Men: Raise the Roof!

We begin our promotion of local clubs and societies with an introduction to the Huntingdon Male Voice Choir.

Why not join them and make a cheerful noise? Story on p13
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Stilton Country Club

Presents

Stilton’s Got Talent 2010

Cash prize for the winner

Raffle

Non-members welcome

16 to 18 year olds MUST be accompanied by an adult

£5.00 entry fee per act, 50% to be donated to Cancer Research

Heats commence from Saturday 23rd October 2010

Final to be held 11th December 2010
Stilton Memorial Hall
Charges from July 1 2009

- Hourly charge: £5/hour (minimum 2 hours)
- Child's party: £30
- Adult party: £50
- Commercial: £10/hour

To book the Hall, please contact the Booking Secretary:
Jade Smith  15 Woodward Close  (01733) 243691

If leaving a message, please provide a **LANDLINE PHONE NUMBER**
and you will be contacted promptly.
(It’s very expensive having to reply to lots of mobiles!)

Fireworks Time!
Get ready for our annual fireworks fiesta.
Details in next month’s **SCAN** and watch out for posters around Stilton.

Parish Meeting Room
The Parish Room will be open from 10am to 11am immediately following Parish Council meetings, which are on the **Wednesday following the second Tuesday in the month**. If you want to speak with the Clerk at any other time, please make an appointment. Planning applications can be viewed by appointment; telephone (01733) 229130.

**HIRING THE ROOM**
The Meeting Room is available for hire between 9am and 10:30pm Monday to Saturday; Sunday hours by arrangement. A booking form and conditions of hire are available from the Clerk to Stilton Parish Council.

The Room seats up to 20 people, ideal for small clubs or committee meetings. It has broadband, a kitchen area and toilet suitable for use by disabled people. Users should note that smoking is not permitted in any part of the building or in the surrounding cemetery.

**FEES:**

- All Day (9am - 6pm): £50
- Evening (6:30 - 10:30pm): £25
- Half Day (9am - 1pm or 2 - 6pm): £25
- A deposit of £50 is required when booking.
Stilton’s Bloomers
OUR BEST-DRESSED GARDEN AWARDS

Once again, Stilton has excelled itself for the Parish Council / Gardening Club Best Garden Competition. And to prove the point, The Talbot didn’t only win the prize for the best commercial premises, their hanging baskets also scooped third place in a national competition run by Garden News!

Final places were:

Commercial premises:
1. The Talbot
2. The Stilton Cheese

Children’s Competition:
3. Stilton School Peace Garden and allotment

Residential front garden:
4. 19 Manor Road
5. 47 North Street

The prizes are traditionally presented at the Gardening Club’s Christmas party, but because John was leaving The Talbot his prize was awarded in September.

Deciding on the best front garden was not easy, but the two winners managed magnificent displays in spite of the weather and, in Jan’s case, attacks from feral chickens! Nominations were also received for the Old School House and the village centre hanging baskets, but it seems a little cheeky for Parish Councillors to award themselves any prizes, so we just blushed, shuffled our feet a bit and said ‘Aw, shucks, tweren’t nothing, honest!’

Questionnaire Draw

Thanks to everybody who took the trouble to return our questionnaire about the Sports Field - more on this anon.

The two lucky draw winners were Donna Guest, who wins a free curry at the Angel Spice, and junior winner Elena Newell, who receives a gift token.

Special Rubbish Collection

Mon & Tue October 25 & 26

Usual conditions apply:
- Leave your rubbish on the edge of your property NOT blocking the path.
- NO builders’ rubble, old engines or hazardous waste
- Nothing that two men can’t safely lift
- Branches etc too big for your green bin should be cut into manageable sized pieces and/or bundled together with string
- Remove doors from white goods

NOTE:

Any rubbish not removed by the end of Tuesday October 26 will NOT be taken and must be removed promptly by the householder responsible, not left lying around as an eyesore.
Library News

The period of consultation about possible cuts to services ended on Sept 30, but the library website already gives the new mobile service as being monthly. Route M24 now stops at the Talbot on the 4th Wednesday of each month 15:10 - 16:00. The next visit will be October 27th.

We do know that charges for overdue items will go up on Oct 1 by about 10% (except for children).

The Library service is publicizing all the ways you can avoid charges by renewing your books etc. on or before the due date - on line, by phone or in person at a library. You can be e-mailed to remind you to renew items borrowed on time.

Keeping Up To Date

Some of the details in our regular Stilton Diary and Ghostbusters features have become out of date over time so this month, thanks to the help of some eagle-eyed contributors, we’ve flushed out a number of gremlins. So throw out the old copies pinned up in your kitchen and replace them with this month’s versions. Particularly note the correct phone number for the Samaritans (08457 909090) This gives access to the helpline. Neighbourhood policing team contacts have also been updated.

Our County Councillors are now Mac McGuire and Nick Guyatt, they are now listed in Ghostbusters, as is the Parish Clerk’s telephone number (229130).

We try to keep this sort of information up to date, but very often contacts change and nobody thinks to tell us. If you see a mistake please let us know; just contact Olive on 241206 or olive.main@tiscali.co.uk.

Inaccurate Commercial Website

Advertised as a brand new website in August, stilton.org.uk has no connection with the village. Its information is very limited and often inaccurate or irrelevant.

While its operators no doubt piously maintain that they’re providing a public service, it would definitely attract attention from lawyers if they did this sort of thing in the commercial sphere, where it would be classed as ‘passing off.’

Sadly, anybody can register any domain name that’s not already registered. So it’s up to all of us to keep Stilton’s official website - ie your website, www.stilton.org - up to date and interesting. Happily it is; just try Googling ‘Stilton website’ and see which site ranks No.1! So if you’re approached to advertise on the unofficial site, ask yourself where you’ll get the most exposure. Our webmaster Paul is only too eager to promote Stilton’s businesses, clubs or organisations, so get in touch. Voluntary organisations go free, while commercial advertising is every bit as good value as SCAN!

Good ‘ere, innit?

I am writing to say how lucky I am to live in Stilton, writes Margaret Parsons.

I have recently been unwell, and I couldn’t believe how many family, friends, neighbours and children rallied round to pander to my (and my dog’s!) every need. It really was a considerable factor in my recovery.

I would also like to mention how much I appreciated YGP’s kindness and efficiency. Many, many thanks to you all.
**Hallowe'en**

31 OCTOBER

Correctly called All Hallows Eve, it is the night before All Saints’ Day - the feast of all the saints. In some countries this is still an important religious holiday, a time to visit family and tend family graves. In Britain, it has become principally a secular date which retailers have adopted enthusiastically, selling cards, spooky costumes and party food.

It should be a fun occasion when in the early evening children dress-up and knock on 'safe' doors trick or treating, carrying turnip lanterns, before going home to party food. What is not fun are intimidating groups of noisy teenagers swarming round the village throwing eggs and flour and deliberately frightening older people. Be assured that anything which crosses the line into antisocial behaviour will be dealt with accordingly.

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**John Bentley & Wendy**

John & Wendy would like to say a huge thank you to all friends and neighbours for their support and kindness during John’s illness and his long-awaited liver transplant, from which he is improving slowly.

A particular thank you goes to Wendy’s colleagues at the Bell, for their support during some difficult times.

Although we have only lived in Fox Covert for three years, we both realise how lucky we are to live in such a special place among some very special people. Thank you all for being there when we needed it most.

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**Stilton Over-60s Club**

Following our September excursion to Melton Mowbray to stock up on pork pies and Stilton cheese, the Club looks forward to its final outing of 2010 - a Mystery Lunch. The Hunstanton outing in August started off wet and it was still raining when we arrived at the seaside. Ellen’s lilac rain cape was very much admired! But as the day progressed the weather improved and the sun came out, so we were able to go on the beach or to the bowls club. Doughnuts, candyfloss and ice cream were enjoyed by many.

The Club meets every Friday afternoon in the Church Meeting Room from 2-4 for whist, dominoes and bingo.

New members are always welcome - you don’t even need to be over 60!

Why not join our friendly group?

Our outings are advertised in **SCAN** and details of all our activities can be obtained from Sylvia Ward (242457) or Doreen Clarke. (242643)

Tell advertisers you found them in **SCAN**!
Get With The Programme!
FIND OUT WHAT THE WEA CAN OFFER YOU

Regular SCAN readers will be familiar with the adverts we run for the local WEA Adult Education courses. These take place at the Yaxley British Legion, usually over the autumn/winter months, and cover an eclectic range of interesting topics.

But you may not know just how much else the WEA can offer. It’s the biggest voluntary organisation for adult education in the UK, running over 10,000 courses each year, for more than 110,000 adults of all ages. There is much more going on in this region than just the courses at Yaxley.

If you have an internet connection (or you can use Yaxley Library’s) why not have a look at their websites:

WEA main site: www.wea.org.uk
WEA Linton: www.lintonwea.org.uk
And you might also be interested in:
Cambs Assn. For Local History: www.calh.org.uk

From the WEA Linton site you can download a prospectus for the 2010/2011 courses, so don’t wait for SCAN to tell you what’s coming; find out for yourselves and book your places early! From this prospectus we learn that the WEA has branches all over Cambridgeshire; some of the nearest are:

- Alconbury
- Buckden
- Godmanchester
- Huntingdon
- St Neots
- Upwood

All of which offer different courses, so if you don’t mind a short drive, you can find lots of choice within easy reach.

Don’t stay at home this winter!

Mobile Library
Oct 27th
3:10 - 4:00pm
Outside The Talbot
St Mary Magdalene, Stilton

**Wednesday Worship at Lunchtime**

Holy Communion followed by a soup & bread lunch

Every 3rd Wednesday in the month

12:30 - 1:30pm

**Oct 20th**

Break the bread of fellowship with us in tranquil surroundings

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St Mary Magdalene, Stilton

**Men’s Prayer Breakfast**

Try to join us for this monthly breakfast get-together.

**Oct 9th**

We meet at 8am in the Church Meeting Room. After eating, we take time to share and to pray, usually finishing around 9am.

(If you are coming, it helps to let us know a couple of days before if possible.)

Ring Richard 240282 or Doug 242229

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Circles of Yaxley

**Fashion Show**

Thursday 21st October 2010 7:30pm
The Marlborough Suite, The Bell Inn Hotel, Stilton

Tickets available from
Circles of Yaxley & Stilton Playgroup

£5.00

Proceeds to Stilton Playgroup Reg. Charity No.100319
Well Done Stilton!
STILTON SK8Z SET AN EXAMPLE

The Stilton Skate Park has been a local project which has been influenced by the young people of Stilton and furthermore run by those young people. Supported by big Lottery funding, at a recent audit the officials commented on how well kept the park is, which clearly demonstrates the respect and passion the young users have for their environment.

Their fundraising efforts have to be commended and coupled with the support of residents is an example of excellent community activity to assist in providing thrill seeking play for youngsters.

Julie Drummond
Senior Economic Development Officer
Huntingdonshire District Council

Stilton Sk8z
Evening JAM
Friday 22nd October
7:30 - 10:00 pm @ the Park
To celebrate the lights coming on and to receive the Barclays Award

Music & Refreshments!
Free Burgers & Hot Dogs!
for all signed up Riders

For more information
look out for posters near the day
or call 07513 318748
If you have not already signed up you can do so on the day!

Sk8z AGM
Wed 27th October
8:00pm
Church Meeting Room

- To reappoint your Committee and appoint new members to it
- To discuss the future programme
  Nomination forms from Carol, Ian, Peter or Rob
Rainbows Find the Pot of Gold
LITTLE LEGS RAISE MONEY FOR CHARITY

On 30th June, 1st Folksworth Rainbows ‘Raced for Life.’ We walked 5km around Ferry Meadows and raised in excess of £250 for the cause. Most of the girls live in Stilton: Caitlin Baron, Ella Talbot, Charley Portious, Jessica Wilson and Grace Langley all took part.

5km is a long way for little legs (it was a long way for ours too!) We did it in one hour and 15 minutes - with a little help from some biscuits! The Rainbows did really well and deserve some recognition!

*Sara Bailey, Muntjac Rainbow unit Leader*

*Donna Langley, Bumble Bee - Leader in Training*
Eighteen months ago Pearl and Stuart Reed and myself decided that we would have a monthly coffee morning and Fairtrade stall in the Church Meeting Room, giving the profit as a donation to PYP (Parishes Youth Project). Little did we think that it would be the success that it has been. Just like Alice it grew and grew, and at the end of August we were able to give to PYP a cheque for £532.61, making the total given over the eighteen months almost £2000.

Those of you who have supported us during this time will know that the coffee mornings have taken on a real identity and are now an enjoyable place to meet, giving everyone a chance to catch up with friends in a relaxed atmosphere.

Earlier in the year, as a result of Traidcraft donating fifty sachets of muesli, we decided to hold a Fairtrade breakfast, serving orange juice, muesli, toast with either marmalade or strawberry jam, and followed by tea or coffee. We also received goods from Tesco and sponsorship from friends. We raised around £200 from the event. Passers-by would surely have heard the laughter and conversation coming from the meeting room and I hope felt that we were all enjoying ourselves.

We have also spent several Sundays at car boot sales, selling books which have been donated by our supporters in Stilton, Folksworth, Haddon and elsewhere. Together with the sales made at the Cheese Rolling, these amounted to £400.

Our success in raising this money is due to the support that we receive from all of you; for this we thank you and hope that you will continue to share in the success in the future.

Dates have not yet been decided, but we are hoping to do a "Soup and Sausage Roll" lunch, and also a "New to You" sale, both in the Church Meeting Room. So if you are changing your wardrobe please bear us in mind; all donations will be gratefully received. Either Pearl or myself will take them in.

I cannot end without giving our thanks to Decca for his hard work with the young people, who are a credit to him and to themselves and an example to others. We also would like to say "Hello" to Esther, who is taking over from Decca and wish her all the best both here and in the other parishes where she will be leading the youngsters in their quest for a Christian life.

Marjorie Spoor

The hamper of Fairtrade products, kindly donated by Anglia Co-operative Society, was won by Mrs I Haslegrave. The winner was selected by the Manager of the Co-op at Yaxley.
If you like singing in the bathroom, why not share your joy of singing with others? If you are male - twenties upwards - and free on Thursday evenings you can be part of the renowned Huntingdon Male Voice Choir, writes Tony Slingsby. It is as simple as that - no auditions, no ability to read music, and a guaranteed warm welcome.

Founded in 1962, HMVC has a high reputation both locally and nationally and has performed widely on radio and television, in cathedrals, concert halls and competitions. Later this year the choir will be performing with five others as part of The London Welsh Festival of Male Voice Choirs at The Albert Hall, and on the 2011 May Bank Holiday weekend they will be taking part in The Cornwall Choral Festival.

Whether in large concert venues or modest church halls the objective of the 60-strong choir never changes. They love to sing and aim to please. The entertainment level is huge for audience and choir. Songs range from the classic "Ave Maria" to "The Anthem" from the musical Chess and all get the same high polish that is developed in the Thursday rehearsals.

The choir’s concert programme - in support of local and national charities - is punctuated by social activities. During 2010/11 the choir will be devoting a great deal of their efforts to fundraising on behalf of Armed Services charities, and doing everything possible to foster the development of choirs in the local area. In 2012 the choir will be celebrating its 50th anniversary by singing with at least six choirs in a Gala Concert at Ely Cathedral.

If you want to be involved with the choir it is as easy as singing! They rehearse on Thursdays from 7:30pm at Hinchingbrooke House, Huntingdon. If you want to find out more, visit their website www.hmvc.org.uk or contact Chairman Sam Bratby (01487 830689) or Secretary Jon Lane (01480 383761).
Mellow Fruitfulness
ENJOY SOME SEASONAL AUTUMN DELIGHTS

The list of local food that is in season now is long. Many vegetables, and fruit such as apples and pears, are at their best; autumn lamb has a stronger taste than spring lamb and game is readily available in butchers. This month’s recipe has been specially requested by readers with a glut of courgettes.

GET IT FRESH!

This is also the month to visit local farmers' markets:

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Ramsey - every Sunday until 31 October
Oundle - second Saturday of the month (Oct 9 or order from our local organic box provider, Riverford.

Courgette Fritters

Mix together :
- 4 cups of finely grated courgettes
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- 2 teaspoons of fresh mint
- 1 egg
- Salt and pepper

Shape into walnut-sized balls. Roll in flour and deep fry in hot oil for a few minutes until golden brown.

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Stilton Gardening and Natural History Club
Tuesday, October 19

An Illustrated talk by Pat Maltman

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Visit to Fineshades RSPB reserve for a Roost Walk

Details from Olive Main 241206

The Club meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Church Meeting Room.
Cost £1 to include light refreshments. All are welcome.

Members of the Gardening Club enjoy talks and events beyond gardening so a new name has been chosen to reflect the Club’s broad interests. Come along to this friendly group. We are not all skilled, green-fingered gardeners, but learn from each other and from our expert speakers. We also have trips out to gardens, gardening shows and nature reserves.
## Ghostbusters! Who ya gonna call?

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WHY NOT BE A CUSTODY VISITOR?

- Are you COMMUNITY SPIRITED?
- Have you some TIME TO SPARE?
- Are you OPEN MINDED, OBJECTIVE AND IMPARTIAL?
- Are you DISCREET?

If you can answer ‘yes’ to these questions, would you like to become an Independent Custody Visitor?

Cambridgeshire Police Authority is looking for people to join its Custody Visitor Panels. The Panels are independent of the police and their role is to make unannounced visits to police stations in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough to observe and report to the Police Authority about the conditions under which people detained to assist police with their enquiries are being held.

The work of the visitors is vital in order to ensure that detainees’ rights are being respected and that they are being treated properly.

Independent Custody Visitors are unpaid, but allowances are payable to cover expenses incurred. The time commitment required of Visitors is not onerous (3 - 4 hours a month) and training will be given to successful applicants.

Applications are invited from any person, aged 18 years or over and residing in Cambridgeshire, Peterborough or Fenland. To ensure the credibility of the Custody Visiting Scheme, persons with connections with the Criminal Justice System (e.g. police, courts, prisons service, etc.) cannot be considered.

INTERESTED?

Then please get in touch with us. Applications forms and further information are available from the Police Authority Office at:

Hinchingbrooke Park
Huntingdon
Cambs
PE29 6NP

Tel: 0300 3333456 or e-mail: police.authority@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Charity Bags

Charity bags are a popular way to dispose of surplus clothes etc and help the needy at the same time. However, we also believe that some of the bags are being collected by groups or individuals with no connections to the charities or who are leaving bags with bogus charity details on them and then subsequently collecting them. Any bags being collected by false means deprives genuine charities of valuable funds.

The police are trying to compile a list of the names, charity numbers and contact details for leaflets/bags etc left in your area. If you can, please send an e-mail to sally.davies@cambs.pnn.police.uk or phone Sally Davies at Huntingdon Police Station on 0345 456 456 4 with any information that can help to compile this list. Where possible, please provide descriptions and registrations of vehicles used for the deliveries/collections.
Con-Man Calling

A number of incidents have been reported from the St Ives area concerning individuals who have been door knocking and claiming to be working for Talk Talk or BT. In all of the incidents, the individuals have claimed that there were problems with the phone or phone lines in the area and that they needed to check the fault inside the resident's home. Fortunately, none of the homeowners allowed the callers into their properties.

The police contacted Talk Talk and BT and both confirmed that they had no known problems in those areas and no employees/contractors were working there. Both have said that they would rarely, if ever, ask employees/contractors to door knock, but in the event of a genuine problem, would always try to contact homeowners first by means of letter, e-mail or telephone, if possible.

If you have anyone knock at your door claiming to be working for a telecoms company, please contact the police on 0345 456 456 4 and provide as many details as you can about the circumstances, descriptions of the individuals etc.

If you do receive unsolicited visits from any individuals claiming to be working for a telecoms or utility company:

Never allow them into your property without first verifying with the company that they claim to work for. Genuine callers will not mind waiting whilst you do this.

Never take ID cards or badges at face value as there are many fakes available. Instead close your door and telephone the company to establish the facts. Consider that the number shown on a card or badge may also be fake!

If you have any suspicions about callers at your door, please telephone Cambridgeshire Constabulary on 999 (emergencies) or 0345 456 456 4 (non emergencies) to report the circumstances.

Contacting our Local Police

MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU...

Yaxley Office: 1 Queen Street Yaxley PE7 3JE

Call 0345 456 456 4 and ask for the Yaxley office:

Yaxley Neighbourhood Policing Team Sgt. Keren Pope

Stilton and Villages:

PC Paul Sykes: 07889 499 066
PCSO Barry Chamberlain: 07921 094 828

e-mail:- any of the community team using this example format: paul.sykes@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Keep this somewhere safe!

Tell advertisers you found them in SCAN!
Retirement of
Dr T M Davies

'Dr Tom' retired from Yaxley Group Practice on the 30th September after 32 years as a Partner in the practice, the last 14 of which have been as Senior Partner.

Tom first trained at St Mary's Hospital London, moving to Peterborough in 1975 to undertake postgraduate training prior to joining YGP in 1978.

In his professional life he has made major ongoing contributions to medicine well beyond the practice. Locally, he was Course Organiser for the Peterborough GP Vocational Training Scheme for 8 years and very active in linking with local hospitals to improve communication and patient care.

Regionally and nationally, Tom has been a keen supporter of the Royal College of GP's in order to raise standards and education in our profession. He has held several positions within the Faculty, including those of Chairman and Provost.

He has been a pioneer of medical computing for almost 20 years, constantly pushing the boundaries forward and ensuring that our own system was always at the leading edge. For our part, we have endeavoured to keep up with him in this race forward and with his enthusiasm!

Tom has also been very active in the village of Yaxley, playing cricket, ringing St Peter's bells and linking with council members on many patient issues.

He has been a keen supporter of our own Patients' Association over many years, providing a link to the practice and giving many hours of his personal time to fund-raising initiatives. These in turn have provided much-needed equipment to ensure best quality care is here for our patients and obtained locally.

'Dr Tom' will simply not be surpassed in this practice and he will be missed enormously as we endeavour to maintain his high standards.

Dr. P Hartropp

Congratulations

Congratulations to Dr Phil Hartropp, who has recently celebrated 30 years working as a GP in Yaxley Group Practice. He has made an invaluable contribution to the success of the practice over these years. His organizational and managerial skills have played a vital role in pushing the practice forwards. Many patients and their families will be aware of, and thankful for, his essential knowledge and skills in end-of-life care, which he has championed both locally and regionally. Many will also be aware of his impending retirement early next year.

His friends and colleagues, staff and the Patients’ Association would like to extend their heartfelt thanks and best wishes to him both now and for the future.

Dr. Chris Grant
INR Testing
The practice is seeing a steady trickle of patients on Warfarin buying their own home testing equipment. The manufacturer is apparently assuring patients that they can order test strips on prescription from the practice. Unfortunately this is not currently the case as the Primary Care Trust is not happy for this to occur without an agreed contract between the practice and individual patients to ensure safe and accurate practice with adequate quality control procedures.

The practice is currently working on such a contract to enable this to occur, but we would advise all such patients to contact the practice prior to purchase of equipment. We can only agree to delegate testing when we are happy that individuals can safely manage and understand the processes involved.

Dr. Chris Grant

Welcome to our two new partners!

Dr Suzanne Hawkins joins us as a partner in October. She trained in Leeds and qualified in 2000. She has worked as a GP in the area recently and at YGP in the past as our locum.

Dr Nanda Bhat is currently covering our maternity locum and joins us in January as a partner. She trained in Leicester and qualified in 2004. Prior to General Practice training she worked in General Medicine in Coventry.

We are delighted to be working with them and look forward to future developments in the practice.

Dr Daphne Hammersley

Staff News
We would like to welcome Health Care Assistant Sandra Johnston to the Practice Nursing Team, and Health Care Assistant Norma Notton and Bank Nurse Rachel Haddon to the District Nursing Team. We hope they will all be very happy at YGP.

REGISTRARS
We would like to welcome Dr. Sophie Ng who joined us on the 4th August and will be with us for one year. We hope she will enjoy her time here at YGP.

Diary Dates
‘FLU JABS
This years 'Flu Vaccination campaign will start in October. Two 'Flu Clinics are scheduled:

- Saturday 16th October
- Saturday 30th October

Research has identified the 'flu strains that may cause infections this winter, and these include the H1N1 (Swine) 'flu. This year’s seasonal 'flu vaccine will also contain the H1N1 vaccine and will be available to all people in the usual 'At Risk' groups over five years of age.

Any children who are under five years of age and in the 'At Risk' groups will require an alternative vaccine, which can be arranged via a telephone consultation with a GP or NP.

CARER GROUP MEETING
The next meeting of the Carer Support Group will be on Wednesday 6th October from 2-4pm in the Health Education Room. All Carers are welcome to attend.
Hop Down to the Library
JOIN THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Storytime and Rhymetime

More than 20 children came along in their pyjamas to listen to stories on a Space theme. Lots of Teddies came too and a fun time was had by all.

Our Storytime Sessions (aimed at children aged 18 months to 5 years) continue from 10:30 - 11:00am on the following dates:
Tuesday 7th & 21st September
Tuesday 5th October

Our Rhymetime Sessions (aimed at children aged up to 18 months) continue from 10:30 - 11:00am on the following dates:
Friday 17th September
Friday 1st October

Volunteers Drop-in Session
THE DOORSTEP SERVICE

Do you enjoy books and reading?
Would you enjoy visiting a housebound person who loves to read or listen to audio books but who can no longer visit a library? Have you a small amount of time to spare once a month? If the answer to all these questions is 'yes', then you might like to become a volunteer Library Visitor for the Doorstep Service of Cambridgeshire Libraries.

Want to find out more? Please come along to Yaxley Library in Landsdowne Road on Tuesday 12th October between 10:30 and 12 and meet existing volunteers over tea, coffee and biscuits.

For more information about the event or if you would like to receive the service for yourself or others, please contact Anne Evans by calling 01480 375023 or by e-mailing anne.evans@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Engage in the Afternoon

Our August Engage session "My time in Yaxley" with Ron Bent was very popular. Many thanks to Ron for sharing his memories with us, it was a very enjoyable afternoon.

The next Engage session is on Wednesday 20th October at 2pm. This session will be "An Introduction to Card Making" with Veronica Dockerill.

These events are free, but numbers are limited. To secure a place, tickets may be obtained in advance from Yaxley Library.

Saturday Readers

The next meeting of our new adult reading group will be on Saturday 2nd October at 10am. All welcome.
Library Service Review

Many thanks to everyone who completed the Library Service Review Questionnaire.

Cambridgeshire County Council needs to save over £2 million from the Library Service budget over the next 3 years by transforming the Library Service.

More news will follow when the results of the consultation have been released.

Yaxley Library
OPENING TIMES

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Renewals & enquiries: (0345) 045 5225
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

Having Difficulty Getting to the Library?

If you love reading but struggle to get to your local library because of health or mobility problems, help is available: you can be matched with a friendly volunteer from Cambridgeshire Libraries Doorstep Service who will visit you once a month with a supply of the kind of books you enjoy.

To find out more about getting this amazing free service or becoming a volunteer for it, contact Anne Evans, the coordinator, by phoning (01480) 375023 or by e-mailing anne.evans@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Twinning Association Events 2010

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All the funds raised by the Association provide for travel grants for young people on exchange visits to St Christol, and to fund the activities here when groups visit from St Christol.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the Association please contact Chris Walford on 241376 or clstilton@btinternet.com
Keeping Well
News from the Wellside Clinic
(01487) 830340

Annual ‘Flu Clinic
The clinic will be held on Saturday 16th October. Patients falling within the following at-risk categories will be entitled to the vaccination:

- Aged 65 or above
- Chronic respiratory disease or asthma which requires continuous or repeated use of inhaled or systemic steroids
- Chronic heart disease
- Chronic renal disease
- Chronic liver disease
- Chronic neurological disease
- Diabetes
- Patients who are immunosuppressed
- Patients who are pregnant and have not previously received the H1N1 vaccination
- If you receive a carer’s allowance, or if you are the main carer for an elderly or disabled person whose welfare would be at risk if you were taken ill.

If you are unable to attend that day or have missed the clinic please call our reception team on 01487 830340 to book an appointment with one of our nurses for your vaccination.

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Online Appointment Booking
We introduced an online appointment booking in May of this year. This method of booking a consultation with a GP is proving very popular and we would like to thank all of those patients who have taken the time to let us know how pleased they are with the introduction of this facility. If you are not already registered to use the online booking system, but would like to do so, please contact our reception team who will be able to provide you with your personal log in details.

Please note that online appointments need to be booked via a dedicated website, not the surgery website.

Mrs Claire Wright,
Practice Manager

Odd One Out
THE ANSWER IS - NONE OF THEM!

You can register to vote by post, telephone, online, or by text. Make sure you are able to vote at next year’s elections - remember to respond to your 2011 Electoral Registration Form now.

If you haven’t received a registration form, or you require further information, please call 01480 388017
Celebration Concert

St Mary Magdalene Church, Stilton

Saturday 4th December 7:30pm

Featuring

Flute soloists Kate Osborne and
Patrick ‘the man with the golden flute’
Williams

The Festival of Flutes Choir

and other guest artists.

Kate has arranged a selection of music ranging from
the hauntingly beautiful to the dazzlingly brilliant
for our pleasure in this Celebration Concert.

Light refreshments will be available in the interval.

Proceeds in aid of Saint Mary Magdalene Church, Stilton

Adults £10.00
Under-16s £5.00

Tickets from
Kate,
Hi-Lite Stilton
or The Rectory

Middle Nene Archaeological Group

Coach trip to

The Imperial War Museum, London

See the exhibition
“The Ministry of Food - Feeding Britain in Wartime”

and

The Cabinet War Rooms

the rooms beneath Whitehall from where the Second World War was directed

Sunday, October 31
Adult cost about £37
Full details from Olive Main (241206)
St Mary Magdalene Church Stilton

STILTON CHRISTMAS FAYRE & CRAFT SALE

Saturday Nov 20th

Bric a Brac, Cakes, Handicrafts, Plants, Fresh Vegetables, & Cards

Children’s Toys, Splat the Rat, Tombola, Tools, Craft Sale

Books, Ladies Accessories

Refreshments — The Bran Tub is back

Contributions or helpers, please contact
Beryl on: 01733 240538 or Linda on: 01733 244660

Tell advertisers you found them in SCAN!
St Mary Magdalene Church, Stilton

Harvest Festival
Oct 3rd at 6pm

Followed by
Supper in the School at 7pm
3 Courses (main, dessert & cheese)
Complimentary Glass of Wine

Adults £7 Children (14 and under) £3

Tickets from:
The Rector (240282), Olive (241206), Jane (240287)
Please purchase by September 20th

Come and join us!
# The Stilton Diary

**What to do, where to do it & who to do it with!**

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- Playgroup

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- Parish Council
- Sewing Group
- Over 60's Club
- Pilates
- Bodytone

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- Crossover
- 7, 8 & 9
- Take a Break (children & carers)
- Men's Prayer Breakfast
- Wednesday Worship

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- Stilton Gardening Club
- Stilton Indoor Bowls
- Norman X Indoor Bowls
- Band
- Stilton United FC
- Judo
- Stumblers (walking group)

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Stilton and District Twinning Association

Quiz Night

Saturday 16th October
Stilton Memorial Hall
7:15 for 7:30 start

For teams of 6-8 people

£6.00 per head
- includes Ploughman’s Supper & Dessert
(Bring your own drink - glasses provided)

Tickets available from:
Stilton - Chris & Linda 241376
          Audrey & Paul 241739
Folksworth - Carol & Keith 240027

Yaxley Flower Club

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Meetings are held at 7:30pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month (excl. Aug & Dec) at the Yaxley British Legion, Broadway, Yaxley,
North West Hunts Neighbourhood Forum Update

The last North West Hunts meeting took place on 19 April and provided information from the developers about the proposed Great Haddon development. Information was also provided to those who attended about the Neighbourhood Policing profile for the quarter. We hope to have an update on the process relating to Great Haddon at a future meeting.

These forums aim to bring you more information about your local area, help you to understand who does what and why and also, if you are interested, how you can get more involved. The meeting topics are agreed by you, the attendees. If there’s something happening in your area you’d like more information on, or you are involved in a group in the neighbourhood who might like to make contact with residents and other local groups through the forum, why not contact us?

Copies of agendas and minutes can be found at www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk or in your local library.

Can’t make it to the meeting?

Even if you are not able to join us on the evening, you can still raise you concerns in any of the following ways:

- By email to: Kirsty.Squires@huntsdc.gov.uk
- By post to: Kirsty Squires, Neighbourhood Coordinator, Huntingdonshire District Council, Pathfinder House, St Mary’s Street, Huntingdon, PE29 3TN
- Ask a friend to come along in your place, or contact your Parish Council or District Councillor who may be able to help solve the issue. If not, then they may have a representative who can bring your issue to the meeting.
Huntingdonshire Local History Society

The President’s Lecture

Simon Thurley
Chief Executive, English Heritage

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