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The WI ladies had a great evening celebrating the King's coronation in our May meeting. We started the evening by making coronation themed fridge magnets and ended with a Royal quiz. Our main part of the evening was a Great Coronation Bake Off! Ladies entered their bakes into 3 categories - Sweet, Savoury or Spicy, with winners in each. We also had a star baker! It was a relaxed evening where everyone could have a catch up with friends and enjoy a glass of Prosecco.

As some of you will have seen the WI Gardening Club, along with 1st Papworth Brownies, have made a start tidying Liz Barratt's Garden by the library. Many thanks to the volunteers that came along. It was

great to see the Brownies (and their families) helping out the WI ladies and we hope to work together again in the future by transforming other overgrown areas in the village.

We are looking to start some new clubs including a book club, a board game club and cinema club.

These will run on different days to the WI's main meeting and details will be added to our website shortly.

In June we are learning all about acupuncture! Women over the age of 18 are welcome to join us each month. More details can be found on our Facebook group or our website.

Facebook: Papworth Everard WI Website: www.papwortheverardwi.org.uk



BIN COLLECTION DATES

Bin Dates	Black Bin	Blue Bin	Green Bin
Thu 8 Jun 2023		V	V
Thu 15 Jun 2023	✓		
Thu 22 Jun 2023		V	V
Thu 29 Jun 2023	✓		
Thu 6 Jul 2023		V	V
Thu 13 Jul 2023	✓		

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1st Papworth Rainbows and Brownies





A huge thank you to everyone who supported 1st Papworth Rainbows and Brownies at the Coronation Family Fun Day on Sunday 7th May. Thank you to those who had a go on the red, white and blue tomobola and 'named the King', we raised over £430 for both units.

The Rainbows and Brownies held a joint Coronation party. Each girl unit made an invitation for a member in the other unit and they joined together for a party with party food and games, chosen by the girls.

In our regular unit meetings Brownies have been learning about DNA and genetics, they looked at different characteristics making their own coloured code and extracted DNA from a strawberry. The Rainbows have been learning about Amelia Earhart and made paper aeroplanes and put them to the test!

A big shout out to our Brown Owl who climbed Mount Snowdon for a fundraising challenge with her colleagues to raise money for the Firefighter's Charity. Congratulations Brown Owl and for inspiring the girls and showing them that they can do anything! On Sunday 14th May members of the Brownies unit and their families joined forces with the WI to do some gardening work on the triangular garden by the library. It



was wonderful to see all ages working together and getting involved to help make our community space look lovely. Brownies returned two weeks later to plant some new plants and the WI will now look after the garden.

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June 2023 Cold Callers

The Trust has been made aware that some residents in the village have recently experienced rogue traders/door

step scammers knocking at unreasonable hours offering to do unnecessary work or asking for money upfront. They will often call without an appointment which is known as 'cold calling'. This is not illegal, however if you feel at risk or are being threatened, you can call the Police.

It may be a good idea to display a 'No Cold Calling' sticker on your door which are free from Trading Standards.

We've come up with some useful steps to prevent you from becoming a victim of rogue traders or cold callers:

- Use a spy hole, chain or window to have a look at the caller before answering the door and keep the chain on. If you do not recognise the caller then speak through the closed and locked door.
- Always ask for proof of identity. Take it from the person (through the letterbox) and read it carefully before deciding what to do.
- Never use a phone number provided by the caller as it could be a false number to an accomplice.
- Never agree to have work done by somebody who has knocked on your door.
- Never pay for work before it is completed. Always agree a final price in writing and get an invoice and receipt as proof of payment.
- Do not accept any offer to drive you to the bank to withdraw money or give them your bank details.
- Be mindful that they might have somebody with them. For this
 reason, it's a good idea to make sure your back door is locked
 before answering the front door, and avoid going outside to
 discuss what work needs doing as it could allow someone to
 enter your house whilst you are distracted.

If you do want to report a 'cold caller' you can do this in any of the following ways:

- Call 999 if you feel threatened or in immediate danger
- Call 101 if not an emergency
- Complete a report form on the Cambridgeshire Constabulary website www.cambs.police.uk/
- · Have a live chat www.cambs.police.uk/contact/af/contact-us/
- Email SCambsCops@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Coronation Fun Day

Papworth Trust staff attended the Papworth Everard family fun day on Sunday 7 May. Paul Sands, our Volunteer Manager said: "It was a fantastic event with great weather. It was great to see so many local residents and thank you to everyone who popped by to say hello." If you would like to find out more about volunteering at Papworth Trust: www.papworthtrust.org.uk/jobs-and-volunteering/

Time for Tenants

The Trust would like to offer tenants the opportunity to speak to a member of the Executive Team face to face on a monthly basis. Time for Tenants sessions take place once a month on a Saturday, between 10am and 12noon, at various venues in the Village.

For more information regarding dates and venues please contact Tracey Croucher by:

Email: tenantengagement@papworthtrust.co.uk

Telephone: 0330 678 0008 option 2

The dates & venues can also be found on our website here: https://www.papworthtrust.org.uk/tenant-involvement/













Friends of Pendragon Primary School

Friends of Pendragon School held a meeting on 10th May to discuss current fundraising plans and review ideas and requests for enhancing the resources for all the pupils at Pendragon Primary School. It was decided to direct fundraising efforts to help school invest in the outdoor learning areas, in particular refurbishing the areas outside year 1 and year 2. We are looking to organise a working party to help clean and spruce up the area on Saturday 22nd July. If you are keen and available to help, then please get in

Upcoming Friends events include the Quiz night on 10th June and we will be holding a Father's Day shop in school on 16th June.

Planning is in full swing for the Summer Fiesta on 7th July – and we need your help! We will need volunteers to help supervise the stalls on the night. Could you spare 30 minutes while you are at the fiesta to help run a stall? You don't have to be a current parent of the school in order to help support the event. Or perhaps you have older teenagers who would like to help as part of their pledges or DofE assessments then they are very welcome to help too.

If you can help in any way, please get in touch we'd be delighted to hear from you!

We desperately need new members of the committee from September to ensure that the work of Friends continues. The current chairs have been in their roles for 4 years and it's time for some fresh faces! Many of our committee members share roles, you don't have to take on a role on your own. You will have the backing of lots of the current members, we just need a fresh face or faces to lead us all. It's fun, challenging and creative, and you can have close involvement on which events Friends run. It's also very rewarding to be able to see the results of all the fundraising efforts, so what are you waiting for? Give it a go this new school year! Again, you don't need to be a parent at the school to join Friends. If this sounds of interest, we would love to hear from you.

Get in touch with Friends at friends@pendragon.cambs.sch.uk.

Papworth Everard Parish Council Report

Parish Clerk: Sarah Cruse Telephone: (01480) 830360 E-mail: clerk@papwortheverardpc.org.uk

Annual Parish Meeting

A big thank you to everyone who came along to the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 24th May. The meeting was open to all residents of the village and was a chance to hear what the Parish Council has been doing over the past year, their plans for the coming year and to raise any questions they may have.

After the formalities of the meeting, written reports from the Chairman and Committees were made available. District Councillor Peter Sandford also gave an update on District Council matters.

The Clerk then presented a financial summary. (Copies of all reports and the draft minutes will be available on the Parish Council's website in due course)

This was followed by a Q&A session, with plenty of questions being raised – particularly in relation to the former Hospital site, the state of roads and pathways and planning matters.

Following the meeting, attendees were able to chat with the Parish and District Councillors present.

Paddling Pool Attendants

The Parish Council are still looking to employ Paddling Pool attendants to cover the summer period.

We currently have a few people interested in the role but are still looking for additional Pool Attendants to fill a rota of cover to maintain the paddling pool over the school summer holiday period.

The job is for approximately 5-6 hours a day, spread out over the day in 4 x 1–2 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour shifts from early morning until early evening, 7 days a week and is therefore ideal for job sharing (Aged 18+) The jobs would be for approximately 6 wees over the summer holiday period.

This is a paid contract position at a rate of £11.00 per hour, and all necessary training will be provided.

If you are interested and would like more information about what the role entails and are willing to commit a few hours a day to help over the summer period, please register your interest with the Parish Clerk by email clerk@papwortheverardpc.org.uk

Without people to maintain the pool daily we may not be able to open up the facility for use over the summer period.

Police Firearms Training at the old Hospital site

After discussion with the Tactical Firearms Commander, Specialist Operations for Bedfordshire Police, Cambridgeshire and Hertfordshire Constabularies, it was agreed that, following complaints and concerns raised, a letter drop would be made to surrounding properties explaining more about the police activities on site. This has recently taken place in North Lodge Drive, Muriel Close, Hamden Way, Dengaine Close, Ermine St South, South Park Drive and Farm Lane.

For information, a copy of the text is below:

Dear Residents

Cambridge Constabulary have been made aware of complaints regarding the police use of the old Papworth hospital site for police firearms training. We wanted to provide information and context regarding this.

Armed Policing is a tri-force unit across Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Hertfordshire and as a department, we have been in a collaboration for nearly 12 years and worked successfully deliver an armed policing response to incidents across the three forces. We have officers patrolling the three forces every day to protect the public and deal with the most violent and serious offending, to deliver advance first aid and as an additional resource in response to any nationally significant events.

The officers that we have on the department are nationally accredited armed officers and they are annually required to complete a set number of hours in a diverse range of mandatory training to ensure they remain competent and qualified to carry firearms in public. To conduct part of this training, there is the requirement for space and facilities which represent the environments the officers are expected to operate in . There is no local bespoke facility for this purpose. The Papworth site is currently the only such site that we can use as this provides outdoor and indoor spaces where we can train and to ensure that the officers are suitably trained for their role. We recognise this is not ideal, but to ensure our officers are trained and prepared for their work it is essential to use sites like Papworth.

We understand that there has been disruption caused to residents, and that there have been some reports on social media of gunfire and shouting, which is or has caused concern for local residents. We can reassure you that this is all scenario-based training, and that the gunfire is blank ammunition and not real. There are absolutely no safety risks to the public . We train during weekdays between 0900 and 1700 and we will continue to do as much as we can to minimise the disruption to you and your families by using the site as best we can.

We hope this correspondence helps to provide some context with regards to the use of the site.

If you have any further concerns, please contact your local policing team. *Thank you*

Village Hall

The Village Hall is busy with bookings, but there is still capacity to take more — it's a great space to hold all types of events and can be booked 7 days a week (except Bank Holidays)

Both the main hall with its stage area and well-equipped kitchen and the adjoining smaller North Hall are available for medium to large sized events plus there's a smaller seminar room (The Bob Baker Room) on the first floor which is available for meetings or small groups.

From Wedding receptions, children's birthday parties, exercise classes to fashion shows, radio-controlled car racing, baby and toddler groups, drag bingo nights, prayer sessions and church groups, conferences, fayres and concerts - we've had them all!

We're available to hire for corporate events too - maybe your employer is looking for a venue to hold a team meeting or conference, or a small room to hold an off-site meeting – the Village Hall is ideal.

Did you know that there is also a Badminton court marked out in the Hall along with a net and posts? Why not organise a recreational game of Badminton with family or friends - or set up a more competitive group?

Further information including the tariff of charges can be found on the Parish Council's website (Amenities and Village Hall page) or to discuss your requirements or check availability, please email the Bookings Clerk, Clare Taylor villagehall@papwortheverardpc.org. uk, use the enquiry form on the Parish Council's website www. papwortheverardpc.org.uk or message the Bookings Clerk through our Facebook page.

Cricket Update

Papworth Cricket Club is active and have made a great start to the season, with 2 wins out of 2!

The club is also running practice sessions and are looking for more cricket enthusiasts to join the team.

If you wish to join the club as a player or have time to help behind the scenes, please contact:

Paulson Xavier: 07729276366 - Alan Carter: 07983617703

St Peter's Church - June Services

Sunday 4 th - No Service at St Peter's
but a Team Service at Elsworth at 10am
Sunday 11 th - 10.30am – Holy Communion
Sunday 18 th - 10.30am – Morning Prayer
Sunday 25 th – 10.30am – Holy Communion
The website papworthteamchurches.org has up to date
service information for St Peter's Church and other churches

in the team.

It also has the Zoom link for Bible Study and Morning Prayer.

Roman Catholic Mass

(Latin Rite)
Mass is celebrated at

St Michael's, Huntingdon

on Saturday at 6.00 pm and on Sunday at 9.00 and 11.00 with a Polish Mass at 3.30 pm For more information please go to

www.stmichaelrc.org

A time to ...

Three bank holidays in May this year. Thankyou King Charles! It got me thinking about the meaning of the word HOLIDAY. Classic definitions say things such as '...a day ... on which ordinary business is suspended...' and '... a period of time spent away from work ...'; which it definitely is not for people employed in various sectors, working whilst many others are not!

The less-obvious definition is that it should be a HOLY day, a day set apart, a day for resting, to focus on family or, for some, to meet with others for worship; all things that seem a lot harder to prioritise since 'Sunday-trading' laws were relaxed more than 30 years ago in the UK.

I am glad the coronation of King Charles and Queen Camilla has been on a Saturday – with thousands in London or Windsor and many millions glued to watching the events on our TV screens; so that the holiday could be a day when many can choose to strip back regular commitments and make it a special and different day; whether at home, with relatives or in the village where we live.

The notion of a HOLY day reminds me there is a rhythm of days of rest built into the way of life of people of faith. It may not surprise you to hear if 50 years ago an active Christian went to church, read from the Bible and prayed once a week, the busyness of 21st century life for many has taken shifted that from once a week to once a month. In a similar period, it seems the stability of many homes and families has become much less certain, and the incidence of poor mental health much more widely felt. Whilst the freedom to be more open and less private about personal problems is to be welcomed, I wonder whether a contributory factor to these societal changes has come about in part through the neglect, abandonment or squeezing out of the pursuit of holiness, rest, nurturing important relationships and good wholesome recreation? Many may have prospered in financial terms but has the cost been worth it?

It may be that our King and Queen don't really get much of a break until they manage a traditional royal summer holiday; between now and then taken up by a myriad of public, private, national and global commitments. Unusually and therefore we should say exceptionally, their life's work is beginning when they are at a mature age when most will hope to be guarding their health, spending time children and grandchildren, taking those

long-delayed world trips and giving themselves to projects of personal interest and hobbies that regular working life never allowed.

Their very public change of circumstances is a timely reminder: we all need to allow some slack for a mixture of the inevitable and the unexpected to break upon us and demand time and attention. That, in itself, should provoke us to reconsider whether there are enough HOLY-DAYS built into our way of life and personal patterns.

Nigel di Castiglione Team Rector







Services in June

June 4th 10:00am Mrs. P. Zahner

June 11th 11:15am United Service at the Parish Church

led by Rev. D. Busk and Mrs. L Charlton

June 18th 10:00am Mr. J. Green

June 25th 10:00am Rev. Sue Baker-Maher

All are Welcome

Tea and Coffee will be served after the services

Hilton Coffee Mornings



Coffee mornings are held in the Methodist Church Schoolroom on the first Saturday of each month.



June 3rd.

10:00am to 12 noon

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St John Fisher (SJF) Parish Roman Catholic Parish Cambourne

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Mass Times in Cambourne: Saturday Vigil Mass 5pm, Sunday 5pm, Mon -Wed 12.30 noon, Thurs – Fri 6.30pm, The Church Building, Eastgate, Greater Cambourne.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/Cambourne.Sawston. YouTube: Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint John Fisher Parish

Please use our Facebook page for more information on social events

June 4th Bishop Peter Collins will be visiting our parish please come and join us for this special event.

June 10th, Please join us for a Bollywood Night Fundraiser later this year, if you want more details, please contact Liz Christy via the email address above. Everyone welcome!!

Please contact Fr John Minh on the email above to register for First Communion and Confirmation Lessons here in Cambourne.

June 17th First Holy Communion Mass, this is usually a busy Mass, however, everyone in the parish is welcome to join us and support the young people and their families.

For teenagers, please tune in to RMEY Faith Vibe 5pmFridays and 8pm Sundays, please see the webpage on how to listen in: www.radiomariaengland.uk

Great news for those of you who are Classical Music fans, Maryam Giraud former presenter on FaithVibe is producer/ presenter of Sacred Music Spotlight 15.15pmon Saturdays (see website for alternative airtimes), its not to be missed!!!



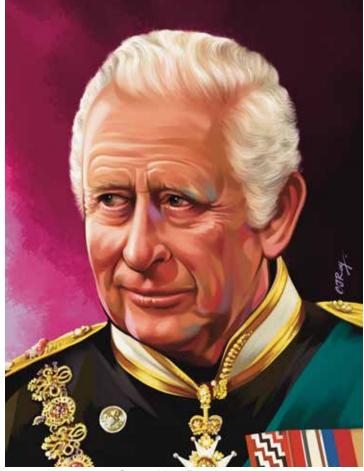
Papworth Surgery

We are delighted to say that the new online triage system for making Drs Appointments at the surgery is working well. We do sometimes have to close the system earlier than 12pm because once we have reached capacity it would be unsafe to keep it open, but anyone who believes they have a really urgent need to be seen the same day can still phone the surgery and the receptionist can speak to the Duty Dr to get their advice. Otherwise the triage will open again at 7am the following morning.

We have been listening to feedback and have made one important change going forward. Should you require a routine GP appointment, please ring the surgery on 01480 830888, and the receptionists will be able to make you an appointment a week or two ahead. Should you require a more urgent or on the day appointment then your request will still need to be triaged. Please complete the 'Contact Us Online' form via our website, www. papworthsurgery.nhs.uk As previously, if you don't have online access our receptionists will be happy to complete the form for you if you telephone the surgery.

All nurse and blood test appointments can still be made in the usual way by phoning the surgery.

In other news, our Patient Participation Group, Patients Link, will be holding their AGM on June 26th in Papworth Everard Village Hall. The meeting will start at 7.30 pm. Once the official AGM work is done, Dr Greenwood will be doing a talk on Respiratory Diseases. Everyone is invited to come along and join us. Please let your friends, neighbours know! We provide teas, coffees, juice and biscuits. The meeting usually finishes at around 9pm.



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Tree Warden Report David Potter

treewarden@papwortheverardpc.org.uk

June is a great month for hedgerow flowers, in particular dog rose whose flowers are usually pink but sometimes so pale as to be white. Bramble flowers appear from the beginning of the month and by the end of the month you

will probably start to see green unripe blackberries.

Elderflowers continue to offer a splash of white across hedgerows and field margins. New arrivals include dogwood whose white flowers may appear from early in the month. Privet will also flower in June, both the garden variety and the wild version. These white flowerheads have an intense sweet aroma. Honeysuckle (Shakespeare's woodbine) is another sweet-smelling flower that appears in hedgerows and gardens in June.

From the first half of the month you will see the white or pink trumpets of bindweed, sprawling across hedgerows and other scrub. Although a troublesome weed for many gardeners, bindweed flowers do provide pollen for bees and the leaves are a source of food for the larvae of convolvulus hawk moths.

At the start of the month the female catkins of white and crack willow are still dispersing their fluffy seeds all around. On many other trees, for example ash, hornbeam, Norway maple and field maple, the seeds are fully formed. Sycamore has seeds as well but they may remain quite small until later in the month. All these seeds usually remain on the trees until later in the year.

Beech has fully formed nut cases, still green at this stage, while on alder the new green cones start the month as thin green cylinders and then grow to full size over the next few weeks. Birch has a cylindrical green fruit which looks like a fat catkin. Acorns on oak trees start to grow, beginning as little nodules early in the month.

The amazing white 'candles' of horse chestnut trees now give way to tiny green conkers which at first sit erect on the remains of the flower spikes. Since 2002 chestnut trees have started to develop a leaf blight in the second half of June, caused by the leaf mining moth.

The spectacular white blossom of the hawthorn that we enjoyed in the hedgerows during May gives way to green berries that will start to redden by the end of June and into July,

My Tree Warden Alphabet has reached the letter 'M'. This month 'M' is for Moths. Although many people overlook them, moths are numerous and widespread, with over 2,500 species in Britain living in a wide range of habitats. Moths play a vital role in the wildlife ecosystem - by pollinating flowers and crops and as an important food source for birds and some other animals.

Sadly, moths are declining in the UK. Studies have found the overall number of moths has decreased by 25% since 1968. The situation is particularly bad in southern Britain where moth numbers are down by 40%. Among the species which have declined are many beautiful moths which were previously very common and frequently seen in our gardens.

A whole host of moth species live in woodland, using their camouflage skills to blend in with tree bark, leaves and other woodland features. A number of moths are active during the day and many even rival butterflies for their colour and beauty. For example, the small Cinnabar moth with its black and red wings might be seen from May to August; the Hummingbird hawk-moth is a summer visitor from southern Europe and can be seen hovering over flower heads such as lavender and buddleia from June to September; and the Six-spot burnet moth with six red spots on its black wings and luxurious antennae, on the wing from June to August.

Advice on moth identification can be found on the Woodland Trust and the Butterfly Conservation websites.



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A Coronation Celebration

On 4th May we had our Coronation Celebration Party, celebrating the King's forthcoming Coronation on the following Saturday. We decorated the room and lunch table in red white and blue, and raised a glass of sherry to the King. We also celebrated Gill's birthday by singing Happy Birthday to her. We sat

down to Roast Beef for lunch with Fruit Meringue for pudding. In the afternoon we were entertained by Stuart on the keyboard. We had Coronation decorated cup cakes with our afternoon cup of tea.

Other highlights in May included: Another musical entertainment on



23rd May, from Adrian singing songs whilst playing the guitar and also a few whilst playing the ukulele, including 'When I'm Cleaning Windows' by George Formby. We also had a visit that day from David and Anne Potter, David told us about the Ascension of Jesus and we sang hymns accompanied by Anne on the piano. We have a new

member, Keith who is keen on chess and we have played on a set kindly donated by Carol. Sylvia has tried loom knitting. We have played bingo, always popular when there is chocolate to be won! And charades, always good fun.

The aim of the Day Centre is to provide a social event and a meal for elderly, isolated clients. There are no minimum age or ability requirements. So why not get away from the television with all the dreadful news and tedious adverts and have a break from it all on Tuesdays?

We offer a taster day for £5 (normal price is £13). Or you are very welcome to just come and see what we do and have a cup of tea. Please contact Jenny (number below).

We have regular chair-based exercises led by one of our members, Carol; a weekly raffle; and lovely cakes baked by Sylvia.

If you are interested in joining the Day Centre or finding out more please phone Jenny (number below). Please note it is not now essential to be referred by your G.P. just give us a call. We also still welcome referrals from G.P.s and other Health and Social Care Professionals.

The details of how the Day Centre runs are below:

The cost is £13 per day including tea and coffee and a delicious two course meal cooked by our resident chef, Jane. We meet every Tuesday between 10am and 3pm in The Community Centre, The Close, Papworth Everard. The Centre is fully wheelchair accessible. Transport is available in certain cases.

Find us on Facebook: search 'Papworth and District Day Centre'.

Contact: Jenny on (01480) 492697 for further details, if there is no answer please leave a message or your name and number, and I will call back.



PAPWORTH CRAFT GROUP

MEETINGS EVERY FIRST AND THIRD SATURDAYS
OF THE MONTH

10:30 - 12:30 AT PAPWORTH LIBRARY

Access to the library on Saturdays is by the rear door adjacent to the Studio

The sun has come out as we are just days from the arrival of meteorological summer! The months are just flying by. However, everyone is busy working on a variety of projects, finding time to knit, crochet and cross stitch. The amazing blanket that is made up of crocheted squares that beautifully reference stained glass windows is about to progress into the next phase - joining all the squares together (and facing the daunting task of sewing in all the ends)! Helen is very calm about this and excited to be almost ready to start on the border to the blanket. In keeping with the challenge set by the designer of this blanket, the border is not just a case of once around in just one stitch. But it will look amazing, when it is finished. Sophie is taking the long view, knitting a charming jumper for her fourteen-month old son, but in a child size that he won't be big enough to wear for a couple of years. That is so sensible, rather than getting stressed about finishing it before he gets too big to wear it, the jumper will be waiting for him to grow into!

Last week books on crafts were featured in a display in the library. After a quick scan, one group member chose a book on accessories to crochet. The library here in Papworth and in St Ives have quite a selection of craft books and not just on knitting and crochet. If you are looking for a craft book, it is really worth looking at the libraries' selection, especially at St Ives and most probably in other Cambridgeshire libraries, especially the larger ones. Banish the pre-conception that there will be only dusty books with oldfashioned designs to choose from, out of step with modern taste. There are up to the minute, newly published books with pleasing designs to make. If you are thinking about buying a new book, check out the library first. You may find it there, allowing you to decide whether this is a book you would like to buy. This may save you from buying a book that would have been disappointing. On Amazon, it is possible to 'look inside', a selection of pages from the book to assist you in your purchase. That is very helpful, especially if the author is unfamiliar to you, but having the book in

your hands gives you the best opportunity to assess it and decide if you want have a copy for yourself. Try it!

Our yarn stash is growing again. A huge thank you to Audrey Reid, Carole Watt and

Andrea Rowland for their donation of yarn. There are more blankets ready to donate to Hope and Aid Direct. Another big thank you to Sonja Allerton and Carole Watt for making the squares that have been donated into very attractive blankets. Sonja has done more than thirty blankets since she started in 2020. If anyone would like to make blankets out of squares, please contacted Rosalind Parnell at parnellrh@aol.com. Details about the squares are available in previous editions of News & Views.

Supporting the Papworth Craft Group contributes to the footfall for the library. That is so important. Do support our library in whatever way you can, so that future generations can enjoy it as well.

Have a wonderful June!

Stay well, stay safe, be kind

Varrier Jones Social Club

Our meeting in May was held just before the Coronation of King Charles the third, so we took the opportunity to decorate the hall, the tables and ourselves in red, white and blue and everywhere looked lovely. Our guest singer was Fiona McLean who sang a selection of songs that we knew and could join in with and the afternoon finished with sherry and a coronation cup-cake. Our Chairman Audrey proposed a toast and everyone joined in a rousing rendition of God Save the King

We meet on the first Friday of each month in The Studio, Pendrill Court 1.00.pm for 1.30.pm start. The monthly entrance fee is £4 for members and £5 for guests, with an initial annual joining fee of £5. We would warmly welcome anyone who wishes to join.







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Does your child have difficulties in school/preschool?

Are you worried about your child's behaviour?

Come and chat with other parents/carers who know what it's like!

This is a very friendly and informal group run by local parents for parents/carers of children with SEND or behavioural difficulties. No diagnosis needed; our children have a range of issues e.g. behavioural problems, anger issues, physical disability, ADHD, dyslexia, sensory issues, communication problems, autism.

Come for a chat and a cup of tea/coffee with parents with similar experiences. Children under five welcome.

Dates for Summer Term 2023

12th June 26th June 10th July

Parent contact:

Audrey Van Auken: 07898383991/ audreym.besnier@gmail.com



South Cambridgeshire District Council – Caxton and Papworth Ward District Councillor's Monthly Report – June 2023

Bins

The Shared Waste Service has proposed new bin collection arrangements and these have been agreed by South Cambs Cabinet. Subject to agreement by Cambridge City (the other partner in the waste service), there will be a three month trial of the new arrangements, starting in July.

Bins will only be picked up between Tuesday and Friday, avoiding the confusion resulting from Bank Holiday Mondays. To permit these changes, state-of-the-art software has been deployed to optimise routes and operators will work an extra 30 minutes each day. It is possible residents' collection days will be different and adequate notice will be given of any changes.

New Public Notice Portal

Are you curious about what planning applications and road traffic orders have been submitted in your area? A new online information portal called Public Notice Portal has been set up by Google and local media. You can access it at https://publicnoticeportal.uk/.

A428 Upgrade

The legal challenge to the A428 upgrade between Caxton Gibbet and Black Cat Roundabouts has been dismissed by the High Court judge. Contractors had already carried out preparatory work, including archaeology investigations, but can now begin construction of the carriageway. The new road will actually be numbered as an extension of the A421.



Papworth Library Talk

Thursday 8th June 10am-11.30am

"Cambridgeshire Inventions"

By Mary Burgess of

The Cambridgeshire Collection

Our county is full of people and businesses who have come up with new ways of doing things, from computers to agriculture. Learn more about the wide range of inventions in Cambridgeshire.

Refreshments provided

£1 donations gratefully received













Four Day Week Trial

The initial trial of a four day working week for office-based council staff was deemed successful and South Cambs Cabinet approved extension of the trial for another year. The four day week trial for office staff is being monitored separately from that for Shared Waste Service employees.

Proposed Solar Farm

An application has been submitted for the construction of a large solar farm dubbed "North Weald". The site is either side of the existing A428 west of Croxton and there will also be a storage battery facility next to the new A421, within Yelling parish. When complete, the facility will produce enough electricity to power 15,000 homes. The proposals are out for public consultation until Friday 9th June. You can find more information and response forms online at https://www.northwealdsolarfarm.com/.

Sustainable Travel Zone

The Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) has completed their analysis of the 24,000 responses received to their consultation on a proposed Sustainable Travel Zone (STZ) and Congestion Charge in Cambridge. They will publish a report by the end of May. It will then be presented to the GCP assembly on Thursday 8th June to discuss the next steps. If they decide to go ahead with a Congestion Charge, the County Council will have the final vote on the proposal at their July meeting.

Peter Sandford

23 May 2023

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PAPWORTH TENNIS CLUB

Papworth Tennis Club -Summer season underway

Papworth Tennis Club's summer season is now well underway with the Men's and Ladies' doubles teams taking part in their Summer League campaigns against other local tennis clubs. The Mixed doubles team will also get started in early July.

The warmer weather and lighter evenings have produced some excellent turnouts at our Club Nights on Monday and Wednesday evenings, while our Beginners and Improvers sessions on Tuesday evenings are now supervised by Roksi.

The club hopes to host more social tournaments following the popularity and success of the Alicante Cup in April.

Bee-team

There was a real 'buzz' around the club on one Saturday in May (coincidentally on World Bee Day) when a swarm of bees decided to set up home on one of the net posts. After they refused to leave of their own accord, and with league matches



due to be played on the Sunday, David Hetherington, a beekeeper from St. Ives, coaxed the swarm of approximately 20,000 bees into a basket and took them away to be safely rehomed. Thank you David for your kind and timely assistance which allowed players to continue to use the courts safely.

For more information about court booking, membership, social tennis and coaching please visit the website. https://clubspark.lta. org.uk/PapworthTennisClub

For membership enquiries please email John Peal at membership@papworthtennis.co.uk



Papworth Bowls Club **Host County Event**

PAPWORTH BOWLS CLUB

UNDER 25 COUNTY GAMES

Papworth Bowls Club are proud to host 3 days of U25 county games. Play will start at 2pm for the following games and are expected to last around 3 hours per game.

4th June - Huntingdonshire A vs. Huntingdonshire B (3 rinks being played)

11th June – Huntingdonshire A Vs. Suffolk A & Huntingdonshire B vs. Suffolk B (6 rinks being played)

18th June - Huntingdonshire A vs. Norfolk A (3 rinks being played, with the National President in attendance)

Refreshments and food will be available at each event, so feel free to come down and watch!

Secretary: David Richardson – 07419 178817





Join Sing Papworth and Papworth and Elsworth WI Choir for a summer concert full of choral delights. On Saturday 10th June the two choirs will join forces at St Andrew's Church, Caxton at 7.30pm. From Fauré's Requiem to Autumn Leaves, the choirs will each perform some pieces on their own as well as a couple of numbers together.

Tickets are £5 available on the door (under 12s go free) and refreshments will be available during the interval for a donation. Proceeds from the evening will go to the fundraising efforts for the Cambridge Cancer Research Hospital.

