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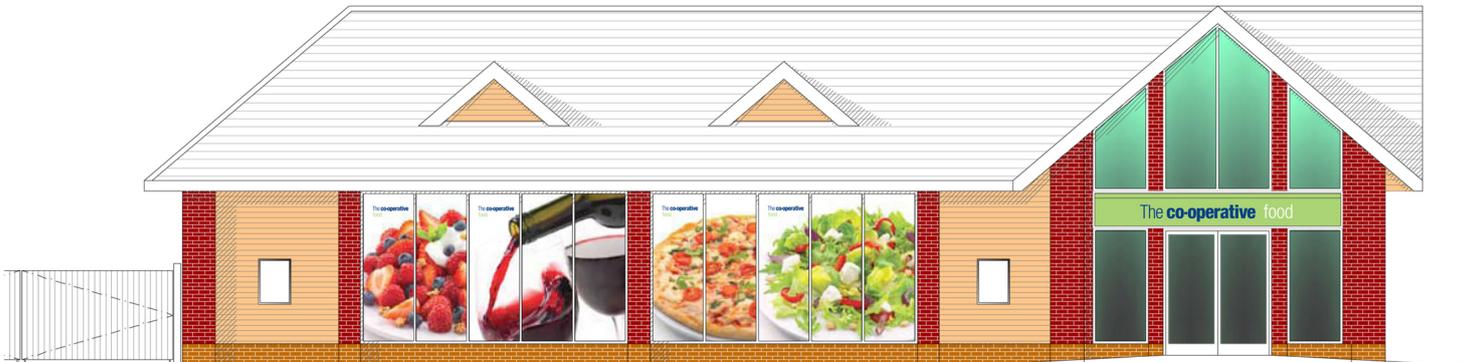
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CO-OP SET TO OPEN IN NOVEMBER

BUILDING work has now started on the new Anglia Co-operative foodstore at Lower Cambourne. The store will create between 20 and 30 full and part-time jobs and is set to open in mid-November. The building will incorporate 3,000 square feet of retail space and joins Anglia Co-operative's portfolio of 13 other convenience-size stores. The Peterborough-based retail co-operative also owns 13 large stores – all sited around East Anglia.

The Lower Cambourne store is being built off School Lane to a design that will complement the surrounding buildings in Cambourne and will meet rigorous energy and environmental requirements.



Above: Artists impression of the new store. Below: Aerial photo of location (courtesy Clayton Hudson)

It will have 25 parking spaces, pedestrian and cycle access to the store, making use of existing footpaths and cycleways. Plans also incorporate an area for 20 customers' cycles. The store will become a key part of the Lower Cambourne community and already Anglia Co-operative has linked with The VineInter-Church

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All Cambourne Faulty Lights

Can now be reported on line, by text, by email, or phone 07982 412 567

Email Cambournelights@mail.com or fill in the online web form www.cambourne.info - local information please also check if the light has a number. State road and address of nearest house to avoid delays

Cont'd from front cover

Primary School at Great Cambourne to deliver a Fairtrade assembly to youngsters at the school.

Representatives met pupils and explained to them how Fairtrade is helping to provide a lot of the things that we take for granted – like schools, roads, hospitals and fresh water – in developing countries around the world.

Each pupil at the school was also given a free Fairtrade banana to symbolise a taste of fairness. And children from all of Cambourne's primary schools community will be involved in a special opening ceremony for the new store.

Anglia Co-operative deputy chief executive, Andy Simpson, said: "*We are really looking forward to our arrival in Lower Cambourne*".

"We have much to offer the local community – the chance to do their shopping without having to travel further afield; a significant number of local jobs; and support for causes in the area.

"We hope building work, which will take some six months, will cause minimal disruption. Everything has been scheduled and planned to minimise inconvenience to local residents."

If you are interested in applying for any of the jobs being created by the new store, look out for details in the near future in the careers section of the [website www.angliacooperative.co.uk](http://www.angliacooperative.co.uk)



Now is the time of year gardeners start tidying the garden, choosing new plants and watching new growth appear. Now is the time of year gardeners sign up for

OPEN GARDENS 2013

(Now in its ninth year.)

(5 gardens have signed up already, but of course we need more)

With your help Cambourne Open Gardens will be on the weekend of
29/30 June 2013.

Great and Upper on the Saturday, followed by Lower on the Sunday.

For more details of how to join the fun Phone Pam on 201808 or better still email on pam.hume@ntlworld.com

Tickets will be on sale in the library a week before the event.

10/05/13 (Friday)	Green Bin and Blue Bin
16/05/13	Black Bin
23/05/13	Green Bin and Blue Bin
31/05/13 (Friday)	Black Bin
06/06/13	Green Bin and Blue Bin

Bin Collection Dates for this month in Cambourne

You will receive a weekly collection **each Thursday** between 7am and 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 Monday week.

For South Cambs District Council waste and recycling service call 03450 450 063.
Monday to Saturday 8am - 8pm (excludes bank holidays).

Cambourne Contacts. Your one-stop shop of useful contacts in Cambourne.

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CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire



Annual Parish Meeting

Town and Parish Councils are required to hold a meeting at this time of the year for the registered electors in their area, as part of their accountability to the local population. The Parish Chairman takes the opportunity to inform the residents about their work over the past year and to thank those people who have supported the Community. The meeting is for the residents and therefore the opportunity for you to raise issues that you feel the Council should look at. The regulations surrounding Annual Parish meetings are such that, whilst anyone can attend, participation is limited to registered electors of the Parish. The Annual Parish Meeting is to be held Tuesday 7th May 2013 at 7.30pm in the

meeting room of the Hub.

Annual Council Meeting

This meeting marks the start of the new municipal year when the Parish Chairman is elected and the membership of the Committees is reviewed. As with all our meetings residents are welcome to attend the meeting and there is an opportunity for residents to ask a question about issues covered by the agenda.

Councillor resignations /Co-option

Clayton Hudson decided that "the time is right to stand down (resign) from Cambourne Parish Council to allow another member of the community to put themselves forward and volunteer to serve on the Parish Council. Hopefully this person can be in place in time for the new council year starting in May 2013. I have enjoyed my time serving the community and #gettingstuffdone to move Cambourne as a community forward. Over the last year Dominic, Simon and the wider council have been able to consolidate following my time as Chairman and the projects we completed such as Sports Pavilion and Sports Centre. I leave the Parish in safe hands. My long term future is in Norfolk with my family and my growing business. That said given the race to infinity, secondary school and the district local plan need to be resolved/finished in the next year I have decided to see out my remaining term as a District Councillor until May 2014. I will still continue to attend Parish Meetings and please continue to inform me of your decisions and how I can best represent the Parish Council at SCDC. I am proud of what I and the Parish Council have achieved during my time as a councillor. I wish you and the Council continued success."

Parish Council advertised that there was a Vacancy on the Parish Council; an election was not called so the Council will be looking to co-opt to fill the vacancy. If you are interested in filling the vacancy please contact John Vickery Parish Clerk.

The Hub Photovoltaic panels

The Panels on the roof of The Hub recently passed 21,000kWh of energy produced since their installation at the end of July 2012 this equates to the total energy needed to power 7 dwellings.

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 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.

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS - May 2013

Date	Time	Meeting
7th May	7.30pm	Annual Parish Meeting (the meeting of the electors)
	*	Planning Committee
21st May	7.30pm	Annual Meeting of the Council (the start of the new municipal year - election of Chairman)
	*	Planning committee
	*	Leisure & Amenities Committee (election of chairman only)
	*	Finance & Policy Committee (election of chairman only)

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



We would be interested in hearing from new organisers and drivers
(leave a landline number if possible) Tel 07930 855 833 or email cambournecarscheme@gmail.com 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
We had another busy month in April - excellent commitment from volunteers,
why not join us! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS PLEASE

Minimum cost to Cambridge is £6, Addenbrooke's is £9, anywhere in Cambourne is £2.50.

- our volunteers are able to help people with appointments or social engagements.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



The Cambourne Crier welcomes 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.

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to discuss the imminent closure (07 May?) of the Post Office counter that is located within the Lloyds Pharmacy, High Street, Cambourne, Cambs. Incidentally, I have tried, to no avail, to route via the Post Office Customer Service facility to get to speak with someone. Over a week ago, my details were supposedly passed on to "the relevant department" but no-one has bothered to reply. I have just tried again, but the timescale is not in my favour.

My understanding is that the Post Office contract is not being renewed as the current facility does not offer the entire range of Post Office services. Unfortunately, the direct contact with Lloyds Pharmacy, Alison Jones (External Affairs) is away on holiday until Mon 10 Apr so I haven't been able to speak with her to establish the full details.

As a very regular user of the existing facility, I am very surprised and disappointed that this closure seems to be taking place without any survey of the existing customer base. Subjective opinion is that we do not need the entire range of facilities; the current options work extremely well for the village population. Alternative facilities are not that "nearby" especially if you are a one car family, with the car in daily use by the main wage earner.

From my observations whilst queuing (Lloyds Pharmacy Post Office counter is very well used), it is exceptionally rare for a customer to ask for a facility that cannot be provided; the few occasions that I recall relate to what I describe as "longer term planning" requirements such as car tax disc renewal or currency exchange. Car tax can be actioned on-line (there is free internet available in Cambourne Library for any such requirements and there is always a 30 day advance warning from DVLA); currency exchange seems to be linked to pre-planned holidays. For both examples, there is not an "urgency" or immediate demand. I am sure that you might counter-claim (excuse the pun!) that other features are desirable, but the existing status quo seems to work very well.

Looking at the other shops or businesses to see if any of them are likely contenders for the provision of a replacement Post Office counter, I would consider few, if any takers. Possible reasons would include lack of space, need for additional security provisions or requirement for extra staff/training.

Considering the very limited options, "full counter service" (with no known timescale for replacement) or slightly limited service as we have now, I would be pretty sure that all Cambourne residents would happily accept the current facility. An arbitrary decision has been made without any consultation, which is exceptionally poor customer service.

Therefore, I would like to ask that a stay of execution is put in place whilst you conduct a customer survey to get an accurate idea of what is wanted, or, if there is a replacement option being considered, to allow the time for the new facility to be put in place before cessation of the existing counter at Lloyds Pharmacy.

Name and Address Supplied

Dear Editor and young people of Cambourne and Caxton.

As dog walkers who enjoy the Cambourne environmental park and access it via the underpass on the Crowdene bridle path between Caxton and Redgrave water, Lower Cambourne, we have noticed over the last year or so that this wide tunnel is a regular venue for parties – presumably involving teenagers from Cambourne or Caxton or both.

No problem - we hope these get together's are fun. Our question is - why do we have to suffer the aftermath? - a mass of litter consisting of empty cans, carbon dioxide canisters, balloons and broken bottles. Do these party goers care nothing about the other users of the park, the environment or the fact that the dogs coming in to use the open space could end up with sliced paws? Do they expect others to clean up after them? (as has happened regularly over the last year or so).



If anyone is able to help solve this problem it would so improve our lives.

In the picture you can see Sookie, her blue ball, and a collection of litter it ended up next to, this Sunday morning April 14th. Yours sincerely, Dog walkers from Caxton

Dear Editor,

Please send a thank you to the Cambourne Crier from the Peacehaven International Playgroup.

We want to thank you for your generous support of the grant of 85 pounds for the 2 tarpaulins for the Peacehaven International Playgroup's Afterschool Art Club/Playgroup. We are already putting the tarpaulins to good use.

Kind Regards,
Laura Bangs
Chairman of PIP



CAMBOURNE SCHOOL REPORTS



The Vine Interchurch Primary School

Light and Dark in Year 1

As part of our learning about Light and Dark, Year 1 have been looking closely at one of Van Gogh's famous images - The Starry Night. We talked about the different colours and shapes that we could see in the picture looking in detail at the swirling sea like skyline with stars exploding like fireworks and the moon in Vincent's favourite yellow. First we practiced re-creating these shapes with watercolours, we then created our own Starry Night paintings on cardboard using paint mixed with flour to add texture we added extra detail with forks and cotton buds.

Here are some of the words the children used to describe the painting:-

Cameron - *The yellow moon makes me feel happy.*

Kacper - *cold, shiny moon, gleaming stars*

Emmelia - *shiny, swirly clouds.*

Keeleigh - *shines like diamonds, wavy, stars like a sun shine*



Monkfield Park Care & Learning Centre

We had a busy time at the end of the Spring term and enjoyed celebrating Easter. We are now welcoming our new children and families who are joining us and have welcomed back our other children for the summer term.

Children who attended the Easter Holiday Club made hot cross buns, enjoyed creative sessions, had fun with science, made potato cress heads, made models using spaghetti and marshmallows and rose to the challenge of making moving models using motors, lights and buzzers from our electricity kit.

The Care and Learning Centre Holiday Club runs during school holidays and is available to all primary school age children on Cambourne.

The Manager has been introducing the staff and children to our newly acquired outdoor learning area. Each week groups of children and staff visit the Copse at the bottom of the school field to explore and investigate the natural outdoor environment. This is already proving very popular with the children who often bring back souvenirs of their visit to the pre-school to share with their friends. We are currently observing buds and leaves growing on branches, we also brought back huge snowballs which the children used in imaginative play activities after our visit in the snow before Easter. We are now looking forward to observing seasonal changes and a whole new range of experiences on our visits.

We will be planting our seeds from our *Let's Grow* vouchers soon, and we have recently planted some new trees which we are busy looking after.

This term the pre-school children will be finding out and learning about the Emergency Services and people who help us.

One of our members of staff has just completed the Physical and Nutrition Co-ordinator (PANCo) training and will be attending a presentation to celebrate her achievement and collect her certificate very shortly. This has led to the introduction of new physical activity programmes for the children as well as an increased awareness of healthy foods and what we can do to keep active and healthy.

If you would like further details about any aspect of the Care and Learning Centre, please email clcoffice@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.

Peacehaven International Playgroup



Afterschool Art Club & Playgroup

Wednesday 3:30 to 5:00 pm Except school holidays
Meeting at the Cambourne Community Centre, The Hub,
High Street, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6GW
Sponsored by Peacehaven Baptist Church

Enjoy a piece of cake, a cup of tea or coffee and a chat. There are refreshments and arts activities/curriculum.

PIP is intended for children ages (0 to 5), (6 to 12 AAC) and parents/carers. All nationalities are welcome.

The entry fee is £1.00 per family for children ages 0 to 5 years old.

The Afterschool Art Club has space for 20 art students and the entry fee for art students is £1.00 per session. See website for term time bookings, etc and/or come to the playgroup and see the availability for art lessons for children ages (6 to 12). Please register in person, registration is done annually.

For bookings & enquiries contact: Laura Bangs, (01954) 710510 or Peacehavenip@aol.com

<http://peacehaven-international-playgroup.co.uk>

Funded in part by Create, Awards for All, Co-operative Group, CHS Group, South Cambridgeshire District Council & Cambridgeshire County Council

Hardwick Community Primary School - The Blue School



The Blue School

We have had a very busy and exciting couple of months at Hardwick. Most significantly we have had confirmation that the county council had brought forward the building of our permanent home for our 'The Blue School campus. This will now be built ready to open in September 2015. Many of you many well have seen the recent press release explaining that it will be located next door to the new Cambourne Village College. We are delighted that this will allow us to continue our well-established commitment to our Cambourne families and enable us to develop an ever closer relationship with the broader Cambourne community. We have already started working with our project manager exploring how we can design the best school we can to meet our vision of a vibrant, enjoyable educational experience for our pupils. We will keep you updated on the building design and ongoing developments.

We are enjoying our first summer in The Blue School especially as we can now get outside more often. Recently our children have been learning about life 'All Around the World' and it has been wonderful to have welcomed so many visitors to the school providing such rich first-hand learning experiences for the children.

Our Mother's Day afternoon was a huge success and we are looking forward to inviting dads in next, as it's their turn for a treat.

Our children are soon to have their first big trip out to the zoo as part of our current topic on animals. This will be another opportunity for our reception pupils from both sites to get together to enjoy some shared curriculum time and build on their friendships.

Please put in your diaries the following events:

The Blue School car boot sale on Sunday 19th May. If you would like to book a plot for between 10.30 and 12.30 on that day for £5 then please ring the school office on 01954 719085

Hardwick Carnival on Saturday 6th July 2pm - 7pm. This is a great event, of which you will hear more nearer the time.

Andy Matthews & Ruth French

Cambourne Carers & Tots

The Hub, High Street, Great Cambourne, Cambs CB23 6GW.



We are a friendly and popular group, meeting on Thursday mornings from 09.30 to 11.00 during term time. All parents, grandparents and childcarers are welcome, with children aged from birth to the start of school years.

We have lots of toys and play equipment to keep the children occupied while carers can hopefully relax and make friends. There is a baby area, a craft table and we also make time for songs round the parachute towards the end

of each session.

£1.50 for carer and first child, 50p for each additional child. Session charge includes tea/coffee and biscuits for yourself and a drink and a snack for your child.

Please drop in to see us, we would love to meet new toddlers and their carers. There is no need to pre-book, just turn up on the day!

If you have any questions please contact Emily Mendes Tel: 07729 616007 / Email: emily.mendes@btinternet.com or Joy Jones Tel: 07591 500104 / Email: joyrapley@yahoo.co.uk.

The roof is on – it's official! The first day of the spring term saw the Kiers construction team, local councillors, special visitors and staff from Cambourne Village College scaling a precarious scaffold to perform the 'Topping Out' ceremony. There were a number of elements to this traditional ritual: a tree was taken on to the roof to appease the spirits of the trees used in construction – apparently a Scandinavian custom; wine was poured over the building – not just to check that it was watertight, but to replace the blood of human sacrifices apparently sometimes made on the tops of buildings (you can relax, Year 6...) and the final roof bolts were ceremoniously tightened. From the top of the building we could see the progress being made in laying out the roads on site and in levelling the sports pitches, and were able to reflect on the possibilities of fixing solar panels up on the roof in the future.

On the ground, work continues with the interior fittings and the exterior cladding to the building, and the artistic elements of the new College – our sculpture and the decorative panels on the exterior stair cases – are well in progress in their workshops.

Back at Comberton, timetables, schemes of work, and lesson plans are coming to the fore of our planning, with access to the facilities by the community also high on our priority list. We are looking forward to working more closely with the Year 6 children, once they have finished their SATS and have time to meet their teachers for 'New Intake' activities and the Athletics Festival.

Parents interested in enrolling their children in Cambourne Village College may still be able to do so - please contact **Diane Bagulay on 01223 265470** for information on the remaining availability of places.

Claire Coates
Head of School, Cambourne Village College



Jeavons Wood School

Summer Fête

Friday 14th June

3:15 - 5:30pm



FACE PAINTING
SPLAT THE RAT
REFRESHMENTS
MYSTERY BAGS
RAFFLES
OBSTACLE RACE
TOMBOLA
BISCUIT ICING
HOME MADE CREAM
TEAS

CHILDREN'S ART SHOW
EXERCISE BIKE CHALLENGE
WATER PISTOL FIRING RANGE
INFLATABLES
CRAFT ACTIVITIES
WELLIE WANG
BASKETBALL SHOOTING
..... AND MUCH MORE!



For further information please contact enquiries@jeavonswoodpta.org.uk



Cambourne Pre-School

Cambourne Pre-School would like to thank the children, parents & carers for their help in raising over £86 by producing Easter Mugs. The children did a finger painting of chickens which was then printed onto mugs. These then had a nest and chocolate chickens placed inside. Money raised will be used to buy tricycles for the outside play area.

Other fund raising events planned are a **car boot sale at the Hub on Saturday 10th August** see notice for details. Also staff/children are hoping to do a sponsored stroll around the field adjacent to the pre-school details to follow.

We would like also to thank Cambourne Church and its 'Epiphany' house group for allowing the children to use part of their allotment to plant vegetables which will then be used as part of EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) where children 'should be able to explore the natural environment' and to 'develop an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time'



Dominic & Charlotte enjoying a cuppa before going out to play'



Every Friday from 10-11.30 in the main hall at the Hub
Cost: £1.50 per family including refreshments. Suitable for 0-2 years although older siblings are very welcome.
There is always play and chat but alongside there will be the following talks/sessions:

3rd May Treasure Baskets, **10th May** Library Services,
17th May Rattle Bottles, **24th May** Glazed & Amused,
31st May No group – HALF TERM, **7th June** Sign & Cuddles

Baby and Me is run entirely by volunteers and is a non-profit making organisation. Volunteers move on to other things as their children grow up and we need more volunteers to join the committee to make sure that we can carry on – we really do not want to have to close. If you are able to help on the committee or can just come earlier to help set up, please e-mail us.

For further information, schedule updates or if you have any queries please e-mail us at **Cambourne.BabyAndMe@gmail.com** or see our website (www.babyandme.org.uk) or Facebook page (Baby and Me).

Summer Fete 2013

Friday 7th June 5:00-8:00pm
Come along and join in the fun!



50p per adult - Children free

- * BBQ * Shoot a Goal * Lucky Dip*
- * Bottle Tombola * Tuck Shop * Live Music *
- * Bouncy Castles * Raffle * Face Painting * Tattoos *
- * 'Animal Experience' * Lucky Cups *
- * Cake & Refreshments* Arena Entertainment and much more...!

For further information, please contact:
friendsofmonkfieldpark@gmail.com

Elsworth Pre School

We are now all now going back to pre-school after a chilly Easter holidays. This term is always one of our favourites. As the weather warms up we will be able to play in the yard and plant our own strawberries and tomatoes. One project this



term is to use old tractor tyres to make our own dinosaur and fairy gardens for the children to play with. Later in the term we will, of course, organise or own sports day and picnic!

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

Welcome to Cambourne Library. We are situated in Sackville House. It is completely free to join. As well as a wealth of books and information we provide internet access and Wi-Fi, fax and photocopying facilities, DVDs to hire, stamps card and books to buy and much more.

There is a free Rhyme Time or Story time every Friday in the library from 9.30 – 10:00 am.

Don't forget that we have an **Engage Computer buddy** who will give FREE one-to-one help for beginners at the library. Please contact the library for details. She will help with PCs laptops or tablets.

Next Engage In The Afternoon ; Wed 5th June 2.00pm "My Journey through Quilting" by Mary Adlam. All are welcome. No need to book just pop along and enjoy the talk and a chat.

Need help with CVs, application forms or finding a job? **The Job Centre Plus** will be meeting in the library on Wed 15th May 2.00 – 3.30. You do not need to book just come along for advice.

We have a new **Cambourne Community Navigator** starting drop-in information sessions on 7th May from 2.00 – 4.00. The navigator provides information about local support services, activities and events that may be beneficial to older people. Confidential one-to-one help.



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



SERVICES

**MAY 5TH ASCENSION DAY –
10.00 SERVICE**

**MAY 12TH CHRISTIAN AID SUNDAY –
9.30 & 11.00 SERVICE
(HOLY COMMUNION AT BOTH
SERVICES)**

**MAY 19TH PENTECOST -
9.30 & 11.00 ALL AGE SERVICES**

Cavendish Court Fellowship

Alternate Mondays at 2.30pm in the lounge at Cavendish court - Contact Pam Thornton for more information on 01954 710370

3C Senior Club

Alternate Mondays at 2- 3.30pm in the church foyer
Contact Kath Pell for more information
on 01954 715742

Open Gardens—29th/ 30th June

*Are you interested in opening your garden
for folks to visit?*

29th Upper and Great Cambourne gardens are open
and 30th it will be the turn of Lower Cambourne.
Tickets are sold at £4 each and this gives entry to all
gardens involved over the weekend.

It is a great way to meet and interact with
neighbours.

For more information kindly contact

Pam Hume pamhume1@gmail.com

or Jules Hannaford juleshannaford@hotmail.com

Listen Again

Cambourne church has a link that you could listen to
previous church talks,
follow the link below to listen again!

http://www.cambournechurch.org.uk/page/worship_ministry/listen_again

Youth Stuff

**Thirst
6.30 - 8.30pm
14th April**

Monthly Youth service
for school years 7-13

Youth Cafe
Tuesdays 4.15-6pm
at Cambourne Church
from 4.15 – 6.00pm

Pool, Table football, Wii, Table
Tennis, Ben & Jerry's
milkshakes, Toasties, Tuck shop,
Magazines.

Ignite

***** Express Yourself*****

6.30 - 8.30 on the 26th May

Graffiti, live music, Pizza, Xbox360. Pool, etc
for young people in school years 7-13

Theme :Stress & Worry

For more information about the above Your events you can
contact Jonathan Buwert on 07503171869 or email him at
jonathan.buwert@cambournechurch.org.uk

Fathers and Children's Breakfast



Cambourne Church Foyer

Saturday 1st June'13

8.30-9.30am

Doors open from 8.00am-10.00am

**Tea, Coffee, Soft drinks
Cereals, Bacon rolls, etc**

**Free entry
(donations will be very much appreciated)**

**Contact Gerald on 07513951988
for more information**

PEACEHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Meeting Sundays: 10 am - Bible study and Sunday school. 11 am - Morning worship at the Hub

Wednesday Evenings: 7 pm - Pastor's home

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

Pastoral Thoughts

Our course concerning dealing with depression from a biblical perspective went well. Each month I will choose a new topic to deal with in the middle of the month. So this month on the 19th I am planning to teach a message possibly entitled "Founding firmer Families."

We have also been able to hold a pre-marital counselling session concerning communication. Counselling is a big part of what I do for the church, however, I am available also for general counselling even to those who have never attended church. The counselling times will be available on a first come first served basis and are offered free of charge. It will be Biblically based and Bibles provided for those that need them. As well as other study materials when needed. For more in depth difficulties an initial session would be held to assess the difficulty and plan research into the solution. Sessions can be held in a variety of locations and times as needed. In a community such as this there is no need to go through problems alone. At the very least having someone to listen is helpful.

If you have any questions or just need to chat let me know. www.peacehavenbc.org.uk

CAMBOURNE WI - April 2013

The Cambourne WI are looking forward to meeting in the Hub on the second Thursday of May, at 7.30 p.m. when the subject is '**A quilt for all seasons**'. Groups to be continued in 2013 by the Cambourne WI will be as follows:

- **The Book club** meets on the third Wednesday of the month. You can collect your book from Cambourne library and then come and join us for a lively discussion in the hotel on the book of the month. Non-members of the WI are very welcome. For more information please contact Fran on 077802665111
- **The Walking Group** tackle walks of between 4-7 miles contact Fran on 710858 or Penny on 200126 for information on the forthcoming walk or even better come along and give us your suggestions of favourite walks.
- **Coffee mornings** are held in Greens Coffee shop on the last Friday of the month at 10.30 am. This has become a very popular event and Greens make us all very welcome so come and join us for coffee and cake.
- **The Darts group** meets on Monday evenings to hone skills of aim, dexterity and maths. We have one full team who, so far, have won all their games, but are now looking for a second team. All levels of skills are very welcome including those who are only just able to hit the board. To find out how you could join this winning team please contact Joan on 200908 or Edna on 717360.
- If you want to be a **Lady who Lunches** then watch out for lunch dates and venues to be announced in the near future.

If you are new to the area or would just like to meet like minded ladies and women then get in touch and come and try us out. Visitors are more than welcome, although a £3 visitors fee is charged. If you like us, then you will be able to join the Cambourne WI. For more information please contact Pam on pam.hume@ntlworld.com.



Cambourne Catch up Café Grand Re-Launch

Monday May 13th - 1-3pm at The Hub

Come along to help us celebrate the re-launch of the Cambourne community catch up Café, now under the management of Cambourne Family Fun Group. We will have activities for children, magazines to read over a quite cuppa and plenty of cake!

The café will be on every Monday at the Hub 1-3pm – so even if you can't come and see us on launch day – please pop in another day!

The Catch up Café is run for the community by the community. We aim to provide a comfortable place for friends to meet and friends to be made. The café is open to anyone and everyone, young, old, male or female – all are welcome!

If you would like to get involved please contact us at Cambourne.fungroup@gmail.com

NSPCC 
Cruelty to children must stop. FULL STOP.

MONDAY 13TH MAY

Luncheon at Hotel Felix, Whitehouse Lane, Huntingdon Road, Cambridge 11.00 a.m. brief AGM and then luncheon All welcome to join us for this 2-course luncheon, coffee and truffles.

More details and tickets: Bill 01954 719745
wramstrong@hotmail.co.uk.

SUNDAY 19TH MAY 5.00 – 8.00 pm.

Exclusive Shopping Event in aid of the NSPCC and ChildLine Generously hosted by L.K. Bennett, 1st Floor, Cambridge Grand Arcade. £10 to include glass of fizz, nibbles and goodie bags. 10% discount off Spring and Summer collection L.K. Bennett Luxury Gift with every purchase. Luxury Raffle and features, including Sanctuary Spa luxury products and therapies, special event hair styling and personal style tips.

Tickets: www.eventbrite.co.uk Or Kate 01954 719745
cfm.armstrong@gmail.com

MAY BULLETIN FROM CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

BONFIRE SAFETY: In the lead up to summer, if you are going to have a bonfire, ensure you take care when doing so.



CAMBRIDGESHIRE
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

- Before lighting, check children and animals are not hiding inside and are a safe distance away
- Never leave unattended and dampen down with water if you have to leave it
- Do not light in unsuitable weather – especially on windy days and take care that the smoke is not a nuisance to others, or obstructing traffic
- Never burn flammable liquids or burn aerosols, paint, foam furniture or tyres
- Build clear of buildings, including garden sheds and hedges.

A huge thank you to residents who attended car washes held at many of our community fire stations in March (2013). Firefighters spent many cold hours soaping up cars and raised more than £1,500 for The Fire Fighters Charity.

Community groups can now bid to secure a slice of £36,000 from the Service's new Community Fund to help tackle arson in the county. See <http://www.cambsfire.gov.uk/10604> for more information. Closing date June 1.

The last of the Service's six new rescue pumps will be rolled out across Cambridgeshire this month (May), providing more life-saving equipment for fire crews who are first to arrive at the scene of incidents.

The service has also welcomed 13 new on-call firefighters into its ranks at various stations across the county during March. If you are interested in becoming an on-call firefighter, get in touch by calling 01480 444500.

Log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk. Like our fan page on Facebook by searching Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue, and follow us On Twitter @cambsfrs. To find out if you are eligible for a free home fire safety check, call 0800 917 99 94.

CAMBOURNE FAMILY FETE

Saturday 13th July. 11am till late Cambourne playing fields

ENTERTAINMENT STANDS FOR YOUNG AND OLD

sports

Bake off competition face painting

RAFFLES Market Stalls craft stalls

PRIZES

Performances by local community groups

Magic Plus much much more...



**BEER
TENT**

**FOOD &
DRINK**

For more information, to volunteer or if you would like to have a stall please contact Liz Doidge 07771903265 or Peggy Morgan 07971635572 or email cdofundraisers@gmail.com



Monkfield Medical Practice

Thank you from the MMP team

We would like to thank all patients of the practice for their understanding over the past few months when the practice has been unable to offer the level of appointments to meet demand due to staffing issues, with clinicians on sick leave, maternity leave and annual leave.

Hopefully the new method of appointment booking recently introduced will alleviate some of the issues. With immediate effect when calling either in person or over the phone you will be asked if your request is urgent for the day and if not a pre booked appointment will be offered either the following day or within a week. NB: Phone lines are busier between 8:00 & 8:30am. If you would prefer to wait and see a named doctor of your choosing the wait may be longer depending upon availability.

No longer will you be told to phone at 8am to get an appointment on the day as all of these appointments will be reserved for those patients who in their opinion need immediate and necessary treatment. If your requirements are of a routine nature and do not require immediate urgent treatment we will wherever possible offer the soonest pre bookable appointment we can.

Recruitment

To ensure we have correct staffing levels to cover not only Dr Koo's maternity leave and the increase in demand in the growing population of Cambourne we are in the process of recruiting a further salaried GP to join our existing team. Dr Elizabeth Halliday has already joined us along with another Nurse Practitioner, Jeremy Blakeborough who both work alongside the existing partners, salaried GP and nurse practitioner already in post.

Another Nurse has also been recruited which brings our nursing team to full strength with 3 Nurses, a Senior HCA and a trainee HCA.

Repeat Prescriptions

It takes 2 clear working days to ensure your repeat requests are either at the Pharmacy or ready for you to collect from the surgery. Would you therefore please allow plenty of time when putting in your request?

Your request can be made in various ways:

- 1) Through the link on the practice website. www.monkfieldpractice.co.uk
- 2) By your repeat medication slip.
- 3) Repeat slips available @ reception.
- 4) By fax.-01954 282151

If you are requesting an item which is not on your repeat list then this takes longer to process and may need a clinician to speak to you before it can be issued.

Also if you have attended a hospital and been given a prescription for your GP to issue this will be dealt with in the 2 clear working day timeframe. If the hospital do consider your need is more urgent they will advise you and it can then be dispensed from the hospital pharmacy before you leave.

Bank Holidays

The surgery will be closed on Monday 6th & Monday 27th May , for the early and late Bank holidays. Please order your repeat medication in plenty of time to ensure you have sufficient supplies over the holiday periods.

District Council News

We are all working very hard in the run up to the County Elections on 2nd May, so I'm finding it rather difficult not to be political. However, I just thought I'd draw your attention to the new South Cambs local police website www.southcambscops.org. The local police themselves will be posting a range of material ranging from blogs, reports and articles about policing in South Cambridgeshire. I did find the following article which I found interesting.

Ten top tips on keeping your shed & property secure.

- 1) Ensure your shed is of sturdy construction and in a good state of repair. Most sheds are constructed with feather-edge or ship-lap timber fixed to a framework constructed of 40 x 40mm timber. Around the door frame – and in particular around the area to which the locks and hinges are fitted – increase the strength of the framework with 50 x 75mm timbers, depending on the existing structure.
- 2) Add metal grilles to windows, using non-returnable screws to secure the grilles in place, and consider adding net curtain to prevent an intruder viewing the contents of the shed. Strengthen the existing window frame as described above in order to fit the metal grille.
- 3) Secure the door with two substantial padlocks, hasps and staples at an equal spacing, fixed with coach bolts. Use backing plates to Re-enforce the wooden area around the locks.
- 4) Bolt, rather than screw hinges onto the door frame.
- 5) Consider installing an alarm system. There are various types on the market, which would be suitable for a shed – a reputable alarm company would be happy to advise you.
- 6) Install outside security lighting.
- 7) Property mark garden equipment such as lawn mowers and power tools. This makes stolen property easier to trace and it can be positively identified as yours. You can also register it online immobilise.com
- 8) Personalising tools and equipment with paint will make them less appealing to thieves.
- 9) Ensure that all tools and garden equipment are locked out of sight, and preferably chained to a surface/secured in a storage unit, within the shed.
- 10) Check that your household insurance policy covers theft from gardens and outbuildings.

You can contact your local team if you have any further questions via twitter [@SouthCambsCops](https://twitter.com/SouthCambsCops) or via email

SouthCambsCops@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Cllr Alison Elcox. Bourn Ward alisonelcox@onetel.com 0789 0069 049

CAMBOURNE a great Community

Cambourne always surprises me in the way new residents are so enthusiastic and excited about moving here and that has not changed since the first residents moved in so many years ago.

Chris contacted me months before he even moves in, offering help to me with an upgrade for the web site I have run for the past 11 years. I have had such offers before but there was always a commercial advantage being sought. Chris was happy to do it without that and meet my request to retain all the original content. I asked Chris to send me a profile of himself:-

My name is Christopher Stokes, I am 26 and have been married to my wonderful wife Krisztina for 2 years. I have lived in Cambridgeshire all my life, growing up in Burwell and then moving to Cambridge at around 20. I work within a small web team at OCR, who do examinations such as GCSE's and A Levels and are part of the not for profit organisation Cambridge Assessment.

I have also recently started my own website company.

My wife and I have finally decided to settle down and buy our own home and really only had our heart set on moving to Cambourne.

It seems to have a wonderful community and looks like a very safe place to start a family. Our house is due to be built in the summer time and we can't wait to get moved in.

I am pleased to be able to help the community with rebuilding the Cambourne information website. It is a real joy working with Roger and I am pleased to have made friends already, even before moving here!

Kind regards, Chris

Welcome to Cambourne Chris and Krisztina !

Roger Hume www.cambourne.info



CAMBOURNE ARTS



ART GANG - This group meets on the 2nd Monday of each month for people interested in art either professionally or as a hobby, to work on a specific aspect of art or craft, or to bring their own things to work on. The next meeting will be on **Monday May 13th** and will offer a good opportunity for a chat and sharing of ideas. *Please ring 01954 710858 for the venue address.*

WORDS FOR PLEASURE - 'Words for Pleasure' is a friendly and welcoming writers' group which meets on the first Thursday of the month in Cambourne Library. The May meeting will be on Thursday 2nd May,

starting at 1:30 PM *For more information please get in touch by phoning Pat Callaghan 01954 718836 or ask at the library.*

WATERCOLOUR CLASSES - There are now two separate watercolour classes: Beginners, which meets in the Lower Cambourne cricket pavilion on Tuesday morning 10 am -12 noon, and Improvers which meets in the Sports Pavilion at the back of the Leisure Centre on Wednesday morning from 10 am – 12 noon. The tutor for both sessions is a local artist and experienced teacher. *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. For more details visit the website:

<http://www.flickr.com/groups/cambournephotographygroup/> 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. Please also get in touch if you would like to model for the group as one of our models has moved away from the area. The next session takes place on **Tuesday May 21st** and will be modelled (clothed) by members of the group. *To book a place, phone 01954 710858*

TRIP TO STAMFORD OPEN AIR THEATRE - Pat Callaghan is again organising this popular trip to the Rutland Open Air Theatre at Tollethorpe Hall near Stamford, this time to see Shakespeare's '**A Comedy of Errors**' in June or July.

From the directors of last season's hit comedy Twelfth Night comes Shakespeare's funniest play THE COMEDY OF ERRORS. An hilarious tale of mistaken identities in a fast and frenetic romp set in the Ephesus Grand Hotel in the midst of the roaring twenties. Antipholus and his servant Dromio check in, unaware that their long-lost identical twins are in the room next door. As they explore the city the men are greeted like old friends and find they have both acquired wives. Everyone in Ephesus is behaving very strangely towards them. Then things start to get out of hand....

To get an idea of the best time to book tickets and coach, *please contact Pat to register an interest on 01954 718836*

Cambourne Arts 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 - fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk or 01954 710858



Cambourne Garden Club

This is a friendly and welcoming group made up of people who are interested in a variety of aspects of the garden.

Last month we each sowed a tray of mixed salad leaves, which are growing well. This was a change to the programme, so the proposed May workshop might be changed as well. Please phone nearer the time for confirmation of the night's theme.

May 23rd Workshop, **June 27th** AGM and quiz, **July 25th** Garden Crawl, **August 22nd** Bat Safari,
September 26th Building Bird Boxes – the Wildlife Trust, **October 24th** Visit to Scotsdales for talk by Peter Walker on Orchids.
November 28th Shopping trip to Huntingdon Garden Centre,
date to be decided: Bird Walk round Cambourne, organised in conjunction with the Wildlife Trust.

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 Kitchen - Paprika and Garlic Beef

Local resident Louise Wilson writes and submits our monthly recipe. For requests and feedback please email editorial@cambournecrier.org

A straight forward recipe that is full of flavour and creates a delicious meal. Served with warming, hearty vegetables it can be enjoyed if summer still hasn't stepped up or served with a fresh, zing salad it is perfect for eating al fresco in the glow of the evening sun. It's easy to prepare so give it a go.

Ingredients:

- 500 g casserole/stewing beef cut into roughly 2-3 cm pieces (anything that is suitable for a long slow cook)
- 1 medium onion finely sliced
- 1 tsp dried rosemary
- 4 cloves garlic minced with salt
- 1 tsp celery salt
- 2 generous dsp smoked paprika
- 30 g beef dripping (you could use oil - dripping just adds another depth of flavour)
- 400 g mushrooms sliced (whichever ones you like: chestnut, oyster, shitake, button etc)
- 400 g tin chopped tomatoes
- 2 dsp double cream

Method:

Mix the beef with the onion, rosemary, garlic, celery salt and paprika and leave it for a minimum of 2 hours but best overnight to marinade and soak into the beef. Heat a medium to large sized frying pan and add the dripping. Once the dripping has melted and begins to sizzle slightly add the beef. Do not stir the beef. Leave it to caramelise for a good few minutes before stirring. I recommend at least four minutes before you stir. Even then only stir the once to turn the beef over and repeat to really brown the meat. (I cannot emphasise enough that this stage is crucial as it will add an extra layer of flavour to the end result.) After about 8 minutes you should be ready to add the mushrooms. Keep the heat in the pan quite high still and again, don't play with it until the mushrooms have got some colour on

them. (If you move them around too soon they will release all their water into the pan and will begin to stew rather than fry.) After 5 minutes stir it around and the lower the heat right down. Rinse out any left over marinade residue from your container with approximately 100ml and add to the pan. At this point use the water and spoon to lift any of the beautiful caramelisation from the bottom of the pan. Add a tsp of sugar and a tsp of salt. Then add the canned tomatoes as well as

rinsing the tin out with another 200ml of water and adding to pan. Place a lid on top and allow to gently simmer for at least an hour or until the meat is tender and beginning to fall apart when you break it a spoon.

Add the cream and any extra seasoning about 5 minutes before you want to serve I simply served with a few vegetables and plain boiled rice. For a final flourish and added fresh flavour you could sprinkle with finely chopped parsley or coriander.

This is a fantastic dish to make and it freezes really well if you decide to make a batch. It will only improve with age. Get cooking!

CAMBOURNE CRAFT

Hope you are all a dazzling Cambourne with the button jewellery from two issues ago. This month we are making a snazzy tote bag to grace any shopping trip or you could personalise it to make a wonderful gift. This bag has nice long handles which can go over your shoulder.

If you want shorter handles decrease the it by 10 cms.

You will need - Sewing machine, scissors, thread (colour matches the fabric colour), pins, iron and ironing board, fabric (colour and pattern of choice – recommended fabrics – calico, cottons) for the bag measure 90 cm X 40 cm and the handles 115 cm X 8 cm.

1, Start with the bag, to save making a seam at the bottom fold your bag in half. Do a French seam on both sides, this is making two seams – the first one you make is with the fabric facing the right way and the second is when the bag is turned inside out and a second seam is made. This one covers over the first seam which you won't see. It is a good idea to do a French seam so the bag is strong enough to take the weight of your shopping. **2**, At the top make a hem/edge by pressing under 1cm and then another 3cm. **3**, Machine stitch this edge. Remember if you use pins take them out beforehand or they will ruin your machine needle. **4**, Now for the handles, neaten the edges by pressing under 1cm edge on both sides (the long ends). Machine stitch near both edges. **5**, Press under 1cm for the short ends and machine stitch these ends too. You should do this for both handles. Make sure they are of the same length! **6**, Pin in place the handles onto the bag on both sides. Ensure that they are level with the other handle. **7**, Machine stitch the handles - using a reinforcing pattern to ensure they are secure. Voila!



Challenge. Try using different fabrics for the bag and embroider a name on the front.

Sonia Mrowiec



**Bedfordshire
Cambridgeshire
Northamptonshire**

Wildlife Review May 2013

Well spring seems finally to be here at last, with blackthorn blossoming, willows bursting into leaf, chiffchaffs and other migrant birds returning and newts mating in the ponds. Everything has been delayed by the cold weather this year, but hopefully now it has started there will be no stopping it. We have been checking up on the great crested newts around the site and the population seems to be very healthy with females being spotted egg-laying onto leaves of pond plants. When I think back to this time last year, we were worried about the ponds not having enough water in them for the frogs and newts. We certainly don't have that problem this year.

Dogs

Please can I remind all dog walkers to clear up after your dogs. Dog mess can carry diseases that can harm children and is not nice to come across when you are walking (or working) in the countryside. Even 'off path', please always pick it up and take it home or to a bin. We are working with the parish council to get more dog bins installed, but there are already quite a number around Cambourne, so please make use of them. Look out for a map in future Crier articles. Also remember that it is now nesting season for birds and we have many that nest on the ground in Cambourne, so please keep yourself and your dogs to the paths and not running through long grass areas during the summer.



"My chicks are in the long grass - please keep to the paths."

Cambourne 10k

Well done to everyone that took part in the Cambourne 10k run this year, especially those who were raising money for the Wildlife Trust. So far they have raised over £1800 to help our work for local wildlife, so a huge thank you for that. Of the Wildlife Trust runners the fastest male was Philip Kitchener from Great Guns Marketing with 00:41:55 and the fastest female was our own volunteer receptionist Ana Daraban with 00:48:52, and the fastest company team was Hewitsons.

Cycle ride

There are still places available on the London to Cambridge charity bike ride on Sunday 28th July. Please join us to raise funds for the Wildlife Trust BCN by cycling 60 miles from London to Cambridge. Our next training session will take place on the 19th May. For more information and to register for the ride go to www.wildlifebcn.org/events

Plant Sale

Don't forget the Cambourne Plant Sale on Sunday 12th May 12 – 3pm at the Manor House (top end of Broad Street). We will have lots of interesting plants for sale that will attract wildlife to your garden, as well as some useful advice about what to plant where. There will also be barbecue charcoal for sale (made in our woods at Grafham Water), free parking and refreshments available.

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**

PAPWORTH ASTRONOMY CLUB NEWS

Our April meeting was a presentation by Andreas Schroerer from the Open University on coordinate systems. Andreas explained the general concepts behind coordinate systems used on earth, then described astronomical coordinates and their measurement. He is also proprietor of Astromedia UK, a company that offers astronomical instruments and other machines in kit form. He provided several demonstrations and this was probably the first time a steam engine has run at an astronomy club meeting (admittedly, a miniature one!).

Our next meeting will be Wednesday 1st May when Professor John Zarnecki (also from the Open University) will give a talk called "Landing on a Comet". John is responsible for the PTOLEMY instrument on the Rosetta mission to Comet 46P/Wirtanen. This will be the last meeting before the summer break. We will resume with the traditional club picnic in August and the programme of speakers for the autumn will be announced in due course.

All meetings are held 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**.

please send all editorial contributions to editorial@cambournecrier.org. Please note the deadline for the June 2013 edition is midnight on Sunday 19th of May.

Community Navigators

Routes to activities and services

Do you know what is happening in your community?

Community Navigators are local volunteers who can help guide people to activities or services which they would enjoy or find useful. There are lots of good groups, services, and support available in Cambridgeshire but not everyone knows what is out there or how to access it.

Your local Community Navigator can help.

A Navigator could, for example, point you in the direction of a club or activity group, a local transport scheme like a community car scheme, or let you know where you could get a benefits check-up, equipment for the home, or help at home with things that are difficult. Whatever it is just ask and we will do our best to help.

A local Community Navigator will be at Cambourne Library on the first Tuesday of each month 2 - 4 p.m. starting from 7th May. The service is free and there is no need to make an appointment, so why not pop in and meet your new local Community Navigator?

If you would like more information please contact the team on 01954 212100 or email: rob.w@care-network.org.uk



DISPATCHES

The latest news from the 2484 (Bassingbourn) Squadron and 2484 (Cambourne) Detached Flight Air Training Corps.



Easter Vigilantes'

Cadets from 2484 (Bassingbourn) Squadron and 2484 (Cambourne) Detached Flight took to the sky's in the Air cadets Vigilant motor gliders, Courtesy of 616 Volunteer Gliding Sqn.

In what proved a great weekend for flying, last minute flying opportunities became available to cadets across the region. Taking full advantage of the Easter Weekend 8 cadets from 2484



Cadet Sophie Pinchen (16) sitting in a motor glider with Cadet Flight Sergeant Adam Deacon who is one of the Pilots of 616 Volunteer Gliding Squadron

(Bassingbourn) and the Detached Flight at Cambourne arrived at RAF Henlow to be greeted by great weather and four serviceable aircraft.

One of the main aims of the Air Training Corps is to offer as many flying opportunities to cadets as possible. Due to the appalling weather this year, a great deal of flying has had to be cancelled so the Easter weekend was a great chance to fly large numbers of cadets, which is exactly what happened.

Cdt Sophie Scowen (16) said "I really enjoyed going up and practicing my skills in the motor glider and the weather was near perfect. I cannot wait to see if I am able to achieve my gliding scholarship later on this year and I also made some new friends from other Squadrons from around the region".

Flying Officer Charles Rogers Officer Commanding 2484 (Cambourne) DF and a pilot at 616 Sqn, said "The volunteer gliding squadron pulled out all the stops and flew over 60 cadets during the Easter weekend, many of the first time. It's the smiles afterwards that make it all worthwhile".

For further details please contact the main squadron during cadet hours on 01763 249156 or check the website www.2484aircadets.org alternatively contact Flying Officer Rogers on 07813 897949 or e-mail him on cjrogers62@virginmedia.com.



Cambourne Fishing Club

FREE EVENT DATES 2013

Under 16's Coaching Day June 2nd 2013

All tackle bait etc supplied. Parents/Guardians will need to complete a consent form before their child can participate, so **will need to come down 10 mins prior to session time. Sessions available: 9.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm**

There are limited spaces so booking will be required. Please email child's name, age, session required to cambourne_fishingclub@yahoo.co.uk

To make it fair for everyone to have a chance. If you have children under 16 please choose one of the dates as preference. (We can put names on a reserve list in case of any cancellations. If you would like your child/children to enter on both events).

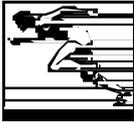
Open Day August 10th 2013

All tackle and bait supplied for those who want to learn to fish. Any age welcome!! (consent forms need to be completed so **please turn up 10 mins before session time**). Sessions available **9.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm**

In addition if you would like to try the lake out for a free session, before becoming a member, you are welcome to come down and give it a try (on a first come first served basis, you will need to bring your own tackle and bait).

To book a session or to say if you would like to come down for a free fish please email your details to cambourne_fishingclub@yahoo.co.uk

There will be competitions and Raffles on both Events.



The Running Man

Hints, Tips and Info for Runners

From the Run Leader of Cambourne Runners – Run in England Group

Well done to everyone who took part in the Cambourne 10k last month. The conditions weren't great, thanks to a couple of days of rain, and gusty conditions on the day. But that did nothing to dampen the spirits of all those runners taking part. Thank you to those who took the time to support the runners along the course and, of course, thanks to the organisers and volunteers that make the Cambourne 10k such a success every year.

I'm proud to say that many of the Cambourne Runners took part, and achieved a great deal of personal success, reaching goals that they had set and trained hard for. One of our members completed the Brighton marathon in a personal best time on the same day too. Many of these people had never taken part in races run before joining the group; they have all achieved so much and continue to do so every week we train.

If you have been inspired by the Cambourne 10k, and would like to run it next year, take on the challenge - do something new this spring and go out and get running!

The Cambourne Runners Group meets outside the Hub Saturday mornings at 8:50 am for a 9am start*. Aimed at those that can already run 5km (in under 45mins). A friendly and free run group!

***Please note that on the last Saturday of each month there is no regular group as members take part in Parkrun**

Upcoming Local Races: **Every Saturday:** Parkrun 5 km trail Cambridge, Milton Park and The Wimpole Estate and Huntingdon all Start at 9am. **Sunday May 19th:** Wimpole HooHaah 10k

Walking Group

Well, the 12th April was wet, so we retired to Green's instead. By the time we had finished our coffee it had dried up, but by then we'd run out of energy. Hopefully the weather will be better for Friday May 10th when we tackle a circular walk at Gog Magogs.

Other walks planned are:

Llamas Land to Granchester: **June 14th**

Houghton: **July 12**

Fen Drayton, circular walk: **August 9th**

If you enjoy a walk, a chat, and maybe a coffee or lunch then join us on the 2nd Friday of each month. We meet at the rear entrance to the library at 10.15 a.m. and walk an average of 5 miles - sometimes ending in a stop for lunch or a coffee if a good pub presents itself. For more information e-mail Pam Hume at pam.hume@mail.com, or telephone Penny Flanagan: **01954 200126**



CAMBOURNE TENNIS CLUB

Contact Details: www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk

The season of summer tennis is finally upon us and Cambourne tennis club is more active than ever. We've got a full coaching programme run by our Head Coach Dan Valentine, catering for all ages and ability levels and offering group and individual lessons. For more information check out www.overandin.com or email dan@overandin.com If you're hoping to look and feel healthier this summer then look out for the new cardio tennis sessions that will be starting soon. No tennis experience needed, and you'll lose weight, tone up and get fitter whilst having a great time.

Cambourne tennis club has entered 6 teams into the Aegon Team Tennis event this season. We wish the under-8's, two under-9's, under-10's, under-12's and under-14's all the very best of luck for the season and we're sure you'll have an amazing amount of fun.

Club sessions run twice a week on Wednesdays at 18.00 and Sundays at 14.00. If you want to meet a group of friendly people and give tennis a try then come on down and give it a go, we'd love to see you there.



CAMBOURNE BOWLS CLUB

Free bowls, all equipment provided

Please get in touch about the new season if you would like to join in. 01954 719223 or 07711 613559 (Robin Bailey, 71 Greenhaze Lane)



Club night/Open Sessions on Tuesdays and Sundays - Tuesdays 6.30 till dusk from 7th May - Sundays 2-4pm from 12th May.



Cambourne Eagles Football Club



Contact Details: www.cambourneaglesfc.co.uk

Tracey Ashford, Club Secretary: 01954 203162

Academy - Now forming teams for 2013/14 season - Contact us to join!

Under 8 Red - Contact the club to join this team.

Under 8 Blue - We have continued our good performances as we head towards the end of the season. We've kept up our high rate of goal scoring, and have been able to strengthen our defence with some great goal keeping from both Ben and Casper. As we head towards the end of the season, the games are coming thick and fast. But we are confident that we will finish on a high, with the boys having shown us that hard work in training delivers really strong performances on the pitch.

Under 9s - With only a few games left this season, we are starting to prepare for the jump to Under 10s in September - bigger pitches and bigger teams will bring an exciting new element to matches. We are actively seeking new players to support the squad in what will be a great season. Training is 5-6pm on Wednesdays if you want to join us.

Under 10s - The boys have had a quiet few months with games being postponed due to bad weather, but they are now back in full swing and the games are coming thick and fast as we head towards the season's end. Let's hope that we can build a nice momentum and finish the season with some strong performances.

Under 11s - The under 11s have kept putting in great performances as the boys work together to strengthen their football. We are seeking more players for next season - contact the club if you would like to join.

Under 13s - After the joy of the first win for the Under 13s, we have had a quiet month because of Easter, with our only game being a 2-0 defeat to Isleham. We now look forward to a busy period with 6 games in a month to finish this campaign.

Under 16s - A top three finish is the least the Under 16s will now achieve. That is an improvement on last season alone, and deserves a well done at this stage. The County Cup Final is scheduled to be played at Histon FC at 7:30pm on the 3rd May against Cambridge City FC. The Eagles will undoubtedly be the underdogs against a good solid footballing team, who train 2/3 times a week, and haven't conceded a goal in this competition, yet! Cambourne Eagles will be doing their utmost to make the club and village proud and welcome residents to come down and support the team.

Under 20s - U20s play last match - A massive thank you to all at Cambourne Eagles who have made me feel so welcome over my four seasons as manager at the club.



Also thanks to all the players who have played for me during this time making our games enjoyable - they are a credit to themselves. We have gained two Runners Up Medals, one league win lost only on goal difference, finished fourth in an adults league, been part of a first Under 20's league, and have played some outstanding football. Our last ever game was a resounding 5-0 win which just shows how far we have come since the beginning of the season, as well as the character of our players. A Fair Play Award has also been won and I am very proud of everyone who has been connected to the team. I wish everyone well and look forward to Trophy Night.



Cambourne FC News

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Committee - The Committee at CFC would like to thank S2 and Double Tree who have sponsored kits for next seasons U12 and U9 teams. This will be the fifth season S2 have sponsored CFC and we could not be more pleased with their amazing support. Double Tree are a new sponsor for CFC and we can not thank them enough for sponsoring 2 kits for next seasons U9s. We would like to thank everyone involved in securing the new sponsorship and we look forward to working with S2 and Double Tree. CFC is now looking at team formations for next season. If you would like to join us, please contact the Manager using the contact details for the team.

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. CFC are now looking to form two U7 Teams for next season- chris.racher@hotmail.co.uk

C.F.C U7 Teams - Patrick and Ben are coming to the end of their first season with the two U7 teams and what an amazing year it has been. Both teams have surpassed all expectations and the results speak for themselves. The two teams are entering a number of summer tournaments before going into the Cambs U8 League next season- patricktarpey@btinternet.com

C.F.C U8 Teams - As the season closes for the U8s, they are already looking forward to their new kit. Both teams have progressed so well over the season and CFC would like to thank Simon, Andrew and the coaches for all their hard work. Well done to all - simondowe@yahoo.co.uk

C.F.C U9 - The team continued their winning run in April, beating Coton 10-4 in their away fixture. Jez and Richard are looking to end an amazing season on a real high and we would like to congratulate all with the U9s, especially the players. - jezjubb@shacklog.co.uk

C.F.C U10 Team - CFC U10s impressed once again in April with a great 5-3 home win against Papworth. Oliver Barton still tops the goals scored stats with 41 goals, closely followed by Thomas Wraight. The U10s have 5 games left to the end of what has been a first class season. Well done to Gary, Glenn and all the players - g.maylin@hotmail.co.uk

C.F.C U11 - The U11s kept up their fantastic winning form in April, with a stunning 5-3 away win against Cottenham. The team also welcomed Mark Pleasants' Burwell team to a fast and furious training session which saw some thrilling end to end football. The team is currently 2 points off of second place in one of the closest league races the team has been involved in. Well done to all - sracher@hotmail.com

C.F.C U14 - The U14s have been training hard and were back in action in April, gaining an impressive 4-1 away win against Needingworth Colts. Congratulations go to Chris and the players for another great season - clmbuilder@btinternet.com



The sun shone on a great day out!

Results of the fifth Cambridge Cambourne 10K Run - Sunday 14 April



Runners and their families enjoyed some rare Spring weather at the fifth Cambridge Cambourne 10K Run held this Sunday, April 14, at Cambourne. The winner of the 10K was Sullivan Smith, from the Cambridge & Coleridge Athletics Club, with a time of 34:23. The fastest female was Katie Sherwood from club Royston Runners with a time of 39:47. Over 1200 runners took part in the main Run and 160 young people and beginners enjoyed the one mile Fun Run.

The Cambridge Cambourne 10K and Fun Run are part of the Cambridge Festival of Running. They are now established events in the running calendar and are organised by Advanced Performance, Cambridge and Coleridge Athletic Club and Cambourne Business Park.

“The Festival of Running is not only a great sporting event, but it is well supported by the community and has made a big difference to local charities over the last five years. £33,800 has been raised since the Run started. In 2013 we were again raising funds for local charities including Cam Sight, a local charity for the visually impaired and the Cambridge & Coleridge Athletics Trust. The Run also supported the local Wildlife Trust, whose HQ is at Cambourne,” explains Lesley Scobell, Marketing Manager at Cambourne Business Park and one of the organisers of this annual event.



Above: 10K Run 2013 start line

“The 10K Run has been supported by runners over the years because we have a challenging course, but also we work very hard to provide a great day out for runners and their families, with entertainment on site, great prizes, chip timing and high quality support from trained marshals,” explains Lesley.

“None of this would be possible without our generous sponsors and the brilliant local support we have enjoyed that has made this 10K a genuine community event. A big thank you to Cambourne Parish Council, South Cambridgeshire District Council, the Everyone Active trainers at Cambourne Fitness & Sports Centre and the Cambridge Belfry Hotel. We also had a team from the East of England Ambulance Service providing first aid – the ambulance service is a tenant at the Business Park.”

Dame Mary Archer, one of Cam Sight’s Patrons, expressed her gratitude for the fundraising.

“We are delighted that the Cambridge Cambourne 10k has chosen Cam Sight as one of its charities for this year’s event. Races such as the Cambourne 10K are invaluable in drawing communities together to help support local charities, as well as giving people an excellent incentive to take up a physical activity.

“We should like to thank everyone who is taking part for their support.”

For more results from the races and details of the Cambridge Festival of Running 2013, visit www.cambridgefestivalofrunning.com



1st female winner Katie Sherwood



10K winner presentation by Dame Mary Archer



10K winner Sullivan Smith