actively encouraging new members and the best way to get involved is to attend one of our training session or come down to the ground on match day, information for these events being available in the news section of our website or by joining the mailing list. An application form for joining the club is available on this website or on in the pavilion. For more information about Cambourne Cricket Club, use the Contact Us facility on this website or get in touch with Danny White on 07774 142 740

[www.cambournecc.com](http://www.cambournecc.com)

## *Cricket friendly calls for spectators*

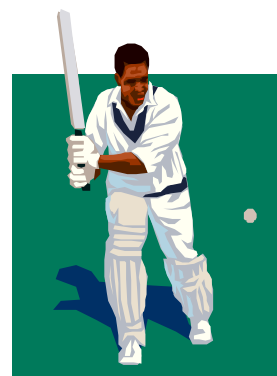
A team of Cambridge Building Society staff are looking forward to a 'wicket' re-match in Cambourne next month when they hope to swipe the cup back from Cambourne Cricket Club at their annual cricket friendly.

This year's event will take place on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June at Lower Cambourne Cricket Ground. Spectators are welcome – the event promises to be a great day out and also aims to raise funds for Teenage Cancer Trust.

After being defeated by Cambourne Cricket Club last year, Carol Threadgold from the Society's Cambourne branch thought that it would be a good idea to arrange a friendly re-match between her colleagues at the Society and the Club's Senior team.

Of the event, Carol said:

"We are really looking forward to this match – it should be a fun day! Our Chief Executive Stephen Mitcham and a group of branch and Head Office staff are hoping to give Cambourne Cricket Club a real run for their money this year! Both teams are keen to take the opportunity to raise funds for Teenage Cancer Trust. Please come along and support this event!"



### CAMBOURNE CRICKET MATCH

2pm, Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2009

Cambridge Building Society vs Cambourne Cricket Club

Lower Cambourne Cricket Ground

Raffle

All funds raised will be donated to Teenage Cancer Trust appeal