



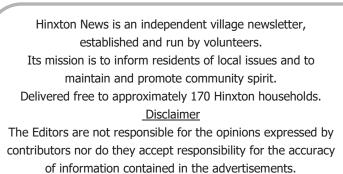
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from the Editor

The First World War will dominate our thoughts for the next few weeks as 2018 marks the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day on 11th November. Many events both National and local will be held in honour of the brave men who fought and died in that dreadful conflict. Our good friend Viv Ellis has, over the years, kept up a constant stream of information about Hinxton's own heroes to keep their memory alive. These men will again be the centre of our attention when we commemorate their short lives on November 10th in the form of a staged presentation in words and music called "Farewell Leicester Square".



As many of you know, the Wellcome Trust is planning a major expansion of the Genome Campus. This will be presented to the South Cambridge District Council in a planning application expected to be submitted in the next few weeks. According to information provided by Wellcome in their recent public consultations, there would be a significant expansion of basic genome research facilities, the building a business park for other related commercial companies, both small and large, and the building of up to 1500 new homes. This would all be on the open farmland across the A1301 from the current Campus and the village. The impact of this on our village would obviously be immense, in terms of general congestion, increased traffic, landscape, night-time light pollution, additional infrastructure needs, and a whole list of other issues. There could be as little as 21 days for the public (including Hinxton and its residents) to respond to this application, once it is submitted. If you are interested in this, please contact any of our Parish Councillors for more information but rest assured you will be kept well informed.



SmithsonHill lodged an appeal in August against the decision that threw out their ighastly factory estate idea on the Sawston roundabout.

This will be heard as a Public Inquiry some time next year.

What is a Public Inquiry ?

It is an official inquiry heard by a Government appointed Inspector usually into a serious accident or other disaster, or into planning applications. Interested parties can attend, and contribute.

There has been some casual debate in the pub as to whether this should be classified as a disaster or a planning application. The Wellcome Campus Social Club have again invited us to their free display on November 1st and then if we feel in the mood, we can go to the Scouts event on November 3rd just down the Duxford Road. Details p.14



Every night I empty my pockets and separate the bronze and small silver coins into my Children's Society collection box. Sometimes there aren't any, so it is very gratifying to discover that after a year quite a decent amount has accrued. It actually averages less than 10p per day ! Hardly a financial burden. I hope that we can find a few more recruits to take a box which fits neatly into a kitchen drawer.



Editor's Apology to Jane.

I have been asked to issue an apology regarding the photo of the cowboy in last month's edition.

His name was Craig not Clint as reported.



A late entry from our Southern Correspondent, Jill. It's really good to see the mini library being used, however it appears to have been "raided" recently. If anyone has any adult books (No ! Not that sort!) or children's books which they no longer want please leave them in the telephone box so that the shelves and boxes can be replenished



The ever thoughtful Hinxton community once again demonstrated its warm and caring character on the occasion of George Baillie's funeral.

In every way possible Julie was supported by her neighbours, friends and family to provide a fitting and flawless send off for this much respected and talented man.





We're interested in young people... Churches in our area have joined together to support young people and their families. We all know that the landscape of teenage youth culture has changed enormously in recent years and all those involved with young people; whether parents, grandparents, teachers or youth leaders face enormous

challenges in helping to steer the young through the plethora of things vying for their attention – whether in terms of social media, friends, school work, extracurricular activities, or even just the need to spend time communicating with their families.

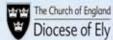
Churches in your area have got together to run a series of seminars about young people for parents, teachers, grandparents, youth leaders and clergy - in fact anyone interested in the health and welfare of young people. The next one is sharing some learning about teenagers and mental health issues. It is presented by Rosie Cuncliffe from Cambridge child and adolescent health services (CAMHS)

Free places are available from youthincambs@gmail.com

'WHAT DO YOUNG PEOPLE WORRY ABOUT?'

'How to Understand, Effectively Support and Journey with young people through their concerns and anxieties'

Thursday October 18th 7:30 – 9:30 pm Hinxton Village Hall



RSCM Sing4Fun

Wednesday 20th February 2019 (half term) 10:00– 4:00. St John's Church, Hills Road, Cambridge CB2 8RN

Vocal coach and choral animateur Charles MacDougall leads an exciting day of musical activities for young people aged 8– 18 culminating with a short concert at 3:30pm for friends and family. No singing experience required– just come along and sample the



joys and fellowship of music making. **Don't miss it !**



Cost per applicant £10 with 10% Early Bird Discount when booked by 30th November 2018

Booking now open-Visit www.rscmely.org.uk or email Lydia Cant at elymembership@talktalk.net

FOOD BANK AT HARVEST

Would you like to contribute to the Cambridge Food Bank? Our normal procedure at Harvest is for gifts of flowers and perishable food to be given to older or ill members of the community. Non-perishable food is taken to the food bank This year we plan to leave a box on one of the pews at the back of church from Sunday 30th September to Sunday 14th of October so that anyone can leave items there for the food bank . The church is open every day.



A message from Petra

Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness ...

I love autumn. I love the colours, the smells, the trees laden with fruits and berries and harvesting fresh food from the garden. There's something wonderful about pulling beans from plants you have watched grow and flower, tugging courgettes from slightly prickly plants, and eating a tomato straight from the vine – so much sweeter than anything you buy in the shops. Then there's the apple stewing, boiling batches of luscious ratatouille, jam-making and stocking freezer and jars with treats for the winter months. We have two quince trees in the garden, so I'm open to any ideas for how to eat and preserve them.

So much of our life has become very detached from the earth and nature; the system that provides everything we have. We take for granted that there is food in the shops from all over the world, that we can buy everything we want at the click of a button, that electricity and gas and water will appear as if by magic and light and heat our homes and keep all our many gadgets up and running. And yet for much of the world this is not so. For many people, they are all too aware of their dependency on the earth and the precarious position they are in if there is no rain, or diseases or pests attack their crops. In the church, harvest is a time when we come together to express gratitude for the material benefits we enjoy and for the amazing, intricate system that sustains life; when we reconnect with the awesomeness of creation. It is a time of celebration of human gifts too, the skills and talents we each have, uniquely, and which we share with one another. It's also a time when we are called to examine the way we use all our gifts, our wealth, our possessions, our abilities. In Jewish Law, those who grew crops had to leave a set area around the edge of any field so the poor could come and gather, 'glean', from them. There was an expectation within the statutes that the poor, widowed and orphans would be looked after. In a sense, part of the expression of gratitude is generosity. I remember the intensely humbling experience of being given sweet tea in a house in the slum area of a Kenyan town, knowing that the host had collected water from a well, had walked miles to gather sticks for the fire and that the clothes I wore probably cost more than all they owned - and I don't buy designer! How we consider our wealth is relative. It's easy in an advertisement-filled society to be far more aware of what we don't have than what we do. Our wants become confused with our needs and as this Kenyan family and others like them showed me, you can be very generous with very little.

Do come and celebrate harvest with us as we give thanks for all we enjoy. The services are listed

There will be a very warm welcome and generous helpings of food!

Sunday 7st - 19th after Trinity

10.00am Al2gether Harvest Thanksgiving & Communion *Ickleton*

11.00 am HARVEST FESTIVAL CELEBRATION at St John's *Duxford* St Peter's and URC followed by bring and share lunch and family activities. Auction of Harvest produce to go to CCT and Jimmy's Night Shelter

5.00pm Harvest Festival followed by tea in the village Hall *Hinxton*

Tuesday 9th Unlocking the Word – Conversations around the table on St Mark's Gospel 10.00-11.30 Coffee and cake first - at The Rectory, 13 St John's Street *Duxford*

Sunday 14th - 20th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) *Hinxton*10.00am Al2gether service with baptism of SandraKing Duxford

5.00pm Taize Service *lckleton*6.00pm Youthinc Hinxton Village Hall

Sunday 21st – 21st Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) *Ickleton*10.00am Parish Communion & Al2gether activities for children *Hinxton*6.30pm Evening service ..prayers for wholeness and healing *Duxford*

Sunday 28th – BIBLE SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) *Hinxton*10.00am Parish Communion Duxford & Al2gether activities for children6.30pm Evensong (BCP) *Ickleton*

Saturday 27th

Craft Café in St Peter's Church

Coffee, cakes, conversation and craft for all ages.

<u>Friday 2nd November – All Souls Day – 7.30 St</u> Peter's Duxford

A Special service of Remembering and Thanksgiving for those who have died.

A chance to reflect, to pray and to light a candle. If you would like your loved one named during the service, there are lists in each of our churches or you can email Petra <u>petra@hinkledux.com</u>

ALL ARE WELCOME Petra Shakeshaft Priest-in-charge mail petra@hinkledux.com or phone 01223 832 137

GEORGE BAILLIE Aged 12 or so. Those ears kept many amused- he could wiggle them at will ! A note from Jo Plumb 5 was 60 20 sony de , I shall)-eatl him a lo as lot A yort I moved still COME to meg g always he sh VALETTA GARDENS esa 44 August 30th 1947

GEORGE BAILLIE 5.2.1925 - 21.8.2018

"It is difficult to find sufficient words to express my thanks for Hinxton's wonderful send off for George on September 11th.

The whole day was perfect, with so many friends at the memorable service and a splendid tea, to rival anything the Ritz Hotel might offer, at the Village Hall. The 'Hinxton Caterers' pulled out all the stops, to the delight and amazement of my family and friends from elsewhere.

Thank you all, for your generosity, love and support. "

The following extracts from our son Jim's (*Kevin to those who knew him as a lad!*) reflections caused a few chuckles at the service.

'Dad signed up with the RAF in August 1945 and Germany surrendered soon after. He trained in aero engine mechanics, before being stationed at RAF Edzell near Montrose. He found it very quiet and remote, cold and damp and a long way from his family and friends in the big city on the Clyde. In response to this homesickness and poor climate, the RAF posted him to RAF Castel Bonito in Libya, where he stayed until January 1948. He never said much about his stay in Libya, but he never holidayed abroad again and wouldn't touch Italian food.

A few years ago I attended a technical training course where it transpired that the lecturer had been one of Dad's apprentice electrical engineers at the Royal Aircraft Establishment at Farnborough in 1977. He said I looked familiar and that my surname made him subconsciously shudder. Once we made the connection that I was my father's son, he said, "He was a hard boss, but a good boss," to which I replied, "Yes, he was a hard Dad, but a good Dad,." I told Dad and his knowing nod and grin said it all.'

Many of the cards and letters we have received mention the myriad ways in which George assisted folk. Ian Fletcher wrote, 'I shall always remain in awe of George's Herculean' efforts to erect a chute for Eleanor's 6th birthday.'

Lesley Mills wrote,' George was the go to person who could fix almost anything. Pesky pond pumps, washing machines, windows - they were all put right by George.'

George also repaired a carpet and a coffee table, which one of the Mills' dogs chewed enthusiastically!

Joan Roberts remembers George repairing her back door on at least two occasions when she had locked herself out.

Wendy and Stephen Crowdy wrote, 'George was always so kind, calm and capable. He advised Stephen on the construction of the flint wall in our garden."

"George enjoyed quiet times with village friends, putting the world to rights over a 'wee dram' with David Nicholson and Theo Maters, or a large glass of sherry with Bill Knight. Now he has joined all three and I like to think that their convivial 'get togethers' are continuing. "

Julie

Parish Council meeting on 10th Sept 2018

North Uttlesford Garden Community

The village had been leafleted to encourage individuals to send in comments to Uttlesford District Council as part of the consultation on its proposed Local Plan which included the new town. There had been a good response. A formal letter had been submitted from the PC in opposition to the planning proposal. A hearing by the Planning Inspector is expected in 2019 and the PC will be able to represent the village. Cllr Peter McDonald confirmed that the new administration at South Cambs DC is as unreservedly critical as the previous one of the proposed new town.

SmithsonHill Business Park

The developers have formally appealed against the refusal in March by South Cambs DC of their planning permission request. The appeal was likely to be heard during 2019. The PC will consult on how best to express their opposition at this next stage.

Wellcome Trust Genome Campus Development

The PC had responded to the first stage of the impact scoping. The Wellcome Trust are expected to submit their planning application within a month. They wish to address a meeting of the PC. This will be open to the village and will be advertised when the date is known. The designated planning officer from South Cambs DC had walked around the site with the PC chair. It was agreed that, among other things, the PC response to the application might contest the amount of accommodation proposed and its building height, and request that it should be kept behind the existing tree-line. The PC would also have to prepare a case for the use of 'Section 106 funding', which is the legally required expenditure for the mitigation of the impact of development on the local community. At Cllr Peter Topping's suggestion, it was agreed to meet the South Cambs DC officer responsible on the preparation of the case. There would be wider consultation in the village on Section 106 priorities when the constraints were known.

Iron Bridge and permissive pathways

Nothing has been heard on the restoration of the iron bridge despite enquiries.

The permissive pathways had not been cut until the end of August which was far too late to be of use. These and other matters will be raised at the next liaison meeting with the Genome Campus on 27th September.

Playground report

Several minor jobs need doing and another contractor is being sought.

Flint wall/Village Hall/car park repairs

At the request of the Village Hall Committee, priority would be given to making good the car park. Quotes are being obtained.

Allotments —- There is one spare allotment

Parish Archives

Following the simple cataloguing of the recently recovered documents, these will in due course be integrated with the whole collection. Key documents will be scanned and thought will be given to depositing some in the Cambridgeshire Archives.

Defibrillator

It was agreed to purchase a defibrillator to be placed in the Village Hall porch.

LATE NEWS

Well done to the DX Holiday Club who use Hinxton Village Hall for children's activities during the school holidays. They have been awarded a well-deserved 'Outstanding' rating in their first ever Ofsted inspection. Lisa and her team have worked very hard to create a great, fun atmosphere for the children over the past two years.

> For more details, contact Lisa Wood at: <u>thedxclub@hotmail.co.uk</u>.

A tidy-up of the playground and recreation area is planned for Sat 13th October, 2pm. All adults and kids welcome! Please meet at the playground with old clothes, gloves and tools to help clean our lovely playground. The jobs planned include ivy removal, washing play equipment, planting spring bulbs etc. Any kids may be expected to test the play equipment too! Fingers crossed for good weather.

Please can you let Fiona Marshall know if you plan to help: <u>fmih100@gmail.com</u>

Hinxton Children's

Christmas

Party Saturday 8th December at 09:50-12:00

Hinxton Village Hall Mr Marvel Magic Show Father Christmas will also be making an appearance! All ages of children from our village will be catered for *Please RSVP to Sarah & Tim Robinson* 01799 531678

t.robbo109@yahoo.co.uk

Please contact Sarah-Jane Pearson If you would like to provide some party food.

sarahipearson@btinternet.com



The Children's Society

Box Collection 2018

Sincere thanks to the kind folk who have contributed **£200** to this year's home box collection for the work of the Children's Society. A letter of acknowledgement from the charity says, 'Last year, thanks to our supporters, we worked with over 18,000 vulnerable children and young people, bringing life changing support. This includes helping families trapped in poverty and debt, providing support to young carers and combating sexual exploitation. The kindness and compassion shown by your box holders in donating, enables us to make it possible for these children to escape from potentially harmful surroundings and lead the happier lives they deserve.' I have a few boxes available for folk who would like to join us in collecting loose change at home during the year. All those pennies can help to make a real difference Julie Baillie Tel. 530684

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Sawston Adult Education

Wow, what a start to the new academic year!

Since introducing online booking for our adult courses we have seen an increase in course take up. Our new courses Flamenco, Willow Weaving and Bollywood have been very popular, so thank you to those who have suggested these courses for our programme. We are delighted to provide the courses the local community want.

Our Saturday Workshops in September have also proved very popular so we are sure you will love our 8th December repertoire.

Book now or you might be disappointed!

 Saturday 8 December Workshops

 Basic Car Maintenance 9.30 – 12.30
 £18 p.p.

 Bollywood Dancing 10.30 – 12.30
 £12 p.p.

 Christmas Cake Decorations 10.00 – 16.00
 £36 p.p.

 Christmas Day Flowers 10.30 – 12.30
 £12 p.p.

 Creative Writing (constructing a story) 9.30 – 12.30
 £18 p.p.

 Fabulous Looks With Make Up 10.00 -16.00
 £36 p.p.

 Family Cooking – Festive Sweets n Treats 10.00 -13.00
 £18 p.p.

 Flamenco: Tango for Beginners 10.00 – 12.00
 £12 p.p.

 Indian Stuffed Breads 10.00-16.00
 £36 p.p.

 Willow Weaving – Christmas Crafts 9.30-12.30
 £18 p.p.

We are already taking bookings for our Spring term courses, which start week commencing 7 January 2019.

Please check our website and book through Wisepay if you are able, it is secure and very easy.
If you have any enquiries or wish to make a booking personally, please feel free to pop in to the
Adult Education reception Monday to Friday
9am to 1pm during term time.
Alternatively telephone us on 01223 712424.

The Adult Education team are looking forward to welcoming you to your community college Email address community@sawstonvc.org Website: www.sawstonadulted.org

GREAT CHESTERFORD & DISTRICT GARDENING SOCIETY

(Affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society)

The Society, which covers seven local villages including The Chesterfords, Ickleton and Hinxton organises meetings, talks and events for people interested in gardens and gardening.

New members (including novice gardeners) and visitors always welcome. Discounts arranged for members through national and local suppliers. Meetings are normally held at 8.00 pm on the first Wednesday of the month at:

MAIN HALL, ICKLETON VILLAGE HALL For further information please contact Chair, Mrs Pauline Gale 01799-525543

RECENT MEETINGS

The first speaker of the autumn was **Jacqueline Aviolet** nurserywoman and owner of Rosie's garden plants. A specialist in a wide variety of hardy plants and of propagation, she was a natural and enthusiastic speaker.

Fifteen members of the Society enjoyed sunny weather and an excellent tour at **RHS Hyde Hall, Chelmsford** in early September. The newly opened vegetable garden takes inspiration from the design of the London Olympics site ...a round area with a central circular greenhouse, raised beds and paths for easy access. The Guide was interesting and enthusiastic, introducing members to unusual vegetables from Asia, South Africa, South America and Europe, together with hints on cultivation and pest control.

FORTHCOMING MEETING

Wednesday 3rd October 2018

THE GARDENS OF CLARE COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

Speaker: Steve Elstub – Head Gardener, Clare College; formerly Gardener at Audley End House

Royal British Legion Poppy Day

In accordance with tradition **Sarah, Mary and Ros** will be making a door to door collection from the end of October for 2 weeks.



Please give generously to this very worthwhile cause Many Thanks Sarah-Jane Pearson

November 11th is the 100th Anniversary of the end of the First World War

As a mark of respect and to commemorate this important time in British history there will be a special performance on the night of November 10th called "Farewell Leicester Square" in the Village Hall from 7pm.

Newscasts, poems and popular songs of the time will be woven around the events and the people of Hinxton village during that momentous period. Poignant letters from the trenches will be read and we will learn a bit more about our own brave lads who gave themselves to preserve the way of life we enjoy today.



There will be an entrance fee of One Old Penny (£1 in todays money) Donations to Royal British Legion would be welcomed on the night. You are invited to stay after the performance for light refreshments. More information from Mike Boagey 01799-530216

Sawston Library Fun Palaces

Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 October

What on earth is a Fun Palace? According to their website: "We believe in the genius in everyone, in everyone an artist and everyone a scientist, and that creativity in community can change the world for the better. We believe we can do this together, locally, with radical fun – and that anyone, anywhere, can make a Fun Palace." The Friends of Sawston Library committee have taken this on, and have organised some intriguing events to encourage you into Sawston Library.

If you're already a member of Cambridgeshire Libraries, we hope you'll enjoy this new way of using our library. If you're not a member, do join - it's free! - and make Sawston Library your space too.

Saturday 6 October 2pm to 4pm

Bridge design challenge . Can you bridge the gaps between shelves in the library using paper? Local volunteer Lucy Chapman will help you turn paper, nuts and bolts into an engineering tool. Recommended for ages 5 and up. You'll need to work in teams, so feel free to organise a team of four to six people, or join a scratch team on the day. If there's time, we'll also try making a massive marble run! *Sunday 7 October 11am to noon*

That's Non-Sense! The Surprising Science of your Senses demonstration. Ever wondered why food tastes funny when you have a cold? Or what happens when you get dizzy? Science educator Ginny Smith will give us a whirlwind tour through the senses you're familiar with, and some you might never have heard of. Recommended for ages 7 and up

Sunday 7 October 1pm to 2pm:

Illusion Busking workshop......Ginny Smith will help you make your own illusions to take home. All ages welcome.

All events are ticketed, and will be available from the beginning of September at Sawston Library during regular opening hours; tickets are £1 each and you must be a member of Cambridgeshire Libraries or join up as you get your ticket. Joining and borrowing books is free! If the event hasn't sold out then tickets will be available on the door. Ages are a recommendation - you know your children best - but children must be accompanied. However, these events are for everyone - not just families!

It should be a fun weekend.

Yasmin Emerson Chair of Friends of Sawston Library www.sawstonlibrary.org.uk



Book to be Published

'Ickleton and the Great War' by Village Society

A book about the contribution of local men and women to the efforts in WW1 is being published this Autumn by The Ickleton Society. 'Ickleton and the Great War' will offer a fascinating insight into the different ways people who were born or lived in the village contributed to the war effort. The contribution of those from neighbouring villages who either moved away or came to Ickleton to work at the Red Cross Hospital in the village will also be remembered. The aim, as we come to the centenary of the armistice, is to pay tribute to these folk, celebrate their lives and show how a small rural village stepped up to the mark.

The book gives a full background about the village at that time, the local regiments, how men were recruited into the armed forces, what happened to them if they were wounded and the setting up of the Ickleton Red Cross Hospital. Detail is given about the lives of the 200 or so people the Society has traced who went to war or served in some way on the home front, including the many women who volunteered at the hospital. The book is illustrated with lots of photographs, information taken from military and Red Cross records and, where we know which battalion men served with, details of the battles they were in.

Through a grant received from South Cambridgeshire District Council's Community Chest and a donation from The Wellcome Genome Campus towards the printing costs, we should have copies to give to, in order of priority, local schools and libraries, people who have helped us with the project, descendants of people in the book, Ickleton Society members and residents of Ickleton village. If you are a descendant of an Ickletonian who contributed to the WW1 efforts, then please get in touch to register your interest in receiving a copy of the book

at: rachelmradford@btinternet.com or Rachel Radford telephone 01799 530994.

On Saturday 10th November, 11 – 4 pm

in Ickleton Village Hall we will be holding an exhibition about the people in the book and life in the village during WW1.



FREE FIREWORK DISPLAY AT THE WELLCOME GENOME CAMPUS!

The Genome Campus Sports and Social Club are holding their annual Fireworks display at the Wellcome Genome Campus on Thursday 1st November at 7pm. As always, residents of the surrounding villages are very welcome to attend. The show will again be fired from the cricket pitch, with spectators asked to congregate on the grass area on the opposite side of the lake, between the Sulston Building and the Conference

Centre.

To minimise the need for vast numbers of people to negotiate the site, catering for the event will be on the main lawn – There will also be a van offering a large variety of sweet and savoury crepes, a van selling pulled meat rolls, a chip van, pizza van and hot drinks, cookies and flapjacks will be available to purchase from our Conference Centre. Food will be available from 5.30pm until the fireworks begin at approximately 7.00pm.

There are parking spaces available for those who need to drive Walking access through the gates to Hinxton will be available. If you have any questions or queries please feel free to contact either: Heather Bevan-Hunt on 01223 499936

email <u>hbh@sanger.ac.uk</u> or GCSSC – <u>gcssc@wellcomegenomecampus.org</u>



FIREWORKS and BONFIRE NIGHT

1st Whittlesford and Duxford Scout Group Saturday 3rd November

Behind Hexcel/Hunstman near the level crossing

Spectacular, professional display by White Lightning Pyrotechnics Huge bonfire, BBQ, cakes, hot drinks, mulled wine & glow necklaces.

Gates open & food served from 5 pm Bonfire lit at 5.30 Fireworks start at 6.30 Gates close to incoming traffic from 6.15 Tickets from Ickleton & Whittlesford and Duxford shops from 15th October:

Adults £3.50, Children (under 18) £2, Family £10 [£4, £2.50 and £12 at the gate].

Pre-school children Free! Plenty of free parking. Proceeds in aid of the Scout group - every penny raised will go towards equipping our newly built hut.



Fridays at 9.30am Hinxton Village Hall 7th September – 14th December 2018 Half term 26th October

£10 drop in or £56 for the first half term (7 weeks) Mats provided, please bring water, layers or a blanket

Please contact Zoë on 07956 644254

<u>yoga@zoekirby.com</u>

Keep up to date on

www.facebook.com/eatwellandbreathe

There's been no shortage of sun this Summer so I hope you have been able to spend some time enjoying the glorious weather! Parliamentary recess allows me to focus on important local issues while I am away from the "hurly burly" of Westminster. As always, my newsletter can only ever be a snapshot of my work but I hope it gives you an overview of what I have been up to! The major infrastructure improvements needed in South Cambridgeshire remain a priority for me. In July, Highways England announced their plans to start construction work on the expressway between the Black Cat roundabout and Caxton Gibbet in 2021/2. This is later than originally planned and I share residents' concerns about the delays. Highways England told me there are two reasons. The engineering at the A1 end is more complex than originally envisaged and they also want the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon works to complete before they begin construction work on the A428.I am meeting with the Chancellor (along with neighbouring MP, Jonathan Djanogly) soon to ensure he fully understands how vital this road improvement scheme is and that nothing can allow it to be delayed further. Another much-needed improvement to our local infrastructure is the Girton M11/J14 Interchange. If improvements are not made, the benefits of the A428 expressway and the improvements to the A14simply won't be delivered as we won't have a joined-up network. With the housing growth anticipated across Cambridgeshire and with new jobs being created at the Biomedical Campus, we need to make sure the growth potential of the area has the infrastructure to match the ambition for the area. I have made a bid for funding for the Girton interchange ahead of the Autumn statement and

reiterated how vital it is to the Chancellor and Roads Minister. East West Rail (Oxford to Cambridge) is another project that many constituents have contacted me about and I want to reassure you that NO route has yet been chosen. Personally, I support a route that is closely aligned with the A428 corridor as public transport is almost non-existent in this part of the constituency. It would also support the housing growth planned

at Cambourne and Northstowe, so seems obvious to me. I am pushing this route with Rob Brighouse (Chairman of the East West Rail Company) and am pleased to report he has shown interest and we will be meeting again soon. I'll keep you posted, but please be assured I will let you know as soon as any route possibilities emerge. In my newsletters at the beginning of the year, I urged local residents to contribute to the consultation on the Ministry of Justice's proposed closure of Cambridge Magistrates' Court. Well, you did and they listened! At the end of July, the Ministry confirmed the court will remain open. Thank you to the many local people who contacted me about this

- there were a number of concerns about the consultation and I am pleased that the right decision has been made. We made this happen!

Over the summer I've been out on the farm, helping with the harvest in Thriplow and Boxworth. I suspect I may have been more hindrance than help but I was very enthusiastic! A combine harvester may not be everyone's vehicle of choice, but I thoroughly enjoyed it! Our farmers of course work hard all year round, but there is an undeniable pressure at a harvest time as they work around the clock to bring our food in off the fields. Hats (caps?) off! In August, I spent a shift with the Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service. I donned my boots, braces and trousers as I got to grips with just some of the work our fire service do for us. As you'd appreciate, they do an amazing job in often very difficult situations, but having participated in a training exercise in a smoke filled building, I cannot commend them highly enough. It never occurred to me that when a building is on fire, they work with no visibility - zero. I couldn't see a thing. Speaking honestly, I was terrified. So I'd just like to put on record my personal thanks. You will be aware from my previous newsletters of the action I have been taking to hold GTR to account for the debacle following the introduction of their new train timetable in May. Over recent months, I have been arguing that compensation must not apply only to season ticket holders – there are plenty of commuters in South Cambridgeshire who have been affected but who are not season ticket holders. In the last few days, GTR has announced that the compensation scheme will now also include non-season ticket holders. This is welcome news but GTR still have some way

> to go to ensure that services are better and I have contacted Chris Grayling again to urge him to delay the proposed rail fare increase until the services have been fully restored AND maintained. My work on behalf of commuters continues and I will be meeting with the new Chief Executive of GTR shortly. I will leave him in no doubt about the strength of feeling of local commuters and will provide an update on this on my dedicated website

page – www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/gtr and in my next newsletter. Until then, if there is anything you would like to talk to me about, my next no appointment "drop in" surgery will be on Saturday 6th October (10.30am -12.30pm) in Northstowe. If you'd prefer an appointment, I'll be in Bassingbourn on the 2nd Nov between 3 and 5pm. You can find more details on my website here: https://www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/residents-dropsurgeries.

To contact me, please email heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk or call my office on 01223 830037.

See you next month!



Goodbye Lovely Tree.....

This fine specimen of Norwegian Spruce was planted in 1979 by Mrs Lily Angel, who lived in the cottage before the Lotts. It was a tiny, tiny Christmas tree and like Topsy it grew and grew!! The idea was that it would prevent cars from damaging the corner of the front garden but unfortunately the roots began undermining the garden path and the edge of the driveway in front of the cottages.

Stephanie Lott arranged for the tree to be felled on Sept. 13th.

The lumberjack said he hated cutting down fine, healthy trees, but could see the necessity of dispensing

with this one.



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PROPOSED CHRISTMAS SHOPPING TRIP TO ELY possibly

14th December

Tim Phillips will take us on a shopping trip to Ely in his wonderful bus.

We propose to leave early afternoon and then come home after the

Choral Evensong in the Cathedral that starts at 5:30.

The cost will be dependent on numbers so if you are interested please contact Mike 01799 530216 or email: mikeboagey666@gmail.com



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Exhibition – <u>Curious Nature</u>

Sat 20 October, 1-3.30pm

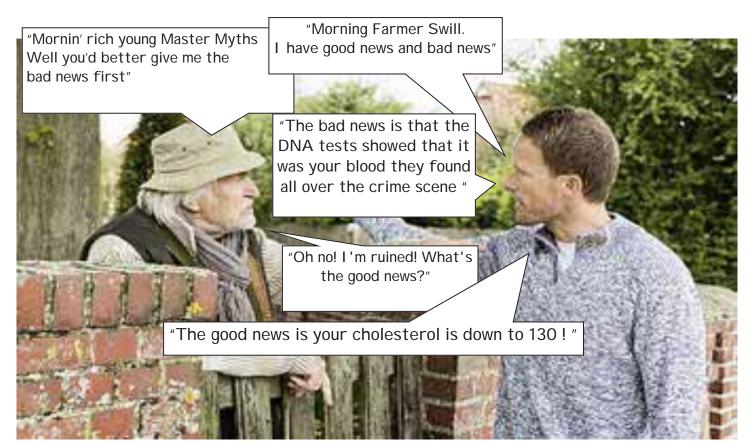
The Genome Gallery, Wellcome Genome Campus Conference Centre

Curious Nature explores the Wellcome Sanger Institute's anniversary project to sequence the genomes of 25 species found in the UK. This project helps us build a picture of biodiversity in the UK and to understand, and tackle, our impact upon it. A lovely family-friendly exhibition, which you can visit during this month's Wellcome Genome Campus Open Saturday. Tours of Campus also available. *Open to all and free to attend but booking is essential.* Tickets: https://open-saturdays.eventbrite.co.uk/ In Cambridge:

Café Sci Cambridge: Is Conservation Good For Your Health?

Wed 17 October 7-8.30pm The Locker Café, King Street, Cambridge, CB1 1LN Could conserving ecosystems help to prevent future disease outbreaks? From bats and Ebola to malaria mosquitoes, we'll explore the latest research addressing this challenging question.

More information: www.cafescicambridge.org (Free, unticketed event.)



All-Age Harvest Festival Service followed by Supper in the Village Hall

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Sunday 7th October 5:00pm

Any contributions towards the food can be dropped off at the hall from 3:00pm. There will be a box for dry-food donations for the Cambridge Food Bank in the porch for a few days before and after the service.



October Greetings to Hinxton Villagers from all at The Red Lion Inn

Our Christmas menu is out and on the website for those needing to book a particular date, time or larger numbers.

Dates and Events coming up for your diary

"Pint of Theatre"

at The Black Bull **Friday 5th October** James Rowland's "A Hundred Different Words for Love" (Edinburgh Festival and Fringe) see Black Bull website for details

> "Pint of Jazz" at The Black Bull Friday 2nd November Claudette Burch ACE jazz trio free entry - no tickets required

We look forward to welcoming you & your friends Kind regards Alex, Nikol and the teams

> 01799 530 601 info@redlionhinxton.co.uk www.redlionhinxton.co.uk



For those new to the village, the idea is for people to offer items for auction or to pledge promises, such as a couple of hours gardening or ironing, dog walking, baby sitting or baking a cake for a special occasion. Items offered for auction in the past have ranged from a jar of homemade jam to an invitation to dinner.

The offers, together with a photograph where possible, are then placed on display boards around the room and you write down your bid. You need to keep an eye on your items as someone may well have overbid you while you were enjoying a chat and a glass of wine!

So, please get your offers in early and I will try to get a list to you before the night. If you are unable to attend telephone bids would also be welcome or someone else can bid on your behalf.

All proceeds for the upkeep of Hinxton Church. Thank you for your continued support.

For more information contact Ros on 532064 or e-mail gs.286@btinternet.com

Name Address & Tel No: I tem offered for auction : Description:

Photograph if possibleif not Ros will take it.

If it were offered, I would bid for.....

Please submit any offers to Ros Smith The Hermitage, 42 High Street, 532064 email: gs.286@btinternet.com **The Hundred Parishes Society**

The Domesday Book of 1086 lists just 50 markets across England. During the Middle Ages the number increased dramatically and two thousand new markets were established between 1200 and 1350 AD. From the 12th century, monarchs granted charters to towns and villages allowing them to hold markets on specific days. A charter was a formal document and gave protection from rival markets which were prohibited from trading on the same day or within a certain distance.

The term market town originated in the Middle Ages and the Hundred Parishes has no fewer than four former market towns that still hold a regular market, albeit very different to the occasions when cattle and sheep were traded.

Newport had a flourishing market until 1141 when Geoffrey de Mandeville was granted the right to move the market to Saffron Walden. This was about the time the church and the castle were built and nearby Walden Abbey was founded. Chipping was an old name for market and the town was then known as

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Chipping Walden. Today Saffron Walden holds a market on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Market day in Thaxted is Friday. Its charter was granted in 1205. Thaxted's guildhall has an open ground floor where part of the market could be held under cover.

In 1253 King Henry III granted Great Dunmow the right to hold a market. Today, it is held on Tuesday mornings.

Buntingford was allowed a market in the 14th century by Edward III. It still holds a market on Mondays.

Barkway, Hatfield Broad Oak, Linton, Puckeridge and Standon were also once classed as market towns. The wide high streets of Barkway, Linton and Standon suggest that these were the market locations.

An exploratory visit to any of the parishes mentioned is thoroughly recommended.

Ken McDonald, Secretary



This lovely photo taken whilst on our walk this month! What a happy smiley bunch! And what a beautiful day for a stroll! Margaret, thanks for a super route around Arkesden (even if the best blackberry hedge had been cut down!). This may be a world record Hinxton Walkers' outing, with 12 of us in total. Recorded now in Hinxton News for posterity's sake!

Graham

RECIPE RELAY



October's cook is Joan Roberts. She and Idris spent a few years in Nigeria before settling in Hinxton, and as if on cue the sun was shining and it was a very hot day when a dozen of us sat outside in the shade in the garden of Linden House and ate this Nigerian curry. We all devoured seconds it was so delicious!

Linda

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon of oil.
- 4 chicken thigh fillets cubed
- 250g boneless chicken breasts cubed
- 1 onion chopped

2 teaspoon curry powder (I like very hot curry powder but mild is just as nice.)

- 425g tomatoes (I used a tin of chopped tomatoes)
- 2 tablespoons peanut butter
- ¹/₂ a green pepper sliced
- 2 teaspoons chicken stock powder

Method

Heat oil in a heavy pan and fry chicken and onion until golden brown.

Add curry powder and cook for 1 minute, stirring continuously.

Add remaining ingredients, bring to the boil, then cover and simmer for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Curried Okra to accompany the curry chicken.

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 small onion chopped
- 1 teaspoon curry powder
- 1/2 teaspoon paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1-pound Okra tailed and cut in half across
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

West African Chicken Curry with Curried Okra

Method

In a sauté pan, heat olive oil on medium heat. Add the onions and sauté until the onions are soft and translucent, about 5 minutes.

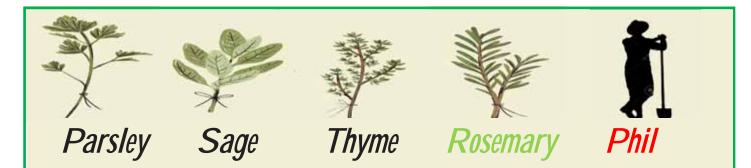
Add the curry powder, paprika and oregano. Cook stirring until the onion are coated in the spices, about 30 seconds. Add the Okra and season with salt. Cook the Okra for about 5 minutes, stirring, or until they are just soft. Add 2 tablespoons of water if needed.

> Serve both with boiled rice and side dishes of peppers, tomatoes, peanuts, cashew nuts, raw onion and sliced banana and anything else you can think of.

Idris and I would have this curry most Sunday lunch times down at the Ikoyi club in Lagos Nigeria.

I have found it is easy to cook and absolutely yummy.





Just when you thought it was all over there are shrubs and trees that startle with their colourful fruits and berries. The blackberries around the village are so sweet this year.

Restore order and tidiness and reduce the chance of disease and pests by chopping back perennials but not the evergreen varieties. Leave penstemons and hydrangeas alone until the spring. Always use sharp secateurs otherwise you will bruise the stems and that will allow disease in.

Now is the time to make leaf mould, it's magic! Put autumn leaves in a black bin liner, poke holes in the side and put in a shed to rot. After a year or so you will have free crumbly black compost that will be hugely beneficial for the whole garden.

Other jobs for October are to sharpen tools, wash pots and surfaces in the greenhouse, clean glass will let in all available light.

Hedges such as beech that lose their leaves in winter could do with a good trim now to encourage growth. Remember to cut the top and upper sides harder than the base to allow more light to reach the lower leaves, it may be an idea to use a string line to make sure the top is level.

Ponds need to be netted now if leaves are likely to fall into them, leaves change the chemical balance and encourage algae growth. Leaves are also a problem in gutters and drains, there are special gutter brushes available and plastic drain guards that fit over the whole drain and clip to the down pipe.

If you are feeling in need of cheer now it is autumn sow some sweet peas, sit back and dream of those lovely colours to ______ come.



Like Christmas the seed catalogues seem to start arriving earlier each year. As several have now thudded through our letterbox it got me thinking about which vegetables are most worth growing.

Here is my top 10.

- 1. **French beans.** Easy to grow, especially the bush varieties. Especially good for a continuous supplyis Cobra (climbing).
- 2. Flat leaved parsley. Those little pots from the supermarket don't last long. A row gives an everready supply.
- 3. Salad leaves and rocket grown in trays or in the ground. I am never too sure about those bags of leaves composting in the shops.
- 4. **Beetroot.** Trouble free as long as the sparrows don't eat the seedlings.
- 5. **Courgettes.** Expensive to buy yet so easy to grow a glut.
- 6. **Early potatoes.** Digging the first roots is an early summer treat.
- 7. **Spring onions.** Otherwise you never have them when you need them. The Japanese varieties will crop for months.
- 8. **Tomatoes.** Shop ones can be tasteless. The cherry varieties produce hundreds. Best under glass though.
- Purple sprouting broccoli. A long growing season but a boon in early spring. Freshly picked shoots melt in the mouth and claimed to be a superfood.
- Squashes, butternut and Japanese. If you have a rough patch of land they will cover it. Need no attention and the squashes will last through winter in a frost free place.



E	vent	s in October	
1st	Monday	FOOD BANK AT HARVEST ALL THROUGH October p.4	_
2nd	Tuesday	GREEN & BLUE BIN	Notable Future Dates
		I mper al War Museum Community Evening 6-8:30	Nov 10th
3rd	Wednesday	GREAT CHESTERFORD & DISTRICT GARDENING SOCIETY THE GARDENS OF CLARE COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE p.10	"Farewell Leicester Square"
4th	Thursday		A commemoration of the end of the First World War in words and song
5th	Friday	Hinxton Walkers	
6th	Saturday		, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i
7th	Sunday	Hinxton Watermill 2:30-5:30 All Age Harvest Festival Service followed by supper in the Village Hall p.15	Nov Coffee Morning 14th
8th	Monday		Nov SILENT AUCTION
9th	Tuesday	BLACK BIN	24th
10th	Wednesday	Coffee Morning 10am Village Hall	Nov A Xmassy Bingo
11th	Thursday		30th
12th	Friday		Dec Coffee Morning
13th	Saturday	A tidy-up of the playground and recreation area p.8 Ickleton Social Club Quiz Night 8:15	12th
14th	Sunday	8am Holy Communion BCP	
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16th	Tuesday	GREEN & BLUE BIN	IEGON
17th	Wednesday	Mobile Library , War Memorial 12:20-12:35	
18th	Thursday	YOUTHINC 7:30 – 9:30 pm Hinxton Village Hall P.4	
19th	Friday		
20th	Saturday		
21st	Sunday	10am Parish Communion with AIZgether for children	
22nd	Monday		Be Prepared !
23rd	Tuesday	BLACK BIN	
24th	Wednesday		The "Collectors"
25th	Thursday		THE CUHECTORS
26th	Friday		are going to knock
27th	Saturday	CRAFT CAFÉ AT St Peters Church, Duxford	
	Sunday	8am Holy Communion BCP	on <u>your door</u>
28th		Royal British Legion Poppy Day door to door collection starts	
29th	Monday		
30th	Tuesday	GREEN & BLUE BIN	
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