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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

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Thursday, 6.30 - 8.30pm, open to teenagers, free entry. Cambourne Soul Youth Club Building
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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

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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
Contact: Danny White - 07774 142740
email: ccadmin@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
Cambourne Rovers Juniors Tel :715422
www.camjuniors.co.uk

Guides (girls aged 10-14):

Monday 6.45 - 8.30pm Lizzie- 710552/07921 130186
Waiting to join list contact Nadine- 07766 117975
Email- cambourneguides@googlemail.com

Second Cambourne Guides

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email juniors: Juniors@cambourne-netball.co.uk
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NCT:

Monday 10.30am - 12.00pm Informal coffee, chat and support. Contact: Laura Watts -203833
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1st Thursday each month. Friendship for seniors.
Contact: Margaret & Glyn Talbot - 715407

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Wednesday 6.15 - 7.15pm Tracey - 710504
Thursday 6.15 - 7.15pm Kim - 715722
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Reading Group:

Every 3rd Thursday of each month 7.30pm
Contact: Margot Eagle at Cambourne Library.
email: margot.eagle@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Rugby:

Contact: Neil Ingham 07956 410309, or visit www.cambourneexiles.com
Senior: Training from 7pm, every Wednesday;
info@cambourneexiles.com
Junior: Coaching from 10am, every Sunday;
youth@cambourneexiles.com

Swavesey Camera Club:

Thursday 7.30 - 9.00pm Swavesey Village College
Contact - 230414 www.swavesey.org.uk/camera_club

Tennis:

Gt Cambourne Court. Social tennis for all Cambourne residents and workers. Contact: Ian Cunningham - 719172
email: ic1971@hotmail.co.uk
web address : www.cambournetenniscub.co.uk

Women's Institute:

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

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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

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

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

Stagecoach:

Bus timetable enquiries - 0870 6082608

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

Wildlife Trusts:

Jenny Mackay/David Price - 713500
www.wildlifebcnp.org

Cambourne Youth Partnership:

Back Lane, Great Cambourne (near the Skate park)
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Cambourne Youth Groups:

Contact Amanda Barnard 01223 264935
abarnard@cambsyouthservice.org.uk

NEW YOUTH GROUP FOR CAMBOURNE

The army cadet force officially arrived in Cambourne near Cambridge on Thursday 21st May 2009, when their newest detachment was declared open by Major Steve Martin the area commander.

Following talks between local army cadet leaders and Cambourne Youth Partnership, an agreement was reached earlier in the month which benefits all young people living in the area who are aged between 12 and 18. Cambridgeshire Army Cadet Force, which is part of a national voluntary youth organization sponsored by the British Army, will provide challenging and adventurous activities for local young people at the Cambourne Soul Building in Back Lane each Thursday evening between 7.30pm and 9.30pm. All are welcome and there are even vacancies for adult helpers aged up to 55.

Initially there will be 10 army cadets at the new detachment who will help and guide new members. A free uniform will be provided to each new cadet and in addition to training sessions in basic military subjects young people will also have chance to take part in a whole range of exciting outdoor pursuits including the Duke of Edinburgh is award. For those who would like to achieve some qualifications recognised by future employers, BTEC certificates - each equivalent to four GCSE exams - will also be available through cadet force membership.

This is a great opportunity for people living in and around Cambourne, said Captain Steve Swann, who is second in command of the area. This new detachment brings exciting activities and adventure, not just for young people but also for adults who wish to take part

- And the cadets are here to stay. On 27 June the cadet Corps of Drums and many other cadets from surrounding areas will be taking an active part in the local festival to mark Cambourne's tenth anniversary which also coincides with national Armed Forces Day. Once grants and funding have been agreed for a new Cambourne Community Centre it is hoped that the detachment will find a more permanent home. But as there needs to be a minimum of 15 cadets attending each week to keep a detachment viable the hunt is already on for new recruits! So if you are aged 12 to 18 and looking for fun, adventure and excitement, come along to Cambourne Soul in Back Lane on a Thursday evening and try it out and don't forget there are places for adult helpers too. No experience is necessary and all training is provided.



Cambourne Supports Addenbrooke's Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (CSPICU) 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!)



Rhythm of Life

Cambourne's all-female singing group



Songs for Life – A Special Performance

Sunday July 5th 2009, 8pm at the Cambridge Belfry Hotel.

Thanks to the generosity of the Cambridge Belfry Hotel, Rhythm of Life invites you to a special performance to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Support.

Commencing at 8pm, tickets will cost £5.00 each and the audience can expect a wide variety of songs including show songs, classical and popular.

A full bar will be available from 7.30 pm.

If you would like to purchase tickets please email us requesting a booking form. Tickets will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

PLEASE NOTE: Tickets will not be available on the door.

Email: info@rhythmoflifesingers.org

Website: www.rhythmoflifesingers.org

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.

04/06/2009 : Black Bin.

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

18/06/2009 : Black Bin.

25/06/2009 : Green Bin and Box..

02/07/2009 : Black Bin.

09/07/2009 : Green Bin and Box..

16/07/2009 : Black Bin.

23/07/2009 : Green Bin and Box..

30/07/2009 : Black Bin.



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

CAMBOURNE OPEN GARDENS

In 2005 Ian Jarvis had a wonderful idea to help raise money for the Cambourne Church building fund. That idea led to the first Cambourne Open Gardens weekend which was a great success and has continued annually to be a successful and well attended event for the community of Cambourne and beyond. Now we are in the fifth year, the church building has finally begun and the aim this year is to raise money for the church garden.

So what can visitors expect to see for the very reasonable £3 per adult entry fee ?

In previous years around 20 to 25 gardens have opened in both Lower and Great Cambourne, each offering different features and sights. There really is something for everyone, beginners get ideas and perhaps advice, those with a serious plant addiction get to indulge without having to spend a fortune, much cheaper than a trip to the garden centre! The Wildlife Trust garden is also great for the kids to check out the pond.

There is also the amazement of seeing a garden develop, mature or perhaps completely change as the years have passed. It is an event that brings people together, gets them talking and all in the great outdoors (ok the weather hasn't always been perfect but this year it will be!) Some of our gardens have been redesigned to become fully fruit and vegetable gardens which is a topical and growing movement amongst many gardeners.

Refreshments will be available at some gardens and we hold a raffle with some great prizes donated by local businesses and residents for which we are immensely grateful. For the past three years it has been a pleasure to help organise the Open Gardens weekend along with Jules Hannaford and Tony and Penny Miles who generously produce the flyers, flags and tickets that you see around the village and in local shops. Last but not least a very big thank you to those that have opened their gardens in the past and to those that continue to open and welcome to those that are opening for the first time this year.

Tickets (valid for both days) can be purchased from June 8th in the library or on the 13th/14th at any garden displaying a marker flag

Please make a note of the dates and come along for what will be a fantastic fifth year celebration of Cambourne Open Gardens!

CAMBOURNE GARDEN CLUB

Our April meeting saw our first demonstration session on Seasonal Hanging baskets - a true departure for many of us who are only used to gardening below eye-level - but at least the slugs can't get at these mini-gardens. Watch out for many colourful examples of our burgeoning skills over this summer!!

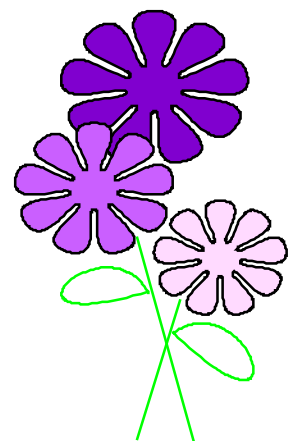
Our May meeting was a garden crawl of some of the more established members' gardens and allotments, showing what can be done with the delightful soil (!!) we all find ourselves on. But they do go to show that once you get a plant to establish itself it'll reward you so many times over with masses of growth and flowers.

In June we will be having our first ever AGM and Social meeting - so if you feel like having an input into how the club goes forward (speakers / trips etc) then come along to the Hub.

...and a reminder - on the 8th of August we will be going to the headquarters of the RHS at Wisley, which for non-members will cost approximately £10 for travel and entry fees. Please use the contact details at the end of this article.

We have a full programme for 2009 so why not come and join us - we're great value for money. For the paltry sum of £15 where else will you get -

- A monthly outing or speaker including tips on how to save money by growing your own
- 50% off seed orders from Thompson & Morgan (worth the membership fee on it's own)
- 10% discounts at several local garden centres including Coton Orchard & Madingley Mulch
- A trip to a major RHS garden (this year = Wisley in Surrey) for the price of the coach fare
- Bi-monthly(ish) newsletters full of articles, tips & jobs to do
- Direct access to the RHS "helpline"
- 'Borrowing copies' of RHS mag "The Garden" (£4.25 to buy)



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



Hairy Potter

The Garden Wizard

If you would like to ask Hairy Potter a garden related question, please email editorial@cambourne.info



I think May was a cracking month. A sunny start to warm that soil up followed by a good drenching to get things going. June is here now though and that means long sunny days and warm light evenings (always good to be optimistic). This is the month when even the most reluctant of you out there will want to enjoy spending time outside. Even if it's only lounging on the patio with a drink, waiting for that blackened burger from the BBQ! If you are a fair weather gardener then it is not too late to plant a few containers for a bit of an instant makeover. Many climbers and roses will be in flower this month and the bedding plants you so carefully nurtured through the last frosts of May should be filling out nicely.

Top 10 jobs

1. Hoe borders regularly to keep down weeds (especially before they seed!)
2. All containers will need careful feeding and watering
3. Deadhead flowering plants to encourage new blooms
4. Get hanging baskets and containers in position outside
5. Cut lawns at least once a week
6. Plant out summer bedding
7. After your climbing rose has finished flowering, be sure to prune it as next year's blooms will be produced on this summer's new growth.
8. Prune spring flowering shrubs to prevent them becoming overgrown
9. Always let the foliage on spring bulbs wither naturally. This is vital for next year's display
10. Take Geraniums & Fuchsia cuttings

Things should be growing well so if you are a new resident, a word of warning. We occasionally get a breeze here so any tall herbaceous plants should be staked to prevent damage. If you are a rose lover then you will be no stranger to their high maintenance nature. You will need to keep an eye out for those pests and diseases and treat as necessary. A good feed will help them bloom but watch out for those suckers! A good job for the weekend is to clip those hedges to keep them looking neat.

In The Vegetable Garden

Salad crops will be ready for harvest as will the best thing to come out of the ground, early potatoes (personal opinion granted but hard to beat all the same). Hoe up around main crop potatoes and thin out rows of carrots and other vegetables so as they can reach their full potential. As it starts to heat up shade your greenhouses to stop plants scorching. Pinch out side shoots on your tomato plants and keep onions well watered. If all that isn't enough then plant out your leeks when large enough (about pencil size is a good guide).

And finally, do you ever get confused between weeds and plants in your boarder? Well the best way to make sure you are removing a weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes out of the ground easily, it is not a weed!

Happy Gardening and see you in July.

Cambourne Open Gardens

Now in its 5th year
13th and 14th June 2009
10am - 4pm*

£3 per adult (accompanied children free)
for the whole weekend.

Tickets (with full list and map) from the library (9th June onwards)
or on the day from any participating gardens
A few of which are listed below

Great Cambourne (mainly)- Saturday 13th

5 Mayfield way
43 Monkfield lane
12 Oakwood Drive
10 Shearling Drive (N.B. in Lower Cambourne)
Wildlife trust garden

Lower Cambourne- Sunday 14th

1 Arbour Close
2 Bickerley Court
27 Brookfield Way (* opening 12 til 5pm)
9 Orchard Way
5 Quidditch Lane

If you would like to open your garden please email Mel on
melissaambery@hotmail.com

Raising funds to help build our church centre

STOP PRESS – LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE

Calling all keen gardeners or just those looking for a nice day out. On the 8th of August the Cambourne Garden Club is organising an outing to the world-famous headquarters of the RHS at Wisley.

The cost including travel and entry fees will be about £5 for members and about £10 for non-members.

Please contact Debbie Walker – Secretary on 719019 or by email at cambournegardenclub@postmaster.co.uk for details and to reserve your place. Alternatively, come along to a monthly meeting (4th Thursday in the Hub at 8pm).

WILDLIFE CRIME OFFICERS

Cambridgeshire Police Rural Community Action Team now have two officers trained as Wildlife crime officers. PC's Paul Carter and Tony Hales are now in position to deal with wildlife crimes and can also give advice to the public regarding wildlife legislation.

All crimes and incidents involving wildlife will be monitored by them. They will be working throughout Cambridgeshire with other agencies such as the RSPCA, RSPB and National Wildlife crime unit.

Both officers can be contacted through the force switchboard on 0845 456456 4 or on email RCAT@cambs.pnn.police.uk

NEWS FROM CAMBOURNE ARTS

Cambourne Arts Open meeting - results

On 24 April, we held an open meeting in the Hub. Many thanks to Morrison's for providing refreshments. Eighteen people came. We discussed upcoming arts events in Cambourne, those that are already successful, such as the drawing and writing groups and plans for the future, such as the Painting Group, Art History meetings, Photography Group, occasional Saturday evenings at the Hub, covering a range of music and dance events and the Art Gang on the second Monday of each month in Monkfield Arms (buy your own drink!). No-one has volunteered as yet to be treasurer, but we are able to press forward and are in process of setting up a bank account. The Stepping Stones project is awaiting funding decisions, which might have been made by the time you read this. We have the support of both Andy O'Hanlon, Arts Development Officer for South Cambs District Council and Richard Brown, Arts Development Manager based at CVC. If you want to participate in any of these events, contact Alan (snibgo@earthling.net 01480 880442) or Fran (01954 710858 fran@panrucker.edipse.co.uk). Also, visit the Cambourne Arts website at www.cambournearts.org .

Theatre visits

Several people have expressed an interest in getting together for local theatre visit. I suggest we meet at Monkfield Arms 7.30 on June 8th with the Art Gang, armed with possible plays/theatres and get something going. If there are enough people interested we could car-share or even get a small coach.

Crier donation

The Cambourne Crier has very kindly donated £200 to help us set up our art groups and get Cambourne Arts up and running. We are very grateful for their financial help and also their coverage of our events, and look forward to the increasing development of a thriving arts scene in Cambourne

Stamford Shakespeare Season

There are currently over 18 people interested, and for a party of over 20 there will be a reduction in the ticket price! Date proposed is Tuesday August 25th to see 'The Tempest'. It should be a great occasion, bring a picnic and enjoy Shakespeare in the open air (but under-cover for the audience in case it rains). Total cost including coach will be in the region of £20.

Contact Pat on 718836 or Fran on 710858

Digital Photography

We have a number of people interested in learning more about digital photography, and at least one, possibly two, people who could lead a group. Please contact Alan on 01480 880442 if you are interested in learning more, or come along to The Art Gang at 7.30 in the Monkfield Arms Monday June 8th and every second Monday thereafter.

Art Groups

It is now more than likely that a daytime art group will be set up in September to learn/practise art techniques using a range of media, and also maybe include visits to local art galleries. This is being arranged with the WEA, an adult education organisation subsidised by government. However, they do need to know that there will be a minimum of 15 people before they can provide a tutor. It will cost around £60 for a 10-week term, but for those on benefits or low incomes it may be possible to waive the fee.

There could also be an evening series of lectures with illustrations/slides on an art theme, for instance 'British Art and Design'; a specific period or style of art, group of artists, etc, but again we will need a minimum of 15 for this to run, at around the same cost.

Please contact Fran on 01954 710858 as soon as possible if you are seriously interested.

Cambourne Arts - The Arty Gang

There will be an informal get-together in Monkfield Arms on Monday June 8th of anyone interested or involved in the arts in Cambourne. No agenda, just a gathering, from 7.30. Looking forward to seeing you there.

More than 90 Cambridgeshire walks to download and print FREE!

There's no doubt about it, walking is good for you. It's good for your heart, it's good for your lungs, it's good for the muscle and bone growth of your children and it's good for your feeling of wellbeing! Strong scientific evidence now supports the many benefits to health of regular walking – it is recommended that we take at least 10,000 steps a day.

Studies show that walking can:

- Reduce the risk of coronary heart disease and stroke • Lower blood pressure
- Reduce high cholesterol • Reduce body fat • Enhance mental well being

Walking offers a great way to help kids get the active habit. If parents express excitement about the prospect of a walk in the countryside, they are more likely to transmit this feeling to their children. It's important to treat the walk as an exploration or adventure and to go at the child's pace, no matter how often they want to stop and look at things; take treats to eat and plenty to drink; and head for some landmark that will appeal to them such as a castle, a playground, an ice cream van or a boating pond. If children experience walking as part of a fun activity they are more likely to want to go again.

So, how do you find out what is on offer? John Harris, a keen walker, got fed up with the lack of information on walks that were going on in the County. So, he decided that if he couldn't find what he was looking for – he had better create it! So www.walkingincambridgeshire.co.uk came into being. www.walkingincambridgeshire.co.uk gives you all the information you need for the best walking in the County: Details of more than 90 walks to download and print free, details of all the Cambridgeshire walking groups, maps and walk books – plus loads more information.

So check out the website and get walking!



Wildlife Review June 2009

I have had lots of reports of bird sightings in Cambourne over the last month and during the dawn chorus walk we heard or saw 32 species. Lots of you have been getting out and enjoying the green spaces and all the wildlife they have to offer (If you would like a leaflet showing how to get to them, call into the Manor House or phone or email me). We are doing a lot of surveying of bird nests this summer (that's us out really early on the hill!) to see what effect our management is having. The experts are really impressed with the numbers of corn buntings, skylarks and meadow pipits we have here. We also found a kestrel nest the other day, but I'm keeping the location secret!

Over the summer we will be doing lots of mowing around the site. Our methods may seem a bit strange to some, so I thought I would explain what we will be up to and why.



Spot kestrels hovering near roads



Bird's-foot trefoil and black knapweed can be found in many grassland areas in Cambourne

Between the trees: most of the planted trees are now getting big enough to cope on their own but we will be mowing between the trees that are still small during July and August. This keeps the competition from grasses down while the trees are establishing. The trees on the Northern boundary are taking longer to grow as the ground is so dry on the mound and the trees struggle to get a good root system established. Once they have enough roots they will start to put on a lot more growth above ground. We also regularly mow along back fences in places to keep the vegetation back from gardens. Please do not dump your grass clippings over your fence as this only enriches the soil and encourages the weeds.

Country Park and Crow Hill: There are many ground nesting birds in this area so we leave as much long grass as possible for as long as possible. We are working to reduce the amount of pernicious weeds, such as bristly ox-tongue and creeping thistle, by using specific herbicides and by selecting a couple of small areas to mow intensively throughout the summer. We started this constant mowing in March, so the areas will not be attractive to the birds. Next year these patches will be in different locations. The rest of the grass will get mown in September, but some parts will be left long over winter to provide cover for birds, small mammals and insects. Dog walkers – please don't let your dogs run through the long grass, especially during the breeding season.

Hay meadows on the Southern and eastern boundary track: these areas have a traditional hay cut in July after the wildflowers have set seed. This helps to keep the nutrient levels low so that rank species don't grow as strongly and the wildflowers have a chance. In some years we delay the cut to allow later flowering species a chance to set seed. The best time of year to visit these meadows is the end of June when most flowers are out and there are lots of butterflies and other insects. Other parts of the boundaries are mown like the country park.

WARNING!

We will be treating some areas of the Country Park with herbicides to try to reduce some of the pernicious weeds in the grasslands. The areas will be well marked with signs. Please follow the instructions on these signs and do not go into these areas, or allow your dog to run across them, for 24 hours. We avoid the use of chemicals wherever we can, but sometimes have to use specific treatments. We always make sure contractors follow strict public and environmental safety guidelines. If you have concerns please get in touch.

FIRES

There have been a few fires in the Country Park recently on some of the grass piles. We do not allow fires of any sort, including disposable barbeques, in any of our areas. If you see flames then please call us during office hours or the police at all other times. I would really like to put a stop to this before it causes real damage or someone gets hurt.

Events

I will have a stall at the Youth Fest on Saturday 27th June decorating cotton bags. Come along and find me there. I will have lots of info and you can ask questions about the green spaces and setting up the Cambourne Wildlife Trust Local Group.

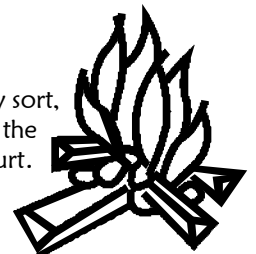
If you have any comments, questions or suggestions about the green spaces in Cambourne please get in touch.

Email: 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

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1st Sunday of the month 10.00am. Meeting in The Hub.

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Update on Building Work of The New Church Centre

After so many years of waiting, it is wonderful to see the new church building coming into shape at the end of the High Street



Thank you to everyone who took part in our two fundraisers in May:

The book sale raised £413 from the sale of nearly new books, unwanted presents and delicious teas!

The Auction of Promises raised about £4000, 10% of which will be going to the local charity CHASTE.

We are particularly grateful to all those who donated promises so generously.

Footie

Soccer Sunday takes place at the MUGA on alternative Sundays during term time 4.30-6.00pm for those in years 6-13. £2.50 each.

Dates for this term: 7th & 21st June, and 5th & 19th July
Men's Kickabout takes place alternate Monday evenings 7-8pm also at the MUGA. All over 16s welcome to join in, or to meet the lads for a drink in the pub afterwards.

Contact Jon Sanders for more info on either of the above: 07729 977463



Synergy Youth Service Sunday 28th June 7-8.30pm in The Hub

A monthly event run by young people in a café style with live youth band, smoothies, games, art, talk, prayer, discussion, etc. All welcome in yrs 7 upwards. Contact Jon Sanders, youth worker, for more 07729 977463

Summer Holiday Club July 20-24th 10-12am in The Ark

We will be learning all about our community and having great fun. See our larger advert. Places are filling up fast, so fill in your form from the library or Jacqui 715674

...and don't forget Open Gardens Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th June

Tickets only £3 for adults, from the library or from any of the open gardens. A fantastic community event, helping us to grow our church garden!



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The new Church building is coming along well now, and there are now established structures, however to complete all the phases we need to carry on fundraising. An upcoming event is the Open Gardens. The Open Gardens event is going to be on again this year between



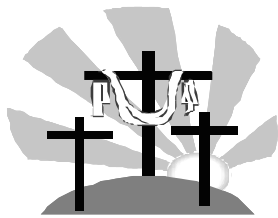
13th and 14th June. 13th. Folk are urgently needed to open their gardens. It doesn't have to be an immaculate garden; the focus of the event is for neighbours to meet and interact over a common interest/ appreciation. Please contact juleshannaford@hotmail.com if you are interested in opening your garden or for more info. Tickets to visit other gardens will be £3 again. Tickets will go on sale the week before the event from the library or any of the open gardens. The committee would like the profits raised to go to the landscaping of the new church building.

You or your organisation can make a donation however large or small to the project. The Church Centre will be a special place to gather at the heart of Cambourne's community. For more information, contact Rev. Peter Wood. Your contribution will make a difference

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Pr 1:7 ¶ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Dear Friends,

In our Wednesday night Bible study and prayer time, held at my house I have recently begun a study in the book of Proverbs. I really like Proverbs, but what is a proverb? It could be defined as a short saying that expresses profound truth. The Hebrew word for proverb there bears with it in some original sense of superiority in mental action. Which word itself comes from a word meaning to rule or have power. It could be surmised as, to have power in life because of superior mental action. It is the wisdom of the ages compressed and ready for consumption right here. This particular verse is interesting. When the Bible says here the fear of the LORD it is not speaking about an unhealthy phobia, but a reverence and respect and hopefully a willingness to obey. But, the word beginning is not just talking about the starting point, but it is also the principal item. For unless your quest for knowledge and wisdom begin at this point, then your journey will be in vain. Pure information without valid parameters and a method of application is basically useless. It would be like having a memory card with files, but no computer and no program to pull them up. The fear of the

Lord gives you your guidelines and absolutes, your boundaries and your directions. It is the foundation upon which wisdom and Godly knowledge can be built. Without it there is no stability, no foundations and everything becomes subjective and variable according to the circumstances. I believe a modern day expression would be situational ethics. The focus then remains upon oneself instead of God, which will lead to a great many problems. For those people the Bible addresses them in the last part of verse seven, but fools despise wisdom and instruction. They disrespect and disregard wisdom and good sense and they will not receive that correction that would steer them in the right direction. Not only will they not listen when you try to help them, but they resent the fact that you are trying at all. They wish to be masters of their own destiny. We must ensure that we do not act as fools and the best way to do this is to build our knowledge and wisdom firmly upon the foundation of the fear of the Lord without mingling in any vain philosophies of man or selfish, unrighteous and foolish ideas of our own. For the Christian who wishes to live a victorious life neglecting your Biblical study is not an option. Remember the practical application of Biblical principles will help you in life, in any aspect of life. If you have questions or just want a chat, let us know.

Donavan Bangs

Greetings from Cambourne Library

Cambourne Library are pleased to announce that the author Jane Wilson Howarth will be talking about her book "A glimpse of Eternal Snows" - a family's journey of love and loss in Nepal - at the library on Tuesday 16th June at 7.00 p.m.

Jane Wilson-Howarth's son was born with severe physical and neurological impairment. This book tells of her family's journey. Tickets are free and include a glass of wine or juice. Please contact the library to reserve your place.

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. 27th May. Just drop in to the main reception at Sackville House.

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 take 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.



CAMBOURNE WI

Delicious smells wafted around the Hub at our May meeting when Maureen Ridley gave us a demonstration of Thai cooking. We were able to sample the dishes that she had made and they tasted as good as they had smelt. She encouraged us to have a try ourselves at home and gave us lots of useful tips.

The book club is still going well and the last theatre outing to see "Brief Encounter" at the Arts theatre was a great success. We are hoping to have a guided tour of the theatre, probably on Sat.13th June. With the better weather here we are also hoping to get a walking group started.

There is still plenty of space on our boat outing from Hartford Marina, Huntingdon on 9th July and members are welcome to bring partners and friends. We shall share transport to get there, leaving the Hub at 6.30pm. For details and bookings contact Hilery on 710908 or at the latest by the next meeting.

The next meeting will be on 11th June at 7.30pm in the Hub. This will be mainly a social evening to give us more time to chat and meet new people but there will also be a short talk on making a will. There will also be several stalls with hand crafted cards and jewellery and home made muffins on sale and also our own bring and buy. Visitors are very welcome to come along. We shall be delighted to see you.

Contact: Fran Panrucker 01954 710858



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



HAVE YOUR SAY !

The Cambourne Crier is dedicated to act as a voice and a forum for all the residents of Cambourne (whether Great, Lower or Upper). We welcome letters and contributions from any Cambourne resident on any topic.

We accept such contributions in good faith and trust that they are an accurate reflection of opinion and circumstance.

If you wish to report on anything or air an opinion on the letters page then please send your copy in to us. The easiest way to send in items is as an e-mail to: editorial@cambourne.info

We do require a name and address for our records before publishing but will withhold these on request. Please let us know how you want your letter signed.

The Editors

Text or basic Microsoft Word format preferred for e-mailed contributions. Photos always welcome. All contributions subject to editing. Opinions are those of the authors and do not necessarily represent those of the Cambourne Crier editors.

THANK YOU

If you saw an old lady tottering home one Sunday morning in Cambourne--no she had not been out clubbing the night before - but up at the crack of Dawn Chorus meeting with other stalwarts of the Wildlife Trusts at 4 am.

Such a delight as when our small group gathered in the wood to listen to the first bird call of the day--the Song Thrush. Followed at once by a Muntjack, crashing through the wood, calling in a harsh, bad throat sound.

As the morning progressed we were able to adjust to the various bird calls, observing the stunning, delicate, sky high fluttering of the Skylark, observing wildflowers on route back to the Manor House for a hot coffee and muffin.

Such a delight, most of you missed, as you were probably fast asleep. I would like to thank Nick Hammond, the Director, Jenny MacKay and Mark Ricketts for making this walk most enjoyable and informative. It was a great joy and thank you.

Pat Callaghan

SUPPORT FOR THE 1st CAMBOURNE FAIR

Just wanted to express my support for the visit of a fairground to Cambourne this summer. What a lovely idea. It will be good to see the meadow used once again for such communal events.

It saddens me that a very small percentage of residents are opposed to such an event as this site has a long history of being used for the village festival. In fact the festival site was established here long before those houses were built and I would expect that prospective buyers would ensure they were fully informed of the usage assigned to open space next to property they were thinking of buying before they bought it!

I do hope that a small number of opposition letters do not deprive the whole village of some fun in the sun. I urge the council to stick to their original decision to go ahead with the fair and don't leave it too long to confirm otherwise they will get booked in to another village and we will lose the opportunity!

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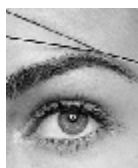
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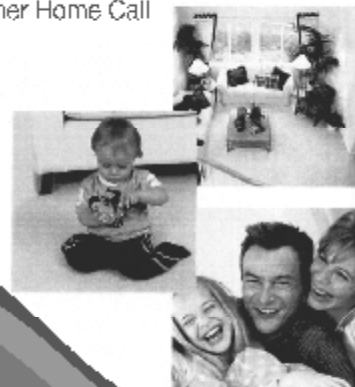
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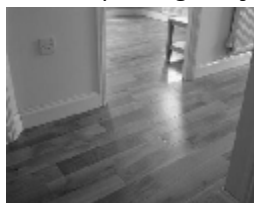
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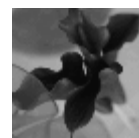
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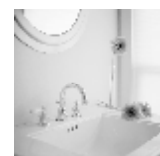


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CAMBOURNE NETWORK

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There's nothing better in business than making new contacts and finding new opportunities, and that's exactly what 40 local entrepreneurs are discovering when they attend the Cambourne Network every month. It's difficult to keep a great opportunity in business a secret, especially when those who experience it just can't help talking about it afterwards. And this of course is why the Cambourne Network has risen so quickly to stardom.

Since January this year, the Cambridge Belfry Hotel has hosted this flourishing breakfast event on the last Friday of every month, and, with new faces from all over the county making an appearance at each meeting, it has now established itself as one of the events to attend in the Cambridgeshire business diary.

Perhaps it's the simple structure of the event that appeals to so many thriving local SMEs (despite the national economy's current predicament). There's a good 45 minutes dedicated to personal networking over a decent breakfast served by the Belfry before everyone takes their seats for an unmissable opportunity to promote their business to the attentive audience. It could be the atmosphere – open, friendly, relaxed, but with purpose, that entices people to return. It could be the pay-as-you-go format that suits so many, doing away with the hefty commitment fees expected by other networking establishments.

Working from home can be a lonely experience at times and networking is a perfect opportunity for developing contacts and sharing ideas with like-minded people. There's an amazing collection of business services operating from home in Cambourne alone and many of these have already been hooked by the Cambourne Network experience. Whatever the reason, if you have not yet experienced the Cambourne Network, your business could be missing out.

The Cambourne Network is scheduled at the Cambridge Belfry Hotel on the last Friday of each month; the next two being June 29th and July 31st. Guests are welcomed from 7.00 am and the meeting concludes around 9 o'clock. Entry is £10 per head which includes as much breakfast as you can manage while you are working the room and you can register your interest to attend on the website, where further dates and details can also be found. www.cambournenetwork.co.uk. See you there!

SLIMMING JUST GOT EXTRA EASY

Slimming World has created a brand new eating plan called Extra Easy, designed to give slimmers the best possible start to their weight loss campaign in those early weeks. And slimmers in the Cambourne area have had the chance to try it for themselves since it was launched in January this year.

Researchers at Slimming World, the UK's leading weight loss organisation, have identified that if slimmers are successful in losing weight in their first six weeks, they're far more likely to carry on and lose weight in the long term.

The motivation of a great start is strongly linked to slimmers reaching their ultimate target weight and the longer they keep going to their Slimming World group the more likely they are to stay at their dream weight long term.

Now in its 40th year, Slimming World has for decades been the most advanced slimming organisation offering a cleverly constructed package of a flexible eating plan which the company calls 'Food Optimising' combined with warm and friendly group support. It's a unique combination that helps individuals choose a weight loss solution that best fits with their lifestyle so that they can make it a new everyday healthy routine. Slimming World's research team are constantly reviewing what is most likely to help members achieve lasting success.

Nutritionist Jacquie Lavin PhD says, "There's so much conflicting advice these days about how to lose weight, and our new plan cuts right through it all to give a really easy, flexible start to every slimmers journey. It's easy to follow with loads more choices, no measuring and no counting. And because it's based on basic every day filling foods it fits easily with the family whatever their lifestyle too. Members have had great results on the scales as well as saving money on their shopping bills!" Sheena Boomer, local Slimming World Consultant is thrilled about the new plan and its flexibility. "It's a really easy, achievable way to get started on a weight loss campaign. Members who tried the new plan are enthusiastic about its flexibility. They report that as it is so easy to follow, with no weighing, plenty of choice and enough freedom to still enjoy a glass of wine or chocolate it is easier than ever to stick to. I'm looking forward to welcoming new members to my Cambourne group to give it a go".

To find out more about Food Optimising or about Slimming World groups visit www.slimmingworld.com or call Sheena on 01480 461098.

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Sunflower@ Cambourne Nursery.

On Wednesday 20th May, the nursery was officially opened by Maggie Hunt, who is the (acting) Head of the Early Years and Childcare Services for Cambridgeshire. She was assisted by Maariyah Ali and Oli Lee, both aged 4, who ceremoniously cut our Sunflower cake, baked and iced especially by Jackie, our cook.

A group of pre-school children from our sister nursery, Sunflower at Cambridge, joined us, and we sang a song each, to the delight of the assembled guests. The sight and sound of 16 children singing 'I'm a little Sunflower, look at me... to the tune of I'm a little teapot, in assorted keys, was lovely! Each guest was shown around the Nursery and given a special packet of Sunflower seeds!

A big thank you to every one who attended and made the event such a success.

Plans for June:

Cambourne Youth Fest: Saturday June 27th – we will be there next to the Safari Slide, with a fun activity for Nursery children. Please come and see us.

If you are interested in a Nursery place please contact us on 01954 719440. Sally McGivern – Nursery Manager.



Anderson Telegraph!! News from Monkfield Park Primary School

Walking around Monkfield Park you are met by sights of plants filled with healthy green shoots. Key Stage One and Foundation have had a very busy time digging and planting and have grown, amongst other things, runner beans and sunflowers which are growing very tall. Also developing in our school is the copse; our saplings are growing well and we are hoping to provide a habitat for mini beasts comprising of logs and leaves as well as an area of meadow and raised beds as a gardening resource for the whole school. This will provide many educational opportunities for the children to learn science, grow their own vegetables and help the children respect living things as well as develop their horticultural skills. Look out for the hanging baskets we have planted!

All the children at Monkfield Park have been involved in our RE festival day. The theme this time was Judaism and Passover. We learned all about the Passover festival and had arts and crafts, such as making Seder plates and matzos envelopes. Year Two have some budding engineers who have combined science with Design and Technology to make lighthouses with working bulbs and winding mechanisms.

Year One have recently had the privilege of visitors from Comberton Village College helping them in PE. A group of Year Eleven Sports leaders worked with Green Class and Mark Goldring is currently working with Blue Class to broaden their abilities in the areas of ball control and athletics. The children have enjoyed learning new skills and working with different people. We are all looking forward to visiting CVC next week where we are taking part in the inter-school Y1 Multiskills morning.

Year Three blew us away this term with their fantastic production of 'Tutankhamun, the Boy King'. The speaking was clear, the acting was good and the singing was beautiful. The children who sang solos sounded wonderful and all of Year Three did Monkfield Park proud with a production with a difference.

We are looking forward to the many trips scheduled for this term including Wimpole Home Farm, Duxford Air Museum, Fitzwilliam Museum and Year Six's residential trip to Lincolnshire which, we have been reliably informed, involves some exciting water sports as well as all sorts of outdoor activities.

All in all it promises to be an exciting and interesting summer and we would like to end by welcoming Mrs Temple who is now teaching in Year Five.

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 and Office Manager: Mrs. J. Durrant on 01954 273377.

From Year 1 (Green and Blue Class)

The Music Scene *Festival Fever!*

Summer is just around the corner and it is the season for all festivals great and small! There's still some time to grab those tickets, although last time I checked they were selling out fast.

Apart from the well respected Cambridge Folk Festival, 30th July to 2nd August at Cherry Hinton Hall, there's also something for fans of heavier persuasion, with the Cambridge Rock Festival, held at Haggis Farm Polo Club, Barton from 6-9th August.

The Cambridge Rock Festival headlines bands such as Asia, The Quireboys, Mostly Autumn, Focus and Jefferson Star ship, as well as a beer festival - so get your vintage t-shirts on and join in the fun. If you're feeling really brave you can even hire a tepee for the occasion.

Bands interested in playing at future Cambridge Rock Festivals can get in touch with the event organisers via the festival website - but don't expect instant acceptance. Although the organisers promise that all demo tapes will be heard, musicians need to be proactive, and usually already signed.

If a smaller scale family orientated event is more to your liking then the sixth annual Fordham Music Festival from 7-9th August, Fordham, near Newmarket is highly recommended. Headliners include Alabama 3, (pictured), The Beat, and The Fillers, (The Killers) tribute band, plus many other great acts over the weekend, from rock, ska, country and blues.

Organisers describe FordhamFest as having an "enviable reputation for its family friendly atmosphere" and kids activities include a play area, story teller, rides and workshops. Another bonus is all under 14's are admitted free, plus the event is admirably non-profit making, with proceeds going to CAM-MIND and The Teenager Cancer Trust unit at Addenbrooke's.

For more information on all these events, including tickets and line-ups, check out the websites: www.cambridgefolkfestival.co.uk/ www.cambridgerockfestival.co.uk/ www.fordhammusicfestival.co.uk



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The Vine Inter-Church Primary School

The Great Fire of London

Last half term, the Year Two children followed a topic on 'The Great Fire of London.' We discovered what life would have been like in 1666 through paintings and writing from the time. It was very exciting dramatising and exploring the sights, sounds, smells and characters' feelings in role as Samuel Pepys! The children were thoroughly engaged and immersed in the atmosphere, producing wonderful newspaper reports and diary entries in the style of Samuel Pepys himself!

Many children persuaded their parents and carers to take them on a visit to The Museum of London to journey through the 'London's Burning' exhibition. The scrap books that several produced were a great talking point during our Home Learning Celebrations and will be a superb record in years to come. This free exhibition is available until the end of December 2009. Find out more at www.museumoflondon.org.uk

LONDON IS ABLAZE!

On 2nd September 1666, a terrible fire spread through London.

So terrible was it that it burnt over 259 houses down in one night. Only one person died that we have heard of.

The houses were made out of wood and thatch and that is why the fire spread so quickly.

Four days later it was over but hundreds of people are homeless. "The fire was chaos!" reported Mrs Lucey.

Harry

2nd September 1666

At 1 o'clock in the morning I was woken by a sudden scream. My maid was desperately packing away. She was shouting about a fire that was spreading quickly from the King's bakery shop. I quickly got dressed to investigate and got a boat out across the river and I saw millions of people running for their lives. I called for the King's soldiers to knock down houses. As I walked down the street, I could hear children weeping.

Cara

TERROR IN LONDON

On the second of September 1666, a horrible fire destroyed three quarters of London. Thomas Farynor, the king's baker, left his oven on and forgot to turn it off.

First it destroyed all of Pudding Lane, the street the bakery was in.

After that people were running and screaming everywhere. Some of the people were even trying to put the fire out with leather buckets. The Army were pulling houses down with ropes, and blowing houses up with gunpowder to get a gap between the houses because they were so close together.

Finally the fire went out. Samuel Pepys wrote a diary about the fire.

"It was chaos," Mrs Boot of Fox Lane reported.

Ella

2nd September 1666

At about 3 o'clock in the morning my house maid, Jane, woke me and told me about a horrible fire. I thought it would only be a tiny fire at first so I went back to bed and slept some more. However, by and by my housemaid kept waking me so I got out of bed and crawled on the carpet and into Jane's room who was packing desperately. After that I got my night gown on and went to the window and flung open the curtains over Fish Street. I realised that even my neighbours had gone! Soon afterwards I went outside to investigate onto the narrow streets. I fled when I saw the first glimpse of fire.

William

On 2nd September 1666 a bakery man did not turn the fire off in his bakery shop in Pudding Lane in London. Houses were stuck together and the fire was spreading like a bottle with water. The fire looked orange and white and yellow. The fire was spreading and wriggling and tripped the houses in on the people.

Julia



CAMBOURNE PRE-SCHOOL

Pre-School summer trip – on Thursday 14th May a convoy of 2 coaches and several cars was to be seen leaving Pre-School as more than 100 children and adults went on the summer day trip to Hamerton Zoo. The weather was on our side for the whole day! The children were very excited and saw lots of wonderful animals – birds of all shapes, sizes and colours, (including some very noisy parrots), monkeys, wallabies, sloths asleep in the dark, tigers, cheetahs and many more! A highlight for many was watching a snake eating a mouse for his lunch, while others particularly enjoyed feeding the goats. After lunch there was just enough time for another quick look at the animals, playing at the playground and a visit to the Zoo shop. Everyone had a wonderful time and the coaches were full of tired children on the journey back to Cambourne!

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. All of the children now know which school they will be going to and this will be celebrated at the Leavers Party in the Hub on 15th July. There will be games, songs, crafts, a picnic lunch and, of course, the distribution of book bags for the children moving up to Monkfield Park, The Vine and also to Jeavons Wood.

Pre-School Committee – Cambourne Pre-School has a unique set-up in Cambourne. It is run by a volunteer Committee of parents for the families in this community. As the end of the school year approaches and many of the children (and parents!) will be moving on to 'big' school, there are some key roles within the Committee for which we will need to 'recruit' some new personnel!! These roles include the Treasurer and the Waiting List Manager. If you feel that you (or someone you know) have the skills, time and enthusiasm for these roles please contact the Pre-School. The Committee would love to hear from you. It is not necessary for you to have a child at the Pre-School but it will be necessary to have an enhanced CRB check carried out.

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rooms and a two bedded rest area. The area is bright and contemporary in
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birth, while medical equipment, such as infant resuscitation tables, are hidden
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A kitchenette is available for light refreshments so that the new family leaves
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newborn hearing test will be offered alongside the newborn examination
appointment; women who have a home birth will also be offered this service.

It took several sleepless nights, frustrating battles with the weather to secure posters and balloons, and a dog bite from leafleting, but the five Cambourne women who organised this year's Here Come The Girls event will undoubtedly tell you that it

was worth it, since it was an even bigger success than they had hoped.

Over 200 women ventured to the Hub on the evening of Friday May 8th to browse and shop in a relaxing atmosphere, mingle with friends and witness for themselves the diverse capabilities of over 30 businesswomen from Cambourne and the surrounding villages. Visitors travelled from all over Cambridgeshire to attend. Around 9pm, the room was entertained by demonstrations from two of the exhibitors and a short repertoire from the local ladies singing group, Rhythm of Life, who performed three songs and left a fantastic buzz in the room afterwards.

The most important aspect of the night was fundraising for the NSPCC, and the sales of stall pitches, entry tickets, drinks and raffle tickets enabled Cambourne Women in Business (CWIB) to raise over £650.00 for the charity. Online donations can be made by visiting www.nspcc.org.uk.

Such a successful event would never have transpired however without the dedication of the five women behind it: Suzy Richards of Gladrags Jewellery, Kelli McCormack of Kelli Kakes, Clare Fazackerley of Cambridge Writing, Anthonine Arts-Zetteler of The Will Writing Company, and Shilpa Sharma of Brex-O. The following people deserve their heartfelt **THANKS!** as their support made it all so achievable:

- ✓ Richard McCormack, RJM Marketing Ltd
- ✓ Peter Dobson, Ridgeway Print
- ✓ Neil Smith, Cambridge Graphics @ Printing.com (for the goodie bags)
- ✓ Cambourne Parish Council (especially the Hub staff)
- ✓ The stallholders for such a variety of wonderful stalls and raffle prizes
- ✓ The local businesses who provided such amazing raffle prizes: Reflections, A Space 2 b, Five Spa Beauty, Bourne 4 Hair, Wheelie Fresh Bins, Shilpa's Restaurant, Monkfield Arms, Cambridge Building Society, True Colours, Andersons Hair, Abantu, The Source, Barretts of St Neots and Cambourne Dry Cleaners
- ✓ *Rhythm of Life*
- ✓ The Vine Inter-Church School and Monkfield Park Primary School
- ✓ The industrious event helpers: Helen, Sona, Jo, Jenny, Sarah-Jane and Alis
- ✓ Shane, the bar manager
- ✓ Duncan, The Monkfield Arms, for laying on free nibbles at the pub afterwards
- ✓ And last but by no means least, all of the Girls who came!

There'll be more CWIB events in the future so keep an eye out for details in this publication or visit our website: www.cwib.org.uk

If you are a local female business owner and you would like to register your interest in joining future CWIB networking or fundraising events, please email connect2cwib@live.co.uk

Cambourne Catch up Café

Open to everyone who lives in Cambourne
Every Wednesday
from 11am until 1pm
at the Cambourne Soul Youth Venue

Cambridge Law Centre are offering FREE advice and guidance on benefits, debt, employment and housing... every fortnight

Includes:

- Teas,
- coffee,
- lattes,
- cappuccinos,
- hot chocolate
- Cheese Toasties also available
- Free internet access
- Pool table
- Bring your children, all welcome
- Somewhere to chat with your friends and meet new people



This is a 'community café' and so food and drink will be available for a donation to help keep it going!

Call Laura on 715879 or call/txt on 07702349407 for more information



Rhythm of Life



Cambourne's all-female singing group
Joining Opportunities



Ladies, if you enjoy singing, and you can commit to meeting on a Tuesday evening throughout school terms, please register your interest by email before June 30th 2009.

We're holding a special invitation-only evening in July for those on our waiting list where you can hear some of the songs we have learned and discover the benefits of joining our group.

(You can also see us perform from 8pm on Sunday July 5th at the Cambridge Belfry – please email us for details!)

It doesn't matter if you sing high or low, or if you cannot read music.

We meet every Tuesday evening in school term-time from 8.15 and 10.00 pm.

For more information about joining please email us.

Email: info@rhythmoflifesingers.org
Website: www.rhythmoflifesingers.org



Baby & Me



Every Friday including half term from
10-11.30

In the main hall at the Hub
community centre

Cost : £1.50 per family inc. refreshments
Older siblings welcome

5 th June	- Play & chat
12 th June	- Glazed & Amused (Personalised Fathers Day Gifts)
19 th June	- Library services with Anne Worthington
26 th June	- Play & chat
3 rd July	- Nearly New Sale
10 th July	- Play & chat
17 th July	- Play & chat
24 th July	- Tiny Talk / Little bundles with Lisa Chung-How
31 st July	- Summer Party

**Baby & Me is closed for August but will re-open on
4th September**

For further information or if you have any queries
(Especially if you are attending for the first time)

Please contact : Caille Sugarman-Banaszak on 718372
(cailleperi@yahoo.co.uk)
or Kathryn Doy on 710016

Or log onto our website www.babyandme.org.uk

Cambourne Children's Centre and Registered Childminders

Would like to invite all local families to a:

Baby and Child Activity afternoon
The Hub

Monday 15th June
12:30 – 15:00

(children must be accompanied)

This event is free and is a celebration of National
Childminding Week 2009.

Please come along to meet local childminders and
find out more about the benefits of using
professional home-based
childcare.



SureStart
Children's Centre
Cambridgeshire

"Home from Home"
National Childminding Week
2009



SureStart
Children's Centre
Cambridgeshire

Cambourne



A toddler group for children aged 12-36 months
Fridays 10-11.30am at the Vine Family Centre

Cambourne 123s was set up in September 2008 as a follow-on
group from Baby and Me. It is run by a group of mums on a
voluntary basis and hopes to provide a calm (ish) environment
for 1-3s where they can play in a smaller room and enjoy craft,
singing and other activities together. Not forgetting our hope
that it will give carers a much needed space to relax, drink tea,
eat biscuits and chat!

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

Now that the weather is improving we hope to do activities
outside so we can enjoy the sunshine!

June 5th – Outdoor chalking / Pot decorating
(Smallprint display - your child's fingerprint
captured in silver)

June 12th – Seed planting

June 19th – Fathers Day Cards

June 26th – Parachute games

July 3rd – Story time

July 10th – Trip to the funky funhouse

July 17th – Summer Party

For more information please contact:

Julia Daniel 01954 710215
Sian Mole 01954 710471

YOUNG PARENT PROGRAMME

**Supports teenage women who are
pregnant or have children**

May/June Programme

Runs from 11.45am until 12.45pm at the Cambourne Soul
Youth Venue, Back Lane. Lunch included:

Monday 18th May: Nail art pampering, Vegetable Dips and Wii Sport

Monday 8th June: Fruit Kebabs, Sing along and Wii Sport

Monday 15th June: Simple Sandwich, 'Feely Boxes', Wii Sport and Chatterbox

Monday 22nd June: Jacket surprise, Craft Box and Wii Sport

Monday 29th June: Simple main meal, Chattersacks and Wii Sport

The support our young parents receive includes:

Support through Home Visiting

Cambridge Housing Society Support worker will visit the young woman once she is
referred to the project. There will be 1:2:1 support for that parent until they can manage
their own independence.

Group for Social Support and guidance

There is a group running on a Monday (12noon until 2pm) especially for teenage parents
to meet one another and take part in a variety of activities. These include play, communi-
cation with your child, safety in the home, first aid, baby massage, baby and child health
and development.

Skills Development Courses

We can organise a range of courses in life skills such as child care, healthy living, literacy,
self-confidence for those young parents who may have had to leave mainstream education.

Supported Progression

We aim to help young parents to identify their hopes for the future and support them
taking these forward, for example searching for suitable courses, assisting with writing CV's
etc.

Trips

During the summer there are opportunities for days out with the children.

Call/txt Laura (Cambourne Community Development Worker) for more information on
07702349407

Celebrating Walk to Work Week at Cambourne Business Park

Last week Cambourne Business Park celebrated its walking commuters at a breakfast event to mark national Walk to Work Week. Everyone who works at the Park who walked into the office on that day could claim a free breakfast in the Marketing Office.

"Walking to work is not only carbon neutral, it is a great way to raise your energy levels early in the morning and get some exercise," comments Lesley Scobell, Green Travel Co-ordinator at Cambourne Business Park.



"The Department of Health recommends that we all do 30 minutes of moderate exercise five times a week but most adults don't manage that. Walking is the perfect activity for health, so if you live locally you can walk to work and increase your fitness level. This will reduce your chances of suffering from heart disease and circulatory problems."

As part of the Park's Green Travel Plan, Cambourne Business Park is working to encourage more people who live close to the Park to walk in. Walking

is healthy, free and reduces unnecessary car journeys. As part of this initiative, the Park has relaunched its programme of lunchtime walks. These 40-minute walks happen every Tuesday starting at 12.30pm. "We are hoping that, over time, more employees on the Park will realise how enjoyable walking can be, how good the paths are locally and then try a walk at lunch, or walking to work instead of jumping in the car," says Lesley.

Walk to Work Week is a national awareness event aimed at encouraging employees to consider walking to work, where possible. To find out more visit www.walkingworks.org.uk/walk-to-work-week-2009



ATTENTION ALL RUNNERS DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS LOCAL EVENT SET IN THE BEAUTIFUL VILLAGE OF BOURN, A CHANCE TO CAPTURE SOME OF CAMBRIDGESHIRE'S FINEST COUNTRYSIDE. COME AND JOIN US!!

Charity 10KM & 3KM Fun Run
In Aid of Bourn Primary School

Sunday 13th September 2009

10KM starting 10.30am 3KM starting 10.45am

10km open to all runners 16 years and over cost £10 per entry: All finishers will be awarded medals and goodie bags. Trophies for fastest under 20 male and female, under 40 male and female and fastest male and female veterans (40 or over at date of the run) 3km open to all (although under 10 years of age must be accompanied by an adult). entry £4 (if over 16) and £2 for under 16 years (£5 and £3 respectively for on the day entry). All finishers will be awarded a medal and goodie bag. Trophies for fastest boy and girl under 10, fastest boy and girl aged 16 and under and fastest boy and girl over 16.

For full details see www.bournschool.co.uk/bourntorun.

Entries for the 10km and 3km are being taken from 1st April 2009 by pre-registration at www.fabian4.co.uk.

Entry on the day from 9-10.15am for the 3km only.

Expecting a Baby?

If you are pregnant and your baby is due to arrive between November 2009 and early March 2010, you may be interested in taking part in a programme in which medical students learn from expectant mothers. Over the last seven years more than 800 women have helped students develop a wider understanding of the experience of pregnancy and childbirth by hearing directly from mothers-to-be. (No physical examination is involved). If you are interested in hearing more about this opportunity to contribute to the education of our future doctors please contact:

Mandy Williams on 01223 769285 / 769288

E-mail mw480@medschl.cam.ac.uk or pfp@medschl.cam.ac.uk

Monkfield Park Event 2009

Friends
Of
Monkfield
Park

Friday 3rd July

5:00-8:00pm



Come along and celebrate our Circus themed Fete with us!

50p per adult. Children free.

Tickets available on the gate.

* Hook a Boat * Shoot a Goal * Lucky Dip

* Bottle Tombola *

* Bouncy Castles * Raffle * Face Painting * Tattoos *

* Pancakes * Candy Floss * Hot Dogs * Popcorn *

and much more...!

For further information, please contact:

Lisa on 203386 or Sally on 717433

CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire



FUN FAIR IN CAMBOURNE

At the meeting of Cambourne Parish Council on Tuesday 19th May 2009 the holding of a Fun Fair on Great Cambourne Green was reconsidered in light of a petition containing 122 signatures against the holding of a Fun Fair on the Green.

At the beginning of the meeting there was an opportunity for residents to give their views for and against the Fun Fair all the concerns were noted for consideration by the Councillors. During the public session two petition in favour of the Fun Fair were presented the first containing 318 adult names and a second containing the names of 82 children under the age of 18. All residents were given a fair and equal chance to give their views on the Fun Fair.

Larry Gray (a member of the Showman's Guild) the representative of the family wishing to hold the Fun Fair on the Green explained that his was a family fair that had been operating for over 40 years.

Larry gave reassurances that the times of opening would be adhered too as his family are responsible and would be willing to keep the music down on the Wednesday and Thursday. None of the stalls provide alcohol or give it as prize. The showmen ensure that the area is cleared of people and provide security at the event.

The Councillors then considered all the information and had a detailed discussion on the pros and cons of holding the Fun Fair on Great Cambourne Green. A vote was then taken and it was agreed that a Fun Fair should be held on Great Cambourne Green as it would be a positive event for all the Community. It was believed that the steps being put in place would mitigate a lot of the concerns of the local residents.

The Fun Fair will take place on Great Cambourne Green. The Fair will arrive on Monday 6th July 2009. The Fun Fair is to be cleared by mid day Sunday 12th July 2009. The Fair would be open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 6.30pm-9.30pm and Saturday 2.00pm-9.30pm.

Cllr David Tilley Cambourne Parish Chairman made the following statement.

"Cambourne Parish Council voted overwhelmingly to go ahead with the fair on Great Cambourne Village Green. This represents a great opportunity for the residents of Cambourne to come together as a community and have some fun."

If you have any questions about the arrangements please contact the Parish Clerk 01954 714403.

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

Cambourne Parish Council

At the Annual Meeting of Cambourne Parish Council on Tuesday 19th May 2009 the position of Parish Chairman and Vice Chairman were considered.

Councillor David Tilley was re-elected as Parish Chairman for the ensuing year.

Councillor David Tilley in accepting the post made the following statement

"The last year has been an exciting time with the Church and Temporary Third School rising from the ground and with further sports facilities being transferred to the Community.

Over the next year I am keen to work towards setting up a Youth Council in Cambourne. The youth in Cambourne need to be aware of how democracy works as they are the future and should be part of forming the future of Cambourne. The intention is that the Youth Council would have its own budget to spend on youth initiatives.

I would like to thank the community for their support over the last 8 months."

Councillor Roger Hume was re-elected as Parish Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

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THE FINANCIAL SITUATION

Firstly, it is necessary to explain that the Parish Council has no money of its own, only that which it receives from the taxpayers of Cambourne.

Secondly, I should say that the Parish Council gets no grants from central government or from the South Cambs District Council (SCDC). The PC's money comes purely from the RESIDENTS of Cambourne, not even from the businesses who pay a nationally determined Uniform Business Rate of which the Parish Council does not get any share.

The Parish Council raised a precept of £256,000.00 to cover the cost of running the Council and the facilities in Cambourne this allowed for an income of £54,800.00. We actually had an income of £127,480.00 of which included Allotment rentals, Community Centre hiring, MUGA bookings, £14,400.00 bank interest and contributions from the Developers towards the maintenance costs of the facilities transferred to the Parish Council.

The Parish Council actually spent £247,280.00 on Cambourne; this was used to fund the running and maintenance of The Hub, MUGA, open spaces and play areas to retain them as valuable assets for the community. The actual spend was slightly lower than projected due to delays in transferring the assets to the Parish Council and the completion of projects including the Maintenance Building. Most of this under spend is to be held in allocated reserves and will be spent in the next financial year when the projects come to fruition or continue to form the basis of our repairs and renewals fund as some of the areas are up to 10 years old.

The Council last year had its fourth audit and once again obtained an unqualified Audit which means that all the actions of the Parish Council throughout our last financial year was within the law and powers that govern Parish Councils.

In December the Parish Council set the precept for the financial year 2009-2010. The Council once again spent a long time on this as we wanted to ensure that the work of the Council is improved for the benefit of the residents. It was not an easy decision to make but we are getting a high standard of facilities which we have to maintain or it will cost more in the long run.

This year the Parish Council kept the Precept at the same level, if the number of band D dwellings had stayed the same, the band D charge would have been the same as last year. Unfortunately South Cambs reduced the number of band D dwellings. This meant there is a 3.14% increase rather than standing still. Hopefully next year the present economic climate will improve and bring a growth in new house sales.

I have to confirm that all the Council's accounts are subject to scrutiny by the Government appointed external auditors, and that all the Council's activities will be subject to the mandatory Internal Audit process.

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

Date	Time	Meeting
2nd June	7.30pm	Planning Committee
*	Council	
23rd June	7.30pm	Planning Committee
*	Leisure and Amenities Committee	
7th July	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.

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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

Estimates of Expenditure

28th January 2009		Heading	2008/09 Spent	2008/09 Balance
2007/08 Actual	2008/09 Estimated			
Administration				
85,054.31	134,597.71	Total Expenditure	119,742.06	14,855.65
13,500.00	5,000.00	Total Income	58,758.38	-53,758.38
71,554.31	129,597.71	Net Expenditure	60,983.68	68,614.03
Services				
68,244.37	84,379.00	Total Expenditure	45,125.64	39,253.36
13,000.00	12,800.00	Total Income	16,483.94	-32,472.63
55,244.37	71,579.00	Net Expenditure	-146.99	71,725.99
Community Centre "The HUB"				
48,255.95	57,699.16	Total Expenditure	48,463.67	9,235.49
25,000.00	25,000.00	Total Income	48,842.45	-23,842.45
23,255.95	32,699.16	Net Expenditure	-378.78	33,077.94
TRAILER PARK				
5,180.17	10,699.00	Total Expenditure	6,665.53	4,033.47
6,600.00	10,000.00	Total Income	3,240.19	6,759.81
-1,419.83	699.00	Net Expenditure	3,425.34	-2,726.34
Cricket Pavilion				
8,667.45	12,049.00	Total Expenditure	9,787.50	2,261.50
3,700.00	2,000.00	Total Income	156.36	1,843.64
4,967.45	10,049.00	Net Expenditure	9,631.14	417.86
CAPITAL SCHEMES				
61,100.00	70,000.00	Total Expenditure	17,495.86	52,504.14
0.00	0.00	Total Income	0.00	0.00
61,100.00	70,000.00	Net Expenditure	17,495.86	0.00
VAT				
		Total Estimated	11,740.08	
214,702.25	314,623.87	Expenditure	94,457.44	223,613.61
Reserves				
		Less Contribution from		
0.00	58,623.87	Balances	-161,542.56	220,166.43
237,856.54	256,000.00	Net Precept on SCDC	256,000.00	0.00
23,154.29	-58,623.87	Balances remaining	161,542.56	0.00
154,691.10	286,703.21	Balances C/F	324,288.12	
286,703.21	228,079.34	Balance	485,830.68	
Expenditure				
276,502.25	369,423.87		247,280.27	
61,800.00	54,800.00	Income	127,481.32	

The Pike Anglers of Cambourne

Contact us @ cambourne.piking@hotmail.co.uk or @ www.thepikers.net

Over the last few weeks or so, things have started to look more promising for the forthcoming months. The fishing is coming along reasonably well at the moment. All of the new venues that we have visited so far have all produced pike of some size.

After a couple of visits to Milton Country Park, I eventually rediscovered just what it was like to catch a pike. Milton has now become one of our new chosen venues for us to fish this coming season. So, one evening after work, I took myself up to Todd's Lake within the country park to give it another go. I was hoping to see if an evening session would be more productive, as other sessions during the daytime seem to have been somewhat slower.

After a couple of uneventful hours I finally got into some tough summer pike fishing that I have come to expect. My first pike fell to a new fox soft bait lure. The fish was a fine looking pike of around 10lb, considering many pike look a little tatty and worse for wear at this time of year. This is usually due to post-spawning. I decided to stay in the same swim, when five minutes later I was into another summer scrapper. The only difference this time was that this one was bigger. After a couple of attempts to tail walk, (this is a pike's way of trying to throw the hooks), the pike was brought safely to the margins, where I gloved it out.

While I am on the subject of gloving pike, I really would not encourage or recommend people to try it, this goes out especially to those anglers that have not had much experience when pike fishing. Flying trebles can cause really nasty injuries, so please use the appropriate landing nets.

Again, a very nice-conditioned fish was landed, but this time around the pike weighed in at approximately 14lb. That is the biggest fish for me so far this season, and I do hope that there will be plenty more to follow, and bigger!

Fishing with surface lures in the summer months can also bring you some exhilarating sport. Surface lures are not only used to imitate injured fish they also imitate bugs and small insects, for example frogs, waterfowls, rats and other creepy crawlies.

It seemed a great time to try them on this evening in particular and so I moved onto the lake parallel to Todd's, the lake called Dickerson's. I did manage to raise and interest two pike, but I could not just tempt them enough.

If you have not experienced this kind of fishing before, believe me it can be a very exciting pasttime, and a great way to spend an evening, if you are lucky enough to catch the pike in the right mood that is.

A visit to nearby Hinchingsbrooke Park saw me entice another 3 Pike, during a short session of only a couple hours. On a bright and breezy day during the week, the pike seemed to be in a confident mood. After a number of follow-ups to my new fox soft bait lures, I only managed to land the 3, the biggest being around 8lb. The other 2 were somewhat smaller, but great fun nevertheless.

Anyone wishing to join us would be more than welcome to do so, just email me at the above address.

Here are the answers to last month's puzzle:

1) Roach; 2) Perch; 3) Minnow; 4) Gudgeon; 5) Stickleback; 6) Tench; and 7) Rudd

Until next time, good fishing and take care,

Stuart

Cambourne Football Club

Cambourne Football Club is a new club with aims to provide youth football for boys and girls within Cambourne and the surrounding area. Cambourne Football Club aims to provide a safe and professional environment for those playing the game as well as those enjoying the sport from the sidelines. We encourage fair play, sportsmanship and actively encourage the involvement of parents to promote a sense of membership and association.

Starting the 2009/ 2010 season with an Under 15s team playing in the Cambridge and District Colts Football League, Cambourne Football Club would like to hear from any players wanting to play football, of any age – particularly within the Under 8's age group (current school year 1 and 2).

An open training session for Under 8's will be held on 20th June from 1.00pm to 2.00pm. Please contact the club if you wish your child to attend.

Contact: info@cambournefc.com

Web site: www.cambournefc.com



Basketball at Comberton VC

In case you didn't know, there's a well-established, regular pick-up game for experienced adult players at the Comberton Village College Sports Hall every Saturday morning, 10 am to 12 noon for men and women. Cost is £4 per player for court hire fees. If you want to know more, send an email to robertwdickinson@yahoo.com. Or, just come on down and check it out.

