



# CAMBOURNE CRIER

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## Help Light Up Cambourne in 2021!

As we all see a light at the end of the tunnel and our freedoms begin to return, Light Up Cambourne is focusing on lights of the Christmas kind, says its chair, Tim Willett.

"Sadly, our community switch on event had to be cancelled last year but we still displayed the lights, and we hope that they brought some happiness to what were otherwise dark times. We're optimistic now for a positive remainder of 2021 and as a result are re-doubling our fundraising efforts to make Cambourne sparkle this Christmas.

"As you can imagine, we've had to think creatively in order to continue our fundraising during lockdown and we are very grateful to everyone who has supported us by ordering Afternoon Tea boxes which we were delivering on Sundays during April. We will be bringing them back again for Father's Day so if you would like a home delivery of freshly made sandwiches, delicious cakes and pastries, please follow us on Facebook for details of how you can order.

"Following the success last year, we have once again organised a Cambourne-wide Garage Sale which will be taking place on 8-9 May. Visit our Facebook page for the latest map of participating



sellers and please get out and about to support them and us by visiting their stalls.

"We have lots more ideas for fundraising events both indoors and outdoors which can be COVID-secure.

"Every year we need to raise £7,000 to cover the cost of the switch on event and the lights which you see along Broad Street. We have plans to extend the light display further, but they have been delayed a little by the pandemic.

"Light Up Cambourne is a small volunteer group of residents who love Cambourne and Christmas just as much

as each other so all support we receive is gratefully appreciated."

■ If you would like to suggest a fundraising idea or be part of the event team for fundraising events, please email [lightupcambourne@gmail.com](mailto:lightupcambourne@gmail.com)

### GARAGE SALES

10am-2pm, Saturday 8th  
& Sunday 9th May

Seller location maps available on Light Up Cambourne's Facebook page

Held in support of Light Up Cambourne

### Aircraft Club!



What plane is this?

■ See page 11...

### Our Wildlife



A lot is happening in nature.

■ More info on page 6...

### Wellbeing Garden Appeal!

Cambourne Crier is backing the Vine School's Gardening



Wellbeing project and we're looking for donations of garden tools.

■ Find out more about the plans and how you can help on page 13...

## CAMBOURNE CRIER

Cambourne Crier is the only independent, non-profit publication delivered to all Cambourne residents each month. Any profits are distributed to the community through our Community Fund. Cambourne Crier is compiled entirely by volunteers.

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Our community fund enables us to make grants and donations to local clubs, societies or causes.

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Contact [pamhume1@gmail.com](mailto:pamhume1@gmail.com) for more information or download the application form at [www.cambournecrier.org](http://www.cambournecrier.org)

## CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

**Covid-19 test for ALL**

All people now have access to a free lateral flow test twice a week. On site testing is available for adults and children over 12 (under the supervision of a parent or guardian), providing results within 30 – 40 minutes. 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](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/rapidtesting) or you can turn up at The Hub Community Centre between 8am and 7pm, Monday to Friday, or 9am and 5pm on Saturdays. At home testing kits are also available for collection from the test centres. Help prevent the spread of Covid-19.

**Thank you, Litter Pickers!**

A huge thank you to the volunteers that signed up to the litter picking scheme we advertised in our March Crier article. The recruitment had around 30 people (and counting) sign up from young primary school ages all the way up to retirees. We now have over 80 volunteer litter pickers. Already, they have made a huge impact keeping Cambourne clean and litter free and have certainly been keeping our grounds team busy with collecting up the full bags. One of the litter pickers was fed up with the bush 'decorated in dog poo bags' and very kindly removed 50 bags which frustratingly was less than 100m away from a dog poo bin. He created his own sign to direct the offender to the nearest bin and since then no bags have been found in the bush. We know most residents are responsible dog owners, but a reminder to those who clean up after their dog, to please dispose of the bags correctly by putting in the nearest dog bin or general waste bin. Summer is fast approaching, and you don't want to be looking at, or smelling warm dog poo bags on your walks around the town.

We have more litter picking equipment on order, so if you would like to become a volunteer litter picker, please email [community@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:community@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk) for sign up information. We are looking to

organise a community litter pick in the summer. When using the village greens, play areas and open spaces in Cambourne please follow the Country Side Code:

**The Countryside Code: Protect the Environment**

- Take your litter home – leave no trace of your visit
- Take care with BBQs (where permitted) – Do not light fires
- Always keep dogs under control and in sight
- Dog poo – bag it and bin it, any public waste bin will do
- Care for nature – do not cause damage or disturbance

**East West Rail**

East West Rail launched the second non-statutory consultation on 31 March – 9 June. This focuses on some key areas, the one affecting Cambourne is the proposed 5 route alignment options for the section of East West Rail between Bedford and Cambridge, with an emerging preference for the 2 alignments via a station to the North of Cambourne. It also focuses on opportunities to improve the experience for customers such as better facilities both at stations and on board the train. It is in your interest to participate. Visit [eastwestrail.co.uk/consultation](http://eastwestrail.co.uk/consultation) to learn more about their proposals. You will find information on each section of the consultation including all documents and maps.

**Cambourne Food Market: NEW DATE**

**Due to updated government guidance on events and restrictions, we have made the decision to move the date of Cambourne Food Market.**

**The event will now be held on Bank Holiday Monday 31 May, from 12pm until 4pm at the Great Cambourne Cricket Pavilion car park, Back Lane.**

*More council news on page 3...*



The Town Council Office: The Hub, High Street, Cambourne, CB23 6GW.

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## CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

## ...Town Council news continued

**Cambourne Food Market:**

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 [community@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:community@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk)

**CALENDAR OF MEETINGS: May/June**

4th May	7.00pm	Annual Council Meeting*
18th May	7.00pm	Annual Town Meeting
<i>(Meetings to return to in person from this point)</i>		
8th June	7.00pm	Planning Committee
		Followed by Full Council

\*Council meetings are being held via 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.

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**CAMBOURNE  
FOOD MARKET**  
**BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY**  
**31<sup>st</sup> 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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## COMMUNITY

# Cambourne Library: now open for browsing!

### World Book Night – Friday 23rd April

World Book Night is the annual celebration of books and reading which brings people from all backgrounds together for one reason – to inspire others to read more. Presented by The Reading Agency, and in partnership with Specsavers. Visit [www.worldbooknight.org](http://www.worldbooknight.org) to register and find out how to access exciting events and pre order your free book.

*As well as browsing we are still operating the following services.*

**Select and Collect:** This enables you to use our online form to request books based on your preferred genres at [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library). We choose books based on the information provided and stock available at Cambourne library. Alternatively call Customer Services on 0345 045 5225 to forward your request to the library. We will issue the items to your account and contact you when your items are ready to collect.

**Reservations (50p charge - adult):** Specific titles can be reserved online from home in the normal way. We issue your books in advance to keep our staff and customers safe by reducing the contact time needed at collection. They will show on your account until you collect them and you may receive an email reminding you. If you do not wish to collect, they will still show on your account until we check them in for others to be able to order.

**IT Facilities:** IT facilities are available by appointment only and for essential use, (i.e. applying for jobs/benefits etc) with a limit of one 45 minute appointment per day per customer.

**Printing and photocopying:** Please bring the correct change to drop into the coin box, 20p per page of A4 black and white and 75p per colour page.

**Events:** To take advantage of the packed online programme of events log on to [library.live/the-library-presents-events](http://library.live/the-library-presents-events) There is something for all ages across a range of art forms including; Music, Storytelling, Theatre, Dance, Visual Art, Magic, Animation, Poetry and Craft. Events will be released throughout the season,

### Current Library opening times:

Tuesday: 10am – 2pm

Friday: 10am – 2pm

Saturday: 10am – 2pm

so keep checking back for new live events as well as online activities and workshops. Also view our weekly online timetable on our Facebook and Twitter pages or on our website.

**www.library.live** is a new digital service offered by Cambridgeshire Libraries in partnership with Civic. The service is designed to provide a virtual experience of the physical library, including the ability to 'Ask a Librarian' a question, search local events and activities, participate in 'The Library Presents', an arts programme which is now virtual and explores local collections. Civic is a not-for profit organisation which specialises in community building and is working in partnership with Cambridgeshire Libraries on a project called the Future Libraries Initiative.

### The Business & IP Centre Cambridgeshire and Business & IP Centre Peterborough:

Visit the library website and follow the link. This venture supports entrepreneurs, inventors and small businesses. We can help you from that first spark of inspiration to successfully launching and developing your business. The centre is part of the British Library Business & IP Centre national network. Our team will help you take the right steps to start up, protect and grow your business. Develop your ideas with our market research and company databases.

– Learn new skills at a workshop.

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– Take advantage of the British Library's expertise. Register for regular webinars, from wherever you are in the world.

**EngAGE online** is a new offer from Cambridgeshire Libraries and is a programme of talks and interactive events for adults, free to join and hosted on Zoom. Events are held Tuesdays, 2pm – 3pm. A virtual ticket is required and full details are available in the 'join in with our online events' listing on the library website.

[cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisureculture](http://cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisureculture)

or our Facebook page for further details at

[facebook.com/CambridgeshireLibraries](https://facebook.com/CambridgeshireLibraries)



## Sad to see you go Caroline!

Everyone at Cambourne and Cambridgeshire Libraries wishes Caroline Aldridge a wonderful retirement - we will miss her very much!

"After 16 years working at Cambourne Library I am retiring from the Service," said Caroline. "Since the first day of the library opening these have been thoroughly enjoyable and rewarding times.

"This has been down to the hard working and warm-hearted colleagues and volunteers I have worked with. It is

the relationships forged with our customers and the community that make our jobs worthwhile and it has been a pleasure to see the development of Cambourne and the library. It will be lovely to resume events and see our groups back in the library in the future. As I move onto new adventures I would like to thank you all for some lovely memories and wish everyone all the best for the future. I hope to bump into familiar faces from time to time!"



## BUSINESS

# Businesses urged to apply for Government Restart Grants



**South Cambridgeshire businesses** affected by the post-Christmas national lockdown can now apply online for the Government's Restart Grants.

The Restart Grants funding scheme was announced by the government on Wednesday 3 March 2021 and is designed to support businesses (including non-essential retail, leisure, personal care, sports facilities and hospitality businesses) that are predominantly reliant on delivering in-person services for the general public.

The funding scheme has two strands. Under strand one, grants of up to £6,000 will be paid to non-essential retail business premises to help them to reopen safely. Under strand two of the scheme, grants of up to £18,000 will be allocated to hospitality, accommodation, leisure, personal care and gym business premises, which may open but will be more impacted by restrictions when they do reopen. The level of grant that will be paid under both strand one and two will depend on the rateable value of the premises on Thursday 1 April 2021.

All grants require an online application form to be completed. Details of the Restart Grants and how to apply can be found on the website: Restart Grants - South Cambs District Council [www.scambs.gov.uk/coronavirus-information-for-businesses/financial-support-for-business/restart-grants](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/coronavirus-information-for-businesses/financial-support-for-business/restart-grants)

The application process allows pre-payment checks to confirm scheme eligibility and to allow the appropriate level of grant to be identified. The application closure date for the Restart Grant funding scheme is Wednesday 30 June 2021 and final payments will be made by Saturday 31 July 2021.

South Cambridgeshire District Council's Business Support Team Leader, Adele Gritten said: "The latest funding of government grants will help our local business community recover from the national lockdown. Since the start of the pandemic we have allocated £34,000,000 of Government grants to 4,638 local businesses. Our staff are working incredibly hard to get this Government money to as many eligible applicants as quickly as possible. We recognise the challenges local businesses are facing and our priority is to support the recovery of our local economy as restrictions ease."

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**You too can make Addenbrooke's even better.**

## COMMUNITY



Easter Sunday morning in the park by Rachel

# Wildlife Trust: Cambourne Nature Reserve

**The Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs and Northants** is pleased to be working in partnership with Comberton Village College Adult Education over the summer term – the college is contributing towards the cost of some community work so the Trust is able to offer some short informal courses at no charge.

All the courses are outdoors, in small groups, so they can be more sociable and support wellbeing, and will offer a chance for people to discuss volunteering opportunities. The courses in Cambourne are as follows:

**Wild Babies:** a programme of 5 sessions with activities designed for parents or carers with babies under 18 months.

**Little Bugs:** a programme of 5 sessions with activities for pre-schoolers aimed at helping parents and carers become more comfortable taking their children outdoors into nature.

**Wildlife for Beginners:** a series of three guided walks with a focus on identifying common wildlife.

**Wildlife Strolls:** a series of three guided walks enjoying whatever nature comes along.

The individual sessions will continue with Wild in the Woods family sessions on Wednesdays during school holidays, self-guided activities and other guided walks through the year. All of these have a discount for Trust members.

**This time of year is busy for wildlife:** hawthorn and wildlife rose is in flower in hedgerows and the yellow flowers of lesser celandine may still be in the woods. Most birds will be feeding young so it is especially important to keep to the paths and keep your dog under close control. Birds such as skylarks nest on the ground and can be easily disturbed. The Trust don't encourage people to feed swans and ducks on the lakes as it can be stressful for animals to be brought together in large numbers, especially during breeding season; and can contribute to poor

water quality. Please remember that bread is not very healthy for birds, so try peas, green leaves, birdseed or rice.

**Calling all passionate gardeners:** spend the evening with BBC Gardener's World's Adam Frost on Thursday 20 May, 7pm-8.30pm. In an entertaining online talk about his inspirational career, Adam believes that creating your own outside space can have a beneficial effect on health and that this philosophy drives his passion for gardening. [www.wildlifebcn.org/events/2021-05-20-evening-adam-frost-my-passion-gardening](http://www.wildlifebcn.org/events/2021-05-20-evening-adam-frost-my-passion-gardening)

■ As always, please get in touch with comments or queries: [rebecca.neal@wildlifebcn.org](mailto:rebecca.neal@wildlifebcn.org)

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## COMMUNITY

# An appeal to gardeners

**Dear Garden Owners,**

I am one of Cambourne's hedgehogs, recently woken up from hibernation. I would like to meet other hedgehogs that might be living in other gardens. However, it is very tricky to get from one garden to another.

What is needed are gateways, so we can get from one garden to the other without the need to cross dangerous roads. Lots of my cousins have lost their lives. Since our hedgehog numbers are in dramatic decline, we would like your help. If you could make a passage at the bottom of your fence of about 13 x 13 cm, so we can get underneath that would be excellent. We hedgehogs travel around 1 mile each night in search for food or to find a mate.

We are great at keeping the number of slugs and snails or beetles in your garden under control, so that is great news for both of us.

Once you have made your 13 x 13cm gateway, there are other things you can do to help us:

- Leave an untidy corner in your garden: a woodpile or leaves
- Have some drinking water available (please NO milk, our tummies get very upset from it)
- We love dry dog or cat food (not fish based)
- Make your pond safe for us with a ramp, so we can get out
- Tidy up litter and netting, so we don't get stuck
- Stop using chemicals, especially slug pellets (which are poisonous for us)
- Before cutting your grass, please check we are not hidden in it
- Maybe create a hedgehog house in which we can hibernate or sleep during the day

Can you help buck the trend, let hedgehog numbers increase, and make Cambourne the best ever place for hedgehogs to live in?

If you see one of us out during the daytime or injured, please contact 07505 651968 or e-mail: [swcc@sheprethwildlifepark.co.uk](mailto:swcc@sheprethwildlifepark.co.uk)

■ For further tips and information about hedgehogs or to report a sighting please visit [www.hedgehogstreet.org](http://www.hedgehogstreet.org)



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## COLUMNISTS



**ANTHONY BROWNE**

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CAMBRIDGESHIRE  
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### East-West Rail: the latest consultation

**Many people have contacted me in response to East West Rail's latest public consultation.**

This issue is of the utmost importance to me and I am aware of the impact that EWR's proposals would have on the people of Cambourne.

This consultation raises a number of concerns, including the prospect of embankments, bridges and cuttings, new junctions, additional tracks and the separation of rural communities. I know that these issues will be very worrying for residents living near the proposed route; particularly here in Cambourne where there are two possible routes running either to the north or further south.

However, I am glad that a station to the north of Cambourne has become part of East-West Rail's emerging preference.

I know many local representatives have been involved in a push to ensure Cambourne gets the station it deserves and want to pay tribute to the involvement of the town council in particular.

Having the station to the north will be less environmentally destructive than to the South, and aligns better with the A428 transport corridor.

This is something I have been heavily involved with and it is good to see that East-West Rail can and will listen. I will be taking meetings with East-West Rail, campaign groups and parish councils over the next 10 weeks, but want to urge every resident to engage with this debate. More information: [www.eastwestrail.co.uk/consultation](http://www.eastwestrail.co.uk/consultation)



**RUTH BETSON**

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR  
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### Where do you want to catch a train?

**Until 9th June, you have another opportunity to have your say on the East West Rail proposal.** Cambourne is in Project Section D and there are five shortlisted routes: two with a station to the north of Cambourne and three to the south. To see more detail and to respond to the consultation go to [www.eastwestrail.co.uk](http://www.eastwestrail.co.uk)

Throughout April, our MP Anthony Browne hosted a series of public meetings. At the time of writing, these events hadn't yet taken place, but my understanding is they should still be viewable on Anthony's Facebook page once you've read this column.

There also appears to be one final East West Railway public session on Section D, taking place on 11th May, 2pm-3pm. You can see the joining instructions on the East West Railway website, [www.eastwestrail.co.uk](http://www.eastwestrail.co.uk)

I have always been open with my views on transport for Cambourne and after attending numerous meetings over the past few years, I am still of the opinion that a station to the north of the town is the best option for us. We could create a travel hub for train, metro and bus with easy access for Cambournians as well as residents of other parishes. Having a central hub straight off the A428 would avoid the inevitable rat-run that would ensue were the station to be to the south, between Cambourne and Caxton. *This is not something I would like to see happen!*



**CATHERINE PRICE**  
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### May is Stroke Awareness Month

**A Stroke can affect anyone at any age** and happens when the blood supply to part of the brain is cut off. This can cause damage to the brain affecting how somebody can move, think or feel. The impact of a stroke depends on which part of the brain is affected and how big the damaged area is.

Strokes can have several causes, most commonly a blockage (related to fatty deposits in the blood vessels) cuts off the blood supply to part of the brain. In some cases the blockage and symptoms can be temporary - called a transient ischaemic attack or TIA. A stroke can also be caused by bleeding around the brain.

**To recognise the symptoms of a stroke use the FAST test:**

**F** - Facial weakness: can they smile? Has the mouth or eye drooped?

**A** - Arm weakness: can they raise both arms?

**S** - Speech problems: can they speak clearly and understand you?

**T** - Time to call 999.

Although these are the most common signs of stroke there are other symptoms including sudden changes in weakness or numbness on one side, difficulty speaking, sudden change in vision, memory, confusion or sudden severe headache.

A stroke is a medical emergency and you should call 999 straight away. The quicker someone receives treatment, the better the chances for a good recovery.

■ Further information: [www.stroke.org.uk](http://www.stroke.org.uk)



## EDUCATION

# Educating otherwise



**Exploration through books:** As a home educating family we make allowances for child-led learning, in line with our kids' individual interests, which has turned out to be very literature-based this year. Reading *Lord of the Rings* has inspired map drawing, Lego scene building, painting and model making from cardboard; allowing for their imagination and creativity to grow.

We also choose a book for a daily read-aloud, and *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis inspired a tea party similar to the one Mr Tumnus and Lucy hosted. On offer were tea, sandwiches, homemade Turkish delight and homemade sticky marmalade roll. We found this method of learning very positive.

The kids have also been reciting and translating passages from Shakespeare's play *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, which has opened up such creative language that we all love.

All of our readings from various books, such as history books and more, exposes us to so many wonderful conversations about life and different cultures, helping us to empathise with people and see things in different ways.

To find out more about our literature-based learning see [www.readaloudrevival.com](http://www.readaloudrevival.com) and [www.bravewriter.com](http://www.bravewriter.com)

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## EDUCATION

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Our After School Club runs from 3pm until 6pm every day. Here's what some of our customers said:

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During the last academic year, we have been temporarily using our school hall to run our BASC provision due to Covid restrictions. Next term we will be moving to an exciting new home, which includes a new lodge, an existing learning lodge on the year 3-4 playground, a Solar Dome, in addition to our school grounds. We are also delighted to welcome Mrs Bell to the team on a Friday throughout the summer term who will be running a gardening club for our BASC pupils.

■ For more information please look at our school website: [www.thevine.cambs.sch.uk/breakfast-and-after-school-club/](http://www.thevine.cambs.sch.uk/breakfast-and-after-school-club/)



# Hooray for the children and their laughter

**Hardwick and Cambourne Community School:** After a restful Easter break we have had a great start to the new term. Our golden afternoons are back up and running along with the kids who are thoroughly enjoying the new (extra-curricular) challenges and activities. From 'Spring Watch' to 'South Africa', 'allotments' to 'mural painting' it seems the school will be benefitting from these options as much as the children!

Next, a special mention to all our children and families who made Red Nose Day 2021 so special and

memorable; the whole school really went for it. We think the teachers got a little carried away - check out the photo on the right and see for yourself - while we raised an incredible amount of money and definitely put the fun back into fundraising!

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](mailto:nursery@hardwick.cambs.sch.uk)





## COMMUNITY

# Cambourne WW2 Aircraft Club holds WW1 evening

**Cambourne WW2 Aircraft Club** is a group dedicated to the study of aircraft that flew for all nations during the Second World War. Earlier in the year members had a rare opportunity to hold a meeting which focused on First World War aircraft. Some British aircraft studied were:



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### The Sopwith Triplane

Used to good effect by the Royal Naval Air Service on the Western Front and was in action a good year before the better known German Red Barron Tri Plane.

British, French and German aircraft and tactics were presented and video clips shown.

It was interesting that the American Air Force used mainly French Fighters, as their aircraft industry had not yet developed.

Officially a single seat aircraft was called a scout and a two-seater such as the Bristol Fighter was designated a fighter.

Anyone interested in joining the Cambourne WW2 Aircraft Club should contact Ian Cameron on 01954 269 173 or email [iancameron692@gmail.com](mailto:iancameron692@gmail.com)

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## COMMUNITY

# Two garden events for Cambourne

**Cambourne is looking forward to two Garden Opening events in 2021** in a welcome return to enjoying beauty and stunning creativity as garden gates across the town are opened.

Six Great Cambourne gardens will open under the National Garden Scheme on Sunday 30 May, the 10th Anniversary of the scheme's first opening in Cambourne.

Three weeks later, the original 'Cambourne Open Gardens' will take place across the whole of the weekend of 26-27 June, with more than 13 gardens due to take part so far.



*Pictured out in Cambourne's beautiful outdoors, discussing the opening season to come, are Jules Hannaford (left) who organises Cambourne Open Gardens and Penny Miles, co-ordinator for Cambourne's National Garden Scheme opening*

## The National Garden Scheme

*Sunday 30th May, Cambourne Gardens will open in aid of The National Garden Scheme*

Opening Hours: 11am – 5pm

Admission £6.00. Children are admitted free.

Tickets need to be pre-booked via the National Garden Scheme website: <https://ngs.org.uk/view-garden/22878> This is to help manage visitor numbers and ensure social distancing.

All the wonder of late spring freshness will be on show for this opening, from perennials to gorgeous new foliage, plus there will be plants and shrubs for sale.

Since its first opening in 2011, Cambourne has grown to become one of the most successful group openings in Cambridgeshire, raising more than £7,000 for the nursing and caring charities supported by the National Garden Scheme.

## Cambourne Open Gardens

*Saturday and Sunday 26th - 27th June*

*In aid of Cambourne Church*

One single ticket gains you entry to more than 13 gardens over the weekend.

With different gardens open each day and spread throughout Cambourne it will be a great Covid-safer way to explore, meet new people and old friends.

Whether it's getting ideas for your own garden, a feast for your senses or just a friendly chat you are after, Cambourne Open Gardens is Cambourne's way of saying 'welcome neighbour!'

If you would like to open your garden too, please email Jules Shannaford on [juleshannaford@hotmail.com](mailto:juleshannaford@hotmail.com) or phone 01954 714990.

■ For more information about visiting the Open Gardens in Cambourne watch this space next month.



*Many beautiful gardens will be on display in Cambourne offering visitors an abundance of fragrance and colour*



# Cambourne Crier charitable fund helps Community Gardening Wellbeing Project

**The Vine Inter Church Primary School recently applied to the Cambourne Crier Community Fund for assistance to set up their Community Gardening Wellbeing project.**

The Cambourne Crier Community Fund - originally set up by Roger Hume, founder of *Cambourne Crier*, has the aim of financially assisting any inclusive charitable project which will help improve the lives of the people of Cambourne.

The Community Gardening Wellbeing project will be created within the grounds of The Vine Inter Church Primary School and is open to anyone wishing to take part in gardening activities; such as propagating plants, growing fruit and vegetables and willow weaving. It is hoped that, in particular, this might benefit people suffering from loneliness, isolation, bereavement, depression or anxiety.

To facilitate this, the school is aiming to set up a drop in session of two hours once a week in the late afternoon. The school already has an allotment in the grounds, a memorial wildflower meadow and a willow maze and these will be part

of the projects everyone will be able to work on.

The *Cambourne Crier* team agreed to donate funds to the school to enable them to purchase a much-needed storage shed and to launch an appeal in this issue for garden tools (particularly adult and child garden forks) and a plant tunnel cover. If you can donate any of these items please do get in touch with us on [editorial@cambournecrier.org](mailto:editorial@cambournecrier.org) and we will forward any messages received.

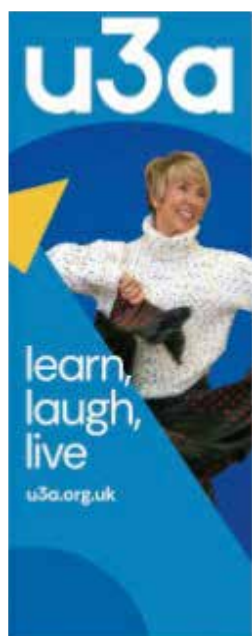
The Vine teaching assistant, Sarah Bell (pictured in her allotment), who sent in the application to *Cambourne Crier* said, "Many thanks [to *Cambourne Crier*] for your very generous offer to help us with our gardening project. The idea was to give something back to the community.

"My mother died unexpectedly in 2019 (pre-Covid) and I know how much gardening has helped me and having something regular each week to look forward to and some friendly faces to catch up with. I think we would be able to start off something that would help the community.



"My initial thoughts were to open up our lovely grounds and be a haven for people to come to each week to work on various projects. I have many years of gardening knowledge to share and 10 years+ experience of running clubs, so hopefully it's a project that will work well for Cambourne."

■ *The team at Cambourne Crier wish the project every success and are glad to consider other applications for funding from good causes which will help the community of Cambourne. For more information on applying, see p3 of this issue or visit [cambournecrier.org](http://cambournecrier.org)*



## National u3a day

**Cambourne and district u3a** will be relaunching the u3a brand on 2nd June.

This is a national relaunch, involving groups across the country to signpost us as a movement. We aim to answer the question - 'u3a what's that?'

So if you are retired or semi-retired or know someone who is, we will be visible that day with information and chat. We also hope to have an open day in July in the Hub; here we will show the kind of Interest groups we run and the array of speakers we have featured in our monthly Meet and Greets (currently online but in the Hub when we can).

■ **More information:** [u3a.cambourne.org](http://u3a.cambourne.org)  
[u3a.chair@cambourne.org](mailto:u3a.chair@cambourne.org)

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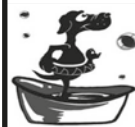


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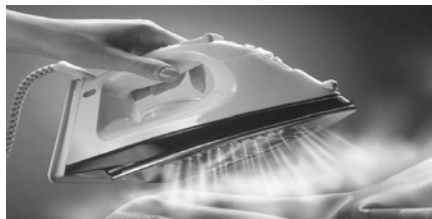
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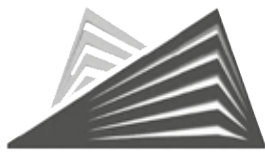
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## COMMUNITY

# Dont forget to vote on 6th May

### Elections are being held on 6th May.

Yes that time has come around again when we can make a choice in whom will represent us in some way in several places that are up for election. Regardless of your political, or lack thereof, affiliation if you are a registered voter then it is a good thing to do. I would encourage you to some research into what elections are being held. According to my polling card it is:

1. Election of councillors to Cambridgeshire county council for the Cambourne division
2. Election of the police and crime commissioner for the Cambridgeshire police area
3. Election for mayor for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough combined authority

The exact details regarding all candidates can be found online at

<https://whocanivotefor.co.uk/elections>

What they stand for will require some additional research as often there are a diversity of views and plans even within a single party. I would suggest doing your own research. Often you can find out a lot, such as whether they have previously held office and what their voting record is. What I do is look not only on official sites but also mentions in news articles and other affiliated organisations, as that often tells me a lot about a person and what they are passionate about.

A simple internet search can be informative as long as it is verified information.

Voting is something I am passionate about as it is a form of free speech and should be treasured.

What is also very important is to look at your poll card as **the place you cast your vote may be different from previous occasions.** The cricket pavilions are being used this time as well as other places but



you will need to look on your card to find your designated location.

It is your choice to vote and your privilege - some would go so far to say it's your duty.

- Donovan Bangs

## Everyone Active leisure centre reopens for business

The Sports and fitness centre reopened on 12 April, after receiving the government's go ahead for Step 2 of the roadmap.

The centre, managed by sports and leisure operator Everyone Active in partnership with Cambourne Town Council, has reopened following a three-month closure due to the coronavirus pandemic. The government's roadmap includes detail on which facilities can reopen within each step, meaning some may not be available in the first instance.

Everyone Active has committed to keeping its customers safe and active, ensuring it will meet and exceed government guidelines to prevent the spread of Covid-19 with the Everyone Active Pledge.

While its 200 leisure centres across the country have been closed, Everyone Active has provided a comprehensive package of online workouts for people to use, along with livestreamed classes across its social media pages.

Simon Clasby, Everyone Active's general manager, said: "We've been very much looking forward to reopening our centre in Cambourne and welcoming back the local community.

"After being closed for three months, the latest step in the government's roadmap is a positive move forward for the leisure industry and gives people of all ages the opportunity to resume activity and exercise in their leisure centre. Ensuring our colleagues and customers remain safe continues to be our



number one priority and we have carefully considered the strict measures to ensure we adhere to the guidance.

■ For further information on Everyone Active and its leisure centres, visit [www.everyoneactive.com](http://www.everyoneactive.com)



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## COMMUNITY

# Charity gifts dozens of Easter Eggs to NHS frontliners

**A Cambridgeshire regional team of national Sewa Day Charity has once again delivered scores of Easter Eggs to NHS front liners.**

Last year, as soon as the pandemic hit, regional teams for Sewa Day charity sprung into action helping our frontliners and ensuring food banks were stocked up.

The charity has a very close connection with the NHS and often finds ways to thank the hard working staff for their sacrifice and service.

They decided that they would try and 'spread some joy' this Easter by delivering chocolate eggs in the hope of brightening up a staff member's day.

Supermarkets Morrisons and Tesco came together and donated Easter Eggs for the campaign, which were delivered by the Sewa Day bunnies personally.

This is not the first time the charity has taken up this initiative - last year they collected more than 1,000 Easter Eggs for frontline staff.

The eggs were delivered to staff at Royal Papworth Hospital who were said to be 'eggstatic'!

The charity has been working non-stop since the pandemic began and delivers food to foodbanks multiple times a week.

■ *'Sewa' is an ancient Sanskrit word that means 'to serve' without any expectation. Sewa Day, at its core, is all about helping those around, selflessly. They try their best to optimise and streamline this process into various projects. Their work is incredible and can get even better with your help! You could volunteer, submit a project or donate by contacting [info@sewaday.org](mailto:info@sewaday.org)*

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## Ramadan - the month of giving

**The Muslim holy month of Ramadan** is one of the holiest months of the Islamic lunar calendar. It started on Tuesday 13th April. Ramadan is the 9th month of the Islamic calendar and it is a time when Muslims across the world will fast between dawn and sunset. Fasting is the fourth of the five pillars of Islam and comes just

after charity. Fasting is a unique moral and spiritual Islamic attribute and the objective is to help teach Muslims self-discipline, self-restraint and self-control but also generosity towards the people in need as it encourages them to feel an affinity with the poor people who may have little or no food to eat. Fasting is meant to instil this virtuous quality in them.

Scientific studies have shown that fasting provides health benefits and forms of intermittent fasting have been incorporated into several diet regimes.

At a community level, Ramadan is usually known as a month of gatherings when the Iftar (breaking the fast) meal is shared with family and friends. But unfortunately, with the lockdown such meetings are still restricted.

Cambourne Crescent and the Cambourne Volunteering Task force will be making extra effort during Ramadan to help the needy locally - through food parcel distribution and the delivery of hot meals to the Jimmy's Shelter in Cambridge.



## CHURCHES

## Cambourne Church

**In Floriography - the system of coded messages hidden in a bunch of flowers** - the month of May is associated with the lily of the valley. Traditionally, children born in May were said to inherit this flower's qualities, which included sweetness, humility and the return of happiness.

This last quality puts one in mind of Song of Songs. Perhaps the strangest book in the biblical canon, Song of Songs (aka Song of Solomon) is a love poem, bordering on the erotic, which the twelfth-century monk Bernard of Clairvaux described as 'the very music of the heart...[which] only the singer hears, and the one to whom he sings.' In Chapter 2, one of the lovers who narrates the song, describes themselves as being like 'a lily of the valley' and, shortly afterwards, we read:

Arise, my love, my fair one,  
and come away;  
for now the winter is past,  
the rain is over and gone.  
The flowers appear on the earth;  
the time of singing has come.

It has been a long winter, both literally and metaphorically. We have been distant from those we love and most will have celebrated birthdays and Christmas, weddings and funerals, with only a Zoom window to bring us together. Dark days indeed. But with more and more of us being vaccinated, there is renewed hope that the days of winter are passing. Flowers are appearing

on the earth and the time of singing has come. Soon, God willing, we may arise and away.

*David Wadsworth - Cambourne Church Writer in Residence*

### Services and events for May

During March we returned to having a short service in the church building each Sunday at 9.30am; while restrictions allow this will continue. This will usually be a communion service, although if a minister is not available to preside over communion at any point we will still hold a short 9.30am service with Bible readings and prayer. Booking is not required, though if we do reach our limit we will have to turn people away, we have not been close to our limit at any point so far. There will be no singing and no refreshments. Those attending should wear masks and the seating will be arranged to allow for social distancing. Also those who are unwell or who have members of their household experiencing COVID-19 symptoms should not attend.

We will continue to produce Sunday Different, our online service, which will be premiered on YouTube at 10.15am each week as before. This will be our main service for musical worship and for preaching and teaching.

Our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/cambournechurch](https://www.facebook.com/cambournechurch) and website [www.cambournechurch.org.uk](http://www.cambournechurch.org.uk) will be updated as the situation is clarified.

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## Peacehaven Baptist Church: Pastoral Thoughts

### Investment in the future

Recently I have been doing financial reports and itemizing all the things I needed to purchase to continue ministry online as the Hub is still being used as a testing centre. But even after this pandemic ends the items will remain and they can be useful as I have found our viewers online outnumber our members. Any purchase for future profitable (not necessarily monetary) venture could be called an investment. We do it all the time with business and in our homes.

Maybe it is a new tool to get a job done, or solar panels, or water reclamation. You look to see, (if you are wise) if the return on the initial outlay is worth the finances or time or effort to do the task. The same is true with investments. I was dealing with a child trust fund, a very small one but it is performing much better than simple savings interest at the moment.

But there are still things that are worth investing in with finances. Some of the greatest investments you make are not with stocks and bonds or tools or property but investments in people. Yes, remember people? People can be a risky market, they have their ups and downs. They are often prone to erratic behaviour and are easily influenced if not well informed. But the



**Pastor Donavan Bangs, Peacehaven Baptist Church**

return on investment can be amazing. Spend time with your children so they know that you care. This also helps remind them that you keep an eye on what they are doing.

Like an old boss once said to me, 'you do not get what you expect, but what you inspect'. Take time for people when you can. I have been busier than ever with requests. Take time with your spouse (if you have one, and no you should not borrow someone else's!) and make sure they know not only that you care, but that you appreciate their care for you. It will strengthen the foundations and improve

growth. Our greatest example is Christ who invested his life for us. Exchanged our burdens for His love and grace and makes sure we know how much he cares as He wrote it in a book for all to see. I pray May will be a better month for a brighter summer. I continue to upload messages at <https://tinyurl.com/y7saqark>



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## SPORT

## Cricket Club teams up with MindEd to tackle mental health

**CAMBOURNE CRICKET CLUB** is delighted to announce a partnership with the MindEd Trust. The Meldreth-based charity was founded in 2015 after the tragic suicide of 18-year-old Edward Mallen and focuses on the prevention of mental illness in young people by working with local and national organisations, charities and politicians; providing funding and support for mental health awareness and education.

Over an initial two years, the Club and Trust will co-host events such as local schools tournaments and charity match days, encouraging conversation about mental wellbeing and strengthening community links. The MindEd Trust logo will also proudly feature on all Club shirts (pictured), accompanying players on match days starting with 15 Academy and 25 Senior fixtures this May, which will see a Cambourne side playing at home every weekend.

The Chair of the MindEd Trust, Edward's father, Steve Mallen said: "We are delighted to be partnering with Cambourne Cricket Club. My son Edward was a keen cricketer and would have been deeply appreciative. This pandemic has highlighted the critical importance of mental wellbeing, especially amongst young



people. Proceeds will be deployed to schools and young people across Cambridgeshire."

Cambourne's Darren de Souza said: "We are proud to establish this truly meaningful partnership. The club knows that sports like cricket can have a positive impact on mental health and I can't think of a better way to honour the important work being done in Ed's memory than through our beloved sport. We are committed to ensuring that this partnership is a success and makes a real difference in our community."

■ For more information please visit [www.cambournecc.com](http://www.cambournecc.com) and [www.themindedtrust.org](http://www.themindedtrust.org). Please consider donating via: <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/finalCharityHomepage.action?uniqueVmgCharityUrl=themindedtrust>



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## Basketball practice is back in session

### RAPTORS BASKETBALL CLUB:

Junior sessions are well underway at Cambourne Village College sports hall on the following days;

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Saturdays: U10 [2 to 3 pm], U12 [3 to 4 pm] & U15 [4 to 5 pm]

It was great to see our junior players back on the courts and a big thank you to players and parents for your support. There has been a lot of interest in the sessions – so, please contact [junior\\_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org](mailto:junior_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org) to check availability and register your interest.

Great news! Adult indoor basketball is back. Starting 23rd May join us every Sunday from 6-8 pm at Cambourne Village College sports hall for our open Scrimmage sessions.

This is a great opportunity to end the weekend playing friendly, competitive basketball – all welcome! Please contact [scrimmage\\_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org](mailto:scrimmage_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org) for more details.

They are also looking

for new coaches to build on recent successes 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 [senior\\_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org](mailto:senior_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org)

As always, check our website, Facebook page or contact our junior ([junior\\_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org](mailto:junior_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org)) and senior ([senior\\_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org](mailto:senior_coordinator@cambournebasketball.org)) coordinators for the latest information.



## Cambourne Tennis is back after 100 days



**CAMBOURNE TENNIS:** after a break of more than 100 days our popular adult Social Mix-In sessions began on March 31st. Organised by Jamie Dixon, the Mix-Ins are friendly and inviting, allowing members to play short doubles matches at different levels and thereby enjoying a good, hitting session with players of similar abilities. It's the perfect opportunity to play in a relaxed and informal environment, especially if you want to practice your skills or want to get back into tennis.

The sessions are extremely popular, with over 20 people attending. The Mix-Ins are on Sunday mornings at 10am and Wednesday evenings at 7pm. We also welcome non-members who may wish to give it a try before joining the club.

For more information, look out for messages on club emails, the Facebook Page and <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/Cambourne>

### LTC/WhatsOn/AdultSocial

We look forward to seeing you back on the courts soon! Given the length of time the courts have been closed, why not enrol on one of head coach Toby's coaching groups? We have summer term beginner/intermediate sessions on Mondays (7-8pm) and Saturdays (3-4pm) in addition to our more advanced adults on Tuesdays (7.30-8.30pm).

If you're interested in a more fitness-based session, we offer cardio tennis on Wednesdays 6-7pm. Prices start from £5 a session! For more information and booking see [www.gamesettennis.co.uk](http://www.gamesettennis.co.uk) or contact Toby directly on 07972 149874 or [toby@gamesettennis.co.uk](mailto:toby@gamesettennis.co.uk). For general information on the club and on how to join, please see the club website: <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/CambourneLTC>

## SPORT

## Cambourne Town FC plans September weekend tournament to celebrate launch of new club

**CAMBOURNE TOWN FC:** following on from our announcement in February of the formation of Cambourne Town FC, we are delighted to confirm our intention to host a football tournament on the weekend of 4-5 September to coincide with the start of the 2021/22 season.

The launch will consist of a series of matches for U6 upwards for both boys' and girls' teams – Covid guidelines and status permitting. The event will bring teams and people together from across the county, culminating in the perfect start to the new season.

It will be a fantastic time for the local community to show their support for the



new club and for our teams to showcase their skills. If you are a business owner and would like the opportunity to get involved with the event, please contact us.

There are various options where you can promote your business and support us in making the launch memorable. Please contact [tournament@cambourne-townfc.org.uk](mailto:tournament@cambourne-townfc.org.uk) and we will be happy to discuss these options.

If you're interested in becoming involved with the club either as a business or on an individual volunteer level, or have a playing enquiry for the new season, you can email [hello@cambournetownfc.org.uk](mailto:hello@cambournetownfc.org.uk) for more details.

Please follow our Facebook and Twitter accounts for the latest club news: @cambournetownfc

## Bowls Club welcomes players day & night

**Cambourne Bowls Club:** By the time you read this, the bowls season will be well underway. Club nights continue on Mondays and Thursdays from 6pm (but just turn up when you can).

The bowling green is an amenity for the town and its residents and is available for use throughout day which may be useful for residents who prefer day time bowling to evening. If you wish to play other than club nights, please contact the club secretary, who will explain how to gain access to the green and the rules of its use.

We hope to increase our membership so we can participate in local leagues (teams of 12). We currently play in the men's division of the Cambridge Business Houses League (CBHL) which requires fewer players. We would of course like to play in the mixed or ladies leagues of the CHBL if there is sufficient interest. For more information check out our Facebook page 'Cambourne Bowls Club' or contact Robin Bailey on 07711 613559 or 01954 269328 or email [robin.doreen@btopenworld.com](mailto:robin.doreen@btopenworld.com)



## Cambourne United seeks new Wildcats!

**CAMBOURNE UNITED** celebrates a return to grassroots football! It has been great to welcome back players to training and families to matches and we're now looking forward to some exciting football for all our teams as we play out our final season as Cambourne Utd. We look forward to becoming integrated, along with all the Cambourne clubs, into Cambourne Town FC for the 2021/22 season.

**Girls' Soccer School (FA Wildcats Centre) for ages 4-9:** Have you got a football mad girl at home, or do you have

a daughter who loves being active and trying new sports; or maybe you know a girl who would like to make new friends and build her confidence?

Our Girls' Soccer School (FA Wildcats Centre) encourages all children to develop their skills with dedicated coaches teaching in small groups based on their age. Come along and try some fun football-themed games every Sunday at 10am on the 3G. Email [cambourne.united@gmail.com](mailto:cambourne.united@gmail.com) for more information.

