

CAMBOURNE CRIER

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DISTRICT COUNCIL BY-ELECTION. 17th FEBRUARY.

We're off to the Polls again. Following the resignation of Cllr David Morgan, a by-election will be held to elect a new district councillor for the Bourn Ward (which includes Bourne, Cambourne, Caxton, Croxton and Eltisley). The Crier is pleased to print a short election statement from each of the three candidates standing.



GAVIN CLAYTON - THE LABOUR PARTY.

"Vote NO to Cuts. Vote YES to local resident who is on your side".

I asked a builder back in 1999 "where is the affordable housing?" to which he replied; "none of these houses are affordable!" His response stuck with me over the 11 years I have lived and raised a family here. Still living in the original plot of equity share housing I have watched with interest and involvement the growth of Cambourne.

I started the original summer festival here, recognising (as someone working for charities in health, disability & social care) that public events are important for growing communities. There are significantly more families on different incomes here now, but sadly, this is not often seen as a positive trend that meets the need expressed by that builder 11 years ago.

Cambourne's growth illustrates an ongoing population change within South Cambs. However, the council remains stubbornly unchanged. The Tory/LibDem government policy of nationalising private sector debt and getting ordinary people on modest incomes to bear the burden will impact at County and subsequently District level. You need a councillor who will understand and respond to the increased needs of residents as services are threatened.

I ask; "...does the council represent the changing population in Cambourne"? I don't think so. Vote for a more representative council chamber.

You need a councillor that understands your concerns and is on your side. I will stand up for your services and give you a voice – please vote Labour on 17 February.



NICK GLYNN - THE LIBERAL DEMOCRAT PARTY.

Hi, my name is Nick Glynn. I moved to Cambourne in April last year with my partner when we were expecting our first child. In that time we've grown to love Cambourne and know it as our home which is what prompted my interest in running for councillor. Cambourne has existed for over ten years now and yet still lacks a number of the features that families and young professionals have come to expect; such as proper schooling provisions, local businesses, a public transport plan that wasn't devised by a five year old and a sports centre with a pool!

I applaud the recent efforts of our residents in the broadband race but we have to ask why it's taking so long to bring much needed services and infrastructure to Cambourne and what else can be done.

I feel the council haven't been held to task and the current Conservative clique seem to be disinterested in doing so. Recently, a further 950 homes were given the green light without so much as a thought for the lack of adequate facilities nor the absolute failure in the drainage of Lower Cambourne – Our children deserve better, We deserve better.

Without wanting to sound clichéd, it is time for change, the type that can only come from someone who is travelling the same path and shares the same concerns.

I look forward to meeting many of you in the coming weeks and hope that together we can make a difference. Thank you.



CLAYTON HUDSON - THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY.

My motivation for standing is to ensure Cambourne and the wider Bourn Ward are well represented in South Cambridgeshire and the broader county. My main aim if elected to the District Council is to act in the interest of the residents of Cambourne and to ensure that local issues are clearly and effectively communicated and resolved in a timely manner.

I have lived in Cambourne since 2000. I campaigned on a number of local issues prior to joining Cambourne Parish Council in 2006, and became the current chairman in 2010. Recently I was one of the lead campaigners in the successful BT **"Race to Infinity Competition"**, securing an upgrade to the Caxton Exchange (by early 2012 - at the latest) and £5,000 of computer equipment for a local community project. I have also been instrumental in lobbying both the Parish and County council with regard to securing a crossing patrol for Monkfield Park Primary School.

What also concerns me, and other residents I have spoken to, is that the £471k that Cambourne residents contribute to Cambridgeshire Police doesn't represent value for money. I will continue to campaign to ensure these monies are more effectively used, and that residents have an accountable and more community focused constabulary.

I work as a telecommunications engineering consultant as well as managing a property portfolio in the region. In my spare time I am a member of the Royal Auxiliary Air Force Volunteer Reserve and have recently served in both Afghanistan and the Middle East.

Vote HUDSON on the 17th.

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Thinking of setting up your own community group in Cambourne? Want to revitalise your existing club or society? We may be able to help you. We can offer advice, put you in touch with relevant contacts, and even give financial aid. To find out more, please email us with the relevant details of your project and we'll take it from there.

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Cambourne Ladies International Club
Wednesday Coffee Mornings & Playgroup



10 am to Noon except school holidays
Meetings at the Hub

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Hi there! Hello, *Assalaamu alaykum*, Ni Hao, Bonjour, As-salam alaykum, Namaskar, Namaste, Namaskaram, Sat sri akal, Zdravstvuj, Bunã ziaua, Sawatdee Kaa, Guten Tag, Asalaam alaykum, Selamat siang, Hej, Ciao, Hallo, Hola, Néih hóu

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ANDREW LANSLEY MP HAILS 'EXCITING' SPORTS CENTRE PROJECT IN CAMBOURNE

South Cambridgeshire MP Andrew Lansley CBE has paved the way for building work to begin on Cambourne's brand new sports centre – and is looking ahead to the completion of the “exciting” and “highly valued” project. The Secretary of State for Health led the official ‘breaking ground’ ceremony at the sports centre development site in Back Lane, Cambourne, turning the first sod of earth to mark the beginning of construction.

The new sports centre is being provided by MCA Developments Ltd, a development consortium comprising leading housebuilders Taylor Wimpey and Bovis Homes, as part of its commitment to creating public facilities for the community alongside 4,250 new homes in the new Cambridgeshire settlement.

The facility will include indoor sports courts, a gym and dance studio plus a host of other facilities for the public to enjoy, and is expected to be completed by December 2011.

Mr Lansley said: “I was very pleased to have ‘broken ground’ on this exciting project. Cambourne is a very young community, where sport, exercise and dance are all very popular with many teams and groups. I know people in Cambourne are keenly looking forward to this and it will be highly valued.”

Mr Lansley was joined for this morning's ceremony by a number of local dignitaries, including South Cambridgeshire District Council chairman Cllr Charles Nightingale, Cambourne Parish Council leader Cllr Clayton Hudson and other councillors, who were welcomed by MCA Developments Project Director Neville Stebbing.

Mr Stebbing said: “Over 3,000 families have moved to Cambourne in the last 11 years and this community has an enthusiasm for sport and physical exercise, with numerous clubs, teams and other activities thriving here.

“This new sports centre will add considerably to that tradition of sporting prowess and this, in turn, will enhance the health and general wellbeing of the local community. Taylor Wimpey and Bovis Homes would like to thank South Cambridgeshire District and Cambourne Parish councils for their invaluable help in getting us to this stage.”

The new sports centre is being built on behalf of MCA Developments by respected Comberton-based construction firm RG Carter Cambridge Ltd, which began preliminary site-preparation work in November 2010 after being awarded the contract for the scheme. The two-storey facility will include a four-court sports hall for badminton, basketball, five-a-side football, indoor cricket, netball, gymnastics and martial arts. It will also comprise a fully equipped gym and dance studio, showers and changing facilities, plus a social area and juice bar, along with 144 car parking spaces and provision for up to 60 cycles outside.

The building will feature an environmentally friendly ventilation system with ‘wind catchers’ in the roof to expel stale air from inside and replace it with fresh air.

The sports centre is being built next to Cambourne's existing bowling green, outdoor multi-use games area and skate park, creating a wider sports complex for the community. An area of land is being reserved at the development site to enable the facilities to be extended should this be deemed economically viable in the future.

Photo: Andrew Lansley CBE MP breaks ground at the site of Cambourne's brand new sports centre.



Rubbish News for this month in Cambourne

You will receive a weekly collection each Thursday, alternating each week between your green and blue bin, and then your black bin. Your bins should be collected between 7am and 6-30pm.

Normal Collection Day - Thursday (Note - Bank holiday Monday weeks on Friday)

03/02/2011 : Green Bin and **Blue bin**

10/02/2011 : Black Bin

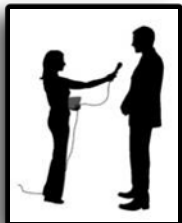
17/02/2011 : Green Bin and **Blue bin**

24/02/2011 : Black Bin

03/03/2011 : Green Bin and **Blue bin**

Call South Cambs DC waste and recycling service 03450 450 063 Monday to Saturday 8am - 8pm (except for bank holidays).





ROVING REPORTER

Phyllis Armstrong (a Year 11 Comberton Village College student) interviews Caroline Aldridge, Senior Librarian at Cambourne library, to review, in the light of possible cuts, the Library's valuable role in Cambourne.

Because of budget pressures, Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) has been considering a range of ideas to make savings of £2.2m (from its annual budget of £6m) to transform the library service within Cambridgeshire. Libraries can be seen as easy targets for cost cutting, but small libraries cost relatively little to run; they bring people together and are an important part of community life. The library is a valuable resource here in Cambourne, particularly because it is a fairly new development, and forms part of the essential infrastructure for the community. It offers information leaflets about local groups, societies, library events and maps to new residents. According to Caroline Aldridge, Library Supervisor at Cambourne library, it is vital for all communities to have a library that meets its needs. The Library provides people with important local information, books, CDs and DVDs for recreational and educational purposes and a place to meet others. The CCC produced a 'Library Services Review Questionnaire' for the general public to give feedback, which elicited more than 5600 responses. The results (which were not available at the time of the interview) are online at: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/news/libservicereview

The library offers multimedia items and reference and picture books for younger children. In a secure, child-friendly area with junior book displays, the library holds Rhyme Time and Story Time sessions with songs, stories, crafts, and rhymes for those under 5. For the same age group, it also offers the BookStart and BookCrawl scheme, which encourage children to get stuck into books – with the help of various incentives. It organises supplies of books for nurseries and pre-schools. Cambourne library participates in the national Reading Challenge, which is aimed at pre-school and primary school children. This year in Cambourne 215 children enrolled in the scheme, which helps encourage children to read more in the school holidays, gain confidence and as a result do better at school. Caroline Aldridge believes that: *"...from the staff's point of view, it is a real pleasure sharing their reading experiences."* Throughout the year there are regular primary school visits to familiarise young children with the library and a book club, Chatterbooks, for younger children.

For the students and young people in Cambourne, the library provides services such as one-hour daily free internet access; areas to revise; staff guidance; and access to subscription sites such as news and encyclopaedias for research. The library also has a reference section to help with schoolwork. There is a special "teen fiction" section with DVD films available for rental and a book group specifically for teenagers. Caroline Aldridge felt that this: *"...helps them to share ideas and recommend books to each other."* As part of the Duke of Edinburgh Award, students also have the opportunity to volunteer to assist in the library.

Cambridgeshire's larger libraries, including both St Ives and Huntingdon libraries incorporate Learning Centres where users can sign up for a variety of computer-based study packages including NVQs and those provided by Learndirect. Although there are no tutors for these courses at Cambourne Library students who have registered with Learndirect at one of the Learning centres can use the computers in their local library to continue their work online.

There are currently 9 book groups based in Cambourne who meet on a monthly basis – of which 3 meet in the library itself. For these groups, the Library orders books, gives advice on how to run sessions and on reading lists, provides forward notice of visits by authors and allows an 'extended loan period' on selected books. If someone wants to join these, the library will pass their details onto whichever book group has spaces. Caroline Aldridge emphasised: *"At Cambourne it is important for everyone to have equal access to library services."* Those who are visually impaired or have mobility issues can get free of charge items through the postal or doorstep service, for an extended loan period.

All library users can reserve and renew items online. A number of services are available as part of the Library online database, including newspapers, family history, company information, evening courses, details of clubs and organisations locally. In order to make Cambourne Library more accessible during the week from 9:00 am – 5:30 pm a 'Quick Pick' self-issue service with a selection of popular books CDs and DVDS operates. In addition, a coin-operated photocopier and internet access are available, together with health information.

Cambourne Library runs various events, such as talks by authors, computer courses, and art exhibitions. For the over 50's, the "Engage in the Afternoon" event with speakers talking on a variety of subjects is well attended; there are also regular free 'Computers for Beginners' courses. The Creative Writing Group and Art Drawing Class meet when the library is closed and other community groups are encouraged to meet there as well. Caroline Aldridge confirmed that the library *"hoped to include other groups that wish to use the library space"*. The Library is located in a "partnership building" with Cambourne Medical Centre, which means that it hosts a number of joint events including 'New Parents Group' and 'Baby Massage' sessions. Events are publicised in local community centres within the Cambourne area, other libraries and through the mailing list for book groups.

FULL DETAILS OF ALL THE GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES MENTIONED ABOVE ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE LIBRARY.

The library opening hours are

Mon: 3.30 – 7.30 • Tues: 9.00 – 2.00 • Weds: Closed all day • Thurs: 3.30 – 7.30 • Fri: 9.00 – 2.00 Sat: • 9.30 - 1.00

If you join the library you can use the computers free of charge for 1 hour per day as well as being able to borrow books, DVDs and CDs. When the library is closed you can still become a member, return your books in our drop box or ask a member of staff to issue books 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. Did you know that as well as Greetings Cards you can buy stamps at the library?

Book Start gifts. You can collect your book start pack from the library any time, just bring along your red health visitors book.

• **BOOK SIGNING:** Cambourne Library March 14th 4.30 – 6.30pm. Local author Sheila Wood (born in 1927) has just published her autobiography "So Much to Remember". Pop along and see her.

• **READING GROUP** – The library has a lunch time reading group Cambourne Lunch Bunch. New members always welcome. See library for details.

• **COMPUTER COURSE:** The library offers a free beginners computer courses for beginners. Please pop into the library for details if you are interested in putting your name down.

ENGAGE IN THE AFTERNOON - WED 2ND MARCH at 2.00 pm in the library.

National Trust talk by Veronica Bennett. "The Cambridgeshire Properties". All welcome. Just come along to the library.



The Cambourne Crier is dedicated to acting as a voice and a forum for all the residents of Cambourne (whether Great, Lower or Upper). We welcome letters and contributions from any Cambourne resident on any topic. We accept such contributions in good faith and trust that they are an accurate reflection of opinion and circumstance. If you wish to report on anything, or air an opinion on the letters page, then please email us. 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. Photos always welcomed.

The Small print - All contributions subject to editing. Opinions are those of the authors and do not necessarily represent those of the Cambourne Crier editors.

Well Done Neil!

The back page of the Crier last month featured Neil Perry, CEO of Romsey Mill preparing to sleep out in front of the church to help raise money and awareness of the charity's work. I am delighted to report that Neil more than doubled his target and succeeded in raising a total of £7500. It is good for Cambourne that Neil has committed Romsey Mill to work with our young people and young families. Romsey Mill supports young parents, provides a variety of opportunities for young people to grow in self confidence and skills and works with those who have faced a challenging start to life. Worth every penny of our support.

*Rev Peter Wood.
Cambourne Church*

Dear Editor

I have lived in Cambourne for around ten years and whilst I share the general sense of frustration with the developers for the slow pace at which they have delivered some of the promised amenities, I do feel that, in general, the village receives unduly negative comment.

I'm not privy to detailed information on these matters, but it appears to me that there is no village in the area with better amenities or more shops. I doubt that crime and anti-social behaviour are any more prevalent than in most places – certainly including Cambridge itself. It sometimes seems as if some of the original residents (and I was here almost from the beginning) thought they were moving to some sort of Beverly Hills in Cambridgeshire, populated by affluent people, with beautifully manicured gardens and parks, zero crime etc etc. Ten years on and guess what; there is the same mix of people, lifestyles and behaviour as almost everywhere else. It doesn't help, in terms of image and reputation, if we let people get away with unfairly characterising the village as some kind of "problem".

We also don't help ourselves if we over-react to every teething problem – we all knew that we were moving into a new community, which would obviously have its ups and downs whilst establishing itself. Certainly there have been mistakes – some of which cannot easily be undone. However, you only have to look through the Crier to see how much has already been achieved in terms of community activity, for example.

It's also encouraging to see an ongoing rise in economic activity – and whether you agree or disagree with the recent planning approval for more homes, there is no doubt that they will help to sustain, and perhaps even increase, the number of local shops and restaurants.

If we want Cambourne to be a success, I suggest we all do our bit to promote it. Speaking for my family, we greatly enjoy living here.

Name and Address Supplied

COMBERTON VILLAGE COLLEGE EVENTS

The countdown to Comberton Village College's annual musical extravaganza is on. Rehearsals are well under way for Audacious Productions' interpretation of Copacabana by Barry Manilow. In a collaboration between CVC's Dance and Music departments, the show is full of striking music and dazzling routines.

Tony is working as a pianist in a bar; he meets Lola who wants to make it in showbusiness. He is immediately smitten with the beautiful woman. At Manhattan's Copacabana lounge they both start finding fame. However, fate steps in and she is swept to

Havana to work in a splashy nightclub act where she is convinced she will find stardom. Instead she finds Rico, a suave gangster who manages the club.

This is a show not to be missed. It takes place on March 16-19 with tickets from £4.50-£8.50 available from mid-February through WisePay if you have a child at the college or from Cb3 reception. This is only one of the fantastic shows at your local arts venue this spring. See below for more details of what's on.

Date	Event	Doors Open	Price
Friday 18 th February	Custard Comedy	8.00pm	£8 adv / £10 Door
Saturday 19 th February	Comberton Youth Theatre's Love of a Nightingale	7.00pm	£5/£3
Friday 4 th March	Festival Players' Fantastical Musicals	7.00pm	£5/£3
Friday 11 th March	Custard Comedy	8.00pm	£8 adv / £10 Door
Wed 16 th March- Sat 19 th March	Copacabana	7.00pm	£4.50-£8.50
Wednesday 24 th March	Auction of Promises	7.15pm	More details on CVC website
Thurs 31 st March-Sun April 2	Bourn Players' The Wizard of Oz		For times and ticket info, please go to www.bournplayers.org.uk
Saturday 9 th April	Cambridgeshire Youth Orchestra		For more information, please visit www.cambridgeshiremusic.org
Friday 15 th April	Custard Comedy	8.00pm	£8 adv / £10 Door



Creative Learning at Jeavons Wood

School boring?

Never! At Jeavons Wood the children are having a fabulous time learning through creative topics that they have had input in choosing themselves. The Reception children started the year with a robot theme and, this week, decided to move on to a new, equally exciting topic - pirates! They've created pirate ships both inside and outside, have set sail using their telescopes to spot land and have even walked the plank. They've made treasure maps, searched for gold and used their counting skills to calculate how rich they've become. We've been very impressed with the pirate stories that the children have written and the messages that they have produced to send in bottles.

The Children in Year 1 and Year 2 chose 'castles' as the topic on which to base their work. Walk into any of the Y1/2 classrooms and you are met by knights,

dragons, princesses all busy learning. They've produced some wonderful writing based on the story of 'George and the Dragon', have used mixed media to create fabulous paintings of dragons and are now busy researching information about medieval Britain. If you walk into the Year 3 classroom, however, you will have a very different experience. Net curtains at the windows and a role-play area transformed into Granny's 'parlour' indicate that you are now in George's house (of 'George's Marvellous Medicine'). The children have invented their own magical medicines, produced recipes and written instructions on use - they've also made medicine bottles out of clay. School life was very different for Roald Dahl (the author of 'George's Marvellous Medicine') as a boy and the Y3 children are currently reading his semi-autobiographical account of his experience and researching more about life in the 1950s.

If you'd like to find out more about creative and child-initiated learning at Jeavons Wood, you might like to visit our school website at

www.jeavonswood.ccceducation.org



Comberton Village College: A Note from the Principal

As usual at this time of year, performance data has been published for all secondary schools in the country. The perceived need to measure the performance of schools now seems accepted territory in a way that certainly was not the case not so very long ago.

The standard data that has been produced for a number of years confirmed the particularly strong performance by Comberton Village College students in summer 2010. We knew that it had been a record year on all the main GCSE and equivalent measures. The pleasing thing about the recent data was that it clearly confirmed the excellent progress made by students during their time at the school from the age of 11. The so-called 'contextualised value added' measure seeks to measure the progress students make during their compulsory secondary years, allowing for the context of students. For the second consecutive year, this figure was around the top 5% nationally for Comberton Village College students. This measure really is a significant measure. Surely, it is right to measure most the progress of students more than absolute achievement. This is obvious when seeing a figure of 100% of pupils at a grammar school getting at least 5 A*-C grades. What else would anyone expect? Anything less would be a disgrace. Indeed, such selected students should, of course, be looking for the top grades. It is interesting that a higher percentage of Comberton students, from an all-ability cohort, got A* and A grades than was the case in a good number of grammar schools: a remarkable statistic.

This year, the decision by the Secretary of State to introduce a retrospective measure of the new so-called 'English Baccalaureate' created much interest and controversy. This is a measure that requires at least 'C' grade achievement at GCSE in all of Maths, English, Double Science, a Foreign Language and a Humanity (defined simply as History or Geography). Comberton's figure for this was one of the highest for state schools in the country. Some figures were incredibly low (often reflecting the collapse of GCSE foreign languages in some schools). However, we did not force all students to do a full foreign language at GCSE and either History or Geography. Thus the difference between our headline GCSE figure and the 'English Baccalaureate' was fundamentally down to curriculum choice by students (achievement in both foreign languages and humanities is extremely high). Quite what this was thus actually measuring in our schools was an interesting question.

Of course, there is another point. I think that we all want our young people to be truly educated. I am pretty sure that we all think that there is rather a lot more to this than certain statistics of exam performance. We state that we want all Comberton pupils to become 'Caring, Capable and Confident'. That is full and rounded education. It is, at best, only very partially measured by the annual performance data that is published.

There have, of course, always been 'Lies, Damned Lies and Statistics'. That seems as true today ever.

Stephen Munday

Year One have had an exciting start to the term thinking of extra ideas for their Castles, Dragons and Princesses topic. The children decided they would like to make their role play areas into castles so we have been busy printing, building and making signs.

By the time you read this Monkfield Park Primary School will be full of beautiful clay objects and sculptures made in Culture Week from 17th to 21st January. The children are very excited at the prospect of a wide range of activities brought to us by all sorts of visitors, including storytellers, drama experts, singers and the Friends of Monkfield Park who have planned exciting art/craft activities. We can't wait!

Another highlight is the Year 2 Production- lots of singing can be heard as the children have turned into penguins and polar bears who are visiting different countries to find ways of conserving energy to slow down the melting of the ice in colder regions of the world such as the Arctic and Antarctic.

The range of After School Clubs continues to grow at Monkfield Park with a new Multiskills Sports Club starting, as well as Boogie Beebies, Tatty Bumpkin (yoga for young children), Tag Rugby, Cheerleading and netball. The very first Tag Rugby Tournament is to be held at Comberton Village College this term and two teams from Monkfield Park will be competing. The Netball Team is reported to be going from strength to strength.

In the last week of this half-term we will be joining the other schools in Cambourne for Cambourne Schools' Celebration Week. The Year One children from all three schools will become Cambourne Detectives and make up Treasure Hunts / Nature Trails for each other to follow. Other year groups are investigating and exploring areas in and around Cambourne, getting to know their local area and making new friends with children from The Vine and Jeavons Wood.

We are also looking forward to dressing up for World Book Day and having Book Week in March and more exciting visitors in Science Week later this term.

Parents/carers of Key Stage One children are continuing to enjoy sharing a book with their children at our 'Come and Read' sessions on Friday mornings.

We have had a busy start to an action-packed and exciting term.

Year One

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.



The Vine Inter-Church Primary School

Poems in Year 2

In the half term leading up to Christmas Year 2 made an in-depth study in the genre of poetry. We had such fun exploring patterns on a page, really looking and experimenting with rhymes, limericks, calligrams, and acrostics. The children's use of adjectives and verbs to describe was amazing. We were so lucky with the weather; the frosty days gave us a great stimulus for our writing.

Humpty Dumpty by Alex

Humpty Dumpty sat on a bat,
Humpty Dumpty had a red cat,
All of the children and all of the teds,
Tried to make Humpty jump on the beds,
Humpty Dumpty had a great van,
Humpty Dumpty sat on a man!!

Really looking by Sam

The frost was like crystals that sparkled,
The branches of the oak tree were like
monsters arms.
The leaves were spotty and looked like a
toad.
The dogwood looked like it was lonely.

The Frost Factor by PJ and Izzy

The frost like icing sugar on the
leaves
A cobwebs like a plate of diamonds
As it melts the fairies weave,
Another beautiful necklace for me.

Humpty Dumpty by Tianna and Archie

Humpty Dumpty sat on a cat,
Humpty Dumpty had a great bat,
All of the children and all of the
fleas,
Tried to make Humpty jump on
the trees,
Humpty Dumpty had a great
house,
Humpty Dumpty sat on mouse!!

There was a man called Drew

There once was a man called
Drew,
Who swam all the way from
Peru,
He jumped on a log,
And squashed a frog,
Then ran back home black and
blue.

By Connor

Autumn Leaves

Our edges are burnt and crunchy,
We twirl and swirl,
Hanging off trees by a thread,
Floating in the air like birds flying,
We crunch on the ground,
When people walk on us,
We curl up tiny like berries,
There's so many of us here and there.

By Zara

Down behind the dustbin

Down behind the dustbin,
I met a dog called Paul,
"Be quiet," Paul said,
"I'm making a phone call."
Down behind the dustbin,
I met a dog called Tess,
"I want to play a game," I
said,
"I've got a game of chess."
By Nina

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

To finish our unit of poetry we explored silly rhymes and limericks which we found more challenging than we first thought. We are so pleased to share with our efforts which we have now printed and made in to a book for the whole school and its visitors to share. We hope you enjoy the ones we have published here.



Cambourne Church

A partnership of the

Church of England, Baptist, Methodist & United Reformed Church

Service times: Sunday 9.30 & 11.00am

1st Sunday in Month 10.00am. (2nd Sunday Holy Communion)

www.cambournechurch.org.uk



Next Social Event
B A R N D A N C E
With
LIVE CEILIDH BAND

Saturday, 26th February

At 7.45pm in the Hub

Hot Food and Bar

Tickets are £15 per head

Contact Julie on 01954 202546 or

Mandy on 07964 771961

All proceeds to the next phase of the building.

Pancakes – Shrove Tuesday 8th March

6.00-7.30pm in the church foyer. Join us for pancakes, especially if you are new to Cambourne. Let us know if you can make it: Deidre Farmery 788903

One2One:

Marriage Enrichment

Sunday evenings 8-9.15pm from 20th Feb-15th March
in the church foyer

* DVDs * Conversation * Refreshments

Contact Peter Wood Tel. 715558

Ignite

Youth Café Night

Monthly event for young people in school years 7-13

Live Music * Smoothies and Pizza * Games* You tube* Table football* Explore Big Questions

Dates - 27th Feb and 27th March

6.30 -8.00pm

Thirst

Monthly Youth service for school years 7-13

7.00 -8.30pm

Feb 13th and Mar 13th

Soccer Sunday

Open to school years 7 -13

4.30 - 6.30pm at the MUGA

Feb 13 and Feb 27

For more information contact Jon Sanders
on 07798 858302

Fairtrade Fortnight
28 Feb-13 Mar

As Fairtrade Fortnight approaches it is a great time to flag up what we all can do as consumers to help those producing and growing a large proportion of our food. By buying food carrying the Fairtrade mark we are assisting in the aims of fair trade to:

- Offer new opportunities to farmers
- Ensure trading practices are fair
- Ensure children are not being exploited
- Ensure there is no discrimination
- Ensure working conditions are safe

Fair trade initiatives focus on building long term relationships with farmers to create the opportunity for more sustainable livelihoods and to develop the skills and confidence this entails.

Within the last 10 years fair trade sales have risen enormously and now account for £500m per year. The fairtrade mark is now widely recognised and we are asked this year by the Fair trade Foundation to "Show off Your Label" which we at Cambourne Church feel is worth getting excited about. If you have a favourite FT product, passion about a new line or an exciting story to tell we'd love to hear from you.

We have a team of volunteers in the church who supply a range of fair trade goods to those in the community. We hold a stall after the church service on the first Sunday in the month and can take orders from groups and individuals within Cambourne. However we also promote the purchase of fair trade goods from supermarkets and other stores, as the supply of these is entirely based on demand. If you'd like to support the work of Traidcraft (a fair trade company and development charity) or hear more about fair-trade products in general please come to:

The Big Brew

Wednesday 2nd March

@ 19 the coffee house in the church foyer- 9.00-12.00am

And hear more
about how we can all make a difference!
Contact Lynne Tasker 715262
Julie Whitbread 202546 for more info

Cambourne Roman Catholic Church

Cambourne Church Centre

Saturday's – 5pm

www.cambournerc.co.nr cambournerc@aol.com

The next big fundraiser for the new Church Centre will take place on Saturday 26th February at 7:45pm in the Hub. This will be a barn dance and Scottish Ceilidh band will be coming along. More details to come on the website.

19 the coffee house is open 8:45-12:00 in the Church Centre, if you can help in anyway or are interested in more details, check out the website or email.

Kate Kane is hoping to start a new children's liturgy group. We would be really grateful for any help. The more helpers, the more can be done to help our children to celebrate their faith. Many of us have had the privilege of a Catholic school education, the vast

majority of young children will not. Prepared materials are supplied. Please contact Mel asap so that CRB checks can be made and we can get cracking. Just pop an email to

melanie@scotsdowne.fsnet.co.uk or cambournerc@aol.com

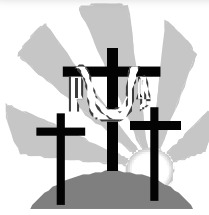
The Music Group at mass would love more support.. could you play/sing even once a month.

Give it a go! Email agnieszka@wabnig.com or chat with us after Mass.

If you have pre-school children and haven't tried these yet, do come along - They are an extremely relaxed and friendly way for you and your children to get to know the Mass, Fr Raf and each other. Contact Laura McHugh, Email twinkletoes_1981@yahoo.co.uk for more details.

Vincent Menezes

PEACEHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH



Peacehaven Baptist Church

Meeting Sundays
10:00 Bible study and
Sunday school

11:00 Morning
worship
at the Hub

Wednesday evenings
7 pm
at the

Pastor's house
For more info email
Peacehavenbc@aol.com

or call
01954 710510
Pastor
Donavan Bangs

Ps 11:3 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

In our adult Bible study time at 10 am we have just started a series from a group called Answers in Genesis. It is a video lecture dealing with creation. But why is this important? Many churches these days disregard the Biblical account of creation, or they attempt to intermingle modern theories with Biblical truth. This is not good. Now the sweet sounding lies will say oh well the story of a literal six 24 hour days of creation is just a myth and Adam and Eve were merely characters or symbolic representations of mankind. Now this may sound quite refined, certainly non confrontational from the world's point of view, however this leads to some problems. You see Genesis is foundational to all of the major doctrines in Christianity. In actuality without the book of Genesis Christianity itself serves no eternal purposes. So what do I mean by that? A Christian is a follower of Christ. One that believes that Christ being the Son of God came to earth and lived a sinless life. That Christ as the lamb of God shed his own blood upon the cross of Calvary to pay the price for our sin. Then those who have accepted and received Christ as their savior having their sin cleansed by Christ receive eternal life, not because of their own good deeds, but through faith in the redemption that Christ has provided. Now here is the problem, if Adam and Eve were not real then there would be no initial sin. And if there is no sin there is no need for a redeemer from sin. Furthermore if we say we believe in Jesus that he was the Son of God yet we do not believe in Genesis we are in fact calling Jesus a liar or stupid because he believed in a literal creation. Mt 19:4 And he answered

and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, In the very next verse, Jesus quotes directly from Genesis 2:24 when He said, "For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; and they twain shall be one flesh."

He believed in Abel (a son of Adam and Eve who was also the first murder victim)

Lu 11:51 From the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, which perished between the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you, It shall be required of this generation. Jesus also references in places concerning the flood, all in the first few chapters of Genesis

And in either scenario, lying or being ignorant of the truth would disqualify him from being God the Son. Which would mean he was just a man and incapable of the redemption of mankind. If you take away the fall of mankind through sin and the redeemer there is no foundation for faith, nor in fact a requirement for faith. And that is exactly what Satan would wish. I would encourage you that call your selves believers in Christ not to abandon your foundation. Perhaps you've been away from solid Biblical preaching for some time. Maybe you've allowed the lies told by people that do not even truly believe Jesus to permeate your thoughts and values. How can we follow the Lord if we do not even believe what he has said? If you say that you believe in Christ then find a place where they actually teach belief in Christ, not just historical data that he existed, but having faith in what Christ had faith in and believing what Jesus believed. If you have questions or just need to chat let us know.

Donavan Bangs

All Change for the Cambourne Community First Responder Scheme

In October 2010, the Magpas CFR schemes joined forces with regional schemes, becoming part of a network of more than 250 groups operating in the East of England that are managed by the region's ambulance service.

Daryl Brown, the Magpas Chief Operating Officer, said: *"This is a natural progression for the Community First Responder's Scheme; we have watched and supported as nationally Ambulance Services have developed Community First Responders and felt it was the right time for the Cambridgeshire groups to join with the other 250 groups within the East of England. The commitment of our volunteers has been key to the success of Magpas over the past 40 years; I would like to thank all of the First Responders for their dedication to saving lives in their communities, and wish the scheme every continued success under the leadership of the Ambulance Service".*

Paul Leaman, the Ambulance Service's Associate Director for Operational Partnerships, added: *"The East of England Ambulance Service recognises the contribution that Magpas has made in developing a standard for the Community First Responder Scheme and we look forward to welcoming the 41 Magpas groups into the East of England Ambulance Service Trust".*



Since October your local group has provided over 1050 hours of service and attended to 20 patients in your community (at time of writing). While groups are supported by the ambulance service, they still need your support. You can support the group and help to fund a new bag, or other equipment that can be used by the responders, which will help them to give continued service to the area. Cambourne Parish Council have supported the First Responder team by donating funds to allow the team to purchase a piece of equipment that will improve the care that the team can provide and the team would like to take this opportunity to thank the Parish Council for their support.

Please contact Cambourne's coordinator if you would like to get involved or make a donation: Thomaswyatt2@btinternet.com or 07921524147.

If you would like any information on the work of the scheme across the East of England, please contact: responderadmin@eastamb.nhs.uk or call 01284 731802.

CREATIVE WRITING GROUP Held at 1.30pm in Cambourne library, mostly on the first Monday of each month. The theme for February will be a follow-on from the January theme of 'The Moon'. New members welcome. For more details, contact Alan 01480 880442 snibgo@earthling.net or Pat on 718836.

WATERCOLOUR PAINTING CLASS

This group is now full. A new beginners' class could be possible, given enough participants.

BEGINNERS' PAINTING / CRAFT CLASSES

Please get in touch if you would like to join a mixed art/craft group.

PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

Following an introductory gathering in January, this group is now up and running and will by now have had its first meeting. Levels of expertise vary from beginner to advanced, with everything in between, and more members will be very welcome. Meetings will be fortnightly, in the Cricket Pavilion for now, from 7-8pm on Feb 8, 22 and March 8, 22.

THE ART GANG An informal gathering, usually in the Monkfield Arms from 7.30pm 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 amateurs.

February 21stth (note change of date) **Sketching workshop.** A chance to have some help with your sketching skills and overcome the 'I can't draw' feeling.

March 14th **Discussion: Motivation for art.**

For further information on any aspect of Cambourne Arts, contact: Fran - fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk or 01954 710858 Alan - snibgo@earthling.net

Visit the website at www.cambournearts.org



WHAT'S ON LOCALLY

Just some of the arts events in our area

Fitzwilliam Museum:

Inflation, War and Global Financial Crisis. Mon 22 November 2010 to Sun 3 April 2011

English Silver Drinking Vessels from the Gray Collection Mon 15 November 2010 to Fri 1 April 2011 Armoury (31)

Afterlife - Recent prints by Jake & Dinos Chapman, Paul Coldwell, Mat Collishaw, Jane

Dixon, Paul Morrison, Hughie O'Donoghue and Marc Quinn. Tue 14 December 2010 to Sun 8 May 2011

Kettle's Yard Museum and Gallery:

A range of talks, concerts, events and workshops for adults and children.

<http://www.kettlesyard.co.uk/calendar.html>

Castle Street, Cambridge CB3 0AQ or phone 01223 748100

Comberton Arts and Leisure

A range of concerts and events.

<http://www.combertonleisure.com/>

Wysing Arts Centre

A changing programme: check their website for more information:

<http://www.wysingartscentre.org/news/229>

New Appointments System

Many thanks to all those patients who have given us feedback on the new appointments system we introduced in the middle of December. The overwhelming majority of the comments we have received have been very positive and we are delighted with the way it's going.

For anyone who missed our advertisement in the Crier in November we have simplified the system and now offer two sorts of routine appointments:

- On the day – just ring us before 12 noon and we guarantee you a consultation with one of our clinicians (GP or Nurse Practitioner, either face-to-face or by telephone) that day.
- Pre-booked consultations, which can be booked up to a month in advance.

We have kept our promise to provide a consultation for everyone who calls before 12 noon throughout the busiest time of the year – even on the day when 87 patients (or more than 1% of the total number of patients registered with the Practice) called us.

We have also improved our ability to offer the doctor or nurse practitioner of your choice because fewer people are seeking appointments for minor coughs and colds, earache and sore throats. Cambourne residents have responded well to the latest information that antibiotic treatment does not help self-limiting viral illnesses. Excess antibiotic prescribing puts us all at risk from resistant germs – we can protect our families by saving antibiotics for when they are really needed.

We will do our best to accommodate any request to see a particular doctor or nurse practitioner and we understand the importance of continuity of care. If we cannot offer you the person of your choice on the day you call we will make sure that whoever sees you communicates appropriately with your usual doctor or nurse. We have a skilled and experienced team which meets regularly for updates and education and case discussion.

As you would expect, anyone needing emergency treatment can still call us at any time of day and you can find full details of our appointments system on our web site **www.monkfieldpractice.co.uk**.

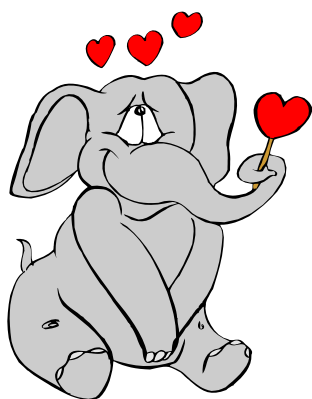
Dr Peter Bailey
GP

Denise Pora
Practice Manager

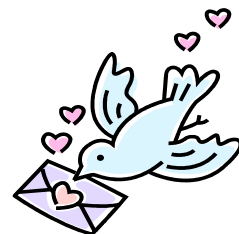


Monkfield Medical Practice

Valentines Messages



To my piglet, lots of love xxx



Happy Valentine's
Lovage
All our love
Claudia & Bully

I'm very thankful that I married you;
You're always there for me, on my side;
You're a wonderful woman, my cherished wife;
For more than 40 years, whenever you're with me,
I'm filled with pride.

Boo forever is
not long enough!
Bond

Last year was always going to a year of change,
Life did change in a totally unexpected
way,
But my love for you is as strong
as ever.

To the Salerno Way Girl,
I love you now more than ever.
Wishing lots of hugs & kisses
this Valentines
A

To Paul
My one true love you are my
strength I love you more then words
can express love PN

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Happy Valentines Day
We love you very much,
L & bump! x x x x x

Expand your horizons

air cadets
the next generation

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you over 21 and seeking a challenge? Join St Hents and
Cambourne Air Cadets and help the young people in their activities.
Ring 01480 213671 on Tues & Thurs from 7pm for details.

Coming Soon!

Bourn Players present *The Wizard of Oz*
at Comberton Leisure

Bourn Players at
Comberton Leisure
Performance Hall

31st March and 1st and 2nd of April

RSC adaptation of the
timeless MGM motion picture.

Tickets on sale from February 1st

For more information go to:
www.bournplayers.org.uk



NEWS FROM CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL



Race to Infinity WINNERS of BT fast Broadband for Cambourne!

After an amazing effort by a number of residents the Caxton exchange is to be upgraded as a result of 100% response in the competition, even more remarkable as several villages had to vote for the shared exchange.

Particular thanks to the Chairman of Cambourne Parish Council Clayton Hudson who has spent many hours campaigning on doorsteps and even in Morrison's during the pre Christmas cold snap, ably assisted by Tim Morley and Dominic Neal. BT has decided to up the number of exchanges to be guaranteed fibre by early 2012 to six, such was the high level of votes cast by the residents of these areas.

So, who were the all important winners?

In alphabetical order: Baschurch in Shropshire, Blewbury in Oxfordshire, Caxton in Cambridgeshire, Innerleithen in the Scottish Borders, Madingley in Cambridgeshire and Whitchurch in Hampshire.

Fast Broadband is crucial to make Cambourne a success and a big boost to sustainability, enabling some residents to work from home and for everyone to make the most of the internet. It was so frustrating when NTL (now Virgin) stopped putting in the Infrastructure and left large areas of Cambourne with very slow broadband via BT copper phone cable.



Photo - left to right: District Cllr Mervyn Loynes, Clayton Hudson, Lister Wilson, Dom Neal, Annette Thorpe, John Vickery

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.

Telephone 01954 714403 or by e-mail to
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

Date	Time	Meeting
1st February	7.30pm	Planning Committee. Followed by full Council
15th February	7.30pm	Planning Committee. Followed by Leisure and Amenities
1st March	7-30pm	Planning Committee Followed by full Council

Cambourne Kitchen

Apple, marzipan & mincemeat crumble

This recipe is a great way to use up left over ingredients, and is a delicious classic with a twist.

The filling:

5 dessert apples (approx 500g) cored and cubed.
1 Bramley apple cored and grated or finely chopped.
2 tbsp lemon juice.
1 tbsp caster sugar.
400g mincemeat.
150-200g marzipan.

The crumble:

2 cups (approx 250-300g) plain flour.
1 cup (approx 125-150g) ground almonds.
125g butter (slightly soft).
½ cup (approx 75g) caster sugar.
1½ tsp ground nutmeg.
½ tsp fine salt.
50g flaked almonds.

Method:

Preheat the oven to 180°C. Using a fairly deep oven-proof dish approx 9" round place all the apple on the bottom and mix with the lemon juice and sugar. Break the marzipan into smallish nuggets and place randomly on top of the apple and then smooth over the mincemeat.

Put the flour and ground almonds into a separate bowl and cut the butter into small pieces into the flour. Gently rub the flour, almonds and butter together and allow the flour to sift through your hands as you rub with your thumb and fingers until all the butter has been blended with the flour and the mixture resembles fine breadcrumbs.

Add the remainder of the ingredients except the flaked almonds and mix with a fork. Pour the crumble topping lightly over the filling and then scatter with the flaked almonds.

Put the crumble in the oven for about 35-40 mins until golden brown and the crumble has cooked through. Serve with cream, ice cream or custard (or if you're still wanting a little extra indulgence, all three!!!!)

This is great for using up leftover mincemeat, marzipan etc but you could leave out the marzipan if you don't like it. If you're gluten-free and/or dairy-free you could use all ground almonds for the crumble or mix with rice flour and dairy-free spread. You could also try adding cloves and cinnamon to the crumble for extra wintry spice.



Baby & Me

Every Friday including half term from 10-11.25 in the main hall at the Hub

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

11th February - Signs and Cuddles

18th February - Play and Chat

25th February - Tumble Tots/Gym Babies

4th March - Play and Chat

11th March - TBA – See Website and Facebook page



For further information, schedule updates 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)

To book a table for the Nearly New Sale email babynearlynew@yahoo.co.uk

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

We are also on Facebook as 'Baby and Me'

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Open Competition for the Swavesey Camera Club

(excludes members of Swavesey Camera Club or professional photographers).

1. JUNIOR CLASS (16 and under) 2. ADULT CLASS (17 and over) Maximum of 2 prints per entrant in each category.
3 categories in each class;

(1)Work or play.

(2)Abstract.

(3)Food.

Competition is for prints only which should be a maximum size A4 and may be monochrome or colour. On the reverse they should have the photographer's name, address and phone number and age. Title is preferred but not compulsory.

All entries and winners will be shown at the Camera Club Exhibition on SAT 2nd April in the Memorial Hall.

Closing date is Friday 25th March.

Judging will be done by a committee of Swavesey Camera Club members. Certificates will be given for the winner and runner up in each category; from these an overall winner and runner up will be selected from each class for whom there will be a cash prize and free membership for 1 year for Swavesey Camera Club.

Prints for competition can be sent or delivered to

Peter Looper, 23 Moat Way, Swavesey CB24 4TR

Prints can be collected from the exhibition on the afternoon of the show or returned by post if supplied with SAE

Papworth Astronomy Club News

On the 12th January, we held an open meeting in conjunction with the BBC's Stargazing LIVE series, which was shown on BBC2 the previous week. We welcomed several visitors who found us on the BBC's Web site and also a group of young astronomers from Papworth primary school. Unfortunately, the weather prevented us from doing any stargazing but we did hear an interesting talk by Professor Alan Aylward of University College London. He discussed the possibility of interstellar travel and concluded it is not feasible with current technologies. However, both NASA and ESA have Web sites where you can submit your own ideas and proposals! He also gave us an update on his research into exoplanets, of which more than 700 have now been discovered. Several of the recent discoveries show signs of earth-like atmospheres, so the possibility of humans surviving on other planets is no longer as far-fetched as it once may have seemed.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday February 2nd. Mike Nichols, one of our club members, will give a talk called "Astro Navigation in Aviation". Mike learnt to navigate by the stars when he was in the RAF (before GPS was invented!) and he will describe some of the techniques he used. Due to refurbishment of our usual meeting room, it will be in the function room of the Conservatory, Chequers Lane, Papworth Everard, at 7:30PM. Entering Papworth Everard village from the south (Cambourne), take the first right after the shops and library into Chequers Lane. The Conservatory is on the left, immediately after the tennis courts. From the north, take the first left after the sports field into Chequers Lane.

More information about the club is on our Web site (www.papworthastronomy.org). You can also email Peter Sandford on peter@cheere.demon.co.uk or phone 01480 830729.

www.barneysclub.org

THE place for your kids to have fun and make new friends.

February Half-term Holiday Club

Come along and join in with arts and crafts, cookery and outdoor games at the Reading Rooms in Great Gransden.

Monday 21 - Friday 25 February 2011

Opening Hours 8:30am - 5:30pm every day

Rates

9.00am-1.00pm £11.00

1:00pm -5.00pm £11.00

9.00am - 5.00pm £19.00

Plus £1.00 for use before 9.00am + £1.00 for use after 5.00pm - call to arrange.

Hurry! Book your place quickly - call the Club mobile on: 07764 576522 or email enquiries@barneysclub.org

- Children need to bring packed lunch for full day and morning sessions.
- Barney's Club is OFSTED registered

Wildlife Review February 2011

Thank you for all the reports of Waxwings in Cambourne over Christmas. I have yet to spot them myself, so I am quite jealous. I would love to see any photos you may have taken of any winter wildlife in Cambourne.

During February, wildlife will really be gearing up for spring. I have already heard lots of birds singing in the woodlands around Cambourne including song thrush, blue and great tits and robins. I am going to try to keep a diary of all the wildlife I see (or hear) around Cambourne and other sites I visit throughout the year. Hopefully I will be able to look back and see patterns in when things have occurred and compare it with future years. We'll have to see how often I remember to write things down, but why don't you have a go too? You don't have to know the names of everything, just record the sights and sounds that you hear as you walk to school or work.

Dates for your diary this year include:

International Dawn Chorus Day – Sunday 1st May – we will be arranging a walk to celebrate again this year, more details to follow
Cambourne Plant Sale – Sunday 22nd May - a wide range of plants that will attract wildlife to your garden, with experts on hand to help you choose the right ones, as well as BBQ charcoal, tea and cakes and free parking
Garden Watch is back again this summer, exact dates are still to be confirmed but you can register your interest at <http://www.wildlifebcnp.org/gardenwatch.htm> where you will also find lots of information about garden wildlife, spotters guides and activities.

Attention Budding Naturalists.....

Do you want to get closer to your local wildlife, develop your natural history skills and learn about what special wildlife you have right on your doorstep? How about attending a Wildlife Training Workshop? The workshops are held at some of the best wildlife sites across Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Peterborough. Workshops are run by experienced local naturalists and many of them are being held at The Wildlife Trust reserve in Cambourne (see below list). The Beginning with Birds series (1st, 3rd, 8th March and another date TBC) is a beginner's guide to the natural history of birds, their place in the world and how they live in it, with a special focus on local species which may be encountered. Guidance will be provided on the range of binoculars currently available and, weather permitting, will include a short walk to listen to birdsong.

The following training workshops are also being held in Cambourne:

Title	Date	Timings	Trainer(s)
Water Voles	30/04/11	10am-4pm	Ruth Hawksley and Iain Webb
Introduction to Wildflower Identification	04/06/11	10am-4pm	Brian Eversham
Beginning with digital photography	3rd, 7th, 10th & 14th/08/11	Wed 7pm-9pm Sun 10am-2pm	Henry Stanier and Philip Precey
Beginning with Landscape: Geology	4th & 11th/08/11	7pm-9pm	Christine Donnelly
Pond dipping for adults	10/09/11	10am-4pm	Richard Chadd

For full details on the 2011 Training Workshops Programme, please visit www.wildlifebcnp.org, or phone Juliette Butler, Wildlife Training Workshops Officer on 01604 774031 or e-mail trainingworkshops@wildlifebcnp.org

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 Reserves Officer www.wildlifebcnp.org



CAMBOURNE WI

February Meeting. A very good programme has been lined up for this year by our programme secretary, Hilery, starting with a talk on "The Lost Land of Petra" by Rodney Tibbs on Thursday 10th February at 7.30pm in the Hub committee room. There will be the usual refreshments and a chance to socialise and sign up for outings. Visitors are very welcome so why not try something new for the new year. It will be something quite different for the March meeting. Diana Mandella will be giving a cookery demonstration of "Vegetarian Delights".

Annual Dinner. We rounded off the festive season nicely with our annual dinner on Thursday 13th January. It was held this year at "The Willow Tree" in Bourne and was a great success. A large number of members attended and enjoyed a convivial evening with good food and conversation.

Book Club. The book club meets approximately every 6 weeks in the Monkfield Arms on a Wednesday evening. Non members are very welcome to come along. For details please contact Ruth on 01954 718989

Walking group. There is a great programme of walks for this year. These walks are usually in the region of 4 – 6 miles. Husbands, partners and friends are very welcome to come along. The first one will be a walk of approx 4 miles in the grounds of Anglesey Abbey, with the possibility of seeing the snowdrops, on Friday 4th February. The next will be a walk of approx 4 miles round Wimpole Estate on Friday 4th March. For details please phone Fran on 01954 710858

Theatre group. During 2010 members went to various performances at Cambridge Arts Theatre and now the pantomime season is coming to an end outings should be starting up again. Penny puts interested people in touch with each other and she can be contacted on 01954 200126.

Darts Group. The group meets on Monday evenings at 7.30pm in the Monkfield Arms. This is ladies evening in the pub and non members are very welcome. Details from Joan 200908 or Edna 717360

Coffee mornings. A coffee morning is planned for Friday 28th January at 10.30am at Greens and we plan to continue these on the last Friday of each month.

There are a lot of interesting things happening in 2011 so hope you can take part.

Contact: Fran Panrucker 01954 710858

Cambourne WI – Lite A get-together of women interested in a younger aspect to the WI will take place in the Monkfield Arms on Tuesday February 8th at 8pm. Come and join us.

Cambridge Science Festival

14-27 March 2011

Family fun days: 19 and 26 March 2011

The vast majority of events are free of charge

Please note that event bookings open in early February.

From 14 – 27 March, come and explore the UK's largest free science festival with over 150 events for children and adults. From laser rocketracing to 'bangtastic' science shows, from science comedy to debating the hot science topics of day, there is something for everyone at the Cambridge Science Festival.

Join us to discover the best of science and technology from the University of Cambridge and around the world. Come and explore science through explosive demonstrations, hands on experiments and expert talks from leading scientists at the 2011 Cambridge Science Festival. With over 150 events, the UK's largest free science festival is offering children and adults alike the chance to get involved in some of the University's cutting edge research between 14 – 27 March. The theme for 2011 is 'Science for life', in celebration of the International Year of chemistry.

Many of the interactive activities, family fun days, demonstrations and children's lectures are taking place on two 'Science Saturdays' (19 and 26 March).

The CHaOS Science Roadshow will be showing how things 'Crash, bang and squelch' in their drop in experiment sessions.

Full programme online as of the beginning of February. For further details and to book online: www.cam.ac.uk/sciencefestival or call 01223 766766.



Make Children your 'Real' New Year's Resolution.

Have you given up on your New Year's resolutions yet? Recent research has shown that the average New Year's resolution lasts no more than one week. With this in mind, The newly elected Chairman of South Cambridgeshire's NSPCC Branch is calling on local people to make a different kind of resolution in 2011... to support vulnerable children.

Bill Armstrong and the local committee of volunteer supporters have set an ambitious target of doubling the amount the group raises for the NSPCC. In recent years the South Cambridgeshire Branch has raised an average of £25,000 a year for the NSPCC and the committee is aiming to double that to £50,000 a year by 2015.

Bill said, *"We all make New Year's resolutions that aim to improve our own lives but let's be honest, we rarely stick to them! If anyone wants to resolve to really make a change in 2011, I hope they will consider making a lasting difference to children who need help by supporting our '50 by 15' initiative. The NSPCC runs a wide range of vital services including ChildLine and the adult helpline, both of which help stop abuse and neglect. Thousands of children across our region are helped by the charity each year so it is very important that we play our part in keeping these services running."*

The Branch has District groups across the county in towns and villages such as Ely, Bourn, Linton and the Shelfords. The committee is looking to strengthen support in those areas and to develop new groups in areas such as Cambourne, Huntingdon and St Neots as well as in Cambridge.

Bill continued, *"I fully appreciate that these are tough financial times for many but we would welcome with open arms anyone who is willing to give some time and energy to this worthy cause. We have some very successful fundraising activities across East Anglia which can be replicated in our county if we can find the right people to help. We are looking for volunteers who have good organising skills to run proven fundraising projects. For example, a very strong dining club has been established in Cambridge City in the last two years, modelled on a successful club in Ely."*

Local NSPCC Fundraiser, Christian Morris, said, *"I think it is fantastic that the South Cambridgeshire Branch has launched this '50 by 15' initiative and anyone who volunteers will be strongly supported by existing volunteers and NSPCC staff. If you make it your real New Year's resolution to support us, you will be making a decision that will change many children's lives for the better in the future."* Anyone willing to help please email Bill Armstrong at wrarmstrong@hotmail.co.uk or call Christian Morris on 01353 664 875.

BEST SELLING LOCAL AUTHOR, JUDITH LENNOX, LAUNCHES HER LATEST NOVEL

Judith Lennox, best selling British author whose novels are published widely in Europe, is due to talk about the launch her latest novel set in the 1930s *"Catching the Tide"* at the NSPCC Cambridge Dining Club's luncheon on 7th February, at La Mimosa Restaurant, Cambridge. This prolific writer, with more than 15 books published so far in her 20 year career, will also be talking about how she researches for the novels.

The Dining Club meets five times a year at this charming riverside restaurant, to enjoy a two-course luncheon with coffee. Funds raised go towards National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children projects within this region and ChildLine. For further information about this event, or the Dining Club, contact: Kate Armstrong email: cfn.armstrong@gmail.com Tel: 01954 719745

Cromwell Video Camera Club

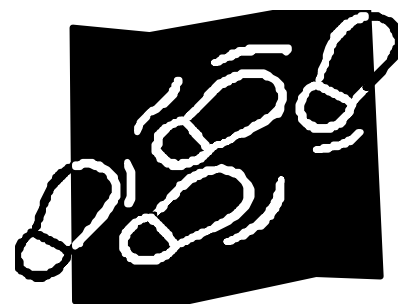
Are you interested in Film making? Do you own a camcorder and want to improve your filming technique? Then learn about adding Sound, Lighting, Editing software, Chromakey, Etc: Do you write short stories and would like to see it made into a film? Participate in Film Competitions, we hold 4 competitions in the year participate in the North Thames Region Triangle Competition against 20 Clubs in the East Anglian Area. Then come along to one of our meetings held at the Reading Room, The High Street, Hemingford Grey, Huntingdon. on the first tuesday of the month and the third tuesday of the month at 7 pm for 7-30 pm start.

For more Details contact Steve Gover Phone number 01954 202215 or e-mail stephen.gover@ntlworld.com

COMBERTON RAMBLERS - Join our friendly group for wonderful walks

Comberton Ramblers' Association walks an average of 5-6 miles every fortnight on a Sunday morning. We are a very friendly group who totally enjoy the lead walks in our beautiful countryside. There's time to take a rest break if needed or to simply stop and enjoy the view or visit places of interest along the way. Our members come from many local villages and from within Cambridge itself. Go on, give us a try, you'll have the benefit of an exhilarating walk plus the companionship of a group of like-minded people. Membership is £7.50 per person for the year and people under 18 are free. For more information and a further list of our walks, please contact the Secretary, Eileen Marsh on 01223 262940 or email eileen@thecovert.fsnet.co.uk

Date	Leader	Walk
20/02/11	Janet & Brian McCabe 01223 263387 B 07748 928846 J 07980 940583 Walk 7 Camb & The Fens	Reach & Swaffham Prior/Devils Dyke 4.5 miles. Meet in the car park at the corner of Fair Green, Reach Fine views across open landscape from the dike. Swaffham Prior has 2 churches occupying the same graveyard.
06/03/11	Suzan and Hywel Griffiths Tel 01223 263390 S 07985 004568 H 07808 654602	Hatfield Forest Further info to come
20/03/11	Jacqui Cressey & Eileen Marsh Tel C 874072 & C 262940 Eileen Mob 07709 237562 Walk 19 Teashop Walks East Anglia	Lavenham & Preston St Mary 5 miles Meet/park in Lavenham in Prentice Street behind the Angel Hotel. Lavenham is an historic market town with half-timbered buildings. Gently rolling countryside with pastoral views
10/04/11	Nora & David Goodman Tel 01954 210196 Mob 07796 333 761 Walk 17 Camb & The Fens	Isleham 6.5 miles meet at The Griffin PH Tel 0168 780447. Roadside parking in Isleham. Tracks, field paths & quiet lanes. Extensive views



CAMBOURNE WOMEN IN BUSINESS

Wow! What a fantastic year 2010 was. Local, ladies, small business group CWIB raised a grand total of over £1200 for their chosen charity the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit at Addenbrookes hospital.

Two major events were held in 2010, 'Here Come the Girls' and 'Boden at the Belfry', which attracted ladies (and some men!) from both Cambourne and the surrounding area.

2011 will also have some fantastic fundraising opportunities as we are having yet more exciting events. We are also on the lookout for new members and willing helpers. If you could spare a little of your time, no matter how small then we'd love to hear from you.

Contact tracyj.beedle@ntlworld.com. Watch this space for more news in March.

Date for your diary –

'Here Come the Girls 2011', Friday 6th May (venue TBC)



CAMBRIDGE CANCER HELP CENTRE

Do you have cancer? Are you caring for someone with cancer? Have you lost a loved one to cancer?

Cambridge Cancer Help Centre is there for you, offering support and understanding.

Taking that first step to visit us will not be easy, but once you step through our door you will be assured of a warm and friendly welcome. The centre also welcomes families, carers and friends.

Most of the people there will have experienced what you are going through.

Why not pay us a visit?

We are open on Mondays from 10.00am to 1.00pm and Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10.00am to 4.00pm

Telephone us on 01223 840105
and speak to our Coordinator, Ann Dingley

You will find us at The David Rayner Centre,
Scotsdales Garden Centre, 120 Cambridge Road,
Great Shelford,
Cambridge, CB22 5JT.

Great British Fish and Chip Supper – Friday 20th May 2011

Want to do something different? Want to raise money where you live or work? Want to eat Fish and Chips, while raising money for charity? Hold a Fish and Chip Supper on Friday 20th May 2011 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury and supporting SIA's information and support services.



You can hold a Fish and Chip Supper in your own home, at work, or hold a larger Supper at your local community centre.

SIA will provide a fundraising pack containing hints and tips, recipes, invitations and donation envelopes. By inviting 7 friends, and asking them to donate an additional £5, you will raise at least £35 from your Supper. We will also give you additional fundraising ideas to raise even more money for SIA.

Last year we had over 100 Suppers taking part in England and Wales, and we raised £6,000. In 2011 we want to double that figure and ensure that we can provide more support to spinal cord injured people.

The money raised from the Suppers will help the Spinal Injuries Association to offer support to individuals who become paralysed and their families. From the moment a spinal injury occurs, and for the rest of their lives, SIA provide services and publications which enable and encourage paralysed people to lead independent lives.

Every year in the UK over 1,000 people experience a spinal cord injury and there are an estimated 40,000 spinal cord injured people in the UK alone.

Community Fundraising Officer, Elizabeth Wright, says, "The Fish and Chip Supper is a wonderful opportunity for a great evening with friends and family. We are also encouraging people who work to hold a Fish and Chip Lunch in their work places to raise even more funds. You may be even a local community group wanting to run a fun evening. Be a part of something special and make a real difference to help spinal cord injured people gain access to the information and support they need to enable them to live full and independent lives."

For more information, or to request a fundraising pack, call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 678 6633 ext 229 or email fishandchips@spinal.co.uk or visit www.spinal.co.uk.

CAMBOURNE GUIDING – SENIOR SECTION

Girlguiding has been running in Cambourne for 10 years in 2011. We have a really active set of units covering:

Rainbows 5-7 years - (3 units). Brownies 7-10 years - (3 units). Guides 10-14 years or beyond - (2 units)



Helping keep our units open are a group of older girls – mostly ex-Guides. For some it is an opportunity to do the volunteering section of the Duke of Edinburgh award for others it's just because it's good fun.

Once a girl is 14 she can be a member of Senior Section (still sometimes called Rangers). Senior Section members can be registered with Girlguiding and just help out in units or they can be part of their own unit. As part of our Centenary celebrations we agreed it was time for Cambourne to start its own Senior Section. At present we have a few girls who are getting together to discuss how they want it to run. It is very different to girls in the other sections – Senior Section is run by its members, they decide what they want to do and how. They keep their accounts and they run the meetings. It can be a bit more responsibility but it is also empowering.

If you are a girl aged 14-25 and want to find out more please contact rebeccaaclegg@btinternet.com. At the moment meetings are taking place in Lower Cambourne on a Thursday evening from 7:30pm.

Cambourne Fishing Club

We would like to remind you that it is time to renew or purchase your fishing permit for Lake Ewart.

MEMBERSHIP ONLY - NO DAY TICKETS

You can purchase your ticket from Massif Bikes Shop Cambourne or

Masterbaits1 Levellers Lane St Neots Monday – Saturday during their opening times.

Unfortunately Greens Coffee Shop are no longer able to sell our tickets

Prices for 2011 (January 1st – December 31st)

Adults £20

Juniors £10 (13 – 16 years old)

Children under 13 can fish if supervised with a paid up member.

If you are a member and wish to take part in a competition or have any ideas for the Club please contact Ellie at elliecambournefishingclub@yahoo.co.uk to express your interest.

Cambourne Netball Club JUNIOR NETBALLERS



Cambourne Junior Netball Club is looking for new members to join our other girls for weekly training sessions.

Each Thursday a professional netball coach comes along to the MUGA in Back Lane, Gt Cambourne to help with netball skills and game play.

The sessions run every Thursday from 6.00 – 7.15 pm (except school holidays) and caters for all levels of players aged from 11 – 16 years.

Come along for two FREE taster sessions and, if you enjoy it, you can join our friendly club. We'd love to enter a team in this year's Summer League for those girls interested in team play.

For more information please contact Sharon on 07974 680654 or sharon.moon@sky.com.

Cambourne Eagles F.C. News



The Eagles have started the new year in fine form - the children are all back enjoying their football and the challenges it brings. If you like what you read and want to be a part of it, please contact our club secretary Tracey Ashford on **01954 203152** or on **www.cambourne eagles.co.uk**. We welcome all players and are looking to expand at every age group. If you are interested in joining our committee, managing a team, bringing your existing team to the Eagles or have a child that wants to learn the skills of the game, we look forward to your call.

Totball (with Sally Day & Tracey Ashford): The totballers returned to the MUGA in mid January, joined by several new recruits. The old faces mixed with the new and much fun was had. The hands on approach from the parents supporting their children is fantastic to see and makes for a great atmosphere. We now have 30 tots signed up and are still open to welcoming more. The sessions are £1 per week and are run every Friday from 2.15-2.45. The sessions are flexible, but most children attend every week. Our new goals are proving a success and our player of the week, Oliver Missen, showed us all what he was made of between the sticks. The opposition keeper Zach, kept the score down with the use of his shiny new gloves. Ethan and Zach, our new recruits look set to dazzle on the field.

The Academy (with Tom Gyford & Paul Fortunato): In each academy session we can see a big improvement in the boys as they are developing their skills. They show great dedication to training and a willingness to learn. We are already looking forward to next season when the boys can start playing games and showing off the skills they have developed. We are hopeful that two teams will be formed from the existing Academy so that we can move some of the older totballers into this session for next season. Thanks to all the parents who take time to give support.

TEAM OF THE MONTH - Under 9's (with Tom Gyford & Paul Fortunato): The U9's are back from a winter break after a few postponed games and have started the year well, with two victories. The first was a thriller at home against Foxton. Foxton took the lead on two occasions but the boys battled hard and eventually came out on top, winning 5-4. The goals came from Hugo (2), Max, Eden and Jack. The second win was away to Coton. It was a tough test as the U9's came from behind to win, scoring two fantastic goals. The first goal came from a perfect corner taken by Eden that Max controlled and fired low into the bottom corner. The second was another goal for Max, this time it was a powerful strike from range that put us ahead. The last quarter of the game was hard and the boys defended well and held on to the end. We are now looking to push on and keep our winning streak going. Thanks to all the parents for their on going support and dedication.



Under 11's (with Dave Ashford & Dave Thomas): It has been a frustrating month for the under 11's since the last update with a combination of snow, rain and Christmas meaning that we have played no league games. We have however been able to get some training in and now look forward to a third round cup match against Arbury on Saturday. Despite no games we have had some good news in that we have welcomed back Reece to the club and also have Ben available after his recent spell out with a broken arm. I hope to be able to give you an update on a few games next month- weather permitting!!

Under 17's (with Stuart Heginbottom): The Eagles Under 17's have had a mixed bag of results lately with a 1-0 loss to second placed Mildenhall after a very close game decided in the last 5 mins. We then won 9-1 at Manea United to end the year top of the league having only been off the top for 1 week. The New Year started with a drubbing at Orchard Diamonds as we went down 8-2, but true to Eagles form we then bounced back with a win against Buckden Juniors, with us taking a 6-4 win in a thrilling game with one of our rivals for the league title. The lads have had a fantastic season so far and every one of our final four games count as we will do our level best to bring a trophy back to Cambourne.

Message from Sally Day (Chairman): I always feel very proud when I read the articles sent to me each month by the clubs managers. I personally attend many matches and see for myself the hard work of the managers, the excellent support from the parents (and grandparents) and the commitment and dedication of all the players. Together we all enjoy our football and it certainly shows in the faces of the children. Well done Eagles players, you make Cambourne proud.

Cambourne F.C. News

As Cambourne FC looks forward to continuing to offer football to children of Cambourne in 2011, we are hosting our first fund raiser – Quiz Night – on Saturday 5th March; please contact Laura or Anna for tickets at info@cambournefc.com

Open Training Session – We welcome any child of 8 years and up as we look to form more teams for next season, especially for the age groups where Cambourne FC currently does not offer a team. The Cambourne FC open training session proved very successful in forming this season's U12 team. For more information, please email sracher@hotmail.com, or just bring your child along to the session which is held every Tuesday, 6-7pm, at the MUGA.

Saturday Soccer School – For the future stars of Cambourne football, the Cambourne FC Soccer School resumed on January 15th and is held every Saturday morning 9-10am. The school is open to school age children below the age of 6 (Year 1 and Reception). This session is proving to be very successful and the children who attend the school have developed really well, improving in both ability and attitude – it is great fun to coach these children and watch them develop. We welcome all new children to the Soccer School and hope they enjoy the session as they start out on their footballing journey. For more information please contact Steve on 07801 782299 or steveddoidge@aol.com.

Cambourne FC U7 – The U7s are hoping that the New Year continues where 2010 left off. A promising start to their first season saw the U7s go from strength to strength. A number of opposition managers have commented on the team's passing game, skill, and spirit. Well done to all, let's keep it going!

Cambourne FC U8 – This year started well with a great away game against

Coton Cosmos, followed by home fixtures against Gamlingay and Caldecote at the end of January. The Cambourne FC U8s have shown a big improvement, and play with style and composure.

Cambourne FC U9 – Congratulations goes to Cambourne FC U9s, who went top of their league in January after beating Cottenham A 10-0. The U9s could not have hoped for a better start to the New Year, as they continued their excellent league form in what was an excellent team performance. Well done to Jack Downes (who has kept 5 clean sheets in 7 league games, conceding only 3 league goals so far his season) and to the Cambourne defence (Sam Peat, William Roberts, Matthew Hill, and Lucca Fabani) who do such a good job protecting Jack's goal. Congratulations also go to the Cambourne attackers (William Racher, Thomas Bell, Callum Rees, Joe Ambery, and Tom Smith) who have so far scored 60 goals between them. Cambourne U9s are now looking to sign new players so if your child is interested in joining, please contact Stuart Racher via email: sracher@hotmail.com.

Cambourne FC U12 – Due to the bad weather, the U12s have only played one game this month against Mereside Rangers. Every player showed that the break had not affected their playing ability! The team provided a great display of football, underlining just what a fantastic team they have become. The U12s are currently mid-table in their league, which is excellent for a team that has only been together for a few months. We are currently seeking more players to strengthen our squad. If you are interested in joining our successful team please call 07788 421158 or come along to our training on a Friday, 5-6pm, at the MUGA.

Cambourne FC U16 – The U16s kicked off the New Year with a home game against Papworth Blasters. The team was somewhat rusty after not playing much football over the Christmas period, but eventually got into its stride and won 9-0 with goals from Yuki Cheng, Josh Majka, Joe Dickens, Nick Garbutt, Charlie Wood, Hope Harrison, and a hat trick from Man of the Match Chris Racher. Our next game, away to top of the league Hundon Hawks, was cancelled due to the weather. We next play on the 30th January (away to Fulbourn Falcons) followed by a cup game at home against Priory Parkside, and an away league game against Alconbury Colts. This is an important



phase in the season and the lads are looking to win these games to push for the league title.

New Players /Teams /Managers – Cambourne FC are always looking to build in numbers, so if your child would like to play and enjoy football at youth level then please contact us. We also want to hear from anyone who may be interested in coaching a team; all coaches are supported by the club with attending their Level 1 coaching course, as per our Charter Status.

Contact Details:

Soccer School – Steve Doidge: 07801 782299 or steveddoidge@aol.com

U7s – Kelsey Tobolik: kelseytobolik@googlemail.com

U8s – Trevor Colchester: colchester794@btinternet.com

U9s – Stuart Racher: 07773177534 or sracher@hotmail.com

U10s – Stuart Racher: 07773177534 or sracher@hotmail.com

U12s – Chris Moore / Laura Amos: lauraamos@hotmail.co.uk

U16s – Steve Doidge: 07801 782299 or steveddoidge@aol.com

Club E-mail: info@cambournefc.com

Web site: www.cambournefc.com

Quiz Night

Saturday 5th March; The Vine School
Doors Open 7.30pm; Start 8.00pm

£7.50 Per Person
Includes Entrance Fee and Dinner

Licensed Bar

For Tickets Contact:

Laura Amos 07788 421158
Anna Simpson 07968 069962



Cambourne FC U8 team

The Pike Anglers of Cambourne.

Firstly, I would like to apologise for not responding to those showing interest in our club, a number of things have preoccupied my time over the last few months. Unfortunately in life everybody has to experience some sad losses along the way, and at this time it is my turn. So, fishing has taken a back seat for the time being. In the near future however, I am sure we will have many more things to share with our regular readers.

After having had such a lengthy layoff from pike fishing, and fishing in general, my wife had arranged, unknown to me, a special day's fishing. This was arranged between herself and T.V favourite and great Pike angler Mick Brown, for a milestone birthday surprise. On the morning, I met up with Mick at 8'o'clock, where his boat was moored. We were soon afloat and on the Great River Ouse trolling some Fox diving lures. A short time later, and Mick was into the first fish of the day, a small jack pike. After locating a small shoal of fish on the fish finder we moored up close to the bank and introduced some dead baits. It was not long before our first bait was taken, a lovely pike of around 13lb came to the boat where Mick expertly removed the hooks, took a quick photo and slid it back. Soon after another 2



pike came our way, but then things went quiet, so we decided that it was time to move on.

Whilst searching for shoals of fish along the way - which were very hard to find as it was a little early in the season for fish to be really shoaled up - we did pick up a couple more pike on the trolled lures. After finding another shoal, we moored up, and waited for our float-fished baits to be taken. A number of different baits were used that day which included Mackerel, Sardines, Herrings and even Lamprey. In between Mick drinking all my coffee(!) and us eating our sandwiches, we did catch another 3 pike, with the biggest being around 11lb. Mick shared stories of some of his amazing captures with me until it was time to move on, light was now fading and we were running out of time so we decided to troll for the remainder of the day until we reached our final mooring.

We even trolled into darkness in hope of catching a Zander, Mick did manage to get one more fish, but the final fish of the day actually turned out to be another pike. We finally reached our mooring at around 5.30pm, unloaded the boat, said our goodbyes and left for home. So, I would like to say a big thank you to my wife and Mick for arranging such a great birthday present, Thank you!

Until next time, good fishing, Stu

The Running Man

Okay, it's February and you are about a month into your bright new years resolution fitness regime. Often this is the time that reality sets in and the shine wears off, dust gathers on the fitness DVD, running shoes stay unused and slowly motivation gets lost. I have found that the key to stopping this slide back to bad habits is goal setting.

Setting goals gives you two things: a solid marker to attain and a great sense of achievement when you reach that goal. However, it is important to avoid disappointment and keep your goals sensible. For instance don't start running in January with a goal of running the Marathon Des Sables in March. However, you could say that you want to be running 2 miles in March and happily achieve that one.

It is good to share your goals with others, telling friends and family what you intend to do makes it a lot harder to give in. If your new fitness/weight loss program involves running enter a race such as the Cambourne 10k in April to give a solid focus for your efforts. Try running with others and join a local running club or group such as my own Cambourne Runners or the Cambourne Womens Running Network. Sharing your running with others can help the miles fly by and become an enjoyable experience again. If you have to run alone add variety to your runs, simply reversing a well used route can make a real difference, or try out and back runs where you run to a set point note your time and then run back to your start point aiming to beat that time. So, set goals and keep motivated!

The Cambourne Runners Beginners Group meets Saturday mornings at 9am outside the Hub

Upcoming Local Races in February/March:

Every Saturday: Cambridge Parkrun 5 km trail, Milton Park • **Sun 13th Feb:** Sunday League XC 5 miles, Royston
Sun 27th Feb: Nene Valley 10 miles, Cambs • **Wed 2nd Mar:** NVH Harrier League 5km, Cambs
Sun 6th Mar: Frostbite Friendly League 5 miles, Cambs • **Sun 13th Mar:** The Bedford Clanger 26 miles, Beds



Cambridge Festival of running

Sunday 3 April 2011 11am (Fun Run 11.05am)

To register for the 10K Race, or for more details of the Cambridge Festival of Running 2011, visit

www.cambridgefestivalofrunning.com



The Cambridge Cambourne 10K Run will again be held on a safe multi-terrain course at Cambourne. There will also again be a Fun Run of about one mile for beginners and children aged 9 and over.

We are hoping this will encourage people of all ages to try running, while perhaps the more serious runners in their family are taking part in the main race



Here to Help!



The **Isaiah58 Project** is all about giving young people the chance to help anyone in Cambourne who would, well... like some help! In the past we have painted a wall, washed cars, mowed lawns and tidied up gardens, cleaned up sheds, and helped people around the house. We could also help with shopping, computers, or anything else you want to suggest!

For more information on this project, or if you would like help with something, contact Cambourne Church Youth Worker Jon Sanders on 07798858302 or jon.sanders@romseymill.org



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The first partial solar eclipse of 2011 was visible above the skies of Cambourne in early January. For anyone that missed it, local resident Steve Loughran captured this amazing image and has kindly allowed the Crier to reproduce it. Europeans will not get another chance to see such a large section of the Sun being obscured by the Moon until March 2015!