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## CAMBOURNE BUSINESS PARK HOUSING PROPOSAL REVEALED TO PARISH COUNCIL

*Written by Roger Hume*

The Business Park gave a presentation to the Parish Council Planning Committee on 18th June. We don't think they were expecting wholesale support for the plans but it may have been a bit naive and premature.

They admit they cannot easily market business premises at the moment so they would like to build 250 more homes in place of planned larger business units. The claim is they intend to fund some small start up units but have no details or have any market research yet, and we are told they may not be a speculative build but could be built with the housing if viable. If there is a demand one asks why they don't just build a few to prove the need, but they would no doubt want a good return on their investment for the land overall.

It is surprising that there is little interest when we are told there is such a demand for housing because so many businesses want to come to Cambridgeshire. The Business Park claim 90% occupation of current units. But they will no doubt struggle because of the very poor transport infrastructure here when other parts of Cambridgeshire can offer so much more.

The proposed housing site is remote and not easily accessible being in a remote part of the business park. Currently this land is undeveloped but designated for business use with quite a wide green way to existing housing.

This may not integrate well with the existing housing areas and obviously does not feature in the Masterplan for Cambourne. The primary access road would be the same road as used by Elms BMW and the new schools - exiting on to the 70 mph Cambourne Road. They indicate it would use the business park road from the clock roundabout but this is unlikely as it was not even deemed suitable for the school access. They had little idea about the likely extra traffic.

The Business Park also didn't have a clear idea what sustainability was when questioned, and had little idea of what they would be required to contribute to the community apart from drainage and utility services. They did put in a very late application for the local plan which was firmly rejected locally in the consultation last year, including a firm no from our own Parish Council.

District Councillors are yet to vote on the local plan so it seems rather premature to put in an outline planning application that we were told could be within weeks. But it is clear they have a lot of work to do before that. What Cambourne really needs is truly affordable business expansion units, and to address the poor transport links.

## Cambourne Family Fete

In aid of Cambourne Youth Partnership, Teenage Cancer Trust and CDO Orphanage, Cambodia

**FOOD &  
DRINK**

**BEER  
TENT**

*Not your average  
Dog Show*

**CAMBOURNE BAKE OFF:** Cost is £3 per entry and you can enter as many times as you like. We ask that all entries are received on site by 11.30am. Judging will start at 12pm with winners announced at 1pm. Bake off categories are: Best Victoria Sponge, Best Chocolate Cake, Best Novelty Cake, Best Scones, Adult Open Category, Uner 16's Open Category

**CAMBOURNE DOG SHOW:** Cost is £3 per entry and you can enter as many dogs as you like. The dog show will take place from 3pm - 3.30pm. Categories are: Best Young Handler, Dog Who Looks Most Like Owner, Cutest Dog, Waggiest Tail.

**FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT:** We are looking for adults and children of all ages who want participate in a football tournament. Timings yet to be confirmed but if you are interested please contact us via phone or email as per below.

**Unfortunately we have had to take the decision to cancel the evening entertainment event. Our sincere apologies for any disappointment caused.**

**For more information, to volunteer, if you would like to have a stall or to enter the Bake Off or Dog Show please contact**

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



## CAMBOURNE WI

July 2013

The June meeting went well, and we are already looking forward to July when the speaker will be Sonia Mrowiec. Sonia is quite well known in Cambourne for her craft work: you may have seen her articles in the Crier. Her subject for the evening is Felt Making. She will give us a history of felt making, and we will also have an opportunity to make felt ourselves. (If you do come, and want to have a go, then it is advisable to bring an apron.) We meet in the Hub on 11<sup>th</sup> July, at 7.30 p.m.

This month's Coffee morning, on 26<sup>th</sup> July, will be at 40 Anson Road, hopefully in the garden. A small charge is made to cover the cost of tea/coffee, cake and a raffle ticket. Do join us if you can. (Next month's coffee morning will be at Green's as usual).

The Cambourne WI will of course be continuing with the following groups.

- The Book club meets on the third Thursday 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 07780266511
- 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. You do not have to be a WI member, or even female, to join us.
- The Darts group meets on Monday evenings to hone skills of aim, dexterity and maths. If you are interested in playing darts please contact Joan on 200908 or Edna on 717360.

If you are new to the area or would just like to meet like minded ladies 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](mailto:pam.hume@ntlworld.com), or telephone 201808.

04/07/13	Green Bin and Blue Bin
11/07/13	Black Bin
18/07/13	Green Bin and Blue Bin
25/07/13	Black Bin
01/08/13	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 Black Bins. Bins will be collected a day later (Fridays) on weeks containing a bank holiday.

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

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**Cambourne Youth Partnership:**

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# CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire



## Bowls Pavilion

Parish Councils have refurbished the temporary changing rooms and turned them round so they can be used as a club room for the Cambourne Bowls Club.



## Tennis Courts at Back Lane and Monkfield Lane

The tennis courts on Back Lane have been cleaned and repainted to improve the quality of play and make them safer in the wet. A member of Cambourne Lawn Tennis Club commented "I would just like to formally thank the Parish Council for the fantastic repainting job that you carried out on all of the tennis courts. The courts look amazing and play so much better than they did previously. Thank you so much for investing the Parish Council's time and effort"

If you wish to use the courts on Back Lane please contact Cambourne Lawn Tennis Club at [www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk](http://www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk)



At the same time the Council took the opportunity to refurbish the Monkfield Lane tennis courts, since then there has been a sudden upsurge in demand for the key to the Tennis Courts. A local resident commented that "they have never looked so good". If you would like to purchase a key for the courts please contact the Parish Office.

## Back Lane

The Parish Council has started the works to turn the area of grass on Monk Drive into Junior Pitches but this will take a sometime and is to compensate for one pitch being turned into a full sized MUGA.

Copies of the drawing are available for viewing at the Parish Office.

Residents are welcome to address the meeting before it formally starts on any matter that is on the agenda. If you have something else you would like to raise, please contact the Parish Clerk at least 10 days beforehand so that the item can be added if necessary.

John Vickery the Parish Clerk is available at Parish Office, The Hub, High Street, Cambourne, Cambridge, B4 CB23 6GW. Telephone 01954 714403 or by e-mail at [clerk@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk) The Parish Clerk will normally be in the office between 9.30 and 1.00 o'clock

## CALENDAR OF MEETINGS July/August 2012

Date	Time	Meeting
2nd July	7:30pm	Planning Committee
	*	Council
23rd July	7:30pm	Planning Committee
	*	Finance and Policy Committee
6th August	7:30pm	Planning Committee
	*	Council (Urgent Matters Only)

## AskSARA Award winning website helps find equipment to assist you in maintaining your garden

With the warmer weather finally here you may be thinking about getting out in your garden. If you are, an award-winning website can provide you with help and advice about the equipment available to make day-to-day tasks in the garden easier.

Help and support with day-to-day living

AskSARA has proved popular with local people since a Cambridgeshire version launched last year. So far it has helped nearly 4,000 people across the county access advice and information about the equipment and support available locally to help them remain independent and in their own homes. In addition to maintaining the garden and outdoors, a wide range of topics are covered from managing medication and eating healthily to equipment to aid hearing, personal care and household chores.

This year June 17th - 21st is falls awareness week. AskSARA can also help you to find equipment to help prevent falls at home and when you are out and about.

Whether you need advice for yourself or for a friend or relative that you care for, you can find out about the equipment available by visiting AskSARA at [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/asksara](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/asksara) For anyone without access to, or not confident in using, the Internet the staff and volunteers in your local library can help you to find information.

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## 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.*

Dear Cambourne

I wanted to thank all those people in Cambourne who took the time to get out and vote in the County Council election on May 2. It was heartening to see that both locally based candidates (myself and Roger Hume) accumulated by far the majority of the votes 47.8% (winning candidate only had 26%) Sadly however we still do not have local representation from someone who has first hand knowledge of the needs of our community here in Cambourne.

For those of you who didn't find the time or thought it a worthless activity may I just point out that there were just 57 votes between

Cambourne securing one or other of the local candidates. Your vote at local level REALLY CAN make a difference.

Please do not waste your vote again at the next election. If anyone reading this would like to join me in working to engage more Cambourne residents in the democratic process so that the same does not happen again (turnout was just 25%) then please contact me at :

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Sincerely, Gavin Clayton

Thank you to everyone who organised a great leaving event for me – it was a fantastic afternoon/evening and great to share it with so many people who I have been lucky to get to know over the past 10 years doing Youth work in the West Cambridge area.

It has been such a privilege to be Youth worker in Cambourne for the past 7 years, firstly for Cambourne church and then for the past 4 years in joint role for the church and Romsey Mill. I have loved working with the young people here, and will miss Cambourne a huge amount. I have felt very honoured to be a part of this growing community, which is full of people who volunteer so many hours for the good of those who live here.

I have loved my job. Often people see Youth work as simply offering youth clubs and this is of course one context where we meet young people. But we also get alongside individuals in their school, as well as meeting them on the streets, MUGA, church etc. For me youth work is about supporting individual young people and helping them deal with whatever issues they may face, whether it be lack of confidence, issues relating to sex, relationships, drugs, alcohol, victims of domestic abuse, mental health, homelessness, family problems, risk of exclusion from school etc. However it's not just about supporting them with difficult issues, it's also about offering them the chance to engage in positive activities, such as community events, playing in football teams, recording their own music tracks, peer mentoring, residential weekends, etc.

I will take so many memories with me – climbing up Snowdon with some lads, running many Cambourne 10ks with young people in fancy dress, young people's baptisms in the church, taking a group of young people to Kenya to work in a slum, but for me the most special times are simply in conversation with a young person when you see them feeling valued for who they are.

I want to thank CYP and the Parish council for all the support they have given to youth work in Cambourne during my time here, and of course to Romsey Mill and Cambourne church who I have loved working for, and I know will continue to do great work here through Jonathan, Justin and all the fantastic volunteers.

Jon Sanders



The regular Cuppa with a Copper session will be held in Greens Coffee shop, High Street Cambourne on 12th July, between 10 and 11am, come along and discuss the issues that matter to you.

# CAMBOURNE School reports



Since the last issue the children here at Hardwick Blue School have finished up their topic on Fairies and Elves. We have been over to the Hardwick main site to explore their wonderful wildlife garden and pond, identifying many insects from our home made bug-spotting charts. The pond was fascinating, by this time of year it is full of life- pond skaters, water snails and even a couple of newts! We decided that our tadpoles here at the Blue School were getting too big for their tank so we took some over and released them into the pond, we hope they'll be happy in their new home! We also explored the woodland area in Hardwick School and loved finding secret passageways and hidden dens, and kept a close eye out for any little fairies that may have passed our way. The children were so engaged when working outside, they loved having the space and natural environment to explore and investigate, and have written up some beautiful cartoon strips of their adventures in Hardwick School woods.

We are now starting our final topic of 'Rockstars, Popstars' and the children are busy creating new bands and groups, preparing for what will surely be the most magnificently epic music showcase of all time! Is the world ready?! We recently had our new intake meeting and will be having our new children transition morning soon. It was lovely to meet all our new parents and also see a few familiar faces with siblings coming up. We look forward to the next year of the Blue School and are really proud of our growing community of families.

On another note, Hardwick School is soon to be having its annual Carnival, over at the main site in Hardwick, Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup> 2-6pm. This year's theme is 'Crazy from the Neck Up!' promising heavenly headdresses, fabulous face paints and joyous jewellery! Come along in with your own designs, the crazier the better! We will also have our usual mix of bands, cakes, stalls, games, crazy golf, pony rides and a raffle featuring some truly amazing prizes- from flying lessons to children's parties. We hope to see you there, all welcome!

## The First Year of Our Learning Journey by Coral and Ruby class.

We are almost at the end of our first year at The Vine Primary School and what a fantastic year it has been! We have grown up so much in all kinds of ways and now we are ready for our new challenges in Year 1. Looking back over the year we have explored, investigated and experienced so much. We have learned how to be good friends and shared our learning activities. We have developed our curiosity and can now ask BIG questions to find out answers. We have discovered the magic of books and furthered our skills in reading, writing and using our imagination.



"I chose healthy food for bear to take on a picnic in space." *Sofia*

"I made sand shapes. I made a triangle." *Owen*

"I made sounds in the green tube. It was squeaky." *Adam*

"I liked reading my Spiderman book with my friends." *Louis*

"I made letters in the shaving foam." *Sunny*

"I practised cutting and made a jigsaw." *Philippa*

"I played with snow, it was very cold." *Ruby*

"I used my imagination to build a lego garage." *Emilia*

"I pegged numbers on the washing line. I helped Emily." *Paige*

"I had to swing my arms to move on the monkey bars." *Tymek*

"I didn't like the fireman's hat. It was smelly." *Isla*

"I made a model of the monkey bars using stickle bricks." *Josiah*

Our teachers are proud of our successes and have told us we are now ready for the challenges in Year 1.

**Good luck Coral and Ruby Classes!**



We have had a very eventful last half of the Summer Term. On our first week back, the whole school was working very hard on some beautiful artwork to sell at the Summer Fete. We looked at work by Henry Matisse, Andy Warhol, Claude Monet, Vincent Gogh and many more which inspired our own wonderful creations. The children explored using painting and printing, oil and chalk pastels and collage to create their masterpieces. They looked absolutely amazing exhibited in our school hall and the children were really proud.

We had fantastic weather and a great time on our 'Sporty Fun' morning. The Foundation Stage children enjoyed tackling a variety of sports activities and obstacles in their outside area, whilst KS1 and KS2 were lucky enough to use the sports field opposite the school to compete in events such as 'egg and spoon' and an obstacle course. The children celebrated their success in our Friday Achievers Assembly.

The Fete was also a great success! As well as our wonderful art show, the children enjoyed many other activities such as book mark making, tattoos and henna art, face paints, pond dipping, welly wang and lucky bags to name but a few! The fete was well supported by our school families and the wider community. The money raised will go towards our growing playground equipment fund.





It has been another busy year at Monkfield Park, for the children, staff and even the governors! The governing body has been through some changes throughout the year and has increased in size, welcoming some fresh faces from lots of different walks of life. This is always good and healthy and helps us to keep adding new perspectives to our role as support to the leadership team. The summer term always seems to be the most fun, the fact that the sun shines a bit more helps although, as a parent governor, the daily wrestle with sun cream is a challenge. I write this before our summer fete but having checked the weather forecast, I know it will be a big success. I am looking forward to my, now annual, Krispy Kreme donut and attempting to whack a rat. It is great to see the school benefit from a big effort from the Friends of Monkfield Park and all fund raising is so crucial and gratefully received.

Lots of other things having been going on recently. Year 6 have had a great time at PGL. I think this is always a good rite of passage that marks the start of a bit more independence as they get ready for secondary school. Our current year 6 will be part of the first cohort into Cambourne Village College. It is a unique opportunity to be part of setting a new culture and standards that all future Cambourne children can aspire to. I know our children will be at the forefront of this and good luck to them all.

As well as this year 1 has enjoyed a trip to Hinchbrook Park, and my personal highlight, the year 5 performance of "Gold" which was truly excellent.

I will take this opportunity of writing in the Crier to draw more attention to the parking outside the school. We all lead busy lives but it doesn't take much to park in a car parking space rather than outside the school. We don't have double yellow lines....yet, although we are and will be pushing hard to get them. If you are one of the people who are doing this, please look at the posters that the children have produced asking you not to. Maybe your child has taken the time to do it, maybe it is a child that you know. They feel strongly about it. Everyone at the school from governors to staff ask you to be considerate. It might take two minutes to do a convenient drop off but it only takes a second for an avoidable accident to happen.

One final note from the Governors. If there are any aspiring governors from the Cambourne community or parents wanting to get more involved we would love to hear from you. We are a good team but are always on the lookout for enthusiastic new people to help us move the school forwards.

Thanks  
Martin Withers  
Chair of Governors.

## Cambourne Pre-School

### Barnados Big Toddle:

On Tuesday 2nd July we are having the 'Barnados big toddle' 75% of the money raised will go to Barnados with the rest being used for new equipment at the pre-school. With a fairytale theme we are hoping children will dress up as their favourite fairy tale characters. The children will have their sponsorship forms after half term. This is a great cause so if you are able to sponsor a child then please contact the pre-school at [cam.preschool@btinternet.com](mailto:cam.preschool@btinternet.com) for details. Also announcing:

**Car Boot Sale  
@ The Hub Car Park  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2013  
10.30am – 1.30pm**

Pre Booking @ £5 per 2m space.

Deposit is non-refundable and is to be paid on booking.

On the day £7.50 providing space is available.

To book please email [carbootcambourne@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:carbootcambourne@yahoo.co.uk) or call / text Julia on 07966 3000 42

Car boot is organised on behalf of Cambourne Pre-School (registered charity)

Many thanks to Simon Crocker for his help to Cambourne pre-school over the years.

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

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 and £1.00 per session each for art students ages 6 to 12 years old for the Afterschool Art Club. Please register in person.

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, Cambridgeshire CB23 6GW  
Sponsored by Peacehaven Baptist Church



July	3	Fireworks art/Envelope sachets	Landscape Painting & Drawing
	10	Sparkle Prints/Stamped paper fans	Jewellery
	17	Playdough/Decoupage boxes	Op Art Circles
September		Have a great summer break! We will be back starting Sept. 4	Wysing Arts Centre Summer arts activities

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

## Cambourne



**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.

**5th July** - Pasta jewellery and plates, **12th July** - Fun Craft Activity, **19th July**, Musical Summer party

**We are closed for the summer holidays but will be open again in September**

*If you are interested please do come along, as we would love to see you or for more info please contact Jane on 07530 537253 or email [cambourne123s@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cambourne123s@hotmail.co.uk)*

## 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](mailto:emily.mendes@btinternet.com) or Joy Jones Tel: 07591 500104 / Email: [joyrapley@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:joyrapley@yahoo.co.uk).





St Ignatius Loyola

## CAMBOURNE CATHOLIC CHURCH

St Ignatius Loyola's feast day is celebrated on July 31st.

St Ignatius is remembered particularly for founding the 'Society of Jesus' or 'Jesuits'. Pope Francis, recently inaugurated as our new Pope and head of the Roman Catholic Church is himself a Jesuit priest and is the first ever Jesuit Pope.

Ignatius was born in 1491 and died July 31st 1556 and was one of 13 children. He was formerly a Spanish knight from a noble family. In his early youth he had a love of martial exercises and had a desire for fame and recognition, little did he know at the time that he would indeed be famed for very different reasons. He

joined the army at seventeen and was renowned for his 'swagger' and strutting about with his sword in full view.

His conversion came about after being seriously wounded in the battle of Pamplona in 1521 and he began to draw closer to God whilst he was recovering from his injuries. During his conversion he was inspired to give up his military life and instead devote his life to God. He then experienced a vision of the Virgin Mary and the infant Jesus whilst at the shrine of Our Lady of Montserrat in March 1522. After this vision he began praying for up to seven hours a day and formulated the 'Spiritual Exercises' which are the cornerstone of Ignatian spirituality and were composed with the intention of helping others to discern Jesus in their life, leading him or her to a personal commitment to follow him. The main aim of the exercises is the development within the human psyche of 'discernment', the ability to discern between good and evil spirits. Discernment is achieved in order to act "with the Grace of God". In other words, to act on the spiritual discernment one has had on what is right.

To this day, the spiritual exercises remain an integral part of the Novitiate training period of the Roman Catholic religious order of Jesuits, which can last from between 8 and 14 years depending on the candidates background and education. Today there are many local Jesuit outreach programs throughout the world which offer retreats for the general public in which the exercises are employed.

Beginning in the 1980s, other Christian denominations have had a growing interest in the spiritual exercises. There are recent (2006) adaptations that are specific to Protestants which emphasise the exercises as a school of contemplative prayer.

The exercises are still, today, undertaken in their original form over the full 30 days. Participants in the full exercises usually spend their days in silence, doing up to 5 hours prayer a day. In the original form each retreatant has a guide to help lead him or her through the meditations of the exercises. The exercises done in this full-time way offer what is probably the most intensive spiritual experience.

**Mass time in Cambourne Church Saturdays at 5pm**



## CAMBOURNE VILLAGE COLLEGE

### Cambourne Village College: The Countdown Begins!

Progress on the site has continued at what seems an ever-greater pace in June.

With the approach-road from Sheepfold Lane now tarmacked, the car parks in use and the tennis courts surfaced and fenced, the northern side of the building is really taking shape, while to the south, the pitches are seeded and the elegant canopies that shelter the pupils' outside social areas are in place.

Inside, many classrooms are completely finished, the drama studio is looking impressive and carpets are being laid in the vibrantly -painted corridors. The kitchens are being fitted out, and we're looking forward to the builders handing us the keys in July so that we can start to take delivery of the huge array of furniture and equipment on order.

Clearly the building is important, but the most exciting event of last month was our outing to Anglesey Abbey with what will be the first-ever intake of pupils to Cambourne Village College. The sun shone all day and the children from the different primary schools quickly got on with the important business of making new friends. With the house and mill to visit, the nature reserve to explore and picnics to be shared, the children behaved impeccably and the day passed all too quickly. We'd like to thank the primary schools for supporting us on this visit, and we're very grateful to Everyone Active for lending us their Sports Hall so that we could organise ourselves at the start and end of the day.

Back at Comberton, work continues feverishly. The final Support Staff appointments have been made, the last set of policies sent to the Department for Education, the new website commissioned, caterers appointed, and the Year 6 children welcomed for their New Intake Day and Athletics Festival. We are now taking bookings for community use of the new facilities, and the Tuesday night Adult Education programme for Cambourne Village College is ready to publish. Please see our website for details of classes and activities: [www.cambournevc.org](http://www.cambournevc.org) – and do sign up and support your brand new Village College!

Any parent or carer interested in applying for one of the remaining places for a child should contact the Local Authority Admissions service on 01223 699200/ 699662 without delay.



**Claire Coates**  
**Head of School, Cambourne Village College.**



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:

**5th July NEARLY NEW SALE – maternity to teen items**  
**12th July Paper Spirals**  
**19th July SUMMER PARTY and Cress Seeds**  
**26th July CLOSED for the summer holidays**

We will remain closed for the summer holidays until the 13<sup>th</sup> September.

Over the summer we are going to try and meet up each week somewhere locally, e.g. a park or playground, and this will be confirmed by 5pm the day before based on the weather. There will be a full list of where and when these are planned for before we close for the summer holidays. Confirmation notices will be found on the facebook page, the website and also e-mailed to those of you who have provided email addresses on the sign-in sheet.

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](http://www.babyandme.org.uk)) or Facebook page (Baby and Me).

## GREETINGS FROM CAMBOURNE LIBRARY

Welcome to Cambourne Library. We are situated in Sackville House. It is completely free to join. We can now offer free WiFi access in the library – see library staff for details.

In the School Holidays we will be running our annual summer reading challenge. This summer, there are plenty of surprises waiting for you at your local library. Discover "CREEPY HOUSE", the Summer Reading Challenge. You are invited to join our gang of explorers as they work their way through three thrilling floors of fun. Help them discover the secrets of the house by reading library books and keep track of the action on a special fold out poster. Pick yours up... it's free when you join in at Cambourne library. There are stickers [including very smelly scratch and sniff ones] to collect along the way and all kinds of fun characters to discover. All children who read at least 6 books during the summer will receive a medal and a certificate. [www.creepy-house.org.uk](http://www.creepy-house.org.uk).

Our sessions at Cambourne Library will be Mon 2.00 – 4.00, Tues & Fri 10.00 – 12.00.

### **FREE EVENTS IN YOUR LIBRARY:**

- ENGAGE IN THE AFTERNOON – “KILL OR CURE – Dr. T. J. Walker Victorian Surgeon “ Wed 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY” from 2.00 – 3.30. Fascinating talk based on Dr. Walkers’ diaries. No need to book just turn up at the library.
- COMPUTER BUDDY: If you are a beginner or you just need help with something particular on computers or tablets please pop into the library and book Free sessions with our Buddy. These are every Tuesday from 2.00 – 4.00. Alternatively phone 0345 045 5225 and ask to be put through to Cambourne Library.
- Community Navigator: Our navigator will be in the library from 2.00 – 4.00. We help older, isolated and vulnerable people living in Cambridgeshire to stay independent and maintain social contact with friends and the community.
- CAMBRIDGESHIRE FLOATING SUPPORT DROP-IN SERVICE – Please visit us to talk to one of our Support Workers and get advice including: Housing, Benefits, Debt. 10am – 12pm on first Thursday of every month Starts 4th July 2013 at Cambourne Library

We also have lots of New Books to borrow and Book Sale in the library.



## 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](http://www.cambournechurch.org.uk)



### SERVICES

Please note that there will only be one service each Sunday at 10.00 between 28th July and 1st September

### It's your move!

**Moving up service  
on the  
1st September - 10.00 service**

### Fathers and Children's Breakfast

*Ato be held in the  
Cambourne Church Foyer*

**Saturday 6th July'13  
8.30-9.30am**



Tea  
Coffee  
Soft drinks  
Cereals  
Bacon rolls  
etc



Free

(donations will be very much appreciated)

Doors open from 8.00am-10.00am please contact  
Gerald on 07513951988  
for more information



Instead of a summer holiday club this year, our Children and Family Champion is hoping to lead some family fun days during the week following the August bank holiday.

The exact times and details of these will follow, but thought you might like to get the potential dates in your diaries. For more info contact

[Childschampion@cambournechurch.org.uk](mailto:Childschampion@cambournechurch.org.uk)

## Quiz night

*Saturday, 6th July at the Cambourne  
Church  
7.45pm for 8.00pm*

*Tickets cost £7.00 per ticket which  
includes a light snack.  
6 people per team but you can come  
along and join with others on the night*

*Please bring your own drinks  
Tickets can be purchased from  
Jonathan Buwert*

07503171869

[jonathan.buwert@cambournechurch.org.uk](mailto:jonathan.buwert@cambournechurch.org.uk)

### Sunday 21st July, 11am – 4pm FREE Entry Festival of Farming, Food and Wildlife

Come with the family and enjoy a celebration of farming, food and wildlife. The free event organised by the Countryside Restoration Trust will include food demonstrations and talks, various local food and craft stalls, a bread making competition, children's activities as well as tractor and trailer rides, guided farm walks, sheep dog demos, Suffolk Punch demos, sheep shearing and refreshments.

Church service at 4.30pm with guest speaker Dame Fiona Reynolds. Free entry and parking.  
Lark Rise Farm, Barton, Cambridgeshire, CB23 7AG

For more information, please contact the office on 01223 262999 or [info@countrysiderestorationtrust.com](mailto:info@countrysiderestorationtrust.com)



# 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](mailto:Peacehavenbc@aol.com) or call 01954 710510

Pastor Donovan Bangs

## Pastoral Thoughts

Well July is here and we have so much to celebrate. Last month the Father's day service went well, even though half way through we were interrupted by the sonic boom of an aircraft. It did rather sound like an explosion and my mind immediately went to possible evacuation routes or potential targets that may have been hit. That simply is the military mindset and it does not fade easily. Thankfully, we had no need of the plans and each man left with a new headlight, (a light that straps to your head as it was a salt and light based theme this year). The importance of strong leadership in the home was taught and well received.

Our singles group went and returned safely from Germany. They enjoyed the preaching and activities which included a tree rope course and a tour of a German castle. Some others went skydiving, but we declined that particular event. We were also able to teach some of the Americans there about tea as the stuff they drink tastes more like what they would sweep up after blending tea.

We will also be celebrating our church anniversary in July, usually with a picnic although a camp out has been suggested, but that may be for a later date.

Counseling appointments are still available for a variety of life's difficulties just contact us for a suitable slot and to see if your particular need can be addressed.

If you have any questions or just need to chat let me know. [www.peacehavenbc.org.uk](http://www.peacehavenbc.org.uk)



[info@cambournecrescent.org](mailto:info@cambournecrescent.org)  
[www.cambournecrescent.org](http://www.cambournecrescent.org)

## What to eat?

Continuing with our theme of Ramadan and fasting from last week's article, in addition to the night prayers to be held at the Hub in Cambourne, it is worth discussing some of the dietary aspects. Fasting enables us to control our desires, because when a person is full his desires grow, but if he is hungry, his desires become weak. Hence the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) said: O young man! Whoever among you can afford to get married, let him do so, for it is more effective in lowering the gaze and protecting one's chastity. Whoever cannot do that, let him fast, for it will be a shield for him.

During Ramadan, two main meals are served; the suhoor, which is served before dawn, and the iftar, which is served after sunset. Many break their fast by eating dates before beginning the iftar meal. Both of the suhoor and iftar meals should contain fresh fruit, vegetables, halal meats, breads, cheeses, and sweets. The meals are usually served either at home with family, or in the community mosques, or other designated places within the Muslim community.

Some foods that may be served at a Ramadan suhoor or iftar include:

- Chabbakia - a dessert made of fried dough flavoured with orange blossom water and coated with sesame seeds and honey. (Morocco)
- Paomo - a bread & mutton soup (China)
- Ramadan Kebabi - a dish made with lamb, onions, yogurt, and pita bread. (Turkey)
- Sherbet - the world's first soft drink, developed in the Ottoman Empire. Sherbets are made from fruit juices, extracts of flowers, or herbs, and combined with water and sugar. (Turkey)
- Chapattis - unleavened flatbread that is rolled up with vegetables and meats. (India and Pakistan)
- Fattoush - a salad made of vegetables and pita bread. (Lebanon and Arab countries)
- Tabbouleh - a salad made with fresh tomatoes, parsley, garlic, and bulgur wheat. (Middle East)
- Chorba - lamb stew with tomatoes and chickpeas (Morocco)
- Shabi kebab - fried patties of ground meat and chickpeas. (India and Pakistan)
- Fasulia - stew with green beans and meat (North Africa and the Middle East)
- Bamia - a stew made with meat and okra (North Africa and the Middle East)
- Qatayef - a type of Arabic pancake filled with sweet cheese and nuts (Saudi Arabia, Palestine)
- Kolak - a fruit dessert made with palm sugar, coconut milk, and pandanus leaf. Fruits such as jackfruit or banana are added, or mung beans. (Indonesia)
- Haleem - a porridge made of meat, wheat, and lentils. (India)
- Paneer cheese (Persia and India)
- Jalebi - deep-fried dough batter soaked in syrup. (Pakistan)





CAMBRIDGESHIRE  
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

## JULY BULLETIN FROM CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

As the sun (hopefully) starts shining, your local fire service is asking for community volunteers to step forward and champion fire safety.

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service has rolled out its Community Champion scheme across the county and would like volunteers in every district to get involved.

Community champions encourage local residents to carry out fire safety checks in their homes, visit community groups and educate about fire safety and escape plans.

Would you like to learn more about fire safety?

Could you help your community become a safer place?

Do you want to gain volunteer experience, get free training and make friends?

**Anyone interested in becoming a Community Champion should call Ed Aniskowicz at Cambridgeshire Acre, which is running the scheme for the fire service. Call Ed on 01353 865038, email [edward.aniskowicz@cambsacre.org.uk](mailto:edward.aniskowicz@cambsacre.org.uk) or log on to <http://cambsfirechamps.org.uk/>.**

*Like our fan page on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/cambsfrs](http://www.facebook.com/cambsfrs), follow us on Twitter @cambsfrs.  
To find out if you are eligible for a free home fire safety check, call 0800 917 99 94.*



### New Computer System

By the time you read this our new System will have been installed and we will be in the first days of using its functionality.

Please be patient with us as we all familiarize ourselves with it features.

Monkfield Medical Practice

### Repeat Medication Requests

For those of you who e mail us with repeat medications requests from the 15<sup>th</sup> July you can call into the surgery to collect a user name and password to access our on line repeat prescription service which will be available through a link in our website. This will enable you to request on line any repeat medication you have.

### Updating our records: Text Messaging/Smoking Status

On our website or at our reception desk we have a short form for you to complete to update your contact details and smoking status.

With our new computer system we are now able to text you appointment reminders and invitations for annual reviews. For us to send you text messages we need your explicit consent therefore, if you do not complete the form unfortunately we will not be able to text you.



- \* It's great fun & sociable
- \* Friendly classes welcome all
- \* No partners needed
- \* Wide variety of music and dance

- \* Helps keep joints supple
- \* Builds up strength in leg muscles
- \* Exercises your memory
- \* Good for heart and lungs



**FREE**  
CLASS  
26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE  
13:30

**Regular Classes will start July 2013  
@ Cambourne Fitness & Sports Centre**

**To book a space or for more information  
ring Sue on: 07792 628 728 or email  
[love2linedance@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:love2linedance@yahoo.co.uk)**

## GIRLGUIDING NEEDS YOU!



You may have seen in the press that Girl Guiding is changing the Promise it uses to make it possible for more girls to join us. Also the Girlguiding 100,000+ adult volunteers were recognised as part of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee with a Volunteering Award. Brownies are also getting ready to celebrate their 100th anniversary (Girlguiding as a whole celebrated 100 years in 2010).

It's not all camping and knot tying, though those are still part of our tradition and we don't forget where we came from. These days we are about travelling overseas, activity trips to centres like PGL and helping our community.

We desperately need more adult volunteers to come forward and join us. In fact, we could take volunteers in Rainbows (5-7 year old girls), Brownies (7-10 year old girls) and Guides (10-14 year old girls). Our waiting list for Rainbows currently has 60+ names on it – meaning most will not get a chance to be a Rainbow.

Could you get involved and help us to give opportunities to girls in Cambourne?

Ali Free of 1st Cambourne Brownies writes:

*"I have been involved in Girlguiding on and off for 25 years, starting as a Brownie at 7 years old, to currently helping at the 1st Cambourne Brownies. In between I have been a Guide, a Young Leader and a Guider. For me the pull of Girlguiding has always been there. I moved to Cambourne in 2008 and toyed with the idea of getting involved with Girlguiding again for 3 years, wanting to get involved in the community but not being sure whether I had the time to really give it a good go. In 2012, after seeing an article in the Cambourne Crier where due to a lack of leaders/help units were at risk of closing, I took the plunge and contacted Kim offering to help.*

*A hugely warm welcome awaited me. Being involved in Girlguiding is more than just giving your time once a week. You get a lot back from it too-you become part of a team focused on supporting the young girls and women in our community to reach their goals and aspirations in a safe environment, you make new friends with people that you probably wouldn't have met otherwise and you become part of a community-locally but also worldwide.*

*Cambourne is a great place to live- a community with many groups, clubs and adventures to be had, BUT these can only happen with the support of the local community. There is always a need for an extra pair of hands, new ideas and skills. There is a time commitment needed-the weekly unit meetings, some additional planning and organising time but there is flexibility too, you are only asked to commit to what you can do, no more. For me, I'm really pleased I took the plunge and made the phone call, I hope others do too."*

If you want to have a chat about joining as a volunteer please call Kim on **01954 715722** or email **cambournebrownies@btinternet.com**.

There is no payment for your time but you will get a uniform and relevant training is free. It will just cost you your time and enthusiasm.

## 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](http://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.**





## DISPATCHES

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

### Adventure Camp for young Air Cadets

Staff and Cadets from 2484 (Bassingbourne) Sqn and 2484 (Cambourne) DF gathered to join 300 cadets from Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire wing of the Air Training Corps for a week long adventure camp at Army Training facility in Catterick, North Yorkshire.

During the week Cadets spent most of their time learning fieldcraft skills such as shelter building, navigation, communication, and first aid, as well as taking part in leadership tasks. The Camp ended with a 36 hour exercise testing them on all the skills that they had been taught. However the week was not all hard work for the cadets, both cadets and staff enjoyed opportunities for abseiling, rock climbing, and bridge building.

Cadet Sergeant Jones said "It was a brilliant opportunity to make new friends from across the Wing and meet up with old friends from previous camps. As a Senior NCO it was a fantastic chance for me to pass on my field craft knowledge to others around the Wing."

Sergeant (ATC) Rupert Sage said "it was great to see all the cadets learning whilst having fun and for trying out new activities.

### Cadets on a Royal high at air show

Cadets from 2484 (Cambourne) Detached Flight & 2500 St Neots Squadron were thrilled to see a display by an Army Air Corps Apache helicopter at the RAF Cosford Air display. The helicopter was piloted by none other Captain Wales better known as His Royal Highness Prince Harry. This was one of the many enthralling displays on the program that day.

With themes of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Station, and the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Jaguar aircraft (63 entering service of which are today located at RAF Cosford as Ground Instructional Aircraft), all the stops were pulled out for this year's show. The display by the Red Arrows was another highlight with some amazing feats of airmanship to wow the crowd including a new 2013 display called "the Lancaster" in tribute to the Dambusters 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The battle of Britain memorial flight was as always, a fitting tribute to the sacrifice that the men and women of the RAF made during WWII, and a firm favourite with the crowd.

The Vulcan was a marvel to hear and see with the wonder of how an Aircraft so large can stay in the sky. The cadets and staff enjoyed the day as the weather was perfect for flying.

Flying Officer Charles Rogers said "A thoroughly enjoyable day was had by both staff and cadets, all of whom were thrilled by the flying displays of aircraft past and present."

Cadet Pinchen (16) said "It was a very exciting day seeing all the different aircraft and the Red Arrows. Although, seeing Prince Harry was my highlight."



If you would like information on how to join the Air Cadets, become a member of staff or support the Squadron 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 Flying Officer Rogers on 07813 897949 or e-mail him on [cjrogers62@virginmedia.com](mailto:cjrogers62@virginmedia.com)



**Cambridgeshire  
Army Cadet Force**

[www.cambsacf.com](http://www.cambsacf.com)



**Award Winning  
Cambourne  
Detachment**

**Come along and take part in our four week  
Pre-Cadet experience**

**on the 27<sup>th</sup> June, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> of July**

**If you join on the 18<sup>th</sup> July you can begin training  
with us in September !!**



**Bedfordshire  
Cambridgeshire  
Northamptonshire**

### Wildlife Review July 2013

We have still been noticing the effects of the cold spring on the County's wildlife right into summer. Plants have flowered later, butterflies and dragonflies have really only just got going and birds are nesting later. Our ground nesting bird monitoring in Cambourne got off to a slow start this

spring. This may have been partly due to the weather, with the first few mornings we arranged to go out searching turning out to be cool and often drizzly, not ideal for spotting bird activity! But this is following the national trend this year for there to be fewer birds breeding and starting much later. The warmer weather has led to more success in finding nests, I will up-date you on how we get on later in the season.



The bee orchids have not yet come out as I write this, which is really late, so keep an eye out around the site and let me know where you spot them this year. Have a look at [www.wildlifebcn.org/species/bee-orchid](http://www.wildlifebcn.org/species/bee-orchid) to see what they look like.

Talking of bees I had reports of a bee swarm around the pumping station in Lower Cambourne around the middle of June. I called a local bee keeper out to collect them, but unfortunately they had moved on by the time he came. Bees are normally quite placid when in a swarm, but sometimes they can gather in awkward places so need to be collected. They can then be established in a new hive. If you see a swarm of bees around at a time when the Trust office is closed then check online for the Cambridgeshire Beekeepers Association and you should be able to find someone that can come and deal with it. I thought at first it was a wasp swarm, but apparently wasps do not form swarms, so if you see a tight cluster of insects and not sign of a nest then it will be bees. Wasps will make their nests in bushes, but you will be able to see the papery walls. They make it by chewing on wooden surfaces and mixing this with saliva to make a sort of papier-mâché. You can often see the marks left behind on wooden fence posts or sheds where they have been chewing.

### Path Works 2013

We are hoping to get funding to carry out path resurfacing again this year, but have not yet had confirmation. The areas likely to be affected are the paths through Oaks Wood and the EcoPark and the southern boundary bridleway east of Skylark Meadow (the section that was washed out in the heavy rain last summer). Keep an eye out for signs going up to say when work is happening. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause. If you would like further information please get in touch.

### 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](mailto: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](http://www.wildlifebcn.org)

Wildlife illustrations – Mike Langman



## Cambourne Garden Club

This is a friendly and welcoming group for people who are interested in all aspects of the garden.

- **July 25<sup>th</sup>** Garden and allotment Crawl, ending with Pimms
- **August 22<sup>nd</sup>** outing - Bat Safari along the Cam (please contact Fran to book a place)
- **September 26<sup>th</sup>** Building Bird Boxes – the Wildlife Trust
- **October 24<sup>th</sup>** Visit to Scotsdales for talk by Peter Walker on Orchids.
- **November 28<sup>th</sup>** Shopping trip to Huntingdon Garden Centre

The Club meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 7.30pm for 7.45pm in the Hub Committee room. Visitors very welcome at a small charge.

For further info on the club, contact Fran on 710858



## Cambourne Fishing Club News



On the 2<sup>nd</sup> June the children had a brilliant sunny day for their coaching sessions. We would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to all those who made this day possible: Les Gunasekara's donation enabled us to stage the event free of charge which was greatly appreciated by the participants.

Thanks also goes to the Wildlife Trust for allowing us to use Lake Ewart to run our club and events, MAD Baits and Massif bikes for selling our membership and day tickets, and Ouse Valley Baits for the bait.

Prize donations from MAD Baits St Neots, Neil Baker, National Fishing Month, Cambridge Charity Fund Raisers

Well done to the Organiser John Pope along with, Alex and Paul from the EA our chairman Bernard Hunt who coached.

Neil Baker for the coaching on the Casting into Hoops competition.

One of our Members Mark Bennett who kindly gave up his time to demonstrate the Fly fishing techniques.

And everyone else that helped thanks you all. Much appreciated we couldn't have done without all your support.

All winners of the raffle prizes and Casting Competition have all been notified.

Hope to see some of you at our next Event on 10<sup>th</sup> August Open Day. Perhaps Mums or Nan's would like to have a go!!

### Open Day August 10th 2013 (FREE EVENT)

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

#### Junior Netball Training Sessions

The Vine School

4.30-5.30 pm

Four sessions for £15

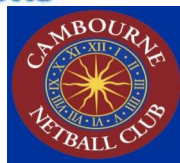
27<sup>th</sup> June, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> July 2013

All sessions will be coached by a Level 2 coach.

Sessions are for Year 6 pupils only.

Places are limited so book you place early to avoid disappointment.

Email [cambournejuniornetball@outlook.com](mailto:cambournejuniornetball@outlook.com) for more information.



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](mailto:cambourne_fishingclub@yahoo.co.uk)

If you have a group of children that would like a fun coaching session, which includes finding out about different species, their habitat, learn to fish safely and correctly then please contact: **John Pope** our Events Welfare Officer for details on 01223 515458 Alternatively you can email us at: [cambourne\\_fishingclub@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cambourne_fishingclub@yahoo.co.uk)

Have you seen our website yet?

[www.cambournefishingclub.com](http://www.cambournefishingclub.com)



## CAMBOURNE TENNIS CLUB

Contact Details: [www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk](http://www.cambournetennisclub.co.uk)



**Cambourne Tennis club courts have been re-painted!!!** - A huge thank you to the Parish Council for getting the tennis (and netball) courts re-painted, they look fantastic and even more importantly they are great to play on. If you haven't seen them yet, why not come down to the MUGA and have a look.

**Wimbledon** - Its time for Wimbledon. Could we have an British champion this year with Andy Murray back on form, and our other hopefuls? We hope everyone enjoys watching it on the TV, and those who are going to Wimbledon, hope you have a fantastic time. The Cambourne Tennis club had a record 16 pairs of tickets this year.



At this time of year everyone likes to dust off their racquet and have a go. Why not come and try our club sessions, running 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.



## Walking Group

We made it! We achieved the walk planned. Joined by several new walkers, we did a circular route from Lammas Land, enjoying lunch (or should I say an early cream tea?) at Granchester Tea rooms. The next walk is a longer one, at Houghton, but we will definitely stop for lunch.

*Other walks planned are:* **Fen Drayton**, circular walk: August 9th, **Barrington**, circular walk: September 13th, **Reach, Devil's Dyke**: Approx 5 miles, October 11th, **Chesterton to Baits bite lock and back via Fen Ditton**: Approx 4.5miles, November 8th

If you enjoy a walk, a chat, and maybe a coffee or lunch, then join us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:pam.hume@mail.com), or telephone Penny Flanagan: 01954 200126

## 10 Week Beginners Running Course

Starts 17<sup>th</sup> September 2013

All abilities welcome

Join us Tuesday evenings to get into shape!

### Cambourne Women Runners

Meet at the ARK Tuesdays 7.15pm for 7.30pm start. For more information, and to register your interest, contact

[information.cwr@gmail.com](mailto:information.cwr@gmail.com)



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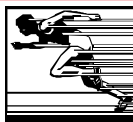
## COMBERTON RAMBLERS

### Join our friendly group for wonderful walks

Comberton Ramblers' Association walks an average of 5-6 miles every fortnight on a Sunday morning. We are a very friendly group who totally enjoy the lead walks in our beautiful countryside. There's time to take a rest break if needed or to simply stop and enjoy the view or visit places of interest along the way.

Our members come from many local villages and from within Cambridge itself. Go on, give us a try, you'll have the benefit of an exhilarating walk plus the companionship of a group of like-minded people.

Membership is £7.50 per person for the year and people under 18 are free. Please check our website for further information. [www.combertonramblers.org.uk](http://www.combertonramblers.org.uk)



## The Running Man

Hints, Tips and Info for Runners

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



We've had quite a mixed bag of weather recently; with about the only constant being that if there is any wind it'll be in your face when running around Cambourne. However, it is definitely warming up so perhaps time to think about kit and strategies for running in summer heat - especially if you are new to running.

Avoid cotton clothing and invest in some good shorts, T-shirt or vest top made from a wicking technical fabric that will draw sweat away from the body evaporating quickly. Avoid sun soaking dark colours and opt for white or lighter colours. Consider using a sunscreen especially if you are running during lunchtime.

You may want to wear a hat for protection, again look for one made from technical material but, if you don't like wearing hats, then you could always use a Buff. A Buff is basically a tube of material that can be turned into a variety of head wear or even scarves. They can be a great way of keeping the sun off your head while soaking up the sweat too.

Sunglasses are an essential, not only for protecting eyes from the glare and UV rays of the sun but also from the flying bugs and dust of summer. Try to buy a pair of specialist runners sunglasses rather than wearing your standard pair, you'll find that the runners glasses are lighter and are a better fit so they don't slip down while running. Finally, keep hydrated before during and after your run, particularly on long runs of 60 minutes or more - it's important to keep hydrated with water or an isotonic sports drink.

***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. Taking entries: **The Bourn 10k, 29th September** - <http://bournatorun.com/>



## CAMBOURNE BOWLS CLUB

Free bowls, all equipment provided

Please get in touch about the current season if you would like to join in. 01954 719223 or 07711 613559

Robin Bailey 71 Greenhaze Lane



Club Night/Open Sessions continue on Tuesdays from 6.30 pm and Sundays 2-4 pm. Everyone is welcome from complete beginners to experienced bowlers. Our new Clubhouse should be open which will provide local refreshment and toilet facilities..

			
<b>Contact Details: <a href="http://www.cambourneeglesfc.co.uk">www.cambourneeglesfc.co.uk</a> Tracey Ashford, Club Secretary: 01954 203162</b>			

### Cambourne Eagles Now recruiting for season 2013/14

**We are now actively recruiting for next season and are looking for players who will be in the following school year groups in September 2013:**

**Academy-** Reception & Year 1's, **U7-** Year 2's, **U8-** Year 3's, **U9-** Year 4's, **U10-** Year 5's, **U11s-** Year 6's, **U12s-** Year 7's, **U14s-** Year 9's, **U17s-** Year 12's (16/17 yr olds)



**New for Season 2013/14- U20's** - Eagles manager Mark Gibbs will be running an Under 20 team to enter the Tucker Gardner League next season. We already have a number of talented players signed up. Anyone interested should be aged between 16-20 and be available to play matches on a Sunday.

Contact [markcgibbs1@gmail.com](mailto:markcgibbs1@gmail.com) for details. **We invite players of all abilities to join us, please contact our club secretary for more details on 01954 203162.**

**Cambourne Village Fete** - Cambourne Eagles have been invited to attend the village fete on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Eagles will be holding mini matches and a penalty shoot out competition on the pitches by the Sports Pavilion. Turn up on the day at 11.00am and register your interest. For more details contact Sally on [sallyaday1@gmail.com](mailto:sallyaday1@gmail.com).

**Trophy Night** - We are all looking forward to our annual trophy night on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July. This year the event is to be held at Wyboston Lakes and is set to be the best yet!

**An end of season BIG thank you** must go to all our committee members, team managers and parents for making Eagles a successful club, allowing our children to play some excellent football. Congratulations also goes to the players themselves, the way you conduct yourselves and play for your team makes the club very proud.



## Cambourne FC News

[www.cambournefc.org.uk](http://www.cambournefc.org.uk)

Email: [joracher@hotmail.com](mailto:joracher@hotmail.com)

Tel: 01954 715959



**Committee** - 2013/14 TEAMS - The CFC Committee would like to say a huge thank you to all of our new sponsors. Everyone Active are continuing their support of the local children which we can not thank them enough for. Thank you also to Solare UK along with Wallis & Son who have generously sponsored the new kit for the U10s. 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** grew in numbers again in June and we would like to welcome all of our new players to this very popular session. 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](mailto:chris.racher@hotmail.co.uk)

**C.F.C U7 Team** - The new U7s got off to an amazing start in league football, winning their first ever game at home to Bar Hill. The following week the U7s attended their first tournament and put on a first class display of football, winning their first 4 games, drawing one and losing just the one game. Congratulations to the coaches and players - [chris.racher@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:chris.racher@hotmail.co.uk)

**C.F.C U8 Teams** - Next season's U8 teams are currently training hard in preparation for the new season. Congratulations go to Pat and Andrew's team who continued their league form and recently WON the Over tournament, putting on another fantastic display of football. Well done to all - [patricktarpey@btinternet.com](mailto:patricktarpey@btinternet.com)

**C.F.C U9 Teams** - Well done goes to Simon, Chris, Andy, Rajiv and the U9 team who were magnificent at this year's Cambridge United Tournament which was held at the Abbey Stadium. There were plenty of goals as both teams continued their great end of season performances. - [simondowe@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:simondowe@yahoo.co.uk)

**C.F.C U10 Teams** - CFC would like to welcome Gerry Crowe who

will be managing our second U10 team for the new season. There are a couple of spaces left in the new U10 team so if you would like to join please contact - [jezjubb@shacklog.co.uk](mailto:jezjubb@shacklog.co.uk)

**C.F.C U11** - CFC is extremely pleased to announce Everyone Active are the new sponsors for our League Winning U11 Team. Over the past 2 years, Everyone Active have formed a fantastic partnership with the club and we are so pleased this great relationship will continue - [g.maylin@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:g.maylin@hotmail.co.uk)

**C.F.C U12** took part in the Wisbech tournament along with clubs from as far as Milton Keynes. It was a highly competitive day and the lads found their form playing some very admirable football. The group was very close with second place being won on goal difference. Well done to all the lads, especially Thomas who conceded the least in our group and Sammy for scoring his first goals for the team - [sracher@hotmail.com](mailto:sracher@hotmail.com)

**C.F.C U15** - Congratulations to our U15s who won the Willingham tournament. The team finished top of their group, won the semi final 4-0 before going on to win the final 4-3 against Waterbeach. Well done also to the U14s who narrowly missed out by finishing 3rd in their group. Well done to Chris and all the players - [clmbuilder@btinternet.com](mailto:clmbuilder@btinternet.com)





## Anglia Co-operative Update

The Anglia Co-operative foodstore under construction at Lower Cambourne is on course for a November opening.

The steel frame has now gone up for the 494 square metre store in School Lane and a giant 250-ton crane was used to lift timber trusses onto the roof. The building should be watertight by mid-July. The store is creating around 23 full and part-time jobs and vacancies will be advertised in late July and will also be posted on the Anglia Co-operative and Jobcentre websites.

Two artistic Cambourne youngsters were given a special treat after winning a competition at their school, Monkfield Park Primary. Cara, from Year 6, and Ties, from Year 2, were able to get a close-up look at how work is progressing on the store on Wednesday as part of their prize after winning a competition to design the front cover of a brochure advertising the school's recent summer fete.

They were shown plans of the store, taken around the site and were also able to sit in a digger. Lindum Sturgeon contracts manager Roy Burton said: "The project is moving very quickly, but we stopped work so that Cara and Ties could have a good look. They were really excited!"



*Digging it... Ties (left) and Cara at the site of the Anglia Co-operative foodstore in Lower Cambourne with digger driver Paul Anniss (second right) and site manager Bob Lewis (right).*

## News from Sunflower Nursery



On Friday the 17th May the whole nursery with children from 8 months to nearly five embarked on the Crow Hill Challenge. We walked, skipped and toddled up to the top. There, we had a picnic of rice cakes, fruit bars and bread sticks. Once refreshed the children had a great time chasing bubbles and flying kites made by themselves. It was certainly windy enough for lots of kites! On the way back we discovered large masses of caterpillars on bushes, the children loved watching them crawling about and nibbling at leaves. We were joined on the walk by a large number of parents, which was great for all concerned.

The walk was sponsored by many generous people and we raised over £600. Our selected Charity of the Year is the Children's Leukaemia and Cancer Group. We will be splitting the proceeds between this charity and our Sunflower Amenity fund, which will be buying outdoor waterproof clothing for the children in the near future.

- Sunflower Nursery has been awarded a Silver Award by Anglia Ruskin University. Staff and children have been working hard on being eco friendly and sustainable. The Go- Green team, which included a 3rd year international student worked with us to gain this prestigious award.
- The children are all enjoying the warmer, sunnier weather and have spent a good deal of their time outdoors. Our giant sandpits are being well used, as well as being able to paint and have messy play outside. Children's gazebos are shortly to be erected, these have child size benches inside them, for quiet times, story times or just having a rest.

Holiday Club !! July 22nd !! Aug 23rd:

Sunflower Nursery will again this year be operating a Summer Holiday Club for children aged over 3 (in receipt of funding) and 8 years old. This is bookable by contacting the Nursery 01954 719440. We will be able to give you a request sheet and a child information form to fill in as appropriate. Children will have access to all our great outdoor space and there will be special activities planned, such as clay work, woodwork, using different paint medias, drama and music.

Job opportunities: We have some part time positions and casual relief work available. On occasions we may have some Key worker posts vacant. Please have a look on [www.chsjobs.org.uk](http://www.chsjobs.org.uk) or ring the nursery directly for more information.