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4pm to 6.30pm in The Hub.

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You can also contact us by telephone on 07876 674644 or 07890 553036.

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Cricket Club:

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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

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Monday 6:45 - 8:20 Lizzie on 710552 / 07921 130186 email <u>cambourneguides@googlemail.com</u> Wednesday 6:45 - 8:20 Dion Badcock 714421 or Fiona Orford 07518 846089 email <u>secondcambourneguides@live.co.uk</u> Waiting list to join please contact Nadine on 07766 117975 Dion Badcock on 01954 714421 or Fiona Orford on 01954 719645 you can also contact us by email on <u>secondcambourneguides@live.co.uk</u>

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Meet Tuesday 6.30 - 7,30 pm at the CYP. Val Bendon - 07852 459652 email: valbendon@aol.com

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Monday 10.30am - 12.00pm Informal coffee, chat and support. Contact: Laura Watts -203833 email: <u>lewatts@hotmail.co.uk</u>

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

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Reading Group:

Every 3rd Thursday of each month 7.30pm Contact: Pam Hume <u>pam.hume@ntlworld.com</u>

Rugby:

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

<u>Tennis:</u>

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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 Contact: Catherine 07803 012343 email - <u>wrn_cambourne@dsl.pipex.com</u>

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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 0345 456 4564 (New cheap call)

Cambourne Parish Council Office: John Vickery (Parish Clerk) - 714403

Multi Use Games Area (MUGA): & HUB BOOKINGS

To book for tennis, basketball, cricket & football: 714403 or email:

mandy.simmons@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk

Streetlight faults: John Vickery (Parish Clerk) - 714403 Wimpey only <u>CustomerCare6@taylorwimpey.com</u> Bovis 714300 (diverted to customer care)

Wildlife Trusts: Jenny Mackay/David Price - 713500 www.wildlifebcnp.org

Cambourne Youth Partnership:

www.cambournesoul.btik.com <u>Cambourne Internet Cafe And Hang Out</u> <u>Cambourne Junior Youth Club</u> .<u>CU@4</u>. Back Lane, Great Cambourne (near the Skat

Back Lane, Great Cambourne (near the Skate park) For all bookings please contact *David McEwan-Cox* 07703 342788 email -<u>cypbookings@uwclub.net</u>

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

MAKE YOUR VIEWS KNOWN - Traveller Consultation

The District Council is seeking your views on its site options for Gypsy & Traveller pitches and Travelling Showpeople plots and draft planning policies through a 13-week period of public consultation from Friday 10 July to 12 noon on Friday 9 October 2009.

The consultation forms part of the overall Local Development Framework (LDF).

Responses can be made via South Cambs District Council web site, you have to register an email address and password. www.scambs.gov.uk/ldf

Responses can also be made in writing and forms are also available for downloading from a link on the Cambourne Crier web site www cambourne.info

Word file - http://www.scambs.gov.uk/documents/retrieve.htm?pk_document=908129

Pdf format - http://www.scambs.gov.uk/documents/retrieve.htm?pk document=908130

Information leaflet http://www.scambs.gov.uk/documents/retrieve.htm?pk_document=908141

If you are unable to download this information - copies can be obtained from the Parish Clerk on request

01954 714403 or from the District Council Offices where there is a display of information.

Your County Councillor - Lister Wilson's view is on page 32



Contact: Alan Gibson 01480 880442 snibgo@earthling.net

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.

23/07/2009 : Green Bin and Box.. 30/07/2009 : Black Bin. 06/08/2009 : Green Bin and Box.. 13/08/2009 : Black Bin. 20/08/2009 : Green Bin and Box.. 27/08/2009 : Black Bin. 03/09/2009 : Green Bin and Box.. 10/09/2009 : Black Bin.

17/09/2009 : Green Bin and Box..

24/09/2009 : Black Bin.







TELEPHONE THE WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICE AT SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES ABOUT YOUR BINS. TELEPHONE 08450 450063. Page 3

The Garden Wizard



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





So the nights are drawing in and there is a little chill in the air again. We just seem to have got everything going in the garden and I am pointing you towards Autumn! On the positive side the weather should still be summery, even if there will be a distinctive shorter feel to the days towards the end of the month. We have to face it, we are creeping up to autumn but fear not though as bedding plants will still have a few weeks to go with their flowering. As it is holiday season make sure that you make time to keep enjoying the garden.

Top 10 jobs

- 1. Prune Wisteria by reducing this year's growth to just five or six buds
- 2. Keep Deadheading flowering plants
- 3. Keep Watering!
- 4. Collect seed from you favourite plants as they mature
- 5. Keep ponds and water features topped up
- 6. Feed soil & plants especially those in containers
- 7. Take cuttings of shrubs for rooting over winter
- 8. Continue to mow grass raising the height of the cut in dry weather
- 9. Clip your hedge.
- 10. Prune summer flowing shrubs like Philadelphus as soon blooms have faded.

Now if you have been keeping on top of them, weeds should not be too much of a problem. It won't take much for them to get the better of you though so keep digging them over where needed. If there has been a dry spell now is the time that plants will be showing signs of stress. Keep them well watered. If your lawn is looking a little brown don't despair as the rains will soon come.

It is the time for holidays and there are a few things you can do to prevent your plants suffering while you are away. Those most at risk will be in your pots and baskets so move them to a shady place. You could also install an automatic watering system but a neighbour is a fraction of the cost and you can always repay the favour!

In the Vegetable Garden

For fruit it is the time to pot up rooted strawberry runners and prune summer varieties of raspberries down to ground level. Concentrate your watering efforts to plants that are either in flower, fruit or look like an onion. If you haven't planted anything this year then there is still time to sow salad crops for September harvest. Earth up brussel sprouts to give them support and main crop potatoes to increase their yield. Finally pinch out side shoots on tomatoes and feed every week.

September next... how many days until Christmas?

CAMBOURNE GARDEN CLUB

Our AGM in June went particularly well (aided by wine and birthday cake) with the existing Committee members being re-elected for the coming year.

The July outing was a trip to Clare College gardens and we'll be gadding about again on Saturday 22nd August to Trinity College – again, anyone wanting to join us please contact either Fran Panrucker (710858) or Debbie Walker (710919) for details of car sharing so that we don't swamp them with vehicles or for details of where to meet.

LAST CHANCE FOR WISLEY TICKETS! We have a few seats left on the coach for our trip to RHS Wisley on Saturday 8th August. Please contact Debbie Walker on 719019 by 6th August to book one of these last places to see one of the best gardens in the country. Prices are £14 for members and £20 for non-members





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 editorial@cambourne.info Cambourne resident on any topic.

We accept such contributions in good faith and trust 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:

We do require a name and address for our records that they are an accurate reflection of opinion and 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.

NEW GROUP FOR CAMBOURNE

My husband and I were looking forward to joining in with the Open Gardens of Cambourne and had waited for information - fliers - something to advertise the fact. We'll hold our hands up if this info was out there and we missed it but.....the first we heard about the Open Gardens was the info advertising the dates and where to buy tickets!!! We'd like to join in pleas, perhaps next year?!

OPEN GARDENS

Hi my name is Proby, I am a mum of 3 sons. One has Auditory processing disorder and tinnitus and one is Autistic. I am interrested in starting a group for the parents of disabled children in Cambourne and wondered if anyone would be interrested. I am looking into venues at the moment. It would be a chance to meet up and have a moan and share advice. Please contact me on p.p.h.p.a.lodziak@btinternet.com'

Name and address supplied

GYPSY CAMP CONCERNS

Seeing the front page news from last months Crier re. the proposed Gypsy camp it urged me to write to the South Cams council to put my view forward. I wrote:-

We strongly object to your proposal in the Camboune Crier to maybe put a travellers site in Great or Upper Cambourne. Travellers sites dont remain as travellers sites, they become gypsy settlements bringing rubbish, burnt out cars, tethered horses and so many more families than were originally planned. The schools here are already full without the extra children that would arrive with the gypsies.

If they want a travellers life style why do they have to be within a village. Put a site in the countryside nowhere near other villages. They all have expensive cars, pay no local taxes so can afford the petrol if they need to visit shops etc. If you want them in a town environment why dont you put them in Kings Hedges where you moved all the social housing from to Cambourne? There must be room there or on a piece of Marshall's land. Maybe a site down Madingley Road; convenient for the city!

How many of your councillors live in Cambourne? Do they approve of your proposal? Please rethink.

If you feel strongly about this proposal please forward your thoughts to the council.

Name and address Supplied.

I was wondering whether you would go for this idea?

To help celebrate the 10 year Anniversary I thought it might be fun for households to display how long they have been living in Cambourne. This could be done along the 'Blue Plaque' lines noting people of historical significance and be displayed in the window of each property.

If the Crier could include a circular template with the words around the edge along the lines of...'CelebratingLiving in Cambourne' and then a defined space in the centre for residents to add their number of years (defined because then they would be large enough numbers..after all it is about public display and we want to be able to read it) or months in some cases of course.

If they were brightly coloured in then it would be a great public display of the history around us. Anyway just an idea that I am sure you can pull together if you like it.

Kind Regards Gavin Clayton

> GREAT IDEA GAVIN, PLEASE SEE TEMPLATE ON THE BACK PAGE OF THIS CRIER WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THEM DISPLAYED ALL AROUND CAMBOURNE

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PAINTING CLASS

We are now half-way to getting enough people to ensure that there will be a daytime painting class in September 2009. The class will take place in the Cricket Pavilion on Wednesday mornings, from 10.00 until 11.30, with a professional tutor. The cost will be around £45 for ten weeks it may be possible to help anyone who has financial difficulty. Contact Fran on 710858 to show your interest and book a place on the course.

THE ART GANG - Monday August 10th

Calling all creative people! There is an informal gathering in the Cambourne pub from 7.30 on the second Monday of each month, providing an opportunity for anyone with an interest in photography/music/writing / theatre / design / art/ etc to network with local creative professionals and keen local creative people.

This could develop into group activities such as cultural trips - museums / theatre / music and talks / workshops. We are open to suggestions or just come and enjoy this exciting diverse and vibrant group at the monthly gathering.

PS please bring some images / samples of your work along

ART IN THE EVENING

Also later this year, we hope to start a regular evening group where we can invite visiting artists/tutors to talk about aspects of art history, artists etc, and to give demonstrations of different styles of art. We are currently applying for grant aid to start this off, and to enable the group to be available to everyone. Again, please contact Fran on 710858 to book your place.

STAMFORD THEATRE VISIT

The coach is booked and the tickets are on their way but there is still room for more play-goers to come with us to Stamford on Tuesday August 25th to see Shakespeare's 'The Tempest' after enjoying a picnic in the grounds .The total cost is around £24, depending on final numbers. Phone Pat on 718836.

OUR CAMBOURNE - ISN'T IT GREAT!

August 15th is the date for the display of art works celebrating different aspects of life in Cambourne. There is still time to get something ready for this. Anything goes, and there will be prizes. Pick up an entry form from the library or outside the Parish Office or phone 710858. Phone this number also to find out when to bring work to the Hub.

CREATIVE WRITING GROUP

A writing group currently meets on the first Monday of the month in the library at 1.30pm. New members are very welcome! But, as many people work during the day we want to start an evening group. If you would like to participate, contact Alan (01480 880442, <u>snibgo@earthling.net</u>) with your ideal choice of evenings and location (eg "third Monday of the month in the Monkfield Arms").

The DRAWING GROUP

Will commence a new session in the LIBRARY on September 9th 2009, 2-30 - 4pm. We meet every other week - to begin with, dates have been fixed for September 9th and 23rd, October 7th and 21st.

No experience necessary. Just bring a pad (at least A4 size). pencils and a rubber.

All sessions are FREE. For further information ring Joan Duncan on 714424 or Louisa Gherardi on 710872 (0779 8858 966)

Cambourne Arts website: www.cambournearts.org









Wildlife Review August 2009

The summer at it's height now and it's a good time of year to go in search of butterflies and dragonflies flitting around the green spaces.

A few weeks ago we went to survey the hay meadows on the southern and eastern boundaries. We found 26 species of wildflowers and 14 grass species. This included common broomrape, an odd plant which is not green as it parasitizes other plants and 'steals' nutrients from them. There were also loads of bumble bees buzzing around, as well as damselflies and lots of ladybirds and their larvae. The annual hay cut in these meadows will be slightly later than normal this year as we will be collecting wildflower seed from them to use for improving other grassland areas.



Broad-bodied chaser dragonfly – can be seen around ponds in Cambourne

Anglers

Remember fishing is only allowed at Lake Ewart in Cambourne and that you need a rod licence. They can be bought in Cambourne at the Post Office Counter in Lloyds Pharmacy or online from the Environment Agency. Please take all your rubbish away, especially line and hooks. We are thinking of setting up local angling club, so if you are interested please get in touch (details below).

Swans

The swan family, including five cygnets, has now moved down to the Country Park area. Please do not feed them with bread as it is not very good for them and only encourages them to approach anglers. If you see an injured swan, please contact the RSPCA on 0300 1234 999, the phone numbers are displayed in the notice board at the School Lane entrance.

Events

I will be giving free workshops about the wildlife in Cambourne as part of the Stepping Stones Project on Sunday 2nd and Monday 10th August. The workshops will feed into the design of ten stepping stones to mark Cambourne's 10th birthday. To find out more go to the Cambourne All-In website <u>www.cambourneallin.org</u>

There will be a litter pick on Wednesday 5th August meeting at Oaks Wood Car Park at 10am. All the equipment will be provided, plus refreshments for all volunteers.

Going bats at Cambourne



Bats have lived alongside us for thousands of years in our villages, towns and cites; caves and trees have been substituted for cellars and lofts, and yet we are often unaware that our neighbourhood bats have moved in.

This year on Saturday 29 August it is *European Bat Night* and the wildlife Trust is organising bat walks on several nature reserves to discover more about our local bats.

So why not join staff and volunteers for an illuminating evening's experience as we investigate Cambourne Country Park, learn more about the world of bats and see some of the latest bat detection equipment in action?

To book your place contact Henry Stanier on 01954 713535, email ecologygroups@wildlifebcnp.org

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

To find out more about your local Wildlife Trust, what we offer in Cambourne and how you can support us, please visit <u>www.wildlifebcnp.org</u>

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) Ist Sunday of the month 10.00am. Meeting in The Hub. <u>www.cambournechurch.org.uk</u>



Sunday services during August will all be at 10.00am, including an activity for school aged children; car washing, nature walk, rounders, team games, etc.

Topping out of the new Church Building





At last the winds of Cambourne have allowed us to finish the roof safely, in time for the "Topping Out" ceremony.

Food, questions... 10 week DVD course; Starting in the autumn. Put your name down now. For more on Alpha Contact Peter Wood Tel. 715558



THE ALPHA COURSE

It's Your Move – Sunday 6th September 10.00 *Celebrating the children* as they move into new groups in Young Church and onto *Xtreme* the Youth Group

Isaiah 58 -Need anything doing? The Isaiah 58 project has continued to help people out in Cambourne this year. It is all about young people being given the chance to help others who would like it! Recently we have painted a wall, washed a car, mowed lawns, trimmed hedges, planted lots of plants, cleaned a cupboard and sorted out a wardrobe and shed. For more info contact Jon Sanders 07729977463 or jono_sanders@hotmail.com



Cambourne Church V St Matthew's Church, Cheltenham – Sat 4th July 09 Cambourne Church's secondever match was full of excitement and goal mouth action. Facing St Matthew's from Cheltenham, Cambourne put up a good fight but ended losing 5-2. Thanks to those who came to watch and to those who organised the "Braai" (South African BBQ) afterwards. We are hoping to have another Braai in Sept to raise money for the Street Child World Cup 2010. See next month's Crier for more.

PEACEHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH



Peacehaven Baptist Church

Meeting Sundays 11 am at the Belfry Hotel

Wednesday evenings 7 pm at the Pastor's house

For more info email Peacehavenbc@aol.com

> or call 01954 710510

Pastor Donavan Bangs

Pastoral Thoughts

Dear Friends,

This month I had an interesting experience. I needed to drill a few holes in the wall, so being cautious I bought a detector unit, which told me where the metal or studwork was and any copper pipes or electrical wiring. It did a fine job until I hit a plastic radiator pipe in the wall. Thankfully, I had purchased some tape that repairs damaged pipes and was able to repair it temporarily, but it was not easy having to wrap small pipes spraying hot water with tape. This may seem like a terrible thing, even more the next day after 4 hours of working with plumbers to fix the pipe and clear the air blocks and sludge from the system. However, I learned much including the fact that my heating system never had corrosion inhibitor put in it, which was why the water was almost black. If this had been left then eventually I would have needed to replace all my radiators as they would rust from the inside out. So even though the cost was high it was not as high as it could have been. Sometimes in life we go through bad times so that we can avoid even worse things, we may not understand it or like it at the time, but it can be for the best. Like Joseph in the Old Testament betrayed by his family, sold into slavery, falsely accused of a crime and thrown into prison. But God used those events to promote Joseph to a ruler in Egypt and provide food for his family in a time of famine.

Genesis 50:20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.

21 Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.

So if things are not that great there may be a reason for it. Obviously some things happen because of sin and we must reap the consequences but occasionally God takes what was bad and uses it for his glory and our good. After all He used the crucifixion of his own Son to bring the chance of eternal life to whosoever would believe. Nothing could be worse and better at the same time. If you have questions or just want a chat, let us know if we can help.

Donavan Bangs

Ps I would also suggest you might check the condition of your radiators to ensure you have corrosion inhibitor and get some self sealing pipe repair tape if you are going to drill.





Cambourne Roman Catholic Church The Vine Inter Church Primary School



If you would be interested in going to a very informal daytime house group, run by Catherine Price, from Cambourne Church, please contact her: <u>catherine-price@cambourne.eclipse.co.uk</u> The 12th of July was Sea Sunday, celebrated every year. This is a very worthy cause, and if you would like to find out more information about the mission, or to donate some money, please visit: www. missiontoseafarers.org We have now updated our website, so all the photos from the Bishop's Visit to all our other events are now online, feel free to take a look. Vincent Menezes

80's Prom Night Success

Saturday July 4th saw a Community event at the Hub that was a real blast from the past, as it was filled with people in fantastic fancy dress, all enjoying an 80s style prom night. There was food, a quiz which included a paper aeroplane competition, dancing that went on until late into the night and costumes that ranged from Adam Ant to the Smurfs.

Thank you to all who attended and made it a night to remember- we hope you had as much fun as we did!

Keep an eye out for Winter Wonderland later this year on 7th November from 1-4pm and Saturday Night Fever (a groovy 70s night) on 13th February 2010!



CAMBOURNE WI

Annual outing

This year we were very lucky with the weather so it was a beautiful evening when we set off from Hartford marina on the longboat "The Captain's Table" to Godmanchester. It was an idyllic evening; beautiful scenery, calm river with many varieties of water birds, all while being served refreshments in a very comfortable boat. Joan, one of our members and former resident of Huntingdon, gave us a very informative commentary on points of note as we passed by which added interest to the trip. Many thanks to Hilery for her hard work in organizing this trip.

WI Book group

Both members and nonWI members would be welcome at this group, which meets every 4-6 weeks on a Wednesday evening in the Monkfield Arms. Phone Ruth on 718989 for the latest book and date.

Walking Group

This group is still going strong. Anyone interested phone Fran on 710858. Please note that the walks are usually at a brisk pace.

Theatre Outing

A group are hoping to go to the Cambridge Arts theatre to the 2.30pm performance of the "Browning Version" on Thursday 13th August. Please note this is the same day as the August meeting.

Cambourne Fete

We are running a bottle tombola at the fete on 15th August so donations of bottles would be greatly appreciated. Penny is collecting them, phone 200126. We are also running "bat the rat". We

are looking for volunteers to run the stall. Please contact Fran on 710858 or at the August meeting.

August meeting

The next meeting will be on Thursday 13th August at 7.30pm in the Hub. The programme will be Special Effects "Jewellery" by Rachel Thoday. Visitors are very welcome.

McMillan coffee morning

We are running this on 3rd September in the Hub so keep that morning free.

Youthfest

Our cakestall was a great success and all the cakes were soon sold out. A big thank you to all cake bakers and volunteers.



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The Nursery Says Goodbye to it's first 'Graduates'

We have 14 children leaving us to go to school this September, and, as this is our first year as a Nursery, we had our first ever Pre- School Leavers Party, on Friday, 17th July. The Pre-school Room staff provided an afternoon of healthy party food and fun-packed party games, for all the children in the pre-school room.

After all the fun and frolics, the Graduates were presented with a Leaver's Certificate, by Tricia Collen, Coordinator for the Over 2's wing, watched by a number of proud parents. Our leavers will be missed by all the staff, and we wish them lots of luck and happy times in their new schools.

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The sale of the tickets and programmes raised £690 for Macmillan Cancer Support. A cheque was presented to Sarah Jones of Macmillan at the end of the performance.

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Monkfield Park Care & Learning Centre

It has been another very busy and successful year in the Care & Learning Centre; we have continued to extend our resources, particularly for our outdoor area. We now have a small wooden table with seats for the pre school children, an outdoor easel along with a variety of toys and investigation resources. 'Bug Hunting' is a very popular activity with children of all ages.

Our themes this term have included healthy eating, which included tasting lots of different fruits and vegetables, growing and changing, and summer.

Mrs Johnson has returned from her maternity leave and works part-time on a Monday and Tuesday, Mrs Roberts has joined the staff and works in the Breakfast and After School Club and we are currently looking for a new member of staff to join our team from September 2009.

The pre-school will close for the Summer on Friday 17th July and re-open on Thursday 3rd September 2009. If you are interested in a place for your child at the After School Club and/or Breakfast Club, please contact the Care and Learning Centre.

The Care and Learning Centre runs a Holiday Club during school holidays. We open from 8.00am to 6.00pm and parents/carers can book by the hour to suit their needs. A registration fee is payable upon acceptance of a place.

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Cambourne Pre-School Celebrates Ofsted Success

We are sure many of you know this already, but for those who don't, Cambourne Pre-School is run by a voluntary management committee consisting of members of the community, some of whom are parents whose children attend pre-school.

We would like to share with you the feedback from our latest Ofsted inspection, conducted on June 15th of this year.

We received an overall rating of "Good", with a significant number of areas of provision judged to be "Outstanding".

Safeguard mechanisms currently in place to ensure children's safety was judged to be *outstanding*. Liaisons with parents was also judged to be *outstanding*. Of the fourteen criteria inspected, a result of *outstanding* or *good* was awarded.



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There are still a few places left for this September. For enquiries contact Pre-school at <u>www.cambournepreschool.org</u> or see page 2 of The Crier.

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Cambourne School Page

Happy and Healthy Week at The Vine!

During Happy and Healthy Week we focussed on different aspects of the Personal, Social and Emotional Education Curriculum. This year we looked at developing a positive attitude to trying something new, – fostering a 'Have a Go' attitude. Some people find this particularly difficult as they are more worried about what other people say than taking a risk and 'Having a Go'. During the week all pupils had opportunity to perform in the classroom, in the hall and on the field

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The focus was on 'Performing'. The week was heralded in by the IROKO African Dance and Drumming Company. The group presented to the whole school, and throughout the day Years 1, 4, and 5 had an opportunity to perform African dances and learn drumming techniques. The whole school participated in mask making. The themes followed the learning already taking place in class. Years 5/6 made African masks, 3/4 - Viking masks, year 2 - carnival masks, Year 1 African masks and Foundation stage made Jungle animal masks. At the end of the day a relaxation session was available for staff.	Our focus was 'Languages'. The day began with a 'Grand Masked Parade'. The masks were celebrated by the whole school. In the morning Classes came together to celebrate the languages of The Vine and the Whole World. Key Stage 1 joined together to learn a Ghanaian song with actions. Foundation Stage led the singing of Frere Jacques in French and Dutch and Year 2 learnt some Welsh! Key Stage 2 shared their Spanish, Dutch and French skills. In the afternoon a netball coach shared her skills with Years 3 and 4.	The focus was 'Being Active'. Key stage One and Two took to the school field to show off their sporting talents. The weather was glorious and we were joined by parents, friends and carers who cheered the children on. At the end of the day an aerobics session was held for those interested in Years 5 and 6.	'Learning a New Skill'. Throughout the morning the different year groups in school came together and shared their skills. Key Stage One children joined with Key stage Two to teach each other Indian Dancing, Key Board Skills, Stacking Cups and didgeridoo playing This was our annual sponsorship event – 'SHARE A SKILL SPECTACULAR' to raise money for the next part of our playground development. In the afternoon the whole school worked with 'Anna's Singing Ladies' and ended the day with a singing share in the School Hall.	A Smart Learning Day on 'Playground Games' to share ideas and perform playground games outside! Once again the weather was fantastic! The school joined together to participate in Hopscotch, clapping games, skipping games, hide and seek and stuck in the mud to name a few. Key Stage One and Two joined together to work in teams to try ball control and agility skills. The end to a fantastic week!

Happy and Healthy Week' A fantastic time! Thank you to all the great Vine Staff, pupils, parents and visitors for making this week so much fun!

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: <u>office@thevine.cambs.sch.uk</u>

Greetings from Cambourne Library

1. Engage in the Afternoon

Our August Session will be on Wed. 5th and will be a short walk with The Wildlife Trust, starting from the library at 2.00 p.m. Free tea and coffee will be served at the library afterwards.

2. Summer Reading Challenge - Quest Seekers

Once again the library will be running a reading challenge during the school summer holidays. Our exciting theme this year will be "Quest Seekers". Fantasy, myths and legends is our theme. Don't forget our special sessions are: Monday - 4.00 - 6.00pm

Friday 10.00 -12.00 pm Sat. 10.00 - 12.00

 3. The library opening hours are

 Mon 3.30 - 7.30
 Tues 9.00 - 2.00

 Wed - Closed all day.
 Thurs 3.30 - 7.30

 Fri
 9.00 - 2.00
 Sat. 9.30 - 1.00

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. The library rent DVDs for only £2.50 for a week's hire. We get new DVDs all the time. You can

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Best wishes from the Cambourne library staff.



Bourne Players 2010 Production Kiss Me, Kate! Auditions

We will be having a read and sing through of the show at 7.30pm on Wednesday 2nd September in the New Drama Suite at Comberton Village College.

Auditions will be held at the same venue between 2.30pm and 5.00pm on Sunday 6th September and again on Tuesday 8th September from 7.00pm.

Call-backs, and additional auditions, are provisionally set for Thursday 10th September.

Performances - March 25.26 & 27

Contact <u>des@amethyst-tv.com</u>

LAMMAS DAY

1st August is Lammas Day, and was Thanksgiving time (Harvest time) in Britain. The name comes from an Anglo-Saxon word Hlafmaesse which means Loaf Mass. The festival of Lammas marks the beginning of the harvest, when people go to church to give thanks for the first corn to be cut. This celebration predates our Christian harvest festival.

On Lammas Day farmers made loaves of bread from the new wheat



crop and gave them to their local church. They were then used as the Communion bread during a special mass thanking God for the harvest. The custom ended when Henry VIII broke away from the Catholic Church, and nowadays we have harvest festivals at the end of the season. Michaelmas Day (September 29) is traditionally the last day of the harvest season.

Lammas Day used to be a time for foretelling marriages and trying out partners. Two young people would agree to a "trial marriage" lasting the period of the fair (usually 11 days) to see whether they were really suited for wedlock. At the end of the fair, if they didn't get on, the couple could part.

Lammas was also the time for farmers to give their farm workers a present of a pair of gloves. In Exeter, a large white glove was put on the end of a long pole which was decorated with flowers and held on high to let people know that the merriment of Lammas Fair was beginning.



Home-Start Royston & South Cambridgeshire are looking for Home Visiting volunteers

Our volunteers all have parenting experience who can give a few hours a week to help families who are finding it difficult to cope.

All parents need emotional and practical help to get through the first few years, but not everyone has friends or family nearby. This is when, you as a Home-Start volunteer, can help!

A training course for new volunteers will take place at: Bassingbourn Barracks, Bassingbourn, Royston, Herts, SG8 5LX

To be held on Tuesdays & Wednesday - starting on Tuesday 15th September to Wednesday 14th October 2009 The course runs twice a week for five weeks, from 9.30am - 2.30pm

For more details contact us at:- Home-Start Royston & South Cambridgeshire Unit 6, Valley Farm, Station Road, Meldreth, Royston, Herts, SG8 6JP. Tel: 01763 262262 or e-mail admin@hsrsc.co.uk

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ART IN THE EVENING

There will be a meeting in Lower Cambourne Cricket Pavilion at <u>7.30</u> on <u>Thursday September 3rd</u> for anyone interested in setting up a monthly group for listening to talks on aspects of art, watching art demonstrations or films, or maybe having an opportunity for occasional practical art sessions.

Contact Fran on 710858

Cambourne Postnatal Support Group Do you want a natter?

Have you recently had a baby or have you just moved to the area with young children? Are you looking for somewhere to go and chat to other adults??

We are a 'sanity' group of mums and children who meet on a Monday morning from 10.30-12pm. We meet in each other's houses and enjoy a cup of tea, a biscuit and a good natter! We also organise pub trips, outings and meals out.

So, if you would like to come along and meet us, contact Laura Watts on 01954 203833 or email <u>lewatts@hotmail.co.uk</u>. You don't have to host any sessions and all coffee mornings are free! We look forward to meeting you soon!



CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire



Funfair, Great Cambourne Green

Cambourne Funfair finished on Saturday 11th July and the Parish Council would like to thank Larry Gray for bringing his funfair to Cambourne. The fair was well attended by the residents of Cambourne and from feedback received by the councillors residents enjoyed the event.

Parish Council Chairman David Tilley said "The fair proved a big success, Larry Gray and his staff ran and managed the event very professionally and left the site in good order. The fair also provided an excellent opportunity for residents of all ages to socialise and have some fun in a safe well organised family oriented event"

Feedback on the event has been very positive with some local residents speaking to the organisers and commenting that the noise was not as bad as they had feared and was not audible in their houses. Also Cambourne Parish Council ground staff commented that the area was left in a good condition and the litter had been collected.

The Parish Council will be holding a meeting to discuss the fair on the 1st September and the Council would welcome feedback from residents. *David Tilley Cambourne Parish Chairman*

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

Date	Time	Meeting
11th August	7.30pm	Planning Committee
11th August	7.30pm	Council (urgent matters only)
1st Sept	7.30pm	Planning Committee
1st Sept	7.30pm	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 71440 or by e-mail at 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

BABY & ME A group for Parents / carers of baby's 0 – 12 months(ish) 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 Baby & Me will be closed for August We 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 (<u>cailleperi@yahoo.co.uk</u>)or Kathryn Doy on 710016

Or log onto our website <u>www.babyandme.org.uk</u>

We are currently seeking to find new mums who could help to keep Baby & me open in the New year, several of the current committee members will be stepping down after Christmas, If you can help please let us know!

Rock 'N Recession

This week I'm taking some time off from the usual festival listings and competitions to ponder a deeper question. Does rock music increase in popularity during a recession?



In the early 1990's grunge rock ruled the hard times, and during the 70's and 80's industrial unrest, fuel shortages and strikes, it was the workers of the world who united and rock music has always been a working man's favourite. Think Bruce Springsteen - the unofficial poet laureate of working class rock.

The latest economic recession screams waste and squander. Think MP's expenses and the banking system soaking up taxpayer's money at an alarming rate. This recession is also hitting the workers of this country hard, but many are still saving their cash to go to the odd gig or two. Perhaps as a consequence many classic rock bands have resurrected themselves. Sales of AC/DC's latest album *Black Ice* reached over 5 million within days of it going on sale and who would have thought Led Zeppelin would re-group in 2008?

In my humble opinion there's also something else many rock musicians have in common. They are, in the main, good at what they do, and fans appreciate this skill. If you are into blues guitar, then check out Joe Bonamassa <u>http://www.joebonamassa.com</u> to experience talent on a huge scale.

As listeners to the highly successful Planet Rock digital radio station <u>http://www.planetrock.com</u> will also agree, classic rock isn't just recession proof - it's a way of life.

Of course, classic rock doesn't just include old bands full of 'crusty' ageing rockers, but represents an entire philosophy the mantle of which is currently being taken up by new bands such as The Answer, from Ireland and Aerbourne, from Australia, whose members are still in their twenties. An outlook that says, stuff this, I'm doing things my way. So for those of you who've "been there and bought the T-Shirt" as well as those who've many t-shirts yet to buy, keep the spirit of classic rock going in these 'challenging economic times'. At least as far as rock music is concerned, the future is bright! Page 31

County councillor on travellers' sites in South Cambridgeshire - A letter to the Crier

"...Essentially this is a District Council matter but, as you will see from what follows, I'm not leaving it just to them.

The biggest investment in assets that most ordinary people have is their house. Some spend years improving theirs but all expect some kind of long-term return, at the very least for the value of their property not to fall. The current recession has caused a short-term setback in house prices nationally but they will recover. Even if you live in an Equity Share house, you expect your slice of the value not to fall and actually to increase. So it is that all house-holders, including those in fully-rented accommodation, look with alarm at the prospect of a Traveller Site nearby. For some, far away is not far enough. The effect of a Traveller Site in close proximity to settled housing is an instant drop in value. This arises because the house becomes virtually unsaleable and it may become nearly worthless. This is an intolerable imposition on anyone and for this reason I'm not in favour of Traveller sites anywhere near residential housing. I have not met any resident of any village who is in favour of a Traveller Site nearby. Maybe there are some, it's just that I'd be surprised if there were and I wouldn't mind hearing their point of view.

The proposal to site 10 plots for Travellers has been in the pipeline for a long time but it has originated with the East of England Regional assembly (EERA) and their puppet-masters the (Labour) Government. EERA is an unelected quango which the Conservatives will abolish. I believe that this Government doesn't care too much for villages and rural areas and I draw that conclusion from their track record. South Cambridgeshire District Council has identified 12 likely locations based on nearness to services, including public transport. The facilities they deemed necessary to support a Traveller community are, on the whole, far better than most house-owners could expect. I think the priorities and policies need to favour the settled population first.

The experience of South Cambridgeshire (District Council) with Travellers is not a happy one. A group of them invaded (I use the term with precision) Smithy Fen north of Cottenham in 2003-4 and the Council asked John Prescott's Department for help with finance (amongst other things) to pay for the legal challenges to move them. There was a deafening silence from Prescott. Eventually, last month, judgement was granted in favour of the Council and now the land is being restored to farming. Prescott's Department wouldn't even help with enforcing the law. There is an overwhelming suspicion that at least one of the travellers was responsible for the murder of an off-duty soldier outside a pub in Cottenham but no-one would admit to witnessing the event, all intimidated into silence. In Meldreth a purpose-built site with shower and laundry blocks had to be closed because the travellers destroyed it. Petty crime in the village rose during the time they were there. Again, one of the Council's officers was badly injured being assaulted when he went on to the travellers' site at Milton in 2002. They break the law with impunity by camping on our Park-and-Ride sites and on public parks in the centre of Cambridge. One of my constituents had his Land Rover stolen by gypsies from Potton and could prove it by flying low over

the Site. It was recovered with a police escort. When Fred Moss, a Traveller from Sawbridgeworth went missing on 30th. November 2004, a throng of Travellers descended on South Cambridgeshire, entering farm houses and buildings without permission and intimidating the owners. Non-travellers cannot do these things and get away with them. That is the background to our view of Travellers.

The Government has decreed that South Cambridgeshire find about 159 pitches for travellers. It is another measure of Labour's contempt for the countryside. It seems to me that to find permanent pitches for Travellers is a contradiction in terms, but there you are. The Council is using the argument that, travellers have a history of pitching their caravans on illegal sites so the solution to that problem is to provide them with legal ones. It is a straight-forward sell-out to law breaking. There just isn't masses of free land in South Cambs not near any villages, but I can assure everyone again that I have not met anyone who wants a traveller site anywhere near them. The residents of Bassingbourn, for example, are appalled that one of the proposed sites is in their village. Much the same reaction will occur elsewhere. I must point out that the Travellers do pay rent for their pitches.

I understand that the exact site of the traveller-pitches in Cambourne is yet to be decided. You can infer my view on this subject from what I've written here but South Cambridgeshire District Council, and its responsible member Dr. David Bard, are well aware of local feeling. Travellers' issues have no votes – a bit like Overseas Aid, but much less important. You can be assured that this issue is well to the fore in my work and I will keep you informed of events and progress.

Just for the record, Travellers have suffered disproportionately since the joining of Poland and the other "eastern European countries" to the EU. In particular, well-educated Poles with immaculate English, first-rate manual skills and a prodigious capacity for hard work, and who look the same as the local community, have taken the unskilled and semi-skilled jobs in agriculture and construction which used to be the mainstay of travellers' livelihood. Travellers also suffer very high infant mortality (a simply huge number of still births and deaths before school-age*) and a life-expectancy lower than any third-world country (including Zimbabwe - the lowest). There is no doubt that the travelling life-style is under pressure as never before. We may ask whether allowing Travelling to continue is not trying to preserve a quaint piece of history, because the benefits to everyone involved are hard to see. Maybe the time has come to bring it to an end.."

Councillor Lister Wilson Member for the Bourn Division Cambridgeshire County Council 17th. July 2009

Petition to the Govenrment http://petitions.number10.gov.uk/NoToTravelers/

*Some estimates put this figure at twenty times that of the settled population.





Some of the photographs have been kindly sent in by Debbie Wallwork

Cambourne Tennis club is developing fast and here's how you can get involved.

<u>Join as a Member</u>

See our website <u>www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk</u> for full details on how to join on adult, junior or family membership. Get access to MUGA courts, LTA Coaching courses, competitive tennis and a great club atmosphere.

Club Night

For adults this is held at The MUGA, Back lane every Monday from 6.30pm. Come and have a friendly game with other club members.

All standards very welcome. A good opportunity to discuss membership / club events with the members. Just turn up. **Ladder League**

We have just launched our new ladder league and have 30 adults entered already, This is a great way to get involved in competitive play and pit yourself against all players of varying standards in the club. We are always looking out for additional players to represent Cambourne.

Please email Mark.osheta@aveva.com if you would like to join the ladder.

Business Park Lunchtime Tennis

A new lunchtime session for people working at the business park attracted 22 players for the first session in July. If you would like to join in the session is held at MUGA Back Lane from 1pm, every Wednesday for 1 hour.

Contact Chad on Tel 01954 717393 or email chadmcvann@aol.co.uk

Tennis Coaching

We have tennis coaching available through Sebastien Scaux, who has over 13 years experience as a tennis player and a qualified LTA tennis coach, with experience in private and group coaching at all levels. Sebastien is fully CRB checked and comes approved by the LTA.

Contact sebastien.scaux@tenniscambridge.co.uk or telephone 07809 117689

Special Events in August

Cambourne Tennis Club is having a Stall at the Cambourne Youth Fest on August 15th. We are keen to get more young people playing tennis. Please come and visit us to see opportunities for coaching on offer.

<u>What Happened in July</u>

The Cambourne Youth Day was a great success in July, with over 70 kids visiting our stand. Add this to the 45 Cambourne pupils involved in the Cambourne Tennis Academy we hope to develop a squad of players to play in LTA tournaments.

Cambourne's Adult Teams continue to rise up the Cambridgeshire Tennis Leagues. Men's and Ladies First Teams have both gained promotion this season. While Men's and Ladies Second teams have maintained their league status. The Mixed league matches have just began and Cambourne's teams have started well.

Full report in September.

Visit our web site for more information on Cambourne's thriving tennis club www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk



Cambourne Netball Club

Cambourne Netball Club has been enjoying the recent sunshine and is proud to have been able to enter 3 adult and 2 junior teams into this year's Summer league. Everyone has been Enjoying themselves and developing their skills in preparation for the new season. **The first team also made it through to the semi final of the**

AGM tournament in May but unfortunately lost in extra time.

If you are interested in coming along to netball, training for seniors will recommence on the 6th August at the MUGA, Back lane on Thursdays from 7.30pm – 9pm.

We always welcome new members of all standards and ages so whether you have just moved to the area and are looking to continue playing or you haven't played since school or you have no previous experience of netball but want to try something new then please come along and give it a try.

Junior netball will be having a break in August but training for girls in school years 7–11 will recommence on the 10th September.

If you need any further information then please contact Isobelle on 01954 715062 or email info@cambournenetball.co.uk. Cambourne Cricket Clu

Cambourne Cricket Club is proud to announce that the Monkfield Arms has become the club's sponsor. The 1st Team showed off their new shirts on Saturday against Little Shelford. To celebrate the deal, star player Paul Darrington scored a club record 135 not out and also took 3 wickets.

Mark Tandy, 1st Team Captain, said: "We all want to thank Duncan, the landlord at the Monkfield Arms, for his support. We're a community club and the Monkfield is a community pub, so it's a match made in heaven!! It's really excellent that we have a local business getting behind us. The other exciting news for us is that the new pitch in Upper Cambourne is now fit to play on and it promises to be one of the best cricket ovals in the county. We hope that with two pitches we will continue to attract new players and followers. In Cambourne we are bringing through many excellent colts and are running 3 senior sides so its great to have such impressive facilities. The message is that there is cricket for all."

To follow Cambourne CC please see <u>www.cambournecc.com</u>.

The Pike Anglers of Cambourne

Please contact us @ cambourne.piking@hotmail.co.uk orVisit us @ www.thepikers.net

Saturday the 26th of September is the date for the 2009 Pike Anglers Annual Convention. The venue this year will be at the same as last year's, Stoneleigh in Warwickshire. This year the speakers will include Mike Green, captor of one of the biggest fly-caught pike in history, a fish of just over 40lb. This mammoth Pike was caught from Chew Valley Reservoir in Gloucestershire earlier this year. Also in attendance will be Mark Barrett, who was the previous general secretary of the Pike Anglers of Great Britain. Graham Booth, Dennis Moules, and Ian Weatherall will also be there.

To be honest, I am not that familiar with these gentlemen, but I am sure that all these speakers will give very entertaining and interesting talks.

The cost of this event will be £14 for non members and £12 for PAC members (£10 if bought in advance). Many stars from the world of pike fishing will also be attending, as they were last year. A great number of trade stalls will be in attendance, offering pike fishing tackle, books, rods, lures, reels, and even boats. So, don't hesitate in contacting us if you fancy coming along for the day

Over the years we have talked much, over a pint, about catching a Broadland pike but never had the final push to visit the Broads. This was until Nigel had enough of all the talk and took the bull by the horns and booked a boat. Great! Our first Broadland trip was on..... The stretch of river we fished was the River Bure between Wroxham and Horning, just on the outskirts of Norwich.

The River Bure has always produced big pike, one of note was caught back in 2003 by a Mr M.O'Brian weighing in at an impressive 41lb 12ozs. The Bure also joins up with the famous River Thurne, which then leads to one of the most famous of broads, Hickling. This waterway system has also thrown up some biggies over the years. Back In 1995, Neville Fickling broke the British pike record with a stunning fish of 41lb 6ozs, and more recently in February of this year, Mr J. Goble shocked the piking world by landing an amazing specimen of 45lb 8ozs.

So, after a drive of only around 1 hour 40 minutes we arrived in Wroxham at around 7.30am. We then made our way to the launch and loaded our 12' American style aluminium punt. The boat was hired from a small family run business and the cost was at a very reasonable price of £35 for a whole day's fishing. Not bad considering it costs over £100 to hire a vessel on the River Ouse. This also included the use of a 4.0hp outboard engine.

The fishing turned out to be very difficult that day as the river was very coloured, I am sure that this was due to fact that the river was being run off after the recent rains in the Norwich area. But, we did manage to catch our first Broadland pike, they were only small but we were pleased nevertheless.

Overall, we were very impressed with what we found so I am sure that many more trips to the beautiful Broadland waterways will be lined up in the very near future, so if you are interested, please let me know!

One morning, on a rest day from work, I went for a drive around the Peterborough area. This was to search out new waters that we may fish later on in the season. One venue, in particular, I found, and one many of you may have already heard of, is Ferry Meadows Country Park. The Park consists of 2 fishing lakes, Gunwade and Overton. These waters are operated by the Peterborough and District Angling Association.

Both lakes are fed from the River Nene so they are well stocked with all species of fish including Pike and Big Zander.

So until next time, good fishing and take care, Stuart

YEARS LIVING IN