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CAMBOURNE CRIER EDITORIAL

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PARISH COUNCIL BY-ELECTION

DEC 6TH - 2012. Vote at The Hub between 7am and 10pm.

IMPORTANT - Polling cards will not be issued. Just turn up and vote.

There are three candidates contesting one vacancy in the forthcoming Cambourne Parish Council by-election.

The Crier is pleased to present a short election statement from each candidate, presented below in alphabetical order. It should be noted that we have limited each candidate to 150 words.



Jeyur Patel

"I am a very friendly, approachable and helpful person. Having previously lived and worked in Japan, India, Germany and USA, I am now settled in Cambourne with my wife and two children. Beyond my job as an Electronics Engineer for a multi-national company in Cambridge, I am an active organiser of Cambourne's multi-cultural society, where I use my experience of starting a community group in Munich.

My goal as Councillor is to work towards controlled, sustainable and long-term growth for Cambourne. I believe this can be achieved by attracting more businesses to the area before building more houses. Listening to Cambournites, I would also work towards improving the public facilities, including healthcare, education, sports and leisure, transport and shops.

I am well positioned to bring the best of all international cultures to Cambourne to create a more vibrant community - And together we will make it."



Laura Selway

"I have enjoyed Cambourne's past, am active in its present and would love to help shape its future.

A resident of 9 years, I am passionate about Cambourne and its development. I am committed to the community, shown most recently through running the Swimming Pool Campaign. A mum of 3, I was also a founder of two thriving children's groups.

I would like to preserve the sense of community by encouraging community involvement, creating new and supporting existing events and services. We also need to think creatively about how to help our youth grow up with pride for their community and facilities. I would also be keen to tackle other universal issues including parking.

I understand planning policies and legislation and would like to see Cambourne stay as true as possible to the original Masterplan and ensure that developer contributions give as much benefit to the community as possible."



Sandra Tyrer

"My name is Sandra; I am a mum of 3. We moved to Cambourne 18 months ago. After moving here, I became an editor with the Cambourne Crier. I also helped start up Cambourne Time bank, Community Café and Cambourne Family Fun Group. If elected, I want to help shape the future of Cambourne and keep it a great place to live. There are a few things I would be keen to get involved in:

Venues • Education • Parking • Swimming pool • Medical services

I pledge to:

• Listen to you • Take action • Respond quickly • Help develop our parish with your help

So when it comes to making your decision on who to vote for, look at each candidate and see what they currently do for our community and what they can offer for the future of Cambourne."

06/12/2012	Green Bin and Blue Bin	Bin Collection Dates for this month in Cambourne You will receive a weekly collection each Thursday between 7am and
13/12/2012	Black Bin	
20/12/2012		6.30pm, alternating each week between green and blue bins, and then black bin. Bins will be collected a day late(Friday) if it's a bank holiday
29/12/2012 (Saturday)	Black Bin	Monday week. For South Cambs District Council waste and recycling service call 03450 450 063.
05/01/2013 (Saturday)	Green Bin and Blue Bin	Monday to Saturday 8am - 8pm (excludes bank holidays).

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CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Christmas message from the Chairman

As we approach the festive holiday period, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all well and thank you for the support I have received since I became Chairman of Cambourne Parish Council in May.

It has been a pleasure to serve the people of the Cambourne this year and a delight to meet so many of you at the Cambourne Fireworks. To see so much good work going on in our community is very rewarding. It is an honour to represent this Parish and its people and one which I look forward to continuing into 2013.

On behalf of Cambourne Parish Council, I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year.

Cllr Dominic Plunkett – Chairman

Trim Trail

Working with the developers, MCA, the Parish Council have installed a Trim Trail around the Eco Park. The addition of the Trim Trail to the existing sports facilities in Cambourne provides even more opportunities for fitness training. The equipment is suitable for use by adults and teenagers and offers a circuit of exercises which strengthen the whole body. The Parish Council hope that this new facility will be well used by the general community and by the sports clubs as part of their training strategy.

Great Cambourne Play Area

By the time you are reading this (weather permitting) the Great Cambourne Play Area will be sporting brand new swings and safety surface. The new safety surface has been designed with more coloured areas which it hoped will spark some imaginative play among Cambourne's younger residents.

John Vickery - Cambourne Parish Clerk

Residents are welcome to address meetings before they formally start on any matter that is on the agenda. If you have something else you would like to raise, please contact the Parish CALENDAR OF MEETINGS. December 2012

Clerk at least 10 days beforehand so that the item can be added if necessary.

John Vickery the Parish Clerk is available at Parish Office, The Hub, High Street, Cambourne, Cambridge CB23 6GW. Telephone 01954 714403 or by e-mail at clerk@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk

The Parish Clerk will normally be in the office between 9.30 and 1.00 Monday to Friday and by appointment at other times.

Date	Time	Meeting
4th Dec	7:30pm	Planning Committee
	*	Council
18th Dec	7:30pm	Planning Committee
	*	Finance & Policy Committee

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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.

Dear Editors,

A HUGE thank you to all of the volunteers for the biggest and best Winter Wonderland so far! 6 years ago, Ali and I (AKA Violet and Tallulah) sat down and said 'what can we do to impact our community and bring people together'? Winter Wonderland was an idea that grew and grew and we are so happy to see so many people from Cambourne coming together to enjoy this event. This year, one of the biggest hits with the children was the oozy SLIME they created thanks to Nicky and Gary Watts. Another hit each year with parents and children is the ceramic painting on mugs and plates which Hannah (and Liz) looks after each year. The children leave at the end of Winter Wonderland with such happy faces and it's nice to see the parents/carers/families relaxing and enjoying something together. So, we hope those that came enjoyed themselves and of course, we send our love and thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers who helped make this year a huge success. Merry Christmas everybody and see you at our next Violet and Tallulah Event!!

£600 up for grabs in paper recycling competition

Six lucky residents will win £100 each in a fantastic paper recycling competition run by South Cambridgeshire District Council this winter. Sponsored by Amey Cespa, the competition aims to reward residents who regularly recycle paper in their blue bin paper caddy. It's easy to take part, just visit <u>www.scambs.gov.uk/papercompetition or</u> call 03450 450 063

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Bedfordshire Cambridgeshire Northamptonshire

Wildlife Review December 2012

There has been plenty of autumnal activity around Cambourne with the redwings and fieldfares arriving and eating from our hedgerows. The birds in the Manor House Garden have been very busy at the feeders, getting ready for the cold weather to come.

If you are out around Cambourne for a winter walk over the next few weeks, or with your family at Christmas, please let me know if you have any interesting wildlife sightings.

There is not so much work in Cambourne for me and my colleagues at this time of year, but we have been very busy at our nearby woodland nature reserves. We have has several groups out coppicing with us at Hayley Wood Nature Reserve. This is the traditional practice of cutting all the hazel and ash in a section of the wood to harvest the materials for making all sorts of things, then allowing the cut stumps, or stools, to grow back for between 8 and 16 years, before coming round to cut them again. This creates a very mixed habitat of trees at different ages, which helps to maintain a bigger diversity of plants, insects and animals. To see this in action, why not join one of our many work parties at weekends? For a list of our work parties and information about all of our other volunteering opportunities, just visit our volunteering pages www.wildlifebcn.org/volunteer



We are also looking for a volunteer receptionist to manage and organise our reception area at Cambourne. This includes setting up display materials as well as greeting visitors and undertaking some reception related administration duties. If you would be interested in donating some of your free time in this way or you would like to gain experience for your CV, then have a look at the details on our website www.wildlifebcn.org/jobs



GardenWatch – song thrushes

The species to look out for and report for December and January is the song thrush. It is a very easy bird to identify, it has a brown back and spotted front. It can be confused with mistle thrushes, which are more grey with larger spots, or redwings, which have a white eye stripe and red patches on their sides. Song thrushes like to eat snails, but to get into the shells they have to find a hard surface to smash them on. So they often use patio paving slabs or steps in gardens, leaving a tell-tale scattering of shell fragments. They will also eat fruit and berries, so growing a berry-bearing shrub or leaving out some apples or sultanas will attract them in. For more information and to register your sightings, go to our website <u>www.wildlifebcn.org/gardenwatch</u> or call the office.

Merry Christmas!

Get in touch

If you have any comments, questions or suggestions about the green spaces in Cambourne please get in touch. Email me at jenny.mackay@wildlifebcn.org or call 01954 713516 (please leave a message and I will get back to you) - Jenny Mackay - Wildlife Trust Reserves Officer

www.wildlifebcn.org

Wildlife illustrations – Mike Langman

Designs for dormice

Do you have your own workshop and can set up a little production line to build for wildlife? The Wildlife Trust is looking for carpenters in Cambourne to volunteer their skills and take part in a new project to test out a design of nest box for dormice.

If you are interested in building some boxes on a regular basis contact: Henry Stanier, Ecology Groups Officer, at the Cambourne office

01954 713519

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Monkfield Park We have had a fantastic first half term in Year 4 here at Monkfield Park. We have been busy learning all about World War II and how it felt to be a child during that time. We have been very lucky as we have had several visitors who have come in to share their own experiences and memories with us. One of our visitors was an evacuee during the war and talked through his recollections of being evacuated to Wales as a very young child, which was really thought provoking and brought the idea of evacuation to life. Another visitor talked about her father who was awarded a George Cross Medal during the war for his bravery as a

policeman. We had the chance to see the medal and a piece of shrapnel from the

bombed building that he had saved people from. Children have also brought in artefacts from home such as ration books, coins and photographs. Children have been inspired to write diary entries about the Declaration of War and Newspaper articles about the devastation that the Blitz caused. We are thoroughly enjoying learning everything we can about World War II, but particularly composing our own Lindy Hop inspired dances.

Christmas has come early in Year 4 as we are already preparing and practising for our Christmas Carol Concert called Five Gold Rings. We have already learnt three songs and the dance moves for the Twelve Days of Christmas. We are so enthusiastic about the concert and can't wait to work with Year 3 to impress all of our parents and carers.

Elsewhere in the school, children and adults have been contributing to our Thank You Tree. The tree can be found in the main corridor and everyone is encouraged to say thank you to other people for the things that they do. We are already very pleased to see so many 'leaves' on it already and hope it will be full by Christmas.





RE Focus Davs

This term, The Vine Inter Church School, Cambourne, decided to teach RE in school a little differently. Over two and half focus days, each year group taught about Christianity and a comparative religion. The theme this half term was "People" The learning culminated in a whole school assembly to share what we had learned.

In Year 1 the children learned about people that are special and told us about special times with their parents and friends. Year 2 then told us about what it means to be a Christian and compared it with what it means to be a Buddhist. They found that Christians and Buddhists have similar beliefs in many ways. One child described Buddha as wise - "You're clever, your eyes are wide open and you're an expert.

In year 3 the children compared Sikhism to Christianity. They answered the question "would you like to be like Jesus?" Answers ranged from "yes because I could help people who are sick and lonely" to "no because he was always busy" They also created a full sized Sikh "child" and showed how Sikhs display the 5 K's.

Year 4 learned about the story of Rama and Sita in Hinduism and again found that there are many things that Hindus and Christians believe in common.

Year 5 leaned about Judaism and enjoyed telling the stories of the 10 plagues - all the gory bits as well.

Year 6 compared the Koran and the Bible and again found a close connection. They looked at 5 parables from the Bible and 5 morals reflected in 5 pillars of Islam. They then wrote their own 5 core values - things that were important to them as individuals.

The children then were asked if they prefer to learn a little RE every week or over focus days. Most children preferred focus days. There was a buzz around the school and lots of excited conversations between children and staff as the children found out new things about their comparative religion.

Next focus day will be about festivals and the children will learn more about" their " religion. In the words of the children -FANTASTIC!! 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

Cambourne 2 3 's

Cambourne 123s is a fun and friendly toddler group. We meet Fridays from 10-11.30 am at the Sports Pavilion Cost £2 per child (extra children 50p, under 1's free)

Cambourne 123's is run by a group of mums on a voluntary basis and hopes to provide a calm(ish!) environment for toddlers to play safely whilst their carers enjoy a chat plus a FREE cuppa and

biscuits! So, if you are new to the area or just feel like getting out of the house, then please do come along. Do you have too many toys cluttering up your house? Cambourne 123's will gladly take them off your hands, contact us on the email address/number below.

> 7th December - Christmas card, 14th December - Christmas decoration 21st December - Christmas Party, 11th January - Play Dough

If you are interested please do come along, as we would love to see you or for more info please contact Ruth on 07503 398344 or email cambourne123s@hotmail.co.uk

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December update

AMBOURNE LAGECOLLEGE The work progresses! When you travel west out of Cambourne on the A428, the structure of our new Village College can be seen rising up from its foundations in Lower Cambourne and building continues 'on programme', despite incredibly muddy conditions. The site is an exciting

hive of activity with all manner of trucks, bulldozers and cranes working away with tremendous commitment from Kiers to ensure they hand the building over to us on time next summer.

This is a very busy time off-site as well: we have recruited our Senior Administrative Officer, and from January, a large part of her role will be to ensure that all the new furnishings and equipment are in place for September. In November, we ran a national advertisement to recruit a Deputy Head of School, a Head of Year 7 and a Special Educational Needs Coordinator. Strong interest was expressed in these positions from both within Comberton and externally, and by the time you read this, I'm confident we will have made some excellent appointments. We are currently recruiting Subject Leaders: these positions will be filled by existing Comberton staff – as will the remaining teaching positions, so the teaching posts at Cambourne will be filled by our own subject specialists.

Plans for community use of the new Village College continue apace: we are moving closer to being able to provide community cinema facilities, and a number of clubs and organisations have already approached us with enquiries about the hire of sports venues. We are hoping to be in a position to be taking bookings for the new facilities early in the new year, and will put details on the website when the calendar is available.

Discussions about the school uniform at Cambourne are well underway, with consultations in progress about whether we will go with an adaptation of the current Comberton sweatshirt model, or move to something different across the two sites. As you can imagine, this subject is provoking a great deal of interest, especially amongst the Year 6 pupils! Full details are on our website, cambournevc.org, with a great deal of information about other aspects of the new College, including the Admissions process. The national deadline for secondary school applications has now passed, but late applications for a place at the College can be made to the Local Authority until 31 December 2012.

Thank you to all the varied members of the Cambourne community who continue to offer much-valued support and encouragement. We wish you all a Happy Christmas, and look forward to a very exciting 2013!

Claire Coates Head of School, Cambourne Village College.



Cambourne

Young Children's Christmas Party with Mr Rainbow's Magic and Puppet Show and Visit from Father Christmas

Craft Activities ~ Face Painting ~ Music, games and lots more!

£5 per child with an adult (£4 for extra siblings) Saturday 22nd December, The Hub, Cambourne, 10:00am – 2:00pm.



For tickets, contact Gerald on 07902225678 Or cambournepreschoolfundraising@gmail.com Book now – limited tickets available!

Hot food, snacks and drinks will be on sale throughout

All proceeds will go to Cambourne Pre-School (Registered Charity 1122459)

Elsworth Pre-School

As winter approaches, the children are building their own winter wonderland in the pre-school. We have already made a fireplace for a roaring (tissue paper) fire with sticks we have found in our garden.

We are also building an igloo and making penguins. Thanks to our new heaters the building will be cosier than an igloo! Outside there is still an autumnal feel and the children have been playing in the leaves.

As we move into December the children will get more and more excited about Christmas. We have already designed Christmas cards, which are being professionally printed to be used by parents this year! We will also be performing a Christmas singing concert on 18th December for the parents to come and see. The children will be learning the songs and making their Christmassy headbands to wear!



To find out more about us; try our website on: www.elsworthpreschool.org.uk

Comberton Village College Events					
Date	Event	Details			
1st December	Christmas Bazaar	Please e-mail publicity@comberton.cambs.sch.uk for more information			
9th December	Jill Bridger Dance Showcase	Jill Bridge School of Dance's students show their talent.			
14th December	Custard Comedy	More details soon, please see the website nearer the time. www.combertonleisure.com			
15th December	CVC Dance Showcase	One of the most popular events on the school calendar is this extravaganza of dance. Adults Tickets £ 6. Students Tickets £3. Concessions £3.			
18th December	CVC Christmas Concert	Featuring carols, readings and a great line up of talented young people performing a range of music			

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Monkfield Park Care & Learning Centre

We have had a busy start to the autumn term welcoming new families and two new members of staff. Following the building work through the summer holidays, we are now using our additional room, which was originally used as a Primary School designated dining room, but is now being extended to accommodate small group activities such as cooking during sessions.

We are looking forward to Christmas and will been entertaining our parents/carers with a several Christmas-themed performances in December. There will also be a Winter Activity day in December, when parents/carers are invited to join the children in their winter craft sessions. Watch the whiteboard for the date!! We are hoping that Father Christmas can find time to break into his hectic schedule and pay a visit to the pre-school children in December!

The Care and Learning Centre runs a Holiday Club during certain days in the school holidays. There are lots of fun activities such as cooking, arts and crafts, puppets, science activities, music, stories, songs and rhymes, karaoke and dance.

If you would like further details about any aspect of the Care and Learning Centre, please email clcoffice@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk or for any General Enquiries, Mrs Marian Burling - Clerical Assistant, mburling@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk. The office can also be contacted on 01954 273301.

If there is no-one available to answer your call, please leave a message.

News from Sunflower Nursery



We have all been very busy! The whole nursery has been enjoying exploring all aspects of autumn, from walks in the woods, splashing in the many puddles and collecting leaves to use back at the nursery.

Suntlower A "monster munch" tea was organised for parents and children on the 31st October. The children all came dressed up, so did the parents. There was a wonderful array of slightly spooky snacks on offer and games that Cambourne dressed up, so and the participated in with gusto.

Our oldest children - the Swans and Badgers - having been able to go to the park on a number of occasions. They have also been on wood walks, and saw some trees that the gruffalo had pushed down, as well as his cave. Some afternoon children were taken to Morrison's for tea and really enjoyed their beans on toast. The children are particularly interested in the birds in the nursery garden and the children have fat balls to hang up to attract a variety of birds. The children have been looking up the birds they see in reference books.

The Ladybird children have also been walking in the woods with the Hedgehog children. "Going on a bear hunt" is a real favourite, especially when you can act it out for "real". Ladybirds have also been using the nursery cameras to take pictures on their walks and they are now on display in the room. Wellie, hand and foot printing proved very popular, and a lot of paint and paper was used to great effect. The African giant snails have had another batch of babies, the children love watching these wonderful creatures. The hedgehogs have been particularly enjoying listening to story CD's - as well as book stories. They also went to Morrison's for tea, as a farewell to a member of staff.

Under 2's - Caterpillars and Ducklings - Cooking has been a highlight this last month. Our Kitchen assistant helped the children do some wonderful baking, which was then eaten with gusto. They also had a very good response to the Monster munch tea, with lots of parents participating. Children in need was marked at the nursery by selling Pudsey biscuits on the day.

A very big thank you to all the parents, grandparents and members of the community who donated the Morrison's gardening vouchers to us. We have enough to purchase a number of items that will be enjoyed by all the children.

For further details please call the nursery on 01954 719440

Do you need any help? Who are we? We are "C4"



This stands for Comberton Sixth Form Community and Charity Club.

We are a group of **enthusiastic** Sixth Form students studying at Comberton Village College this year. We want to help people out, free of charge! We believe that the school should be at the heart of the community and this is our way of doing this. So please help us to help you.

How can we help you?

We would love to help you with anything you need, for example:

•Gardening, tidy up and lawn mowing. • Shopping at the local shop for you. •Painting fences and walls

Delivering cards and letters for you in the village. •Helping with computer and IT tasks.

• • Just visiting for a chat to say hello and how are you

And many more.....

When can we help you?

We are available on Wednesday afternoons from 1pm till 3pm and at other times (usually after college) by negotiation with us.

How do you contact us?

Please phone Richard Waller (C4 Co-ordinator and Sixth form Tutor) at Comberton Sixth Form on 01223 262503 for further information or e-mail at rwaller@comberton.cambs.sch.uk

We look forward to hearing from you!

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Reverse Trick or Treat

Young people in Cambourne decided to do something a bit different from the normal Halloween activities this year! A group from Cambourne church decided to hand out sweets rather than receive them, and all in the name of promoting Fair trade.

Cambourne residents were pleasantly surprised to find the young people handing out treats, such as Maltesers and Chocolate buttons. The group certainly looked the part too, wearing fancy dress in keeping with the Fair trade theme!

There is now a Fair Trade group called CRAfFT (Cambourne Residents Action for Fair Trade). If you're interested in finding out more contact <u>crafft.info@gmail.com</u>

Graffiti Project

In October half-term young people in Cambourne got the chance to do some Graffiti! Cambourne parish council re-painted the Skate park and paid for a Graffiti artist to lead the young people in redecorating the skate park with their designs and names on it. Over 25 youths took part, many of whom had been part of the design process at the Monday youth club run by CYP and Romsey Mill.

If you would like to know more about Youth work in Cambourne contact Youth Development Worker Jon Sanders on 07798858302 or jon.sanders@romseymill.org

Volunteers needed!

Have you ever thought about helping out with young people in Cambourne? We're looking for more volunteers to support the work! There are lots of opportunities whether it be with open youth clubs of either primary school or secondary age, plus Music sessions, Boxing project and other clubs/activities too! Every Volunteer would need to be CRB checked. If you're interested get in contact with Cambourne Youth Development Worker Jon Sanders on 07798858302 or jon.sanders@romseymill.org to arrange to chat further about it. Thanks!

CAMBOURNE WATER REFUNDS

In the year 2000 Anglian Water introduced a system of refunds for homes that did not discharge surface water into the sewerage system. Residents could claim by ringing a telephone number. Most homes that qualified at that time used soak-a way's in their gardens. Not much was known about the scheme used in Cambourne but it was known that the scheme was not discharging run off water into the sewage system but into the lakes in Cambourne that were specifically built to handle the water. Several early residents made claims but were rejected. No one questioned this as the system was largely unknown. Very recently a resident in Upper Cambourne noticed that as part of the planning process the system was fully described in the planning application for the extra 950 homes.

This statement is from the 950 homes application

WATER EFFICIENCY

Upper Cambourne will meet the requirements of Policy NE/12 Water conservation.

The Cambourne hydrological system was forward thinking when first proposed as part of the original masterplan. The vision: to deal with storm water on site in an environmentally positive way, making use of ditches, simple sluices, weirs, reed beds, and water bodies is the embodiment of what is now referred to as Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDS). This principle will continue into these phases in accordance with PPS1:20 and CSH and NE/12 with the eastern

valley lakes taking surface drainage.

Designs will seek to reduce water usage in accordance with the Code for Sustainable Homes and PPS1. A method statement will explain what measures have been taken to achieve this, for example: low flush toilets, aeration taps, and provision of water butts."

Of course in 2000 the term SUDS was largely unknown or did not exist but SUDS schemes do qualify for the discount. As it says above the system

was already in place for Cambourne "**This principle will continue into these phases** "**although** some homes discharge to the Western lakes in the same way but using the same technique. On claiming the resident was successful and their claim accepted even though they were not covered by the above statement (ie: in Upper Cambourne) but not one of the extra 950. Other claims were accepted from Cambourne homes in all 3 villages but as the number of claims escalated Anglian Water started announcing to claimants by email that they were "investigating their claims".

Two engineers were sent to a home in Great Cambourne to verify their claim but the engineers already knew about the surface water in Cambourne, one of them having worked here for 12 years. They did a very brief check and confirmed that no surface water was entering the foul system. The claim was confirmed and there have been two letters from Cambridge Water who collect the charges for Anglian Water about the discount (and so far no retraction).

One then starts to ask why these claims were rejected before and is Cambourne due a refund beyond the current billing year. The cost to Anglian Water for this year is approx $3300 \times £37 = £122,000$ or when Cambourne is complete £159,000 p/a. Some apartments such as Cavendish Court pay for their water as a service charge and the claim would have to come from the management company and a few existing homes built before Cambourne existed such as Crowdene and Oakdene and one house in Monkfield Lane may still be connected to the foul water scheme and would not qualify if they do.

Anglian Water Terms and Conditions limit back claims to the previous April but the water regulator OFWAT state on their web site:-

"There will be occasions when a company did know, or might reasonably be expected to have known, that a property or properties were not connected to its sewerage system for surface water drainage.

Under such circumstances we would expect the company to apply a rebate with effect from the date that it knew it was not providing the service. If you believe that your water company should have been aware that your property was not connected for surface water drainage, and you are unable to resolve this matter with your company, you may wish to contact the Consumer Council for Water."

At the Planning Committee of the Parish Council on 20th November councillors approved a resolution to take on the challenge of claiming (and possible rebates) on behalf of ALL residents to avoid every household having to make a claim. A letter is being sent to Anglian Water and the Consumer Council for Water.

If residents prefer to make their own claim, details are available on <u>www.cambourne.info</u> any claim should be made before April 2013 for the current year.

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Piece of Gold

As humans, we have an innate sense of morality. No matter what religion, race or colour we are, certain qualities serve as the moral standard. We admire justice, bravery, honesty and compassion. We abhor www.cambournecrescent.org those who demonstrate treachery, cruelty or

corruption and especially state oppression. Moral standards are universal, and one of the most important aspects of Islam is adherence to high moral standards and good manners. Prophet Muhammad. May the mercy and blessings of God be upon him, taught Muslims to have the best manners and personal characteristics. The Prophet's own high standard of morals and manners made him the best example for Muslims to follow. God said in the Quran:

"And verily you, O Muhammad, are on an exalted standard of character." (Quran 68:4)

Generosity was among the countless good qualities of the Prophet Muhammad. He was the most generous of people and he used to be most generous. One day the Prophet Muhammad offered the prayer in the mosque and then hurriedly went to his house and returned immediately. A companion asked why he left and he replied,

"I left a piece of gold at home which was given for charity and I disliked letting it remain a night in my house, so I bought it to the mosque to distribute." (Saheeh Al-Bukhari)

After the death of the Prophet, the people faced great hardship due to drought. They came to Abu Bakr asking him to provide them with enough to sustain them, but he was unable to help, the treasury was empty. Just at that time, the camel caravan belonging to Uthman arrived from Damascus. It was filled with foodstuffs and other goods. The merchants gathered at Uthman's house offering him large amounts of money for the goods; however, he turned them down saying he was prepared only to give the goods to the One from whom he would receive the greatest reward. Uthman gave all the goods to the starving people of Madinah and did not charge them. He knew that God would reward him with something far greater than money.

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PEACEHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH



Meeting Sundays 10am Bible study and Sunday school 11am Morning worship at the Hub Wednesday Evenings 7 pm Locations vary call for venue

For more info email Peacehavenbc @aol.com or call 01954 710510 Pastor Donavan Bangs

Pastoral Thoughts

Now December 25th is when many people celebrate the birth of Christ. Now there is a great deal of debate concerning the actual date, but I am not going to go into that. For us today the date itself is irrelevant. Whether it happened in December, August or July makes no real difference. The important things are that it happened, and it was according to the prophecies concerning Him. This way there is no mistake in the identification of the Messiah. These prophecies provided limitations on who the Messiah could be, parameters for eligibility. It had to be from the seed of the woman, which is found in Genesis 3:15. This is further confirmed in Galatians 4:4, and the wording in Genesis is such that it denotes a singular seed. Now you might think well everyone is born of the seed of the woman and of the man, but not Christ for he was virgin born. This was prophesied in Isaiah 7:14 and is further confirmed in Matthew 1:20-25. He was born in Bethlehem prophesied someone around 700 years before in Micah 5:2 and seen fulfilled in Luke 2:4,10,11. Now that is specific, one place on the entire planet that he could be born. Also He had to be of the seed of Abraham and of David from the tribe of Judah. All of these are confirmed

by the genealogies of Christ in the gospel. This is not even dealing with the prophecies concerning Herod's persecution and the flight into Egypt. Simply the circumstances around his birth narrow the field of who is the Messiah to one individual. So this December we celebrate Christ. For who he is, what he stands for and what he has done. You see the purpose and goal for all of this, the prophecies in ages past, the visitation of the angels and announcement of the birth and the gift of this precious child in a manger were leading to the cross. The greatest light shone that night not as a star in the sky or the hosts of heavenly angels proclaiming the Saviour's birth, but it was Christ himself. John 8:12 Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. If your life seems to be filled with darkness and cold, if it is winter in your heart then come into the light and receive that greatest gift that God has for you.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Merry Christmas Cambourne.

From Peacehaven Baptist Church.



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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



Christmas Celebrations



Sunday 16th December 4.00pm Christingle Service for pre-schoolers and Key Stage 1

Sunday 23rd December 10.00am

Special Christmas All Age Service with Nativity If you'd like to be part of the nativity scene, please come dressed as a character from the nativity story

Monday 24th December 6.30pm All Age Christmas Eve service & 11.30pm Watchnight Service with Holy Communion

Tuesday 25th December 10.30am All Age Celebration

Carols on the Green In Lower Cambourne

Friday 14th December at 6.30pm

~ MUSIC ~ Salvation Army Band & Local singers

Bring a Torch

Mulled wine and mince pies served afterwards.



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*** NEW *** MEN'S FOOTBALL - EVERY MONDAY ON THE MUGA FROM 7.00- 8.00PM FOLLOWED BY THE PUB AFTER!

Beer and Carols In the Monkfield Arms

Tuesday 18th December at 8.30pm





Youth Stuff...

Christmas Thirst - Dec 9th at Cambourne Church from 6.30 - 8.30pm Live youth band, Karaoke, food and general festive fun for those of secondary school age

Youth café – every Tuesday at Cambourne Church from 4.15 - 6.00pm Pool, Table football, Wii, Table Tennis, Ben & Jerry's milkshakes, Toasties, Tuck shop, Magazines.

For more details on any of these contact Jon Sanders 07798858302 jono_sanders@hotmail.com

* LATEST * ARK available for hire

The Ark is now available for hire everyday - morning and afternoon. Contact: Deidre Farmery on

email: deidrefarmery@btinternet.com

December marks the beginning of Advent and commences Sunday December 2nd and ends Monday 24th December. The word Advent derives from the Latin word meaning "coming". We are of course looking forward to the coming of the Saviour, Jesus Christ into the world. The advent wreath's symbolism of the advent of light into the world is clear. The gradual lighting of the four candles, one on each Sunday of the Advent season, combined with the liturgical colours of the candles help to symbolise not only our



end of the world. The wreath itself is also symbolic. The circle of evergreen in which the candles are placed represents everlasting life. The seedpods, nuts and cones used to decorate the wreath are symbolic of resurrection, and fruits represent the nourishing fruitfulness of the Christian life.

Advent is a time of reflection. We are to look back at the birth of Christ in Bethlehem and we are also to look forward to the second coming at the end of time. We are caught in the juxtaposition between the two and recognise that God became man, in the humility, innocence and vulnerability of a baby. He came to bring us hope, truth and to show us how to live and love and to give meaning to our lives. He gave us a means of knowing him and following him after his death on the cross by establishing his Church to guide us, the sacraments to sustain us and the Word of God in the Bible to nourish us.

The readings from the Scriptures in Advent will turn our minds and attention to the end times and the Second Coming. We are fortified with hope and reminded to stay awake and be watchful so that he does not find us asleep with the slumber and cares of the world which do not last. The season of Advent brings us the magnificent vision of life and hope for the future given to us by Christ. Advent is our time to become more involved, more caught up in the meaning and the possibilities of life here and the life to come.

For mass times and updates on monthly activities please see our facebook page (note: you do not need to be a member of facebook to view this page) .www.facebook.com/cambournecatholicchurch

Mass time in Cambourne Church on Christmas Eve is at 4pm.

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Peacehaven International Playgroup



Coffee Mornings & Playgroup Wednesday 10 am to Noon Except school holidays Meeting at the Cambourne Cricket Pavilion, 1 Woodfield Lane, Lower Cambourne, Cambridge CB23 6FD Sponsored by Peacehaven Baptist Church

We are starting on January 16th, 2013. Ladies can enjoy a piece of cake, a cup of tea or coffee and there are refreshments and arts & crafts for the children as well.

PIP is intended for children of preschool age (0-5years) and ladies. Ladies come and socialize and bring a friend. The entry fee is £1 per family session. All nationalities are welcome.

Contact: Laura Bangs Tel: (01954) 710510

Peacehavenip@aol.com

STRICTLY PANTO PRESENTS.

Crafty (old) Ladies

The Crafty (old) Ladies would like to thank everyone who purchased items from their stall at the Cambourne Craft Fair at the Church on Saturday 6th November. Thanks too to those who purchased raffle tickets, or made a donation. All items were made and donated by members of the group. We raised at total of £327, achieving our target of

£300. The money raised will be divided between the following charities: Cancer UK, Arthur Rank Hospice, and Cambourne Church.

For further information about the Crafty (old) Ladies please contact Enid on 01954 715292. We meet on alternate Tuesday afternoons, at the Hub.





£10 ADULT £7:50 CHILD £30 FAMILY TICKET

BOX OFFICE: STRICTLYPANTO.CO.UK OR 01480 830934

Cambourne Business Park Christmas Market



Wednesday 12th December

From 1200 till 2pm At the Marketing Office

With festive music provided by the Salvation Army Join us for free mulled wine and mince pies and an opportunity for a bit of Christmas shopping

Stalls include sweets, pickles and cards, jewellery, cosmetics, children's books and toys, handbags, and many more gift ideas

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CAMBOURNE COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME Community car schemes provide door-to-door transport for people who cannot make the journey by car, by bus or dial-a-ride. But is **NOT** a taxi service and you need to give as much notice as possible. Drivers are all volunteers so we cannot guarantee availability. There is a minimum charge of £2.50 for each journey, or 30p per mile from

Minimum cost to Cambridge is £6, Addenbrookes is £9, anywhere in Cambourne is £2.50. - our volunteers are able to help people with appointments or social engagements.

We are delighted to welcome Elain Brooker as a co-ordinator and new drivers Paul Storer, Paul Jelo, Jessie and Giles Newcombe join exisitng drivers Kennedy Wambalaba and Roger Hume. Thanks to the Crier for the publicity!

the drivers home and back. Ask your doctor if you qualify for free transport to Hospitals.

The co-ordinator for the Cambourne Scheme is Samantha (Sam) Morrison Tel 07930 855 833 or cambournecarscheme@gmail.com and leave a landline number if possible. All expenses are paid and drivers get a top up of 15p per mile from the County Council making a total of 45p a mile (Inland revenue limit).



www.cambourne.info/cambournecarscheme.htm for more information

Cambourne Christmas Market

The Hub - Cambourne. Dec 8th – 1pm - 6pm Over 25 stalls selling everything from fresh bread to traditional toys Refreshments will be available <u>FREE ENTRY</u>

All profits will be donated to Jimmy's homeless shelter in Cambridge

Sponsored by Cambridge housing society and Cambridge building society facebook.com/CambourneChristmasMarket



CAMBOURNE ARTS

ART GANG

This group meets on the 2nd Monday of each month to work on a specific aspect of art or craft, or to bring their own things to

work on. There is generally a still life set up for drawing or painting practice. It's a good opportunity for a chat and advice. At the moment we meet in members' homes: please ring 01954 710858 for the venue address.

WORDS FOR PLEASURE

"Words for Pleasure' is a writers' group which meets in Cambourne Library, monthly on a Thursday afternoon. The group will meet in December for a festive session.

For more information please get in touch, either by enquiring at the library desk or by phoning either: Alan Gibson 01480 880442; Pat Callaghan 01954 718836;

WATERCOLOUR CLASSES

There are now two separate watercolour classes: Beginners, which meets in the Lower Cambourne cricket pavilion on Tuesday morning from 10-12, and Improvers, which meets in the Sports Pavilion at the back of the Leisure Centre on Wednesday morning from 10 - 12. Please note that the Beginners' group will change to a Tuesday afternoon, 1-3pm after Christmas. There are one or two spaces in each of these groups. Phone 01954 710858.

PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

In this local group, levels of expertise vary from beginner to advanced, with everything in between, and more members will be very welcome. Fortnightly Tuesday evening meetings.

For more details visit the website: http://www.flickr.com/groups/cambournephotographygrou p/ or phone 01954 205050

LIFE DRAWING

This is an untutored monthly session, but friendly advice is always available, and experience levels vary greatly! New members always welcome. For details of the next session and to book a place, phone 01954 710858

2013 PROGRAMME

We are working on presenting a number of events over next year. So far, there will be a demonstration of sugar craft in May, a watercolour workshop and a separate painting demonstration in other months. If you have a particular skill and would like to offer something similar, please get in touch.

NEW WEBSITE

If you are an artist or craft-worker and would like to have a link on the website, please get in touch via the website www.cambournearts.btck.co.uk

For further information on any aspect of Cambourne Arts, contact: Fran - <u>fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk</u> or 01954 710858

WHAT'S ON LOCALLY

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

Xmas Greetings from Cambourne Library

Mon: 9.00-5.00, Tues: 9.00-1.00, Wed: Closed all day, Thurs: 4.00-7.00. Fri: 9.00-5.00, Sat: 9.00-1.00.

The staff of Cambourne Library would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year! If you haven't already joined why not make that a New Year Resolution.

For one week from 3rd December Sackville House Reception is hosting exhibits from a Junior Schools Art Competition "Me Myself I". Please do come in and view the exhibits and vote for your favourite picture!

> Special Xmas Story Time + Rhyme Time combined. Friday 21st December from 9.30 – 10.30.

CAMBOURNE VILLAGE COLLEGE – Great news – you can view the plans for the new College in the library

Engage in the Afternoon	Family History Session.	
Wednesday 5th December 2pm. "The origins of the	There will be a drop in Family History session at the	
Circus and How it developed by John Moyle". No need	library every 3rd Monday in the month from 2.30-4.30.	J
to book - Just pop along. Ask at the library for more	Just pop in for advice. All areas covered. Next session	
information.	Monday 17th December.	
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Did you Know –We have a selection of Christmas Cards and stamps for sale in the library.

Cambourne Garden Club



At the October evening we enjoyed a glass of wine or soft drink while sampling a range of goodies made by members using produce from their own gardens. In spite of it not having been a very good year for some fruit and veg, we were still able to enjoy a beetroot and chocolate cake; ginger and rhubarb shortbread; apple cake; marrow hummus; sun-dried tomato relish and carrot-cake muffins. We also shared experiences of the fruit and veg year, with helpful advice, congratulations and commiserations as appropriate.

In the past I have taken cuttings from my geraniums and nurtured them through the winter, only to lose them to mildew. I am giving it another shot this year, and hope that from advice picked up at the November demonstration by Andrew Mikolajski about obtaining plants for free, the result will be more successful.

There is no December meeting, but on January 26th, Jon from the Wildlife Trust will be talking to us about the birds we might see in Cambourne and generally throughout our local Trust area. This will be followed up later in the year with another member of the Trust showing us how to build a bird box to attract specific birds to make their nests in our gardens.

The Club meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7.30pm for 7.45pm in the Hub Committee room. Visitors very welcome at a small charge. Membership is £15 a year. For further info on the club, contact *Fran on 710858*



Cambourne WI

In November we started our preparations for Christmas with the help of one of our members the lovely Maureen, teaching us how to make Christmas crackers. We are very grateful to Maureen for her expertise and skill and for her patience with us while we all fumbled with glue and glitter.

For our December meeting we are asking members to bring along nibbles and ideas to 'entertain' the rest of the group. Knowing what a skilful and diverse group of women we have in Cambourne our December meeting will prove to be very interesting and entertaining.

From the Cambourne WI we would like to wish everyone a peaceful holiday season and happy New Year. If you are new to the area or would just like to meet likeminded ladies and women then get in touch and come and join the Cambourne WI. *For more information please contact Gill on 718566.* please send all editorial contributions to *editorial@cambournecrier.org*. Please note the deadline for January 2013 is earlier than usual. Midnight on Friday 14th of Decen

Cambourne Kitchen

Pan-fried Trout fillet with Carrot Spaghetti with Orange and Tarragon sauce

Local resident Louise Wilson writes and submits our monthly recipe. If you would like to request anything particular or send any feedback please email editorial@cambournecrier.org

Well here we are, the month of over indulgence, cold weather, and dark, early nights. Therefore, I've prepared something light, warming, and healthy with a little ray of sunlight to combat all of that. This is great as an alternative to all the rich dishes we enjoy over the festive period. I've used ribbons of carrot instead of pasta and the sauce is simple and refreshing.

Method:

Heat the oil gently in a medium saucepan and add your onion to sauté slowly. Add a pinch of salt and pepper at this stage to encourage the onion to release its juices. Add the tarragon. When the onions begin to turn translucent add the ginger, sugar, orange juice and zest. Stir and allow to simmer over a low heat.

In the meantime use a peeler to peel the carrot right along its length to create thin ribbons of carrot. Add these to the onions with a little water and cover with a lid. Cook for about 3-4 mins on a medium heat, remove the lid and reduce the sauce for a further 3 mins.

Use a little olive oil on your hands and rub over the trout fillets.

Heat a separate frying pan and make sure it is smoking hot, place the fillets in skin side down. Use a spatula to press them down in the pan for about 30 seconds. Turn the heat down to medium and leave to crisp the skin for about 2 mins. (Most people panic at this stage but don't be tempted to move it yet.) You will see the fillet begin to change colour as the heat moves through it. Once it has moved a few millimetres into them, turn the heat off and gently turn the fillets over, add a splash of the sauce from the carrots and take off the heat completely. Whilst you dish the carrots onto the plates with the sauce, the residual heat in the pan will be enough to cook the fillets as you don't want to over cook them. (A handy tip here is to make sure that whatever meat, fish etc you are using is at room temperature before you start cooking it.)

If you don't like trout, try salmon, chicken, a white fish or anything else you fancy. If you are vegetarian why not try a lovely slice of halloumi cheese chargrilled on top. The lovely citrussy tones and hint of ginger conjure up Christmas without the overwhelming heaviness of more traditional fare. Experiment – try adding a small amount of cinnamon or chilli. It's such a simple dish. Apart from the meat/fish/cheese, which should be freshly prepared, it can be made earlier and reheated when needed; just multiply for however many people you are cooking for.

Have a fabulous Christmas and New Year.

PAPWORTH ASTRONOMY CLUB NEWS

Our November meeting featured a presentation by Mark Hurn from the Institute of Astronomy in Cambridge called "Astronomers in Obscurity". Mark had identified several obscure local characters from history, including a canon from Ely Cathedral who photographed the sun every day for many years and a person who was employed as a "computer" at the IOA during the late 1800s. (Her entire working life was spent doing calculations on behalf of the senior astronomers.)

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 5th December and will be a special members meeting to discuss the future organization of the club and plan next year's activities. Attendees are invited to bring seasonal food items to celebrate the holiday. The previously advertised observing evening has been rescheduled for February.

On 2nd January, our guest will be Nik Szymanek, the renowned astrophotographer, who will give a talk on photographing the night sky and show some of his images. If you aren't familiar with Nik's work, take a look at his website:

http://s175657640.websitehome.co.uk/CCDLandWebSite/index.html. As in previous years, we are planning to link this meeting with the BBC's Stargazing Live series, which will return in the New Year. (The tentative broadcast dates are 8, 9, and 10 January 2013.)

Wednesday 6th February is the new date for the observing evening, which will be led by Dave Roberts from St Neots Astronomy Association.

Both meetings will be at the Vinter Room, Papworth Everard at 7:30PM. The Vinter Room is at the entrance to Vinter Close (it is the building with the clock tower). Entering Papworth Everard from the south, take the first left after the traffic lights into Elm Way, past the fire station, and then take the second left into Vinter Close. From the north, take the first right after the library into Elm Way, past the fire station on your left, then take the second left into Vinter Close. The meeting room is accessible to wheelchairs.

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.

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Ingredients required (for 2 people):

- 1 medium red onion, finely diced
- 6 medium to large carrots, peeled
- Zest and juice of 2 oranges
- 1 tsp dried tarragon
- 11/2 tsp ginger preserve (or 1/2 tsp ground ginger)
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 dsp sugar
- A drizzle of olive oil
- 2 trout fillets



Cambourne Air Cadets - Press Release

 Callibourne All Cadets - Press Release Corps, to remember the fallen. They laid crosses on the individual graves of the fallen at Bassingbourn Cemetery.

the next generation The Cadets then marched from the cemetery, down the streets of Bassingbourn Village to the War Memorial, where they were joined by the Royal British Legion, Bassingbourn Parish Council, Village College school

students, children of the Primary school, and representatives of the Army. While 53 names of the fallen were read out, wreathes and personal tributes were laid, before the bugler signalled the start of the two minute silence with the playing of The Last post. After this there was a remembrance service at the parish church where 2484 Sqn banner party performed their sequence in support of the service proceedings flawlessly.

Steve Brooker, the lay minister, gave thanks to the Squadron and Detached Flight for all their hard work and dedication in preparation for

this day, and expressed how impressed he was with their standards. Sgt (ATC) King 2484 would like to thank the cadets who were a credit to the Squadron and the Corps. They were respectful in their duty and maintained a high standard throughout. This was underlined by members of the public who took time to pass on their compliments to PLT OFF Rogers and SGT King about how impressed they were with the cadets. PLT Officer Rogers added, "I would personally like to thank SGT King for all the hard work and preparation he put into ensuring a flawless performance on the day, and to the cadets who did themselves, their Squadron and the Corps, proud."



Winter Warming - Air Cadets from 2484 (Bassingbourn) Squadron, Cambourne Detached Flight, Air Training Corps, and 2462 (Oakley) Squadron, recently attended a weekend with 2500 (St Neots) Squadron Air for their Winter Warmer field training exercise. Five Cambourne Cadets undertook initial field craft training under the expert guidance of staff and volunteers from the above mentioned Squadrons. Training consisted of cooking in the field, camouflage and concealment, bivvi building, map reading and much more. The weekend ended with an exercise where cadets could put their newly acquired skills into practice.

Photo: Cadet James McKay (15) Cadet Connor Smith (14) Cadet Sophie Pinchen (15) Cadet Chloe Pledger (15) Detached Flight Mascot STANS DAD

Cadet Sophie Pinchen from 2484 (Cambourne) Detached Flight said "Overall, although it was cold and we all had very little sleep, the weekend was great and we learnt a lot. We also made some new friends from other Squadrons."

If you would like information on how to join the Air Cadets, become a member of staff or support the Flight by joining the Civilian Committee, please visit us at the Cambourne Sports Pavilion, Monday and Wednesday evenings between 7pm and 9pm. For further details please contact Pilot Officer Rogers on 07813 897949 or e-mail him on CJRelec@aol.com.

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Cambourne Army Cadets - Shoulder to shoulder with all who serve.... 2 (Cromwell) Company were asked to represent the Army Cadet Force at this year's Festival of Remembrance at The Royal Albert Hall, and marched in the Cenotaph Parade during Remembrance weekend. An honour not often bestowed upon cadet forces outside ofLondon. 28 cadets from across Cambridgeshire were chosen to take part in this prestigious event, and Cambourne Detachment was well represented having 11 cadets chosen to take part.

EGION

The weekend was exceptionally busy with rehearsals for the performance at The Royal Albert Hall starting at midday on Friday 9th until late, and resuming at 9am Saturday morning. Three senior Cambourne cadets; Sgt Holmes, Cpl Farmery & Cpl Ruffels along with CSM Butcher & L/Cpl Sinclair from Cambridge, Cpl Prince from Comberton, L/Cpl Neve & Cdt Neve from Ramsey, and Cpl Wright from Huntingdon, formed the carpet guard for the Chelsea Pensioners and took part in the Muster parade of Her Majesty's troops. CSM Butcher was also the ACF banner bearer. These lucky cadets all got starring roles on the TV! The cadets were fortunate enough to watch others rehearse, and saw Russell Watson & Alexandra Burke singing, and Jonjo Kerr & The Military Wives practice for their performances. Behind the scenes was busy too with the remaining cadets taking part in the programme selling and acting as wheelchair orderlies during the two performances. With their hard work and combined efforts, they

assisted in raising over £14,000 for The Royal British Legion Poppy

Appeal - almost a thousand pounds up on last year!

Despite such a long Saturday, the cadets were required to arrive at Admiralty Arch at 8.30 on Sunday morning, ready to practice their marching and make their way around to their starting point at the base of Trafalgar Square, before marching in a squad led by Capt Jay Annis along with other cadet forces from the Air Cadets & Sea Cadets. The march took the cadets past Prince Edward whom they saluted as the Queen's representative. The whole experience was humbling and the cadets were proud to have been able to take part. Their behaviour was exemplary and we have since received many comments praising their dedication, diligence and effort. A very well done to all those who attended!

The rest of the Detachment paraded at St Neots to mark Remembrance. It was a well attended parade with some 2,500 spectators lining the route as the parade marched through the High Street to St Mary's church for the act of Remembrance and service. If you or someone you know would like to join the Army Cadet Force, then come along on

any Thursday to the Sports Pavillion, Cambourne, from 7.15pm, and see what we get up to! For more information visit www.cambsacf.com or email dc.cambourne@gmail.com.



Cambourne Cadets at St Neots Remembrance Parade



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The Running Man

Hints, Tips and Info for Runners From the Run Leader of Cambourne Runners – Run in England Group



Hopefully you've been embracing the cold and dark and getting out and running. We are lucky in Cambourne to have such a variety of places to run from the urban paths and roads to the off-road trails of the country park. I moved from the West Midlands to Cambourne a couple of years ago and I still never tire of running around Cambourne and the Cambridgeshire countryside in general. So much more enlivening than the urban industrial area we came from. There is nothing like the simple pleasure of pulling on a pair of run shoes and forgetting your problems while on a run.

NEW 2013 BEGINNERS GROUP

If you want to take up running as part of a new fitness regime for 2013, or as a way to lose weight, then you might be interested in joining the 2013 Cambourne Runners Beginners Group. This popular and successful group will be in its third year in 2013 - its aim is, over a two month period, to take people with no running experience to being able to run 5k. The group will meet on Saturday mornings following the experienced runners session. It's all done for free, so no obligations or memberships to pay for - what have you got to lose? If you are interested please drop me an email to cambournerunners@gmail.com to get more details and register for a place.

The Cambourne Runners Group meets Saturday mornings at 9am* for those that can already run 5km (in 45mins and under) and Wednesday Evenings at 7pm for those who already run 10km (under 60mins). Both meet outside the Hub. *Please note that on the last Saturday of each month there will be no regular group as members take part in Parkrun. Upcoming Local Races: Every Saturday: Cambridge Parkrun 5 km trail, Milton Park.



Cambourne Women Runners

CONGRATULATIONS!

Well done to the Cambourne Women Runners who took part in the St Neots half marathon on Sunday 18th November. Blessed with a lovely sunny day and good humour (and jelly beans!), eight ladies took part in the 13.1 mile run around rne some beautiful scenery. CWR would like to thank the Nomen Runners organisers (Riverside Runners), the volunteers who helpfully pointed us in the right direction, handed out water and

shouted out our names to encourage us, and those wonderful folk of Abbotsley, who stood in the chilly morning air to cheer all 900+ runners through their village - twice!



All in all a great day for the girls. If you fancy joining in for a much shorter run, we are still plodding around on Tuesday evenings at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start from the

Ark. Contact us via information.cwr@gmail.com if you're interested. All welcome from age 14 upwards, and our beginners course starts in January. You never know, St Neots half marathon may sound daunting, but we all started out from this club on the beginners course!



CAMBOURNE NETBALL CLUB



Back to Netbal

Want a new year's fitness resolution for 2013 you can stick to? Thinking about getting back into Netball? Or want to try it for the first time?

Cambourne Netball Club is running a 6 week

Back to Netball Course

Date: Every Thursday (from 17th Jan 2013 - 21st Feb 2013) Time: 7.30-9pm Location: Cambourne MUGA, Back Lane, Great Cambourne. Cost: £20 for 6 weeks



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Coach led sessions covering basic skill development and court play. The emphasis of

these sessions is on learning new skills and having fun playing Netball.

We also have 3 established teams of all abilities who play competitively in the Cambridgeshire League.

To book your place email: cambournenetball@googlemail.com Call Emma for more information: 01954 710034

CAMBOURNE FISHING CLUB



It was decided at Cambourne Fishing Club's AGM that the club's prices would remain the same as this year.

Adult £20 Junior 13 - 16 year olds £10 Day Ticket £5

Next year we hope to host another couple of events as they are still proving to be popular. If you have any ideas or concerns for the club please comment on our website <u>www.cambournefishingclub.com</u> or via email <u>cambourne_fishingclub@yahoo.co.uk</u>

Volunteers required as follows: We are looking for another committee member, for relief secretarial duties. Also a bailiff for occasional weekends, holiday & sickness cover. If you are interested in either positions please contact us as above.

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Cambourne FC News



www.cambournefc.org.uk E-mail: joracher@hotmail.com

December News:

- CFC Player signs contract with Cambridge United
 - U11's and U14's Progress in the Cup
- Steve Fallon trains U7's

Committee

The Cambourne FC committee would like to wish all the Managers, Coaches, players and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The CFC committee would like to congratulate U14's Jessi Kissi on being awarded a contract with CUFC. Jessi has been with the club for 2 years

and was the leagues top scorer last Season. We wish Jessi our best and look forward to watching his progress.

Soccer School

Coached by former CUFC player Chris Racher, Soccer School is held every Saturday morning, for children under the age of six, 9-10am at the Cambourne MUGA - chris.racher@hotmail.co.uk

C.F.C U7 Teams

The U7's are looking forward to a training session with Steve Fallon, to learn some new skills and help them continue with there successful season. The U7's have played a number of friendlies already this season with some very impressive results in both these matches and the league. Well done to the U7's. patricktarpey@btinternet.com

C.F.C U8 Teams

The U8's continue to enjoy training and matches, with all the players progressing in every game played. The players are doing everyone proud



Cambourne Eag

Contact Details: www.cambourneeaglesfc.co.uk

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our players and their families a very happy Christmas and a prosperous new year and thank them for supporting us at Cambourne Eagles and helping us to provide the great football that we do. And it goes without saying, managers, committee members, lines men, butty sellers, referees (the list goes on).... I couldn't do it without you! Thank you on behalf of all the children. Long may our success continue......

Sally Day, Chairman.

Totball (2-3 Yr olds): Friday's, MUGA from 2.15-2.45pm.

Academy (4-5 Yr olds): Thursday's 5-6pm and Saturday's 11-12.

U8 Red: Contact the club for details.

U8 Blue

The team have had a busy month with games every weekend. We have been playing against some tough opposition and doing really well. Our defending has come on leaps and bounds due to some hard work in training. We have scored a lot of goals over the last month, including our first headed goal from a corner, a real breakthrough! We have a lot of games in the run up to the Xmas break and we're looking forward to keeping up a strong performance.

U9 Yellow

It has been a quiet month for the under 9's with just a couple of games played. Everyone is working really hard in training and the whole team are starting to show some real improvements. We are all looking forward to a busy December with a few games and a special outing before Christmas. with the effort and enthusiasm they put into their football. simondowe@yahoo.co.uk

C.F.C U9

The U9's continued their amazing form, topping their league and scoring an amazing 99 goals in just eight league games. The U9's have recently won against; Bar Hill winning 13-6, Longstanton 8-4 and Girton 11-0. The U9's are yet to lose this season which is a massive credit to all the players. jezjubb@shacklog.co.uk

C.F.C U10 Team

The U10's are still going strong this season, scoring 51 goals and conceding just 13 in the 6 games they have played. Well done goes to Oliver Barton who tops the goals scored stats with 22 goals already this season. In the U10's last game they beat Gransden 5-3 and maintained their fantastic league form. g.maylin@hotmail.co.uk

C.F.C U11

CFC U11's progressed to the third round of the Cup after beating fellow 'B' League team, Balsham 6-3. The U11's remained unbeaten in November, continuing there excellent league form with wins against Chaterris 6-3 and Balsham 2-0. sracher@hotmail.com

C.F.C U14

CFC U14's progressed in the Cup with their best team performance so far, beating Eaton Socon 2-0. The U14's were continuing their excellent form against Needingworth, winning 1-0 when the game had to be called off due to the torrential rain. clmbuilder@btinternet.com





Tracey Ashford, Club Secretary: 01954 203162

U10's: Contact the club for details.

U11's

A quiet month with only 2 leagues games but 2 excellent victories. The first was a tight and scrappy 1-0 victory against Bar Hill, the second, a superb 7 - 2 goal fest away at Haverhill. The team is progressing very nicely this season. Ian and Keith would just like to say a special thanks to Alex (who is stepping down as coach) for his contribution this season and for getting the boys off to a great start. We wish him all the best.

U13's

The results have not matched the performances for the Under 13s this month. If the boys continue to put in the great effort and continue the improvement seen to date I am sure the results will follow.

U16's

Currently sitting second in the A league with games in hand on the teams above and below is encouraging. Three very hard fought away wins and a home win conceding just two goals is the mark of a good team. The team remain on course for a higher placed finish than last season and are still in the Cambs Pye Cup where they face Wisbech away in the next round.

U20's

We need players for this season to strengthen the squad. 2 centre backs, a natural striker and a reserve goalkeeper (who can also play outfield) to finalise the squad. All players need to be between 16-20 and the standard of football is high. Please help me to keep young players playing football.

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Robin Jones, Aged 9

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Emma Hoskins, Aged 5







