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Landscaping the Soul Youth Centre

Over the course of six weeks across February and March, a group of five young people have been working hard to transform the outside of the Cambourne Soul Youth Centre, Jonathan Buwert -Lead Youth Development Worker for Romsey Mill and Cambourne Youth Partnership - has told *Cambourne Crier*.

"The work has been led by these young men and women, who have shared their skills in landscaping and gardening, with the involvement of existing volunteers and new connections from the wider community of Cambourne," he said.

"The redesigned space sees a new raised bed to give a focal point to this garden area, with a gravel path to replace broken slabs.

"At the time of writing, there were still a couple of weeks to go to finish the project, during which time they hope to have installed a new noticeboard and completed the external cleaning of the building and repainting of the fence."

Further pictures can be seen at www.cambournesoul.co.uk

The project has been possible due to grant funding from The Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport in partnership with The National Lottery Community Fund.

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Open Gardens



Let's show off our gardens!

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World Book Day



See what you can do with a potato.

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Anyone for Tennis?



Recreational tennis is back in play.

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Covid-19 test for key workers

Don't forget that all key workers and those unable to work from home are eligible for a free lateral flow test twice a week.

Households with school-age children can now be tested (adults only).

The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne, is one of six rapid testing centres in Cambs. You can book a test at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/rapidtesting or you can turn up at a testing centre between 8am and 7.30pm Monday to Saturday.

Help prevent the spread of Covid-19. Note: the home testing kits are not available to be collected from The Hub Community Centre currently. Home testing kits can be collected from;

Milton Park and Ride

• University of Cambridge site, Charles Babbage Road

Abbey Leisure Centre, Cambridge

Skatepark Refurbishment



We are pleased to have been awarded two grants towards the cost of refurbishing the skatepark. It has been a long time coming as unfortunately there were numerous delays in the application process due to the pandemic. We have alerted the contractor that we have the funds in place and work can start. They have given us a start date of July 2021 but hope to start sooner if they finish other jobs sooner. It takes two months to install on site. If all goes well with installation,we could have the new skatepark open for September.

The skatepark will be installed with floodlighting which means it can be used all year round. As requested by the young people who filled in the consultation back in 2019, a seating area will be installed to prevent the equipment being used as seating. You can follow the progress on our Facebook page and website once work starts. We will be hosting an opening ceremony to celebrate the completion of the refurbished skatepark.

West Cambourne update



An update from Ellipsis (project managers for West Cambourne developers): it has been a busy start to 2021 for the West Cambourne consortium. One of the highlights is the completion of the wet well shaft. You may have noticed a lot of activity if you were passing along the A1198 in February. A large jacking setup and a 36 tonne clamshell machine were used to construct a 9 metre deep shaft on the old A1198 road which will be the location of the West Cambourne pumping station where all the foul water from the development will go.

Works have been ongoing since February on the construction of a footway which will link the communities of Caxton and the new development of West Cambourne - these works are planned to be completed in early April.

Sheepfold Lane - this has been a very busy road in the last few months, but we have continued to work as fast as we can to build the new footways and cycleways while there has been reduced traffic. The road is being prepared this month for final surfacing at the end of the month with the footways being completed in April.

More council news on page 3...



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...Town Council news continued

On site there is an incredible amount of services to be installed and we have been installing gas, water, electric and fibre ducting along all the roads which were surfaced last December. Behind them, we continue to build the new footways and to prepare areas ahead of the groundwork for new housing.

Cambourne Food Market

Cambourne Food Market is back and at a new location! Pop down to the Great Cambourne cricket pavilion car park, Back Lane on Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May from 12noon until 4pm.

Enjoy a variety of delicious foods from local street food vendors and market traders, some familiar faces and some new!

Keep an eye out on our Facebook event page to see who will be in attendance.

With restrictions slowly being lifted, it would be great to see the community come together for one of the first community events

of the year (socially distanced of course!) If you would like to attend the food market as a trader, please email <u>community@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk</u>

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

April / May

6th April 7.00pm Council* *Council meetings are being held by Teams. If you would like to attend the meeting, the link to join the meeting is published on the agenda which can be viewed on the Town Council website. John Vickery, Cambourne Town Clerk

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Obituary notice David George Hurn (1932-2021)

We are sad to announce the death from cancer of David on the 16th of January this year, aged 88. His wife Edna, and son Mark, would like to thank all those who sent cards and flowers, particularly the Crafty Ladies of Cambourne. "We would also like to thank the members of the Royal Naval Association who attended the funeral. Very many thanks," Mark Hurn.

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Wildlife Trust: Cambourne Nature Reserves



THE WILDLIFE TRUST really appreciate visitors on our reserves - for every person who finds happiness, it means another person to stand up for nature in the future. We are proud that Cambourne Nature Reserve is so accessible, as it means a greater opportunity for people to get close to nature.

This past year has been challenging for the Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs and Northants - our reserves have had huge numbers of visitors, which has meant that our staff, who look after more than 100 reserves, have been dealing with an increased number of problems, at a time when working together has been difficult.

Many issues caused by visitors are not deliberate but happen when people are unaware how their actions may be damaging.

Here are a few ways in which you can enjoy our reserves responsibly:

Keep dogs under close control

Dogs on the reserve should be under close control. This is to stop them disturbing ground nesting birds who may be in the grassy areas, and deterring other wildlife with their scent.

If you are walking in a field with livestock, they must be on a lead. Many dog attacks on farm animals are by pets whose owners thought they would never give chase.

Keeping your dog near to you is also a way of respecting other people using the reserve who may not be comfortable around animals.

Stick to the right paths

Please stick to bridleways on the reserve on horses and bikes the map is on our website. This will reduce the trampling of sensitive wildlife, damage to paths and collisions with people.

No fly zone

Flying drones is not permissible on our reserves because it can disturb birds and even cause them to abandon their nests.

Avoid the muddlest paths

We know that many paths are muddy and are worse this year because of high footfall and rainfall over the past year. Not all of the paths around Cambourne are designed to be all-access, and it is not our intention to change this. We are lucky that there are alternative paths around Cambourne, so we urge common sense to avoid the muddiest ones where possible, and where not possible please use appropriate footwear so that muddy sections are not enlarged. Some of our nearby reserves have closed, because widening paths damage plants that live on the edge.

We know many people are out enjoying the reserve, and thank you so much to those who have told us how much it has meant to them over the past year - we love to hear your positive thoughts! To support the Trusts, please visit www.<u>wildlifebcn.org/support-us</u>

Wildlife Trust's 2021 Photography Competition

As Spring has most definitely sprung, with welcome warmer days firmly on the horizon, trips out with cameras beckon, so it's a good time to consider entering the Wildlife Trust's 2021 Photography Competition, the theme of which this year is 'celebrate the seasons'. In the annual competition 24 images are selected to appear in the Trust's wildlife calendar, and there are some great prizes. The competition closes on Sunday 2nd May, for further information visit <u>www.wildlifebcn.org/get-involved/photo-competition</u>

Facebook/Twitter: @wildlifebcn

Rebecca (Becca Badger) Neal is a Communities and Wildlife Officer for the Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs, and Northants with a special focus on the Cambourne area.

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<u>www.wildlifebcn.org/events</u> - Trust members get a discount. Email: <u>rebecca.neal@wildlifebcn.org</u> phone: 07894 599020 Facebook @BeccaBadgerWTBCN



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Cambourne's Open Gardens is back!

We are happy to announce Cambourne Open Gardens will be on 26/27th June this year, so put the date in your diary!

We are so pleased we are able to open our gardens this year. It's a wonderful way to celebrate, and bring our community together. While we are not certain whether or there will still be some restrictions, rest assured we will adapt to the regulations at the time, keeping everyone safe.

Being able to hold our annual event once again is an exciting prospect and we already have 10 gardeners wanting to show you what they have been doing in their gardens over the last two years.

Of course you are more than welcome to open your garden too! You don't need to have a pristine garden. It certainly doesn't need to be a show garden either. Open Gardens is for any garden, big or small, new or mature. If you're proud of your garden, or simply want to learn more about gardening, then do join us. As one person said: "Cambourne Open Gardens is a great opportunity to get useful tips for your new garden from many of the experienced gardeners who come visiting. What's more, local gardeners know what grows well in Cambourne, as well as what doesn't".

If you'd like to open your garden, or have questions about opening, then please get in touch with Jules, who is organising the event this year. She can be contacted at:

juleshannaford@hotmail.com or by telephone: 01954 714990

Whether you decide to open your garden or simply decide to join us on a garden tour we can guarantee a truly sociable weekend, one where lifelong friendships have been made over the years.









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Dr Claire Kennan

Impact Development Manager. The University of Reading. <u>May:</u>

Dr Markus Hellenbrand

Post Doctoral Research Associate. Department of Materials Science & Metallurgy, University of Cambridge.

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Launch of South Cambs **Life Sciences Forum**

I recently launched the South Cambridgeshire Life Sciences Forum as part of my campaign to support the vital local life science sector.

The forum brings together more than thirty life sciences businesses and professionals. Topics covered included scientific funding post-Brexit, laboratory space, supply of specialist materials, social care, industrial strategy, and practical genomics. Following this launch, forums will be held regularly to keep the dialogue between the Government and the local life sciences sector as open and productive as possible. I am aware that Life Sciences Companies are a significant

element of the local economy in Cambridgeshire and provide employment for many people in Cambourne. As well as leading the fight against Covid-19, the industry is a significant employer, with the Cambridge Biomedical Campus alone employing more than 20,000 highly skilled workers in diverse fields ranging from biomedical research and patient care to education.

South Cambridgeshire is also home to the global headquarters of AstraZeneca, the Cambridge Stem Cell Institute, the Babraham Research Campus and Granta Park.

2020 has shown us how vital our life sciences sector is and I am extremely proud of the contribution made by companies and scientists right here in South Cambs, and think it is incredibly important that the government is aware of the challenges faced by this sector.



SHROBONA BHATTACHARYA DISTRICT COUNCILLOR Cllr.Bhattacharya@ scambs.gov.uk

Healthy cooking during lockdown

The Covid-19 Vaccine is a preventive but not a quick fix. It is essential that we maintain our preventive protocols in this critical time if we want to successfully return to our normal life. We must still adhere to physical distancing and wearing masks even when restrictions ease. It is also predicted that our Zoom-obsessed life will remain with us for some time and there will be more virtual meetings and a work-from-home lifestyle.

Lockdown has given me insights for maintaining a healthier lifestyle with no processed food.

Making a fresh home-cooked meal every day for my family gave me the opportunity to use less plastic packaging and cook to a budget - it also helped prevent the boredom of lockdown! I am not only cooking for myself, I am also cooking with many local groups on Zoom live every week.

Fresh home-cooked healthy meals tackle several issues like obesity, loneliness, stress, social isolation, unhealthy zero nutrition food, plastic packaging, processed fast food, financial constraints and hunger. Every week participants come together online in a live cooking session where they interact while making a meal from scratch using sustainably sourced ingredients.

I am also campaigning to advance education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment, which includes a recognition scheme for the active participation of members.



CATHERINE PRICE CAMBOURNE PARISH NURSING SERVICE nurse@cambourne church.org.uk

Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week

April 19th to 25th is MS Awareness Week. Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a condition that affects the brain and spinal cord.

A substance called myelin protects the nerve fibres in the central nervous system and helps messages travel effectively between the brain and the rest of the body. When someone is suffering from MS the immune system mistakes myelin for a foreign body and attacks it causing it to be damaged. This damage can affect messages travelling along nerve fibres which can become slower, distorted or not get through at all.

Symptoms of MS vary but can include blurred vision and problems with balance, moving, thinking and emotions. However, these symptoms can have many other causes and therefore people often report they notice their first symptoms years before they get their diagnosis. The causes of MS are not fully understood but may be a mixture of environmental, lifestyle and genetic factors and MS is much more common in women than men.

Multiple Sclerosis can be a very challenging condition but there is a huge amount of very encouraging research into MS and how to manage it. More information is available on the website below:-

Reference/ further information: www.mssociety.org

EDUCATION

Educating otherwise



Choosing a fulfulling path: Both of our daughters did elective home education for all but two of their primary school years, with full freedom to choose how they spent their days. Then as they entered their teenage years they each began to focus on their futures.

At 13 our eldest decided she wanted to do GCSEs and after exploring all the available avenues, she joined Cambourne Village College halfway through Year 9. She completed her GCSEs very successfully and is now doing her A-levels at a Sixth Form College in Cambridge. The subjects she's chosen to do are reminiscent of those she enjoyed studying at secondary school and wanted to explore further.

Our youngest, who is passionate about drawing, decided at 13 that she'd like to do a Level 3 Diploma in Animation at a Cambridge college when she's 16. So she's started studying GCSEs in Maths, English Language and Environmental Management at home to sit as a private candidate at the new St Neots exam centre. She's also making excellent progress towards a Level 2 Art & Design Certificate with the Online College of Art & Design.

Both of our children have been able to choose the path that suits them best, with our full support. We are glad that UK education law allows them the freedom and autonomy to do this. We are immensely proud of each of them as individuals and we wish them much joy and fulfilment in their endeavours. - By a Cambourne family.

■ To connect with other local people educating otherwise than at school please join the Facebook group 'Home Education – Cambourne'.

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Children back at Hardwick & Cambourne Schools

Hardwick and Cambourne Community School: We have been filled with joy and happiness at the return of our children to school. We've had a tangible buzz from the moment the gates opened and it hasn't really gone away! We are so proud to be able to offer the kids not just their education, but a place where they can meet friends, talk, discuss, play and grow as people. As one parent put it, "It makes you realise how important school really is." However, don't just take our word for it, here's our Y6 pupil Governor, Izzy Tramontin.

"Coming back to school today was amazing! During lockdown the teachers and children have worked so hard. I think that having the class actually in person today helped a lot. I was looking forward to seeing my teachers, classmates and friends and it was exciting to see them in the flesh as opposed to on a laptop. Everyone caught up with each other and had a lot of fun



during break and lunch, even though we are waiting patiently to be back in year group bubbles."

Finally, we are currently accepting places in our Cambourne site nursery for children wishing to start in September. If you have a child who will turn 3 before 31st August, please contact the nursery office for further information at nursery@hardwick.cambs.sch.uk

Face to face teaching resumes at the Village College

Cambourne Village College: On 8th March, we welcomed all our students back to the College for a resumption of face-to-face classroom teaching. The return was carefully managed alongside government coronavirus guidelines with year groups returning in phases over the first three days and completing lateral flow tests before attending lessons the following day: almost 95% of parents consented to this testing. Each student was tested twice over the following week, before the issuing of test kits for home use throughout the Easter holiday and into the summer term.

Students' behaviour and co-operation throughout the testing process was exemplary and we are indebted to the volunteers who made this possible, with more than 60 local people offering to help and working in teams of 18 over the nine days of the school-testing period. Our School Nurse reported that she was 'massively impressed' with the volunteers and their willingness to support their community: thank you to everyone who volunteered!

Whilst we're delighted to have all our students back at school, operations remain challenging. We are continuing to teach each year group in a segregated area, with separate dining and toilet facilities - this is to aid contact-tracing if necessary, because social distancing cannot be observed in classrooms.

With enhanced cleaning and almost all students observing the requirement to wear masks in class until the end of term, school has been as safe as it possibly can be.

An ongoing challenge is staffing with some staff-members shielding, several at home as their children's primary schools close 'bubbles', and the usual seasonal absence, we are working very hard to stay open for all pupils until the virus is suppressed.

Like everyone else, we are looking forward to a gradual return to normality in the summer term - and in the meantime, wish everyone a happy Easter break.

Claire Coates, Principal

Home-Start: Getting ready for school

If you're a parent of school-aged children, then you might be waiting to hear about school places right now. Starting school is a big event in every family, and as a parent there's always that worry: are they ready? Have we

done enough to help them? What do we do if they're not ready? If these questions resonate with you, then maybe you'd be interested in our school readiness project, "Getting Ready For School." It is designed to help families prepare for school, making sure that children have all the skills they'll need from day one and that parents are ready to help their children prepare for the big day.

Here at Home-Start we recognise that starting school can be frightening and

stressful, for the parents as well as the children. Our highly-trained volunteers use lots of fun activities to help children get ready to get the best out of nursery, pre-school or school. Which leaves parents free to enjoy watching their children thrive. "Getting Ready For School" is a completely free service that we offer to families in our area. If you would like to know more about what's involved, then please get in touch: admin@hsrsc.org.uk or 01763 262262.

EDUCATION

The Vine: making the most of outdoor opportunities

THE VINE INTER-CHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL: During remote school, Year 2 took advantage of the flexible timetable and spent lots of time outside.

In English they used their senses on a walk around Cambourne and wrote poetry about what they discovered. There were descriptive examples of rhyme, alliteration and similes. "The snow in Cambourne looks like a giant ice rink",

"Cambourne tastes of Indian, Chinese, Italian and good old English fish and chips. You might lick your lips when you eat the chips." "Cambourne sounds like a busy playground. At night it is quiet and peaceful".

In Maths they became shape detectives finding 2D and 3D shapes in the most unusual places, triangular prisms on roofs, cuboid bricks, spherical footballs, cylindrical logs and traffic cones. In Science they investigated micro-habitats, discovering centipedes under logs, ladybirds amongst the leaves and spiders spinning webs across hedge branches. In Art it was about the famous land artist Andy Goldsworthy and the creation of pieces of art using natural materials; including snow which enhanced their designs and just like Andy Goldsworthy, they watched as the creations change with the weather. This time the outdoors allowed some to learn to ride bikes, roller skate and improve rope skipping and ball catching abilities. Despite the fun everyone is glad to be back at school now.









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Monkfield pupils celebrate World Book Day

MONKFIELD PARK SCHOOL: There was fun and laughter at the school as the children celebrated World Book Day.

As well as dressing up as their favourite book character or word, the children enjoyed transforming potatoes into wellknown characters from story books.

We were absolutely astonished by the super ideas and their inventiveness, both in school and at home. Some of the characters on show included; Harry Potter, Super Ted, The Snail and the Whale and Sunny Baudelaire from *A Series of Unfortunate Events*. The children had great fun making their favourite characters and reading some of the stories that they feature in.

We were also very lucky to have children's author and illustrator, Gillian McClure lead some remote workshops for us. The kids learnt how Gillian began the process of writing and were shown examples of how she had edited and changed parts of the books she shared with us. Everyone was so engaged and could see real-life examples of why editing is so important!

Gillian kindly answered many questions the children put to her which ranged from, "What was the hardest book to write?" to "Where do you get your inspiration from?" The pupils were fascinated and inspired by her answers. Years 4, 5 and 6 also produced some wonderful artwork based on Gillian's evocative storybook, Selkie.







COMMUNITY



Fundraising for Cambourne Arts Centre and Cinema

CAMBOURNE VILLAGE COLLEGE has a large performance hall, built with the support of the Town and County Councils. Our vision is to equip this hall, currently an empty shell, with facilities to host professional arts events and cinema for the people of Cambourne.

School and Community Theatre

For the past 18 months, the newly created CamVC Charitable Trust has been working hard to raise the funds for this venture.

So far, we have secured the £200,000 needed to install the infrastructure and staging, lighting and audio facilities to create an excellent performance space.

With an additional £130,000 now donated by the Cam Academy Trust to fit high-quality tiered seating, we hope to be able to complete the installation in order to host musical and theatre performances for an audience of 350 by the start of September 2021. These will be accessible to all visitors.

Professional Performances and Cinema

Our fundraising to date has laid the foundations to bring professional arts performances to Cambourne. We now need to raise a further £100,000 to equip the performance hall with professional-quality cinema screen, projector and surroundsound. Ultimately, we aim to fit out a further hall on site for cinema so that a full film programme can run alongside other performances.

Community Arts Officer

Our community already makes extensive use of the College facilities. Our ambition now is to work with the Town Council to create the position of Arts Officer for the town and to grow the creative offer for local people.

We'd like to host live music, attract professional touring theatre and dance companies, and to show box-office cinema through the community cinema outlets, just weeks after top-ranking films are released.

This could include live satellite broadcasts of west-end theatre, ballet and opera.

We need your help!

We are now reaching out to local people and companies for help in raising the final £100,000 needed to make this happen for 2022. Please check our website for details of how you can support this project:

We seek donations from local companies, trust funds, community groups and individuals. Could your company make a donation? Pay for a piece of equipment? Could your club hold a fund-raising event? Get sponsored to do something? Please help us to raise the final £100,000 needed to create this exciting facility for Cambourne.

For more information or to offer assistance, please contact Mrs Cat Collins, Trustee and Secretary of the Cam Academy Trust: <u>ccollins@cambournevc.org</u>

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BUSINESS

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Council Webinars

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Wednesday 12 May, 2pm at tinyurl.com/2pw79ch5 Wednesday 14 July, 2pm at tinyurl.com/4d6cv5km

SCDC is also running a number of webinars on topics that may be useful to some of you. These events are free of charge and may offer useful guidance on adapting for the future. For details of future webinars, and to see events we have previously hosted, please visit our events and webinar page.

Funding for Traineeships

Businesses offering new traineeship opportunities can apply for a £1,000 cash boost for every trainee they take on, up to a maximum of 10 trainees. Employers can claim the cash incentive for all work placements that have been completed since 1st September.

This new cash boost is in addition to the apprentice scheme announced by the Government last year, which offers employers £2,000 for each new apprentice they hire aged under 25, and £1,500 for apprentices aged 25 and over. This includes taking on an apprentice who has been made redundant.

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Brexit

SME Brexit Support Fund

The £20million SME Brexit Support Fund offers support to help small businesses adjust to new customs procedures, rules of

origin, and VAT rules when trading with the EU. It could give you up to £2,000 if your business has up to 500 employees, and no more than £100million annual turnover.

SMEs trading only with the EU, and therefore new to importing and exporting processes, can apply for grants of up to £2,000 to pay for support including training and professional advice to ensure they can continue trading effectively with the EU.

Read the full guidance on how you can use the grant, including who can apply and how to apply: tinyurl.com/ep2zpa6p

What are 'Rules of Origin?'

Rules of Origin concerns where a product was manufactured and determines the economic nationality' of goods for international trade. Businesses need to know about them because the Trade and Cooperation Agreement means they can trade with the EU without paying tariffs - but only if their product meets the relevant Rules of Origin and they have the right documentation.

You can confirm the requirements for your goods and find out more about the support available:

Check for details on how to claim preferential (zero) tariffs, and see the documentation you'll need to complete on tinyurl.com/mfvzyme3

Read the full guidance on meeting Rules of Origin when trading with the EU on tinyurl.com/2pwz5cfe

Check the TCA legal text to see which rules apply to your goods (Chapter 2 as well as Annexes ORIG-1 to ORIG-4 will be most useful): tinyurl.com/9ac6mhs

Rules of Origin is one of the topics explained in the new on demand videos which focus on priority topics for businesses. You can also use the Brexit Checker tool www.gov.uk/transition which will provide you with a personalised list of the most up to date actions that your business needs to take.

Local Support

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority's Growth Hub, in partnership with Cambridgeshire Chambers of Commerce, can offer you the essential advice and support you need as a business to ensure you can continue trading following the end of the transition period and can guide you to the resources you will require. Contact the team at 01223 209812 / 01223 209816 or email eutransition@cambscci.co.uk

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CHURCHES

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One of the best ways of discovering that someone is about the same age as you, is when they are familiar with the same children's television programmes. It could form a basis for conversation when you find yourself queuing for a COVID jab with strangers who are in fact your near contemporaries.

I am a child of the seventies and remember a programme called Casey Jones. I was sobered to discover that it was last aired back in 1975! It featured an engine driver called Casey Jones in the early days of the American railroads, who was loosely based on a real character who died heroically in a rail crash of 1900. Travelling in a high-speed train with no time to stop before a collision with a broken down locomotive, Casey Jones told the fireman to jump to safety while he remained in the cab to do all he could to slow the engine and reduce the impact. He managed so well that there was only one fatality - Casey Jones himself. It is a story of self-sacrifice, now immortalised in song.

On Good Friday we ponder the self-sacrificial death of Jesus Christ, who died that others might live. It says in the Bible that God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. So when we look at the crucified Jesus we do not see a powerless victim of circumstances, but rather a hero who chose to die in our place. Thanks be to God. *Revd Bill Miller*

Services and events for April

At the time of writing we are unable to confirm what services we will be able to offer due to changing restrictions and the local COVID infection rates.

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Peacehaven Baptist Church: Pastoral Thoughts

More than a cross

It is the time of year again where believers pay closer attention to what is, in my opionon, the most pivotal event in human history. That being the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is for the Christian the most important celebration of the year. It is far more than a nice thing or during more normal times a quaint social gathering and a time to show off new hats and hunting eggs and everything the modern world likes to coat what was both staggeringly loving and brutal.

A love for others that was not only at times not returned but even for the people who rallied against Him. Those precious words he spoke upon the cross, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." It is easier to sacrifice or suffer for those who love you; family members or children and such. It is another thing to sacrifice for those whom you have never met. Almost any member or former member of the armed forces will tell you that, as well as the NHS and our brave frontline workers. But to sacrifice for those who actively hate you, and oppose you at every turn, that takes a special kind of love. That takes what I would call a Godly love. One so strong that despite our failings and harsh words and even misdeeds in times of weakness that love can push that aside and offer forgiveness. And here is the



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thing. Jesus knew all about us, everything we have done or ever would do (for at that point all our actions would be future actions) And he loved us anyway. It is kind of summed up in 3 verses.

Romans 5:7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Even if we face dark times, that love can cut through the veneer, the fake coating we show to others and shine hope into where we truly are.

I want to wish all of Cambourne a reflective and hopeful month and perhaps stop by on our little corner of the web as we still cannot meet in person yet. I upload messages at <u>https://tinyurl.com/y7sagark</u>

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SPORT

Cricket Club eyes an April return

CAMBOURNE CRICKET CLUB: The ECB's All Stars and Dynamos programmes are now open for registration for returning and new players. Please visit <u>ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars</u> or <u>ecb.co.uk/play/dynamoscricket</u>.

Registration for Academy membership will launch in line with the Covid-19 roadmap; the £85 early-bird membership fee includes a brand-new Gray Nicolls match shirt that features our sponsors Barons of Cambridge. New players are always welcome, and if your child would like to join, please email cambournecc@gmail.com (subject: New Academy Member) or message <u>facebook.com/CambourneCC</u>.

Academy training sessions commence at Upper Cambourne from Friday 16th April; our Third Man bar is also scheduled to reopen on this date from 5 pm, but this is subject to NHS guidelines. Senior players resume training on 29th March, putting their best foot back and across at our (newly-bought) nets ahead of the 2021 season starting on Saturday 1st May.

Off the field, we are extremely proud to support Club member Ryan McAlister as he runs the Leeds half-marathon on 9th May



in memory of his mum Lorraine, who sadly passed away in December from lung cancer. Ryan will be fundraising for the Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation, which focus on early detection of lung cancer and provide support for all those affected by it, from diagnosis to treatment and end-of-life care. If you would like to support Ryan, please visit

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ryan-mcalister.

A warm welcome to the Cambourne Comets

THE CAMBOURNE COMETS CLUB: After a long and difficult 12 months, we are hoping to open our doors on the 19th of April.

During the first lockdown we spent many hours working on new policies and procedures to keep both our gymnasts and coaches safe. We were pleased with the results and the positive feedback received.

The cold weather before Christmas was challenging of course

as everyone had to wait outside until the coaches had thoroughly cleaned down the gym between each session, but we soon got everyone in and warmed up before they got on the Trampolines.

Our members were very happy to be back training after such a long summer, but with the second (4 week) lockdown, the end of term arrived far too early. I don't think anyone anticipated the third lockdown straight after Christmas and finding us here in March is still very frustrating.



With the latest news sounding more positive though, we are hopeful this will be the last time we need to close our doors.

Back in October, we had to reduce session numbers in order to maintain social distancing rules and due to the opening hours of the Sports Centre, we had to drop a couple of our later sessions. We are hopeful these can be reviewed at the new Term/Year in September.

During the school summer break, we usually run holiday sessions, but it may not be possible this year to allow nonmembers, so we will need to wait until June/July to make a decision on this,

Our Facebook page and Website will be kept up to date with any news.

If you would like to read more about Comets or enquire about joining, please visit our website <u>cambournecomets.co.uk/conta</u> <u>ct-us</u>

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SPORT

Basketball is back on the agenda

RAPTORS BASKETBALL CLUB:

Based on the advice from Basketball England, we are hoping to start Junior sessions from 12th of April, when indoor training can begin for U18s.

Our Junior coaching team of Miguel, Neb & Navid are planning to run: - U11, U14 & U17 sessions on Mondays at Cambourne Village College.

- U10, U12 & U15 sessions on Saturdays at Cambourne Village College.

- U11 & U14 sessions on Thursdays at Northstowe Secondary School.

We are also expecting to play friendly matches against Northstowe in July. We will share detailed information as soon as it is finalised in the next few weeks.

The Seniors are hoping to resume in May when indoor training can begin for everyone and hope to share more information next month.

They are also looking for new coaches to build on recent success where we reached the playoffs and latter stages of the plate competitions before the first lockdown. The goal is to field two teams with paid positions available for Head and Assistant coaches. If you are interested, apply to <u>senior_coordinator@</u> cambournebasketball.org

As always, check our website, Facebook page or contact our junior (junior_coordinator@ cambournebasketball) and senior (senior_coordinator@cambourneb asketball) coordinators for the latest information.

Go Raptors!









Tennis returns to Cambourne

CAMBOURNE TENNIS: We are very pleased to announce that as part of the gradual easing of restrictions our tennis courts reopened on 29th March. This means that recreational tennis can resume, including singles and doubles social play, 1:1 coaching and club-organised activities such as group coaching and social mix-ins. Social distancing will be maintained before, during and after all Tennis sessions. Detailed guidance can be found here: www.lta.org.uk/coronavirus. To allow all our members an opportunity to play, courts can be booked for up to 90 minutes per booking.

Given the length of time tennis activity has been suspended, it

is advised that anyone returning to court eases themselves back into play gently. Why not enrol on one of our head coach Toby's coaching groups to get back into it? Spring Term lessons will begin on 12th April, running for 14 weeks until 24th July. To book, go to <u>www.gamesettennis.co.uk</u>. Toby is also offering 1-1 coaching sessions. If you would like a private lesson, please get in touch on 07972 149874 or <u>toby@gamesettennis.co.uk</u>

With courts open again, April is the ideal time to renew or start your membership. Membership provides access to our five modern flood-lit courts from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022. To alleviate the pressure on our members, we have frozen our regionally competitive membership rates. Example prices are a Single Adult Membership for £70, Junior (11-17 Y) for £20, and a Family (2 parents + any children under 18) for £120. We look forward to welcoming existing and new members on our courts. For general information on the club and on how to join, please see the club website: <u>clubspark.lta.org.uk/CambourneLTC</u>

SPORT

Cambourne takes first place at chess tournament

CAMBOURNE CHESS: We launched Cambourne Chess in March 2018, offering chess coaching to the children of Cambourne and surrounding villages. When lockdown hit, our sessions moved to an online platform and the children continued to attend weekly sessions, learning and developing their games. We welcomed many new players to the club - some of whom we are yet to meet in 'real life'!

The Cambridgeshire Schools Chess Championships (CCC) takes place annually at St. Faith's School in Cambridge. It's a fantastic event with lots of schools from around Cambridgeshire taking part. Last year, for the first time, we entered two teams of children and they put up a fantastic fight and thoroughly enjoyed their first experiences of tournament play. During summer 2020, they took part in The Delancey UK Schools Chess Challenge (online) and got tournament fever! They did amazingly well with all children reaching the Giga Finals and one reaching the blitz finals.

This year, the CCC was held online and our A team were determined to go all the way! They worked incredibly hard throughout our weekly sessions and in-between with extra training and tournament practice. Our amazing children won every single round and finished in overall first place with a clear eight point lead! Our B team is made up of



newer players who want to experience the buzz of being in a tournament. They worked hard and finished in eleventh position overall. We are so proud of how far our players have comeand we hope you will help us in celebrating their success!

Facebook: cambourne.chess www.cambournetutoring.co.uk/ cambourne-chess

Bowls league matches commence in May

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Maybe some Bowls?

With reference to the latest government timetable, it looks as though we should be able to start bowls again in some shape or form, probably with some social distancing rules, towards the end of April, at a date to be agreed with the council ground staff. For updates, please look at our Facebook page 'Cambourne Bowls Club' or the Cambourne Community website. I will also notify everyone on my contacts list by Email.

We also have league matches commencing early May. Players need to be



registered with the league, therefore any one new to the club interested in playing in the league, please contact me Cambourne Bowls Club, Robin Bailey, Club Secretary. On 01954 269328 or 07711 613559 or <u>robin.doreen</u> @btopenworld.com

CAMBOURNE FOOD MARKET FOOD MARKET BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 3RD MAY 12PM – 4PM NEW LOCATION GREAT CAMBOURNE CRICKET PAVILION CAR PARK, BACK LANE SOCIAL DISTANCING MUST BE ADHERED TO

ALL FOOD PURCHASED MUST BE TAKEN AWAY TO ENJOY AT HOME OR A NEAR BY OPEN SPACE

CHECK OUT THE FACEBOOK EVENT TO FIND OUT WHICH STALLS WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE

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