

CAMBOURNE CRIER

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CAMBOURNE CRIER CHRISTMAS COVER COMPETITION!

Following the success of the previous years 'Cambourne Crier design a Christmas cover competition', we are delighted to announce we will be running the competition again this year.

It is a wonderful opportunity to show what a talented community we live in, so get creative and it could be your artwork on this years Christmas cover.

The competition is open to all ages.

In order for us to re-print the winning artwork we ask that entries are either produced on white paper, A4 in size, preferably portrait.

If you prefer to go digital then images should be high resolution and in .jpg, .psd or .tiff format



Please put your age, name, address and contact telephone number on the back of your entry.

All entries must be sent to the Crier by 19th November (late entries will not be judged) You can email your entry to

editorial@cambourne.info.

or post it to The Crier Christmas Cover Competition c/o 13 Willow Lane, Great Cambourne.

The Crier team will judge the entries and our decision is final, no correspondence will be entered into.

GOOD LUCK AND HAPPY DRAWING!

CONTRIBUTIONS for the DECEMBER issue must be received by THURS 19th NOVEMBER

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(please leave a message if no reply)

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Cambourne Soul Youth Club Building
Contact David 0770 3342788 or email
cypadmin@uwclub.net

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Thursday 3.45 -5.30 ages 7-11 £1 Entry
officexp@googlemail.com or call 01954 718620
(please leave a message if no reply)

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Church Youth Group - Monday evenings fortnightly 7.30 - 9pm for those in years 10-13 in the Ark
Contact Jon Sanders 07729977463

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Contact: Danny White - 07774 142740
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Cubs and Beavers & Scouts:

Beavers meet at the Ark Thursdays 6pm to 7pm
Cubs & Scouts meet at The Vine main hall
Thursdays 5.45pm - 7.15pm
Waiting list contact Lynne Tasker: TaskerE@aol.com

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Cambourne Rovers (Adults) -
www.cambournerovers.co.uk

Cambourne Rovers Juniors (U11/U12) -

www.camjuniors.co.uk
Cambourne Eagles (U8/U10/U14/U16) -
www.cambourneaglesfc.co.uk - 203162
Cambourne FC (U8/U15) - 710373
info@cambournefc.com

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Waiting to join list contact Nadine- 07766 117975
Email: cambourneguides@googlemail.com

Second Cambourne Guides

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web address: www.Cambourne-netball.co.uk

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

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1st Thursday each month. Friendship for seniors.
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Waiting to join list contact Cat - 715805

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email: margot.eagle@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

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Senior: Training from 7pm, every Wednesday;
info@cambourneexiles.com
Junior: Coaching from 10am, every Sunday;
youth@cambourneexiles.com

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

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web address: www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk

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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

Streetlight faults:

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

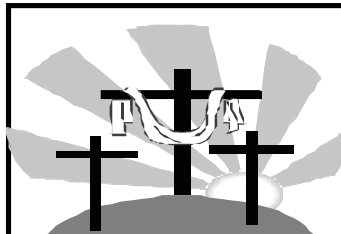
Cambourne Youth Partnership:

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

Cambourne Youth Groups:

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

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 Donovan Bangs

Pastoral Thoughts

I recently purchased a new toothbrush, which is one of those electric rechargeable ones that some dentists recommend. The reason why I did this is because of a recent visit I made to the dentist where I suffered some degree of pain that is to say afterward that it even hurt to breathe through my mouth. This is not a reflection upon the dentist, but upon my own negligence. I made another appointment in a few months time. In the certain knowledge of this coming re-inspection by the hygienist, it prompted me to make some changes, a new toothbrush and using tiny inter-dental brushes. I was not motivated by the need to have bright and shining white teeth nor even the possibility of losing a tooth. My motivation is simply to avoid that type of pain that I had only previously experienced when having the broken off barbed spines of a sea urchin pulled out of my foot. The dentist recommended spending 2 minutes when brushing my teeth. Now that does not seem a lot of time, but it is important to take that time each day to keep your teeth cleaned and it will help you in the long run. This also means that next time you visit the dentist there will probably be far less pain involved. But I wonder how much time do you spend each day making sure that your soul is clean? It cannot be brushed clean, it cannot be dry cleaned, it is stained with sin and just keeps getting dirtier and when the final inspection comes it will be painful. There is a song we sometimes sing

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow, no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Another chorus of a different song says Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe, sin had left a crimson stain he washed it white as snow. Which is based upon, Isaiah 1:18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

I wonder if this month you would take the time to check your condition. I'm not talking about if you go to church, or if you do good things or if you seem respectable, because none of those things can cleanse your soul from sin. No deed you can perform or service you can undertake can purify you. If it could then there would have been no reason for Jesus to come if we could make it to heaven by ourselves. Do you know Him, have you been to Jesus for that cleansing power? If not, maybe you could spend 2 minutes giving that sorted out? It will make that final check up far easier and will literally change your life.

If we can help or you just need to chat let us know.

Donovan Bangs

Greetings from Cambourne Library

Warm greetings from the Cambourne Library staff. Now that winter is fast approaching why not settle down with a good book or DVD. We can always order books or DVDs from other libraries for you if we don't stock the ones you want.

On Thursday November 12th at 6.00 p.m. we are having a special event at the Library.

Helen Stratford a resident artist at Wysing Arts has been doing Public Space Research on Cambourne and is publishing a book on her findings and has also compiled an audio walk round Cambourne with audio recordings from residents of Cambourne. There will be a small talk and exhibition at the library and we will be launching the audio book which will be available from the library.

Please ask at the library for further details.

We are running a free beginners computer course for the over 50s on Wed mornings. Please enquire at the library if you are interested.

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. We also have a selection of DVDs available for hire.

We often have free papers, leaflets and periodicals on our tables in the library – please feel free to take these home with you.

Rubbish News for November

05/11/2009 : Black Bin.

12/11/2009 : Green Bin and Box.

19/11/2009 : Black Bin.

26/11/2009 : Green Bin and Box.





Cambourne Church

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



Special Services in November

1st November – membership service 10.00am in The Hub

8th November Remembrance Sunday 0930 and 1050 in The Hub. A wreath will be laid at the end of the 0930 and the second service will start slightly earlier to allow for silence at 1100.

15th November 10.00 service – hopefully in the new church building!

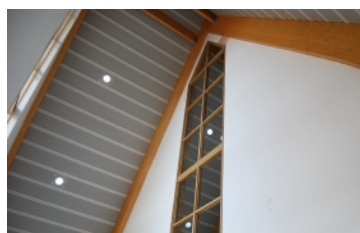
22nd November 10.30 Joint service at Comberton Village College with other churches West of Cambridge (there will be no services in Cambourne that morning).

We will be taking up an offering of non-perishable foods for Jimmy's Night Shelter

Operation Christmas Child 2009

Bring joy to a child facing poverty, suffering or sickness. Fill a shoebox with Christmas goodies. Forms and details will be given out through local schools and clubs or contact
Suzanne Higgins 204952

Please take filled boxes to Church House by Friday 6th November.



**New Building
Open Morning
Saturday 28th
November
10.00-13.00**

**Music * Refreshments* Art *
Info**

**Come and have a browse
Bookings will start from
January 2010
Contact Julie Whitbread
Tel. 01954 202546**

Calling Cambourne Musicians

We are starting to assemble the band for the annual Cambourne Carols on the Green to be held on Friday 18th December. More brass and wind instruments are especially needed for this. If you play and are interested in taking part in this event, please get in touch with Justin Leonard, 01954 715454,
justinfleonard@hotmail.com



**Cambourne Roman Catholic Church
The Vine School Inter Church Primary School
Saturday's - 5pm
Email: cambournerc@aol.com
Website: www.cambournerc.co.nr**

Youth Stuff

**Soccer Sunday @ The Cambourne
MUGA Alternate Sundays 4.30-
6.00pm for yrs 7-13**

Dates coming up:

1st & 22nd November

Xtreme Youth Weekend Away

**13th-15th November at Houghton
Chapel, nr St Ives**

**Contact Jon Sanders, youth
worker, for more on either of the
above on 07798 858302**



First Holy Communion preparation begins in January 2010 in our community. Open to Key Stage 2 children, please contact Mel Ward: melanie@scotsdowne.fsnet.co.uk for further detail.

As you'll be aware the church building is nearly ready - and it will be open to the public for the first time on November 28th. Keep this date free for the opening of the newest building to our community.

There is a need of people who can serve coffee any morning between 8:30 and 9:30 when the new church opens. If you could help, please contact Peter Wood on 01954715558.

On the weekend of the 3rd and 4th of October was dedicated to Harvest and CAFOD. **CAFOD** (The **Catholic Agency for Overseas Development**) works to end poverty and make a just world, helping the poor regardless of race or religion, campaigning for a fairer world and puts faith into action. We managed to raise a lot of money for the worthy cause, but any further donations will be hugely grateful. To find out more or to donate please visit www.cafod.org.uk.
Vincent Menezes



THE ART GANG – Mondays November 9th, December

14th

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

While there was some interest in this venture, it has been decided to put the evening events on hold until after Christmas. If you would be interested in joining a daytime group to explore various aspects of art, please ring Fran on 710858

STEPPING STONES

Grand Public Unveiling Saturday 5th December 12-2 pm. See article on page 28

DRAWING GROUP

This group meets in the library and is friendly and informal.
All dates are Wednesdays, 2.30 to 4 pm

November 11th and 25th

December 9th

MUSIC FESTIVAL 2010

We are planning a music festival for the first weekend in August 2010. The programme is provisional and ideas are welcomed. We hope to have a 'Battle of the local bands', a ceilidh with caller, various rock and other bands, a salsa/samba evening possibly with tuition earlier, and an afternoon of classical and classic music.

If you would like to comment on or be involved in the organisation of this event,

Cambourne Arts website:

www.cambournearts.org

CREATIVE WRITING GROUP

New members welcome for tea, chat and scribbles at Creative Writing sessions, all at 1.30 pm in the library, mostly on the first Monday of each month:

Monday 2 November: responses from minor characters.

Monday 7 December: Christmas (or other appropriate seasonal feast)

If you are interested in an evening Creative Writing group, contact Alan (01480 880442, suibgo@earthling.net).

PAINTING CLASS

Please get in touch if you'd like a place next term. If there is enough interest we may be able to start another beginners' class.

Reductions for people on benefits.

Ring Fran on 710858

Anderson Telegraph!! News from Monkfield Park Primary School



We have had a very good start to the year already, and it's only October!

Following on from our 10 year celebration, disability awareness day was held on the 25th September. It provided a real opportunity for all of us in the school to consider what a disability is and different ways that people live and excel with physical and mental impairment. Rebecca Gilbertson from Living Sport came in to tell us about her achievements in disability sport such as the Paralympics. We were all inspired by her story. One year 5 said that she learnt that 'even people who are disabled can break a record'. As well as this, we learnt some sign language and are now keen to show this off to everyone! Key stage one spent some time hearing about and stroking a guide dog for the deaf. Key stage 2 found out about Dogs for the Disabled and Guide Dogs for the Blind, including how puppies are trained into such capable dogs. The whole day was a great experience. One year 6 commented that they learnt that 'disable people can achieve big things' and a year 4 said they learnt that people with a disability can still do what people with no disability can do, but in different ways.'

Book Week has been from 5th to the 9th of October. It is great to have this opportunity to enjoy and celebrate reading. This year's book week was focused on words and pictures. In year 5 we have learnt that picture books can explore some big themes and have been challenged and amused by various authors including Anthony Browne and John Burningham.

In year 5 we have been learning about the Victorians, and especially about Victorian children. On the 22nd October we will be transporting the classrooms and pupils back in time, into a Victorian school. This will help us to learn about what it really would have been like to have been at school then.

Although Christmas may seem a long way off - and we don't want any snow yet! - we have already been thinking about getting into the festive spirit. We have designed our own Christmas cards and these are going to be professionally produced very soon. We're bursting to see how good they look when they are finished. You may even receive one yourself when Christmas comes!

We are also looking forward to making bread next half term. We hope we don't burn it and that we can bring some home in one piece for us to taste - and not just crumbs for the birds to eat!

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

We look forward to hearing from you.

From Year 5 (classes 3 and 4)

Saturday 5 December
1.00pm and 5.00pm
In the Hub, Great Cambourne



Tickets - £6 for adults, £4 for children
Or Family Ticket £16.00 (for 4)
(Under 2's free on lap)

Come and support Monkfield Park and The
Vine Primary Schools and Cambourne Pre-
school

For tickets call Debbie on 01954 714993 or
Karen 01954 710655



CHRISTMAS FAYRE
at

The Vine Inter-Church Primary School
Friday 13th November 7.30pm

Free Entry

Presents for all
Jewellery, Handmade cards, CAKES,
Cards, Wrapping paper, Books, Toys,
Handmade gifts and more.....

Come for a Browse and a drink

For more information contact

Anna Simpson 07968 069 962
Linda Morgan 07941 108 154



The Vine

Architect Workshops

On Thursday 24th September architect Workshops were held at The Vine Inter church Primary School. Year 5 and 6 rose to the challenge of working in teams to build a shelter. The children returned from the Summer holidays to discover that they had been "Shipwrecked" and all half term the children's learning has been linked to that theme. The latest problem to solve was "Where will you live on your island?" The children made some fantastic shelters and learnt how to solve problems in a team and how to build a strong structure.

The architect workshop

On Thursday 24th September a man and a lady called Martin and Katie came from the architect workshop to teach us how to make shelters. They brought some large, medium, and small sticks with them and some elastic bands. First of all we made tripods with 6 sticks and some people were struggling with the elastic bands but it was still fun. Next we got into groups of 4s and 5s. They gave us 4 different climates to choose from and we had to make our shelter suitable for those climates. The climates were arctic, desert, jungle and ocean. One group chose arctic, two groups chose desert, most of the groups chose jungle and one group chose oceans. Martin gave us 9 large sticks that were really high and 12 medium sticks to build a shelter and all of us had to fit in the shelter. The best shelter got a prize and it was made by Chloe Lawrence, Alexander Lewis, Jack Collins and James Gibson. The prize was a triangular based pyramid.

Alexander Lewis in year 6 said "it was a very interesting experience because we could build any design you wanted"

By Nikhitha, Chloe F and Chloe L.

The Architect Workshop Came To the Vine

On the 24th of September 2009 the Architect Workshop came to the vine. First we went in a learned how to create a tetrahedron out of sticks and rubber bands. The sticks were about as big as our heads. After we had discussed the stability of different shapes, we formed groups of four and joined our mini tetrahedrons to make a new, larger tetrahedron. Martin (from Architect Workshops) picked one group of four to come out and demonstrate how to make a new, interesting shape. The group picked up three long sticks and one extra mini tetrahedron. One person from the group held each end of the three sticks and the remaining three people bent the sticks open while keeping the ends of the sticks attached and placed the mini tetrahedron inside the cage like structure created by the three sticks. It looked a bit like a small boat. Later we decided on four different environments in which to build our shelters, they were: - arctic, ocean, desert and jungle. Each group chose one of these environments to build their shelter in. We then went out to break and thought about our ideas for adapting our shelters for the set environment. I thought of adding windows to cool the shelter down in the day and keep it warm at night. As soon as we got back in we collected some long, short & medium sticks and got building! We all started from the bottom shape going up to the roof, and we had to measure to see if we would fit in it. Some groups made pyramids, some made tent-like structures and some bent the sticks and made a curved shelter. The strongest structures were those built with triangles Xander

Yr 5/6 Architect Workshop

On Thursday 24th September at "The Vine Inter-church Primary School" an architect workshop came to the school to teach the pupils how to build a strong structure out of wooden sticks and rubber bands. They showed the pupils how to make a tri-pod. The pupils also made a tetra-pod and a tetrahedron.

The pupils had to get into groups of 5 or 4 and make life-size dens to fit an environment such as the Antarctic, a rainforest, a desert or an ocean. There were ten structures in total made by the pupils. Many of the structures broke when one of the instructors shook them but the ones that were really strong and built well didn't. The secret for a strong structure is use triangles! The structures that were built using lots of squares were the ones that broke! Pupil Tom Upton was interviewed; he said "Most of the structures that had triangles in them were more stable."

Jacob Myers said "It was really hard building them but it was great fun at the same time! Luckily my one stayed up!!"

The sticks that the pupils used were 7 feet tall!

This is Tom U, Jacob M and Jake D'E reporting for the Camborne Crier

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 email: office@thevine.cambs.sch.uk

COMBERTON VILLAGE COLLEGE: A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Plans for our fiftieth anniversary celebrations are being confirmed. We are now hoping to hold a fiftieth anniversary festival in March 2010. This will include the re-union events on 5 and 6 March but will also include a range of arts events including a school musical and a community musical. We hope to produce a programme of this festival in the near future to be available for everyone to be clear of the various events that will be taking place during this month. We will make that available as soon as possible and hope that various of the events will be of interest to the local community.

On thing that we anticipate taking place throughout the festival month will be an exhibition celebrating the fifty years of the college's history. We hope that this will be of interest to anyone associated with the college during its history. Clearly, we need to gather as many items of interest as we can in order to make the exhibition as stimulating as possible. With this in mind, we would be delighted if any readers with any previous connection with the college who have items that might be relevant to the exhibition could offer these for the exhibition. This would be on a temporary basis for the duration of the exhibition and we would look after any items carefully and then return them. If anyone has any such item, we would be delighted if you could contact the college and leave a message with Mrs Pat Gifford who is overseeing the administration of the festival month. Mrs Gifford can be contacted through the general school telephone number, 01223 262503, or the general email address, thecollege@comberton.cambs.sch.uk.

Thinking about musicals, I am delighted to be able to confirm that the first ever musical in the college's history to be written, produced and performed exclusively by pupils will be having its world premiere later in November. 'Mancer the Musical' traces the life of a pupil at the school and turns it into an entertaining musical production. Ed Zanders, a Year 11 pupil, has done much to oversee the project, including gaining a significant grant from John Lewis to allow it to happen. It is really good to see this taking place. We always state that we want Comberton pupils to be 'Capable, Caring and Confident'. This project absolutely seems to be that in action. Every best wish to all those pupils involved.

Stephen Munday

Baby & Me

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



6 th November	-	Baby Bumpkin Taster session.
13 th November	-	Mini – IQ Shopping.
20 th November	-	Pheonix Cards & Usbourne Books.
27 th November	-	Glazed & Amused
	-	Personalised Christmas gifts.
4 th December	-	Play & Chat.
11 th December	-	Play & Chat.
18 th December	-	Christmas Party.

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

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!



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November 6th – Bonfire Pictures

November 13th – Poppy making

November 20th – Colouring crafts

November 27th – Playdough

December 4th – Christmas Cards making

December 11th – Pine cone decoration making

December 18th – Christmas party

For more information please contact:

Julia Callum 01954 710215 or Sian Mole 01954 710471

Monkfield Park Care & Learning Centre

We have celebrated Diwali, the Festival of Light, with the children cooking Indian foods during the week and tasting them during the party on Friday. The children are currently working hard on their Christmas production "The Innkeeper's Breakfast", which will be performed on Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th December. We are hoping that Father Christmas will be able to find time in his busy schedule to fit in a visit to the pre-school and see the children.

The pre-school will close for the Christmas holiday on Friday 18th December 2009 and re-open on Tuesday 5th January 2010. 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. The Christmas Holiday Club will be open on Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd December 2009 and Monday 4th January 2010.

We offer a range of activities including cooking, messy play, arts and crafts, ICT and music, stories, songs and rhymes. Outdoor activities such as play with nature, games and gardening are also offered.

If you would like further details please contact the Centre on 01954 273301 or by email

jferris@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk Juliet Ferris

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mburling@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk Marian

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



HAVE YOUR SAY !

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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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

We would like you to make your readers aware that we will soon be closing the footpath Kemann Lane, Crowhill Lane which links to School Lane,

We have to do this for safety reasons during our construction works, once we have finished in that area we will re open it,

We apologise in advance for any disruption that this may cause, but would remind people that this is only a permissive footpath and that is not a permanent right of way.

Bob Frear, Senior Site Manager, Twigden Homes, Midsummer, Cambourne

Dear Editor

I am writing in response to the letter to Cllr Wilson in page 8 of last month's issue.

I find it remarkable how so called liberal minded people always manage to appear over issues like this proposed travellers site. As my first priority is fatherhood and could not practically extend to the valuable work of helping survivors of Rwandan Genocide, you will forgive me and many other fathers like me, for not sharing his view.

I have previously grown up and lived in the same proximity as travellers. Contrary to fuelling the claims of bigoted gossip, I can confirm in my experience, travellers' do place an additional burden on local resources, because many choose not to integrate by preferring an alternative life style that encourages lawless acts that optimise the use of children.

It is unfortunate that he feels it necessary to refer to the Nazi regime to make his point, as clearly no one is debating the elimination of travellers'. Has he ever stopped to consider that Councillor Wilson had carefully considered that letter, as being in tune with local sentiment and that his own response was inflammatory, with a disregard for his responsibilities as a good citizen. After all surely it is a politician's job to serve and fulfil the wishes of the community to the best of their ability, not create some kind of unbiased debate to fuel an unnecessary argument.

As a son of a lawyer perhaps this gentleman would prefer to contemplate a more practical issue and ask his father how these travellers' can be integrated into Cambourne when all the existing residents of Cambourne have signed a deed agreeing to no commercial vehicles or caravans.

Name and Address Supplied.

Please be Aware....

One afternoon very recently, I noticed a van driving very slowly around Woodfield Lane at around 1.30pm. It stopped outside our shared driveway and I assumed it was a delivery for my neighbour. I mentioned it to my husband who was having a break from painting our front door, he immediately went out to check as our garage door was open. Two males had taken something from our neighbours carport and after confronting them my husband managed to retrieve the item back from the back of their van.

The police were called and descriptions given along with the vehicle registration number. We had an excellent response from the police who came and took written statements from us and our neighbour. As result of the information we gave and the quick response by the police these "gentlemen" who do not live in Cambourne were traced and interviewed. It turns out they had been delivering leaflets, noticed my neighbours property, which was at the back of their carport, assumed it had been put out for disposal, and helped themselves.

My husband noticed there were definitely other items in the back of the van so they had probably be doing the same elsewhere in Cambourne, so please be aware.

Name and Address Supplied



Wildlife Review November 2009

I love watching all the changing colours at this time of year. The bright yellow of the field maples, the rich orange of the oaks and the bright red berries of hawthorn and rose. The wildlife has been taking advantage of all the wild fruits and berries, stocking up for winter or before flying off to warmer climates. We get many visitors over here from Northern Europe, fieldfare, redwing and waxwing to feast on our hawthorn and escape the even colder climate on the mainland. Let me know when you see them arriving.



Fieldfare eating hawthorn berries

Thinking about Christmas?



I know it's a little early, but I wanted to remind you of some alternative gifts you might like to offer your nearest and dearest that will help the wildlife in your area. Here are a few ideas:

www.vinehousefarm.co.uk - Why not help your family and friends enjoy the birds in their gardens with a gift from Trust partner Vine House Farm. They donate 5% of all purchases to The Wildlife Trusts. We use their seeds here in the Manor House wildlife garden.

Adopt a Species - By giving a gift adoption of one of our local threatened native species, you will be helping the Trust to protect and improve the wild places they need to survive. You can choose a species to support from a range including dormice, bats and barn owls. Find out more at www.wildlifebcnp.org/supportus-adopt.htm

Gift membership - By giving a gift of membership of the Wildlife Trust to an adult, a child or even a whole family, you will open up a world of fascination with wildlife that could last a lifetime. With colourful magazines, activities and events, plus 129 nature reserves to visit, there's something for everyone to discover and enjoy about the natural world around them, and plenty to get involved with all year round. Just call us on 01954 713543 or visit www.wildlifebcnp.org/supportus-giftmembership.htm



Send a charity card - This year save paper and stamps and instead send Wildlife Trust virtual Christmas cards to show your family and friends that you are thinking about them and the environment too. Each virtual card you send raises £1 for local wildlife. To choose and send your cards, visit www.charitygreetings.com/wildlifetrustbcnp.

Access Update

We have put together a fundraising plan to make access improvements to some of the green spaces. I hope we will be able to apply to WREN in their next round of applications for a grant. Local businesses and fundraising events, such as the 10k run next April, will also contribute. This work will include resurfacing key paths, installing more benches and producing some leaflets and audio guides for walks around Cambourne.

Events

Hopefully by the time this goes out the first meeting of the Cambourne Wildlife Trust Local Group will have taken place and a programme of talks and events started, so keep an eye out for posters and on the Trust's website www.wildlifebcnp.org/events. If you would like to join or have suggestions of talks or walks you think would be interesting then please get in touch.

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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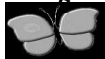
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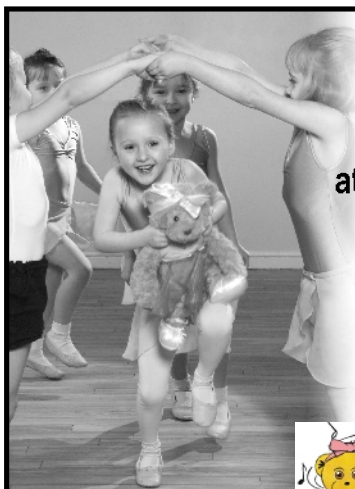
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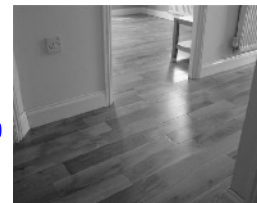
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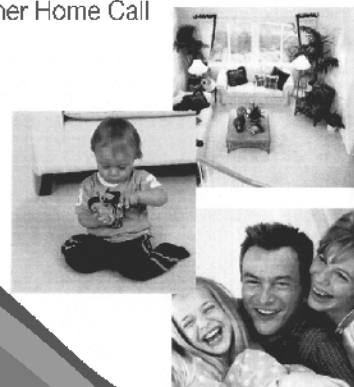
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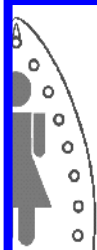
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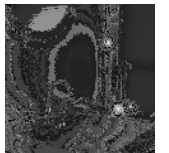
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SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER :

Myself and Katy (Key Worker in the room for 1to 2 year olds) took part in the 'Make a Difference Family Learning Workshop' at the Vine School. The Workshop focused on making links between school and work and we were asked to provide a short activity. We made 3D Sunflowers with the children who were aged from 4 years old, upwards, and we both really enjoyed talking to the children and their parents about our job roles. The children were so enthusiastic and well behaved - a credit to the school.

DIARY DATES

PRE-SCHOOL DATES (Government Funded Sessions) - APOLOGY - LAST MONTHS DATES WERE INCORRECT - THE CORRECT DATES ARE -

*Autumn Term ends Friday 18th Dec.

* Half - Term is from Mon 26th to Friday 30th October.

Wed 28 Oct - The Nursery is closed from 1pm for Staff Training.

Christmas Closure: The Nursery is closed on Christmas Eve from 1pm, and all day Christmas Day, Monday 28th December, and New Years Day.

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BRACE DEAN ALLOTMENTS

The Brace Dean allotments as you read this should have been transferred to the Parish Council with the first plots being transferred to residents on the waiting list. There will be additional plots available for residents who are interested in having an allotment to grow their own produce. If you are interested in an allotment please contact Christy Williams at the Parish Office or e-mail Christy.williams@Cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk

PARISH COUNCIL BUDGETS

The Parish Council is currently preparing the budget for next year this is always a Challenging time. It would help if there is anything you feel the Parish Council can do to improve services that are provided for the residents of Cambourne. The Parish Council will look carefully at all suggestions, but cannot guarantee to pursue all suggestions as it may not have the powers or resources to do so. It will however look at them seriously and if appropriate pass them on to the relevant body for action. If you have any suggestions Please contact the Parish Clerk John Vickery.

Date	Time	Meeting
17 th Nov	7.30pm	Planning Committee. Finance and Policy Committee
1 st Dec	7.30pm	Planning Committee. Council

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

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 CB236GW.

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Hairy Potter The Garden Wizard

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



NOVEMBER

Remember, remember the weather in November – rain, fog and frost are your lot! However, despite the fact that this is one of our wettest months of the year the last of the autumn leaves and berries are still hanging on in there. The theme for November is very much the same as last month. Tidy up and dig! There are of course some other jobs to be getting on with.

Top 10 jobs

1. Clear up fallen leaves
2. Plant conifers
3. Dress heavy soil with lime
4. Plant tulip bulbs (as soon as possible!)
5. Prune your roses
6. Plant out winter bedding
7. Insulate the greenhouse to protect from frost
8. Stop feeding pond fish
9. Put out food to encourage birds into the garden
10. Take hardwood cuttings

In such economic times it is always good to save a few pounds. Many woody plants such as roses, trees and shrubs can be purchased bare rooted for planting out now. You not only have to dig less of a hole but they are cheaper too. Always prepare the soil well and if planting out roses mix in some bone-meal or peat to the surrounding soil.

In the Vegetable garden

Finish weeding your vegetable areas, put on plenty of manure and dig over for the weather to do the work. Hardy perennial seedlings can be planted out and remember to cover brassicas with netting (pigeons are a problem as they start getting hungry). Prune established fruit trees and bushes. After the first frost pick some Brussels and dig a parsnip or two for a fantastic Sunday lunch.

As the frosts take hold now is the time to pick sloes from the hedgerow. Best wait a few days though (just to give me a chance of getting there before you!).

At least here's one good thing about winter weather. When the snow falls, it makes your lawn look just as good as your neighbour's!

See you in December fellow potters.

Stepping Stones Project

Cambourne is ten years old, but the first residents moved in 2800 years ago.

This summer, more recent residents have learned about the history of the area, the wildlife, and how the modern settlement came into being. They also discovered about each other and what they brought with them to their new homes.

Cambourne All-In ran a series of discovery sessions for the pupils of Monkfield Park and the Vine schools, and for the general public. All residents could suggest ideas for the surface decoration of ten hexagonal stepping stones. You rose to the occasion, supplying over 1000 images, as well as text and oral history.

Robyn Llewellyn, Head of Heritage Lottery Fund East of England said:

'Stepping Stones is an excellent project that will connect a new community to the social and natural heritage of the area, celebrate it and open it up to the widest possible audience.'

Two professional artists (sculptor Andrew Tanser and children's author / illustrator Anna Nilsen) are currently mashing the ideas together to produce the designs for the stones, which will be grit-blasted and installed on the footpath between Great Cambourne cricket field and Jeavons Wood School.

Everyone will be welcome to the Grand Public Unveiling on Saturday 5th December, 12-2pm. We hope the celebrations will commence with a parade from the Bloco, singing from at least three choirs, with food and mulled wine or soft drinks. Admission free.

More details, including notes from the discovery sessions and all the ideas from the residents, at: www.cambourneallin.org (follow the link to "Stepping Stones").

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So after all the summer madness, you may be relieved to hear you can savour the relative comfort of The Junction or the Corn Exchange in Cambridge, or a smaller pub venue and may even be lucky enough to see the whites of the lead singers' eyes.

I recall going to see the extraordinarily talented guitarist Joe Bonamassa at the Junction a couple of years ago when he was on his way to fame in the UK. Although the acoustics weren't fantastic, the atmosphere was electric because it was clear in Joe there was a star on the rise and gig goers could smugly content themselves in the knowledge that they had managed to see him play to a packed, but modest audience. Joe plays the Royal Albert Hall these days. Another firm favourite is New Model Army. They like to play the Junction at this time of year and you can be certain to be treated to a mix of old classics and new hits from this rock band with a hint of punk.



So, if you want to capture some of the nostalgia, or perhaps you're lucky to be beginning your gigging life, then here are a few classic ideas for nights out in Cambridge. You never know, you may just witness something a bit special!

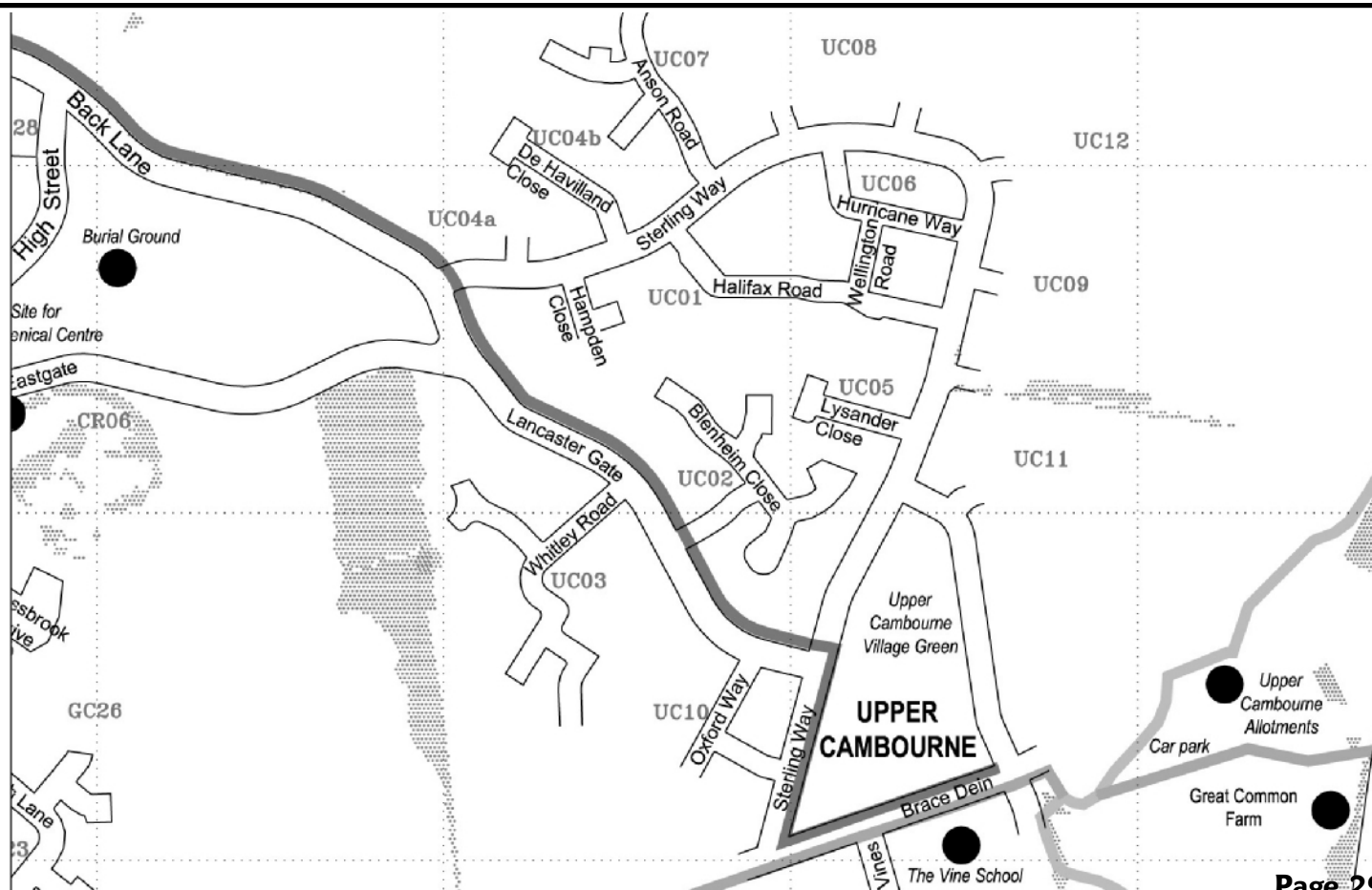
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- **Status Quo – 25th November.** No introduction required, well maybe just three chords...
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The Junction

- **Alabama 3 – 4th November.** Rock, dance, blues, country, and gospel influenced entertainment guaranteed
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Cambourne Carers for Kids with Additional Needs

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We have around 8 'regulars' with children with various additional needs.

If you are a parent or carer of a child with additional needs, you are very welcome to join us.

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Helen Stratford is an artist and an architect. Since March this year she has been spending time with people who produce and maintain Cambourne's open spaces. The outcome is an audio walk and book 'Mechanical Operations in Cambourne.'

On the 12th November Helen will talk about her experiences meeting local residents, young people, parish groundsmen, roadsweepers, lightscouts, planners and people working on their allotments. Come along to hear about the hidden and overlooked activities that make Cambourne into the place you know everyday.

During the evening there will be an opportunity to buy the book at a special reduced rate and selected drawings will be on display in the library foyer's exhibition spaces. Helen's research is part of the Communities under Construction residency programme at nearby Wysing Arts Centre, funded by the Paul Hamlyn Foundation.

Christmas Market

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The NHS provides significant funds to run a hospital like Addenbrooke's and PICU is just one of the many departments competing for these. For PICU to maintain its reputation as a centre of excellence and remain at the forefront of technological development, we need to support our services and facilities, which these children deserve. Therefore, charitable donations remain vitally important. Contributions so far have enabled us to:

- Have state of the art ventilation equipment
- Have new and additional equipment when transferring sick children from regional hospitals
- Fund staff development to maintain a highly skilled, knowledgeable and motivated team

The staff at the PICU would like to say a huge thank you to the CSPICU Committee for all their hard work raising so much money. A new "care trolley" will be purchased and will benefit many seriously ill children.

Sarah O'Driscoll (Sister at the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit)

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

My daughter Holly was very sick with influenza last Christmas and spent a week in the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) at Addenbrooke's Hospital. It was touch and go for a while, but thanks to the amazing work of the Unit, Holly made a full recovery (and can now be seen running around Cambourne at top speed!). It was the professionalism and kindness of the staff, which helped us through this very difficult time. We also had use of a counselling service and a place to stay in Acorn House (so we could a few minutes away from Holly's bedside during the night and we had a place where our other little girl could come and visit us). When you have a seriously ill child, sometimes the little things can make a difference to you: for example, the Unit provided brightly coloured children's bedding which made Holly's room seem more homely. Many of these additional services rely on donations but make a huge difference to the sick child and their families.

In addition, the Unit currently needs to replace the trolleys, which are at constant use at patient's bedsides, but at the moment the NHS cannot fund this. I asked several of my very good friends from Cambourne to help and we set up the CSPICU fundraising group (A huge thanks to Claire, Helen, Kieran, Sarah P, Sarah O and Tanny), with the goal of raising £1500 to buy one new trolley.

The CSPICU held an 80s disco on 10th October at the Hub. A great night was had by all, and a massive £500 was raised. With the profit from a previous car boot sale, and generous donations from Amgen in Cambridge and the Careers and Tots Group, we now have enough to buy a trolley. I think this achievement shows what a great community there is here in Cambourne, with many friends, neighbours and businesses donating cash and prizes and buying raffle tickets to help our cause.

A big thank you to the following for providing the raffle and quiz prizes: Andersons Hairdressers, Audi Bedford, Belfry Spa Cambourne, Blue Moon, Cambridge Building Society, Cambourne Dry Cleaners, C & M Hair and Beauty, Fish n Chick'n, Jazzercise, Morrisons, Monkfield Arms, , Source Coffee Shop, Whale of a Time, and personal donations from Mr and Mrs Stevenson, Mr Cooke, Mrs Tooke and Mrs Taylor. Thanks also to Phoenix Parties for the fantastic helium balloons and Kevin Taylor for the very popular 80s quiz.

If anyone would like to make a donation to the PICU, please contact Sarah Stevenson (07887 592 904).

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CAMBOURNE WI

October meeting

We had a very interesting evening listening to Margaret Haynes and her tales about “Haunted Ely”. She is a blue badge guide and takes groups on ghost tours. One of the ghosts she told us about was Oliver Cromwell who often puts in an appearance in the bedroom of his old house. The ghostly sounds of children can be heard there too, not to mention the blue lady downstairs. Another, the former sexton Johnston Smith who indulged in a spot of body-snatching, has also been seen creeping through the graveyard with his spade. Some don't limit themselves to Ely as the Great Black Dog of the Saxons with his single gleaming orange eye has been seen roaming over Cambridgeshire and Norfolk. Hope no-one walked home alone!

Book Club

The Book Club meet every so often on a Monday evening in the pub. They are currently reading “The American Boy” about Edgar Allen Poe as a child. Non-members are welcome to come along. Details from Ruth on 718989.

Theatre outings

Quite a number of outings are planned to matinees at the Cambridge Arts theatre. Details are available from Penny on 200126. She will put you in touch with anyone who is interested in going to a particular performance.

Walking group

Next walk will be on 27th November. Details from Fran on 710858.

Darts team

Now that the Pub has a darts board, we're hoping to set up a team and anyone interested should contact Fran on 710858. You don't need to be able to play to join in.

November meeting

Margaret Langley will be coming to talk about “Superstitions” at 7.30pm in the Hub on Thursday 12th November. This sounds as though it will be a good follow-on from the last meeting. The talk will be followed by the usual refreshments and a chance to socialize. Do come along and join us.

Contact: Fran Panrucker : 01954 710858

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All members are reminded that we will be meeting on
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Cardio Tennis Every Saturday – Get Fit For Tennis!

Sebastien is also running a Cardio Tennis Session on a Saturday from 5-6pm at MUGA, Back Lane, Cambourne. Cardio Tennis is a combination of aerobics and tennis, lasting for 40 minutes. Improve your game and stamina in one go. This is a great way to improve your fitness, instead of going to the gym!

Cambourne's Tennis Teams in Cambridgeshire LTA Winter Leagues

LTA Winter League matches have begun in October. Our Mixed team have begun with one walk over win and one lost to Fulbourn 7 sets to 1. Men's 2 have begun with two losses to Histon and Buckden. Updates on Men's 1 and Ladies 1 to follow.

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Cambourne Exiles RFC

On Saturday October 10th, Cambourne Rugby Club hosted our first Sponsors Day to unveil the new club match shirts and to thank our sponsors for their support. We thank Duncan and the Monkfield Arms for hosting a pre-match breakfast for friends and players and for their generous support as shirt sponsors. We also welcome Elms Cambridge BMW to the club as shirt sponsor and look forward to a long and fruitful relationship with the area's authorised BMW dealers. Also in attendance were Keith & Maggie from KCars, and Simon from RisingHighDiscotheque. The club express grateful thanks for their continuing support and friendship.

After the hearty start to the day in the pub, everyone reconvened later out on the pitch for a Greene King X.X. Deuxieme Merit Table game against Shelford 5th XV. As well as donning the shiny new match shirts, Cambourne took to the field sporting pink socks to support player Mark Kathro in his bid to raise funds for Cancer Research by running 10km around Jesus Green on 18th October. Was it the breakfast, was it the new match shirts, or was it the pink stockings? Who knows, but Cambourne were runaway winners, notching up a club record 110:0 victory over an albeit depleted Shelford side. Yes, that is correct - one hundred and ten : nil! Yes, that is correct – victory! What a scoreline for the first win of the 09-10 season. During November, the Exiles have

home matches on 07.11.09 against Cantabrigians 3rd XV and on 28.11.09 against Newmarket 3rd XVm both kicking off at 2:30pm. All are welcome to come along to watch the game and join us for a pint in the Monkfield Arms afterwards. The Exiles always welcome new players and members. If you'd like to get involved in Rugby Union, then get in touch. Training sessions run from 7-9pm every Wednesday, on the Rugby pitch near the MUGA. For more information about Cambourne Exiles Rugby Football Club, contact the Club Secretary Neil Ingham on 07956 410309, email info@cambourneexiles.com, or find us on the internet at www.cambourneexiles.com.

New Sponsors & New Shirts for Cambourne Exiles Rugby Club



The month of October was, for many, the start of the official pike season. A great number of pike anglers around the country will have waited months for this time of year to come, having had no desire at all to pike fish during the summer months. Personally, I enjoy fishing the summer months, particularly with surface lures, but I must add that great care must be taken when catching these summer fish.

Recently, more pike came my way during a short session after work one evening at Milton Country Park. Both fish again fell to my good old reliable surface lure, the biggest of the two weighed in at 12lb 2ozs. I am afraid there is no photo this time as I did not want to keep the fish out of the water for too long.

Anyway, a couple of days later I was out there again and this time I managed to bank another 4 pike. Three of the 4 pike were relatively small, but the fourth weighed around 10lb. I always prefer to get the fish back as soon as possible, so an estimated guess on this occasion was more appropriate, unless of course the fish had been of a specimen size.

At the third time of asking this particular fish was safely in my grasp. My first encounter with it came when I was using a Fox Pro Shad "Perch pattern". The pike struck only yards out from the bank, and in a short time of being hooked threw my lure. After repeatedly casting over the same area I decided to give it a break. I gave it 10 minutes, then tried again. This time though I chose to use the same lure but a different pattern instead. With my second cast, "WHALLOP" she was hooked once more, but again this only lasted a matter of seconds as she threw my lure.

Then, with the very next cast, the same fish came back for a third time. On this occasion, it was to be third time lucky for me, so it goes to show that perseverance is often the key!

More recently, the Lake District was to be the scenic holiday home for me and my family for a week in September. By reading many books, I knew that the following Waters held some really big fish: Grasmere; Esthwaite; Ullswater; and of course Lake Windermere. Unfortunately, on this occasion, I did not have enough time to try the big waters, but hope to return in the not so distant future. I did get to fish a couple of smaller venues including Rydal Water and Loughrigg Tarn. For those of you wondering what a Tarn is, it is another name for a mountain lake or pool. This is more commonly heard of in the North of England, deriving from the influences and language of the Norse invaders all those years ago...

In total a maximum of three hours was fished at Rydal. The first fish I hooked, I lost. But then I did manage to finally catch my first South Lakeland pike, this fish was caught with a brass coloured spoon and weighed around 6lb. My second choice of venue was Loughrigg Tarn which also holds some reasonably-sized pike, but I only had around a couple of hours in which to fish it, and was unsuccessful this time around.

Well, having enjoyed my short stint on holiday, I still had one more opportunity to fish before having to return to work. So, an early morning start of 6am saw me venture out to one of my favorite venues. This was also to be my first dead baiting session of the season. After setting up my first dead bait rod with a float fished Mackerel, I then began to concentrate on my second. This was fished with a juicy 8" Smelt which was then attached to a dead bait pencil float.

I began to tighten up the slack line to cock my float, when a big old pike came crashing out of the shallows and clamped its jaws around my float. Yes, it really did take my float! The fish then took off, taking at least 30 yards of my braid with it, but then the pike finally realised it had a piece of wood in its mouth, then let go. It was not until sometime later that I had a more conventional take, and my float fished Mackerel was finally picked up. After a good five minute battle, my first dead bait fish of the season was beaten and in the net. She weighed in at 16lb 1ozs, a great start to my winter pike fishing. After a couple of days, I was back for another try. This time the fishing was as slow as the previous session, but just as I was packing up, my float fished Skimmer Bream dead bait was taken. This resulted in another fine looking fish of 14lb 5ozs. Hopefully, before long, I might just bump into one of the lakes real big 'uns!

Until next time, good fishing and take care, Stu

GIRLS ON TOUR!

Cambourne Netball Club had a fantastic weekend at the SCI Sports tournament in Great Yarmouth. A full weekend of Netball and fun was had by all and the team worked hard. Looking forward to the next one!

Coming up in November.....

Lisa Fleming external coach - not to be missed!

Friendly against Cherry Hinton

Club Training Nights every Thursday 7.30pm - 9.00pm at the MUGA, Back Lane, Great Cambourne.

We are always on the look out for new players of all levels. So if you haven't played in years, would like to take up a new sport, or would just like some more information about the club then please contact Isobelle on 01954 715062 or e-mail info@cambourne-netball.co.uk. Equally you could just turn up on a Thursday night and come and join in the fun.

We would also like to say a big thank you to Morrisons for their sponsorship!



CAMBOURNE SPORTS

Cambourne Football Club



Cambourne Football Club.

Cambourne Football Club Under 15's have continued their excellent start to the season. They had a very tough league game at home against Chesterton Villa but came out on top with a 1-0 victory. The next game was away against a good Milton side, however with 6 players unavailable the U15s had a weakened team and ended up losing 0-4.

This defeat fired the lads up for the Knock Out Cup game against Eaton Socon at home, the U15s turned on the style and romped to victory with a final scoreline of 16-0. Man of the Match Callum Peat scored 5 and there were hattricks for Chris Racher, Hope Harrison and Ben Whitbread and Charlie Wetton-Smith and Connor Edmonds chipped in with one each.

The U15s now have four away games coming up against Hundon Hawks, Burwell Tigers and Alconbury Colts in the League and Bottisham in the next round of the Cup.



Cambourne U8A and B teams have played four competitive matches this season, with all players displaying amazing signs of progress in every match.

There is a fantastic team spirit both on and off the pitch, and we are extremely proud of the parent support we receive both at training and on match days.

The players (and parents) have been able to make new friends as the teams are made up from pupils of each of the three primary schools in Cambourne.

Cambourne U8's have also welcomed onboard Ben Whitbread who will be assisting the U8 coaches for 3 months as part of his Duke of Edinburgh awards scheme. If the rest of the season continues as it has started, then the U8 teams certainly have a lot to look forward to.

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New Training Session for Years 1 and 2

Cambourne Football Club is starting up a training session for younger children in years 1 and 2 (5 and 6 years old). This will be held at the MUGA on Saturday mornings from 9.00am to 10.00am. The first session will be held



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