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VARRIER JONES SOCIAL CLUB

First of all may I apologise for an error in the date of the Trip to the Arboretum in Staffordshire. This trip is on Wednesday 17th July and not the 19th confused the year with the date oops!!

Our last Meeting was well attended with 34 Members. The Entertainer was Alan Simmons with his "son", Denny, and what an entertaining duo they were. Alan started the afternoon with many favourite songs some not heard for a while and these were interspersed with lots of jokes which I for one had not heard before, such a refreshing change. Then, once Denny joined him, this duo had us all in fits of laughter with their banter full of gags and songs. A very enjoyable afternoon with plenty of positive feedback for Jenny for this amazing find. As usual the entertainment was followed by a cup of tea accompanied by delicious cake. The afternoon came to an end with the very popular raffle.

During the afternoon we also had a stall open which was stocked with garments hand knitted by the members of the Knit & Natter Club to raise money for the Day Centre. This proved to be very popular so we hope to repeat this later in the year. However, I do understand that if anyone is interested in purchasing any hand knitted garments then the Club would be very pleased to hear from you, all

proceeds going to the Day Centre, which is now totally self-funding following the withdrawal of a previous grant and also the council increase in the rates for the hire of hall and the bus.

Our Meeting on the 5th April will be our Spring Fish and Chips Lunch. If you have not already booked please make early contact. The bus for our trip to the Arboretum in Staffordshire on 17 July 2019 is filling up nicely so if you are interested please make contact to book your place. We are now able to announce that we have provisionally booked Tickets for the show "Kinky Boots" at the Theatre in Milton Keynes for the 6th November. Booking list is now open.

We are always looking to make new friends so why not come and join us? Make some new friends or catch up with some old ones for an afternoon of entertainment and chat. Meetings are held on the first Friday of each month. Start time is 1.30pm in The Studio, Pendrill Court. Admission is £3 for Members, £4 for Visitors. The Annual Membership is only £5. Where else could you get anything like this for the price?



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New Councillor

The Parish Council would like to welcome a new member to its ranks.

Grace Fisher was officially co-opted to the Council at its February Meeting.

Some of you will already know Grace, following her campaign to help to save the X3 bus service at the end of last year and work as part of the Village Fete organising team. Grace is currently studying at Hills Road 6th Form College and brings a younger perspective and lots of enthusiasm to the Council. Grace hopes to be able to represent and engage with the younger generation in the village.

The Parish Council currently has 9 Councillors but still has vacancies for 4 more to bring us up to the full complement of 13.

If you have a real interest in the village or are new to the village and want to get more involved why not come and have a chat and see if it's for you?

We're looking for people who can rise to the challenge and make a commitment to improving the quality of life for everybody in our village, no matter what your age or experience.

Knowledge and previous experience aren't essential, training is available and existing members have a wealth of experience they are willing to share. The essential element is enthusiasm and a willingness to work as a member of our team to make a difference to our village.

We hold 11 Parish Council meetings per year and in addition you will be required to become a member of one or more of our sub-committees and will be able to get involved in working groups looking at specific projects if you wish.

Being a member of the Parish Council is hugely rewarding.

There is more information about what the council does and eligibility criteria for becoming a Councillor on the Parish Council website. If you think you have what it takes to make a difference, have any questions or would like an informal discussion with the Clerk or an existing Councillor about what the role entails, we'd love to hear from you.

Influencing Policing Seminar

At the end of January, Councillor Paul Hicks attended a seminar held at Swavesey Village College entitled Influencing Policing in your Area.

The aim of the seminar was to help understand the issues and pressures facing forces as they work to manage demand and deal with the challenges of modern day policing.

The message from the seminar was that Cambridgeshire Constabulary, along with other forces, will strive to be as efficient and effective as possible while facing national, regional and local issues. There will continue to be a strong focus on providing the public with the best service possible, and it was confirmed that 50 additional officers are currently being trained across the County, with additional recruitment of officers ongoing through the year.

The main focus is on making the most effective use of the resources available and working closely with partners to Page 4

enable the force to protect people, attack criminality and take every chance they have to prevent crime in the first place.

It is however really important that the public have the opportunity to play an active role in policing in the county.

It was raised at the seminar that although the police are seeing issues and crimes being reported and discussed on social media sites such as Facebook, this is not translating into actual reported crime. Under-reporting of crime is a big issue and does not give a real representation of crimes in the area.

Individuals are encouraged to report any crime via 101 or the online reporting tool on the Cambs Police website: https://www.cambs.police.uk/report/Report

The Police believe that crime is not being reported because the public don't necessarily see police in attendance or acting on the information given and therefore think that nothing is happening. It is true that in many cases, a report may not be acted on directly but the evidence of criminal activity and intelligence is collated to enable the Police to build evidence or profiles of individuals' behaviour or offending to create a bigger picture, and to enable them to take future action.

If you see any antisocial behaviour or criminal activity taking place or are the victim of any crime please do take the time to report it.

Summer Paddling Pool Attendants required

The Parish Council will shortly be looking for pool attendants to cover the running and maintenance of the paddling pool over the summer months.

To keep the pool safe for everyone using it, the paddling pool must be cleaned, maintained and water monitored several times per day. It's not a small job, as the pool has to be vacuumed for around two hours a day and the water treated and tested 3-4 times a day and the pump filters flushed and cleaned – in addition to maintaining the general area.

The paddling pool is a great asset to the village and is hugely popular, but we need helpers to keep it running – without people to look after the pool, we are unable to open it up for the enjoyment of the children in the village.

As last year, we are hoping to employ 2 or 3 people to share cover of approximately 5-6 hours spread out over the day, 7 days a week, from mid-July until early September.

The pool attendant is a paid position and all necessary training will be provided.

If you are interested and willing to commit to helping over the Summer period, please register your interest with the Parish Clerk on 01480 832008 or by email clerk@ papwortheverardpc.org.uk

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Papworth Everard Womens Institute

Are you a fan of Rumpole of the Bailey? Many of us are, and at our W.I. meeting in February, we had the great pleasure of having the author, Peter Murphy, as our speaker. He has written a series of books (they could be on your TV soon) with the main character Charlie Warden reminescent of Rumpole of the Bailey.



Peter Murphy was born in 1946. After graduating from Cambridge University he spent a career in the law, as an advocate and teacher, both in England and the United States. His legal work included a number of years in The Hague as defence counsel at the Yugoslavian War Crimes Tribunal. He returned to England in 2007 on his appointment as a judge of the Crown Court. He lives with his wife, Chris, in Cambridgeshire.

We were totally enthralled as he recounted the course of his career, the ideas behind the plots to his books and hinted at his thoughts on other topical issues. Peter has written a series of books based on a character called Ben Schroeder with the action placed in the 1960s and early 1970s set against the backdrop of ethics, capital punishment, terrorism and so on, also an American series and the Walden series which are the books which feature his "Rumpole" character.

At the end of the meeting, all the books he had brought with him displayed on the table were completely sold out and we kept him busy signing them all for us. I am sure many of us will be purchasing other titles from Amazon etc. and maybe there will be a bit of book swapping going on

On the night we also celebrated a special birthday for Shirley Baxter and presented her with a gift and card. We were delighted to hear that we had raised £90 for Sue Ryder in memory of Janet Kemp in lieu of sending Christmas cards to one another. Also our donations of old spectacles have been gratefully received by Rosie Blencowe for onward transmission to Malawi and several members are to continue their sponsorship of schoolchildren in Zimbabwe.

Before we meet again for our AGM next month when we will vote in the new committee and also welcome Sally Kingman, our Cambridge Federation Chairman, we are looking forward to a social get together for lunch at The Windmill at Somersham.

To find out more about our activities you can log on to our website at www.papwortheverardwi.org.uk or, if you are 18 or over, just come along to one of our meetings at 7.15 for 7.30 pm on the third Wednesday of each month in the Studio next door to the library. You will receive a very warm welcome. The visitor's fee is £4 including refreshments.

CHILDRENS ART AND POETRY COMPETITION

Three age groups: Up to 5 years old

From 5 to 8 years old

From 8 to 11 years old

Can you, write a <u>poem</u> on a piece of **A4 paper** or create some <u>art</u> work in any medium (A4 size) with the title:

WHO LOOKS AFTER ME?

Leave your entry in the competition box in the Courtyard Cafe, by Tuesday March 26th at the latest. Please write your name, age, address or telephone number on the back of your work.

All competition entries will be put on display at St Peter's Church over the weekend of March 30/31st.

Winners will be announced at the Mothering Sunday Family Service at 10.30 am on the 31st March to which everyone is warmly invited.

For further information, contact Rosie Blencowe – 01480 830933



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Spring Blossom - Wendy Dodson (2017)



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Church Notices

Services at St Peter's Church

10 March10.30Holy Communion17 March10.30Prayer & Praise24 March10.30Holy Communion

31 March 10.30 Mothering Sunday Family Service

7th April 10.30 Morning Prayer 14th April 10.30 Holy Communion

There will be a children's Art and Poetry Competition leading up to Mothering Sunday - open to all children in the village up to 11 years of age, with the theme: 'who looks after me'.



Nigel di Castiglione - Team Rector Giving up or Putting on?

A parishioner (in another part of the country!) once told me she was "giving up church for Lent". Thankfully she was back to celebrate Easter, but I never really understood her thinking. Lent starts with Ash Wednesday, this year being March 6th. As a Team of local churches, we will be holding services on this day at 8.00am in Conington, noon in Bourn and 7.30pm in Papworth Everard. Then we will be running a bespoke Lent

Course for the subsequent 5 weeks advertised elsewhere in this issue

Lent ends on Palm Sunday – April 14th; unless you prefer the approach of some good catholic friends of mine who exempted Sundays which meant they had to go through to Good Friday to complete the 40 days! For many of us giving something up – like chocolate or drinking alcohol can be a way of attacking that bit of extra weight still hanging around from last Christmas; on its' own, this still leaves the door of opportunity for what we lose to slip back on when the fasting is over.

The Christian tradition is better known for encouraging us to dispose of things that are unhelpful or unhealthy and replacing them with things that bring the best out in us; we put off and put on at one and the same time. This is where we must not get sloppy! It seems often far easier to summarise the things we are against than to articulate the things we desire to see. For example, at a macro-level many more of us may have views about the preferred route for the proposed Cambridge to Oxford rail link but are less able to put forward a clear argument that goes much beyond our own immediate self-interest; and until we do we are less likely to see our views prevail than is the case with those who have developed a clear line of argument for their case.

The Christian tradition translates this into aspects of personal and corporate behaviours. We stand for the fruit of the Spirit because this is evidence of God having room in our lives; also, because the result is people nicer to live and work with as well as communities we want to belong to. Because they are 'fruit of the Spirit', they emerge and come to the fore as the outcome of you and I electing to cooperate with God at a profound and personal level; so that changes we can't bring about on our own start to become part and parcel of who we are, with God's help. We invite the Holy Spirit to register his presence in us. This capacity is one of the distinctives in the Christian tradition when compared to other religious streams or traditions. Christians, therefore, have the potential to "punch far above our weight" and to use that for the common good in all walks and sectors of life. Hence Jesus said to his followers: "You are the light of the world, you are the salt of the earth."

Let Lent 2019 be a season when we invite God to make his distinctive mark in us so that we start to live up to our potential and see, in months to come, many others benefitting from the good erupting from the changes He initiates with our agreement.



March 10th 11:15am
United Service at the Methodist
Church

March 17th 10:00am Rev A. Taylor

March 24th 10:00am Mr A. Sainsbury

March 31st 10:00am Morning Worship

April 7th 10:00am Mrs P. Zahner

April 14th 11:15am
Palm Sunday United Service at
the Parish Church

April 21st 10:00am Easter Day Mrs. W. Beard April 28th 10:00am

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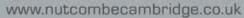




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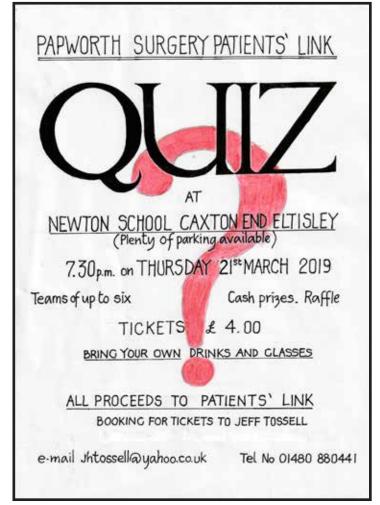
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Support and friendship for families

Home-Start Royston & South Cambridgesh We're busy organising the Home-Start Aquathon which will happen in May and wondered if you would be prepared to cover it in your magazine/newspaper in order to help us recruit teams? After last year's success with local schools (one of which raised a whopping £900 for their PTA), this year we are opening it up to other local organisations who want to do

a bit of fundraising for their club, and raise much needed funds for Home-Start Royston and South Cambridgeshire at the same time.

Below is some information which you are very welcome to use. Please let us know if you need any further information.

Calling all swimmers for the Home-Start and South Cambridgeshire Aquathon



This year Home-Start Royston and South Cambridgeshire is trying to make their annual Aquathon the biggest one yet and are calling on local clubs and organisations to help them make an ever bigger splash this year. The annual event, which has traditionally been held in partnership with local schools, is now being opened up to other local organisations keen to kick start their fundraising.

This joint fundraiser is the perfect opportunity for local organisations to raise funds, and all without the hassle as Home-Start Royston and South Cambridge do all the heavy lifting. The event, which will be held on the evening of Sunday 19th May at the Royston Leisure Centre is organised entirely by local family support charity Home-Start Royston and South Cambridgeshire.

Participants are invited to contribute teams of six for a fun 55 minute relay swim, and the great news is that participants can walk away with 50% of the sponsorship they raise, while the remaining 50% goes to support Home-Start's vital work with local families in crisis. It's a win win for local people wanting to raise funds for a club or charity close to their hearts — with the added bonus of supporting local families in need.

With everyone from little nippers to grandparents welcome to take part, it has the potential to be a golden fundraising opportunity for a wide range of organisations – schools, Scouts, Guides, local sports clubs just to name a few.

Places at the Aquathon are limited, so if you would like to get involved and raise money for your club, whilst also supporting local families, contact Home-Start Royston and South Cambridgeshire for an application form.

Home-Start Royston and South Cambridgeshire 01763 262262 - admin@hsrsc.org.uk

LOST CAT

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SAMMY

HAVE YOU SEEN HIM?

FEBUARY 19th, last seen @ 1pm

29 Southbrook Field, Papworth

If found or any information, please call me ASAP. We love him and miss him dearly. Thank You!

Small Reward Offered.

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PAPWORTH CRAFT GROUP

MEETINGS ON THE FIRST AND THIRD SATURDAYS OF EVERY MONTH 10:30 - 12:30 AT PAPWORTH LIBRARY

(Please note that on Saturdays, access to the library is at the back entrance adjacent to the Studio)

Do you like to knit, crochet, cross stitch, embroider, sew tapestries, quilt, make lace...? If the answer is YES to one or more of these crafts, then the Papworth Craft Group would love to meet you. We are a very friendly group, and always on the lookout for new recruits! Our twice-monthly meetings have been a regular activity at Papworth Library for quite some time. Last year, our numbers swelled significantly, and at most meetings, the group occupies two tables in the library. We do not have any lace makers to date, but all of the other crafts mentioned above feature.

Some members of the group like to do a variety, sometimes knitting, other times crocheting, and so on. Do not worry if you are a beginner, just learning the basics of, let's say, knitting. One of the best aspects of being in the group is the ability to be able to learn from one another. One person will have a shortcut to recommend, another can demonstrate the way to make a more complicated crochet stitch. You can pop in with simply the desire to learn a new craft, and there will be someone who can start you off. It is extremely satisfying to witness a person learning something new, and gaining the confidence to work on their own. Some things take more time to grasp than others. It is not unusual to feel all fingers and thumbs at the outset, but that soon passes, and then you are off!! Drop by for a chat, and see for yourselves whether joining us is something you would like to do. We welcome people of any age, male or female. Think on our invitation, check us out, and perhaps bring a friend, parent, daughter with you.

We had our Christmas afternoon tea outing on a Monday in February. It sounds odd, but for a variety of reasons, it was not possible to go before Christmas, as had been planned. The staff at Waresley Park Garden Centre were very accommodating, especially when faced with one gluten free, lactose free person, and one gluten free vegetarian! It was fun to sit around the table, which was laden with more food than one could eat, and chat and laugh. There tends to be a lot of chatter and laughter during our Saturday meetings, so it was no surprise that we took that with us to Waresley Park.



Put your Feet Up!
Join Papworth Craft Group

Knitters, Stitchers, Crochet Hounds and Total Beginners Friendly group **Pop in and see**

Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month
10:30 am- 12:30pm
Papworth Library
Pendrill Court,
Papworth Everard

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Thur 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Fri Closed

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www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/

leisure/libraries

This year's Christmas event will definitely take place before Christmas.

The blankets and squares for the African missions are beginning to pile up, and our stock of yarn is rapidly running down. If anyone has SPARE YARN to donate, please bring it to the library on either the first or third Saturday of the month. It will be most gratefully received. If you would like to knit or crochet squares, they should measure 10 cm square, or 4 inches in 'old money!' Any help with joining squares would be a huge help, so if you have a bit of time to join a few squares together, it would be a great help.

Perhaps someone may like to crochet a big granny square blanket, either baby, child or adult sized. This is a relatively quick way of producing a blanket and there are no squares to sew up. A word about our library. Most people know that PAPWORTH LIBRARY is a very precious resource. The village is extremely fortunate to have it. However, rural libraries are under constant threat by government council cuts.FOOTFALL COUNTS! The Papworth Craft Group is a Community Project, and the library generously permits us to use part of their space twice a month, and hosts other activities in addition. This increases FOOTFALL. Every time books are borrowed and returned contributes to the footfall. Joining the Papworth Craft Group adds to the use of the library, and you can return and borrow books at the same time!

YOU could be one of our NEW MEMBERS! Drop by the library, and check us out!!



Sunday Afternoon Vinyl Album Playbacks

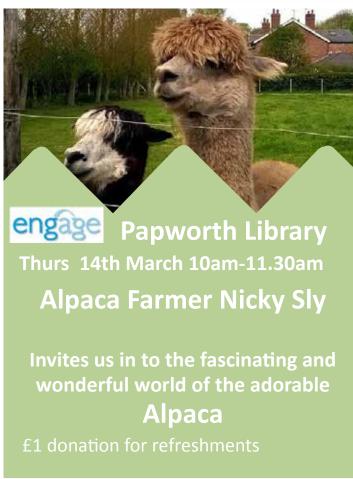
Come down to the Courtyard café from 2:30-4:30pm on the last Sunday afternoon of each month to hear classic albums played from vinyl on a top-end hi-fi system with a coffee and a cake (or a drink from the fully-licensed bar). Entry is free.

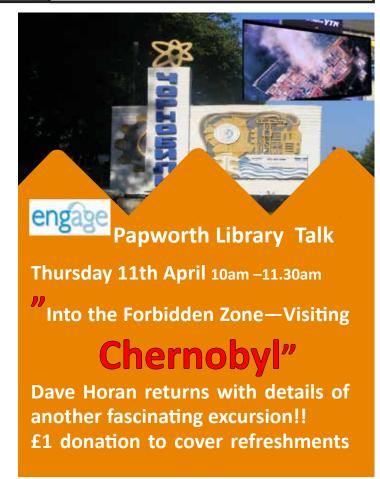
Each event is themed around a particular album or artist. So far we've heard classic albums from Crosby, Stills & Nash, The Beatles, Neil Young, Michael Jackson, Aretha Franklin and Fleetwood Mac.

On Sunday 31st March we celebrate David Bowie with two early albums, 'Hunky Dory' and 'The Rise and Fall of Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars'. Bowie had a creative peak at the time, so come and hear some of the other hit records to which he contributed his unique talents.

We are playing the Jimi Hendrix Experience in April and, in May, we'll focus on one year - the hugely successful chart pop of 1981. Look out for the posters in the Courtyard, on the village noticeboards and on Facebook.

If you have a favourite album you'd like to suggest, please come along, get in touch via the Play Papworth page at www.facebook.com/playpapworth or speak to Steph at the Courtyard café.

















Papworth Astronomy Club

Wednesday 3rd April

Dr Colin DeGraf from the Institute of Astronomy in Cambridge will speak on "the First Massive Black Hole". This talk is provisional until Colin can confirm his availability on that date.

PLEASE NOTE

From April, the Astronomy Club will NOW meet in the North Hall of the Village Hall.

Contact details for more information: Peter Sandford - phone 01480 830729, email peter@cheere.demon.co.uk











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Gold medal after two silvers in the last two years. I will be fundraising for St Luke's hospice in Basildon Essex (where i work) after being involved with them for the last 5 years and seeing the fantastic work they do, especially when one of



my colleagues spent their last few weeks in the care 3 years ago. The London marathon is an amazing experience and it really is humbling to see how many people put themselves through many months of hard training and early mornings to be able to remember/ celebrate the memory of loved ones and colleagues. I am just hoping that it is not quite as hot as last year, although i am lucky enough to have some amazing running kit provided by Odlo thats perfect for any condition! https:// www.justgiving.com/ fundraising/ty-farrer4

PAPWORTH The Papworth Runners and the Friends of Pendragon School invite you to take part in the:



Easter Bunny 2k Family Fun Run

Sunday 24th March 2019 Pendragon Primary School

10.00am- 11.30am



Arrival by 10am. Warm up at 10.20am. 50m bunny dash for the U5's at 10.30am (£1.00 on the day entry only)

2k Family fun run starts at 10.45am. £4.00 per runner in advance/ £15 family

Online/advanced entries close on Tuesday 19th March. Follow 'Friends of Pendragon' on Facebook to find out entry details and forms will be available from the school

You can enter on the day for £5.00 per runner between 9.45-10.00am U6's must be accompanied by an adult on the run.

All fun run runners will receive a finishers medal. Fancy taking it a bit slower?..... We welcome you to walk the course. You

may even find some Easter bunnies to count on the route. Buggies welcome. No dogs on the school grounds please

PAPWORTH



Easter Bunny 2k Family Fun Run Entry Form

Number of entries required: day)	(£4.00 per runner if entered in	n advance/ £15.00 family ticket/ £5.00 on the				
Full Names of entries:						
Name and class of eldest child at th	e school:	Class:				
(Running numbers will be sent hom	e via this child prior to the race)					
I would prefer to collect my numbe	rs on the morning of the race:	(Please tick)				
Please return this entry form along	with a cheque (made payable to '	Friends of Pendragon') or cash in an envelope				

Don't forget to bring some extra change to enjoy a well-deserved drink and cake after your run, plus our Easter Tombola and other activities.

to the school office before **Tuesday 19th March.** After this date the office will not accept any advance entries but

We look forward to seeing you there.

entries on the day will still be allowed.

RUNNERS

PAPWORTH More Marathon **Madness**



It's that time of year again when many runners are setting their alarms early on a Sunday morning ready for those daunting and dark marathon training runs. Despite being a relatively small

Cambridgeshire village and us having a small but very active running group, last year we managed to run over 20 marathons between us. For many of us it was our first marathon effort, and some went on the run two, three or even four across the year. Many of us are having a well earned marathon rest this year, but there are still some who are relying on our support on a Sunday morning to keep them company during those long training runs. Here are some of our local marathon runners this year, and I'm sure they will appreciate a welcoming wave as they are setting out for their training runs, or you can support them by donating to their worthwhile causes.

Victoria Chapman- Fundraising for Friends of Pendragon



In September 2018 I became a Co-chair of our schools charity. It was only after joining Friends that I realised just how much we do to support the school and our students.

Before i had my children I had a charity place in the London Marathon for the Rainbow Trust children's charity. Alongside my then colleague and good friend Alice, we raised all of the money and trained for the marathon. About 6 weeks before the marathon however I

damaged my knee and was unable to race and hence have unfinished business.

I've decided to run again for children but this time it's for my children and all of the children at the school. Despite living in one of the most affluent counties in Britain, we are one of the worst funded in our schools and I would like to help the school increase the number of lpads they have to allow there to always be one in every classroom. To support Victoria you can donate on her just giving page https://www. justgiving.com/crowdfunding/victoria-chapman.

leva Klavina – Fundraising for Mind

I'm running The London virgin marathon on 28th April and raising money in support of the charity Mind. This will be my third marathon and first London marathon! I chose Mind because it is close to my family having helped in the past and continuing to do so with the amazing and helpful information it provides. No one should have to suffer alone.

You will often see me out running up and down the Papworth hills or doing other intervals on the industrial estate or around the park to reach my marathon targets.





If you would like to help me reach my fundraising target and help Mind, you can follow this link https:// uk.virginmoneygiving.com/EvaKlavina

Every little donation can help somebody in a mental health crisis. Thank you for your support, big or small x

If you are inspired to start running, the Papworth Runners are always happy to welcome new runners. We meet every Wednesday at 7:30pm outside the Courtyard. Taking part in our 2K Easter fun run would be a great way to start and you will also meet some of the group.



Ty Farrer - Raising money for St Luke's Hopsice

2018 proved to be a great year for Marathon running for the Papworth Runners with many 1st time Marathon runners including Rebecca, who set a debut Marathon record in the Farrer household. For myself managing a Silver in the British Masters Marathon championships was the highlight after a win in the White Peaks trail marathon earlier in the year. 2019 did not start as planned, with a number of weeks out injured and a reality check that this running lark is actually quite difficult and its the ability to go out and enjoy the beautiful trails and scenery around the local villages that really matter. On the plus side - i have got a lot of odd jobs done around the house..... Still, now back in training and only 6 weeks until my first Marathon on the year in Boston (Not the American one) followed by London two weeks later and then back to the peaks for Derbyshire for the third Marathon of the year. I have also managed to earn my third England Masters vest for the international event in York later in the year and hopefully that elusive