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The editorial team was delighted to discover that the Buckden Roundabout won a Bronze in the recent Community Magazine Awards for the second year running. Congratulations to all our contributors and, of course, to the editorial team.

The recent decision of the Public Inquiry to allow the appeal to develop up to 180 houses off Lucks Lane has resulted in several letters and articles this month. See the Parish Council page, the District Councillor's report and Letters to the Editor. We are delighted to have an article written by one of our residents, Mark Ward, whose book on local wildlife is heavily based on observations of wildlife in and around Buckden. The article, Wildlife on your Doorstep, contains exclusive extracts from the book as well as from Mark's wildlife diary. We also have the runner-up in our Writing Competition and lots of other interesting content this month. We hope you enjoy it..

As summer turns to autumn, we are looking for autumnal photos and artwork for our front cover. See details below.

Please remember to visit the Roundabout website. There are often articles there that we could not fit into the print edition, as well as information that arrives during the month: <http://www.buckdenroundabout.info/>

Editorial Team

Front Cover

The cover photo this month was provided by Ken Nicholas. As ever we are very grateful. We are currently looking for autumnal photos such as leaves turning to bright colours.

We are always looking for photos, images, drawings and paintings to use on the front cover so please keep sending them in. Please note that photos should ideally be in portrait format and should be a *minimum* of 2400 x 1700 pixels. More is better!

September Production Dates

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Buckden Parish Council News...



Planning Permission for 180 Houses off Lucks Lane - Buckden Parish Council responds

Many people reading this will already know that the Inspector who heard the appeal against planning permission refusal for a development of 180 houses off Lucks Lane has allowed the appeal and granted outline planning permission to Gladman (the developer), for the development. Buckden Parish Council was opposed to the development from the outset and was a party at the Inquiry, putting forward detailed reasons why the development should not be allowed. We are understandably very disappointed that the permission has been granted, but we recognise that due process has been followed, and we must accept and make the best of the decision reached by the Inspector after he heard all the evidence on both sides.

The history is that Gladman made an application for outline planning permission in 2016, which was refused by Huntingdonshire District Council. At that time, the Parish Council made detailed arguments against the proposal and recommended refusal. Gladman appealed, and in May 2017, the appeal was heard in the form of a Public Inquiry, which lasted for nearly two weeks in the Village Hall. HDC, the Protect Buckden's Future Group and the Parish Council were all parties at the Inquiry arguing against the development. The Parish Council argued that the development should not be allowed because of, amongst other things, traffic safety and congestion, coalescence of Buckden and Stirtloe, loss of rural amenity, and damage to heritage assets. The Inspector decided that HDC at that stage could not demonstrate a robust five-year plan to bring forward development sites to meet the housing needs of the District, and that therefore the presumption in favour of development in the Government's national guidelines on planning policy should apply. He therefore allowed the appeal.

What about the future? Gladman will not build the development as it is not a builder, but will seek to pass on the permission to a building company. The builder must apply for detailed planning permission for the development within three years and start the development within two years of detailed permission being granted. It is not certain that the development will be built, but we assume that it will be. It is important that we do what we can to capitalise on the positive aspects and minimise the concerns that we have about the development.

The Parish Council will do everything it can, working with HDC, to ensure that disruption to our daily lives during the development is kept to a minimum and that the development is built to a high standard with the promised number of affordable dwellings. On a wider front, the Parish Council will consider developing a Neighbourhood Plan that will give us more say over future developments in the village. We shall continue to fight for an A1 bypass for Buckden and for a bridge over the East Coast mainline, which would mitigate some of the major concerns we all have about traffic. Buckden is a vibrant and inclusive village, and when the development is built and occupied, I am sure we will welcome our new neighbours and help them to become fully integrated into our community.

Alec MacAndrew – Chairman of Buckden Parish Council's Planning Committee

The monthly meeting of the **Parish Council, including a 15 minutes long Public Forum will be held Tuesday 12th September**

If required, the **Parish Council's Planning Committee** will meet on **Tuesday 12th and Tuesday 26nd September** starting 7pm. Agendas for the meetings are posted on the Parish Council notice boards not later than the Saturday preceding the meeting.

Any questions or comments on this report can be addressed to the Parish Clerk, Georgina West, Clerk to Buckden Parish Council, Buckden Village Hall, Burberry Road, Buckden PE19 5UY.

Telephone (01480) 819407; Email clerk@buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk

Do not forget our website at www.buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk

FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

The two most controversial issues arising in the **County Council** in recent weeks have been:

- a) **The proposals to reduce the number of Children's Centres** and re-provide the services in fewer 'Family Zones'. I outlined the key issues in the August Roundabout and you will still have time to respond to the consultation until September 22nd. You can find it on www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/childrenscentreconsultation and if you have any specific questions about how this change might affect you or your family, you can go to ask.childrenscentres.gov.uk@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
- b) There has been a strong public reaction to the news that **councillor allowances will be increased substantially** in this time of public service austerity. An Independent Remuneration Panel was appointed to make a recommendation and did so, proposing a scheme that would have cost £751,550, slightly less than the current figure (as the new Council has fewer members than the last one). The ruling group decided to reject that and vote through their own scheme costing £936,000.

As well as a basic allowance, councillors with extra responsibilities get a Special Responsibility Allowance (SRA). This is where the most astonishing increases have taken place: Council Leader (Conservative) from £21,636 to £31,745; Deputy Leader (Conservative) from £14,682 to £20,627; Service Committee chairs (all Conservatives) from £12,363 to £18,372; Service Committee Vice-chairs (all Conservatives) from £6,182 to £7,927. In total, 23 of the 36 Conservative councillors have Special Responsibility Allowances amounting to £280,000, (90.7% of the total allocated to SRAs).

You will be aware that a **Combined Authority Mayor** was elected in May and he is now getting down to work. At the first meeting his personal salary was increased from £60,000 to £75,000 and he has gone on to set up an administrative structure costing £1.8 million. This is such a high proportion of his annual £20 million budget that the Scrutiny Panel has 'called in' the proposal. Fortunately your District Councillor, Terry Hayward, sits as an Independent on the Scrutiny Panel so I know we can rely on him to probe on 'value for money'. The Mayor has put forward an ambitious programme to build thousands of houses, improve the road system all over Cambridgeshire (no mention of the A1 so far), build a light railway round the area, an underground network for Cambridge and set up a new university in Peterborough. Another of his ideas (and one on which I agree with him) is that we should eliminate one of the tiers of local government because he believes that we do not need parish councils, district councils, a county council and a Combined Authority. Strangely enough, when I proposed exactly that in March, he voted against the idea, describing it 'as the sort of thing that makes me bloody angry'.

If you wish to raise any matters with me personally, I always come to the Village Hall at 7 p.m. on the evening of the Parish Council meeting, the 2nd Tuesday in the month. At other times, please ring me on 07765 833 486 or write to me at peter.downes@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Peter Downes, County Councillor for the Brampton and Buckden division

FROM YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR PROPOSED LUCKS LANE DEVELOPMENT

You will read comments elsewhere about the successful appeal by Gladmans to overturn the decision by HDC not to allow this development. Unfortunately in spite of a staunch defence by HDC, the Parish Council and Protect Buckden's Future the Inspector favoured Gladmans' arguments and we lost. I firmly believe that this development will be to the detriment of the village and create substantial road safety issues. The next step will be for developers to submit detailed plans to the HDC. Residents can rest assured that the HDC, Parish Council and I will do our utmost to ensure that any proposal has the least effect on the rest of the village and that we obtain maximum benefit under planning regulations for the rest of the village. I have read elsewhere and had my 'ear bent' that this was somehow HDC's fault. I firmly believe that this is very unfair; no matter how good a five year plan appears to be the Council can have only limited influence over the speed with which developers actually build. I was more disappointed by the total lack of support from both the County Council and Highways England. Their inability to recognise the very real road safety issues within the village, on the A1, at the roundabout and at the level crossing undoubtedly influenced the Inspector. How the Inspector could suggest that because the roundabout and the level crossing were already overburdened with traffic the extra traffic from the proposed development would have little effect beggars belief!

LITTER PICKING

My congratulations and thanks to the Buckden Community Litter Pickers for their valiant efforts to help keep our lovely village as we would like to see it. We can all help and reduce their and the handyman's task by taking home all of our litter.

DOG POO

Please, Please, Please; my annual plea to all dog walkers- please collect your dog's poo and either take it home or use a suitable container. There are no thoughtless dogs - only thoughtless owners.

Please do not hesitate to contact me about these issues or any others that you would like to discuss. I am available on 01480 810974 and terry.hayward@huntingdonshire.gov.uk

With best wishes

Terry Hayward, District Councillor for Buckden, Stirtloe, Diddington, Southoe and Midloe



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Gardening with Wildlife in Mind

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trusts is pleased to announce our next Autumn indoor event. This will take place on **Wednesday 11th October at 7.30pm at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB.**

Our speaker will be Iain Webb who is the Cambridge Community Conservation Officer for the Wildlife Trusts. Iain will explain how small changes that we can make in our private gardens can make a really big difference in the conservation of our native species. He will show us how to attract insects, amphibians, birds and small mammals by providing the best possible habitats such as ponds, shelter, and food sources. Whether it is by planting the best nectar producing plants or simply by hanging out nuts and seeds for birds and providing bird baths, we can all help!

This should be a really interesting talk for anyone interested in wildlife. Everyone is most welcome to attend. Booking is not necessary. Entrance charge £2.50 (accompanied children free). Please contact Tim on 01480 457795 for more information.

Part of the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire. Registered Charity No: 1000412

Rainbows in Buckden

Rainbows are the youngest members of Girlguiding UK – girls aged from 5 to 7 years.

Being a Rainbow is all about having the space to try new things, through taking part in a range of different activities with girls their own age. Rainbows develop self-confidence and make new friends whilst having fun. Rainbows learn and grow through a programme of activities- games, craft, songs and challenges - both at weekly meetings and at special events.



We meet weekly on a Tuesday in Buckden Village Hall 4.30 to 5.30pm during term time.

Would your daughter like to join us ?

If already aged 5 (or just 6) there are a couple of spaces for September start available or very happy to add younger names on our waiting list

For more information please contact Sandra on 810404 or register via www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/

BUCKDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

BIKE SECURITY

Invest in the best locks you can afford. For maximum protection use two locks of different types, a D-Lock of good quality and a robust chain with a closed shackle padlock (any bike shop should be able to offer advice). Use each lock to secure the wheels and frame to a fixed object. Use designated cycle racks or other immovable objects that the cycle cannot be lifted over - do not just lock the frame to the wheel.

Leave it in a well-lit public area, if possible where lots of people frequent or, in town, areas covered by CCTV. At home do not leave cycles unlocked in your garden or at the side of your house, even for few minutes - that is all it takes to remove an insecure cycle. Lock cycles in sheds and garages and keep the cycle out of sight.

Consider marking the cycle with a permanent mark and register with www.immobilise.com

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EMAIL

burglarycrackdown@cambs.pnn.police.uk OR online at www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Your village NW Coordinators are RICHARD WEST 811467 CLIVE WILLIAMS 811828

**Catholic Church of St Hugh of Lincoln, High Street,
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Telephone: **01480 810344**

Website: saintshughandjoseph.churchgoers.co.uk

In the pastoral care of the Claretian Missionaries:

Fr. Chris Newman cmf
Fr. Angel Ochagavia cmf
Fr. Peter Wareing cmf
Fr. Paul Peter Alphonse cmf

Sunday Masses - Saturday evening at 6.30 pm and Sundays at 9.45 am.

Weekday Masses - Monday to Saturday at 9.30 am in the Lady Chapel.

Morning and Evening Prayer Monday to Saturday at 9.15 am and 5.45pm in the Lady Chapel.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation every Saturday from 10.00 to 10.30 am.

The Rosary is prayed each Monday morning after the 9.30 am Mass.

Catechism Classes for school age children each Sunday from 9.00 am in term time. Formal classes for primary age children.

Silent Adoration. There is half an hour of silent adoration before the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday following the 9.30 am Mass and ending with Benediction at 10.30 am.

Would any newcomers to the Village who are Catholics please let Fr. Chris Newman know their contact details.

Buckden Methodist Church

Minister: Rev. Paul Beard
(01480 473444)

Stewards: Angie Barnes (810102)
Bob Baxter (810092)
Carol Swepstone (810053)

Services in September

Sunday 3rd

10.30 a.m. Morning Service: Mrs. Angie Barnes

Sunday 10th

10.30 a.m. Morning Service: Mr. John Green

Sunday 17th

10.30 a.m. Morning Service: Local Arrangement
6 p.m. Evening Fellowship

Sunday 24th

10.30 a.m. Harvest Festival: Rev. Matt Finch (followed by lunch)

Activities in September

Friday 1st:	10 a.m.	Coffee Morning in aid of Shoebox Appeal
Monday 11th:	12.30 p.m.	Study Lunch
Tuesday 12th:	9.30 a.m.	Quiet Time
Friday 15th:	12 noon	Soup and Sweet Lunch
Friday 22nd:	10 a.m.	Coffee Morning
Tuesday 26th:	9.30 a.m.	Bible Study
Friday 29th:	10 a.m.	Macmillan Coffee Morning

Six Bells, a Bishop, a Queen and two Dukes (1500-1551)

Part 6 in the story of Buckden Church, celebrating the 800th anniversary of William de Bugden, our first recorded priest in 1217.

Readers may be puzzled that, in our articles celebrating the 800th anniversary of St. Mary's first recorded priest, William in 1217, we have not given more space to the vicars that followed. The reason for this is that their names lack detail and they were often of an ordinary background, making them difficult to trace in historic records. We know more of those from the 18th century onwards and they will be noted later. A good, but incomplete, list can be found at:

<http://www.ely.anglican.org/parishes/buckden/historyvicars.php>

Our earliest (Catholic) bell dates to c1510, when it was cast by Thomas Bullisdon of London; its Latin inscription translates as 'Saint Katherine Pray for Us', and it may have been subscribed for by the guild worshiping in the north aisle mentioned last month. The belfry houses six bells, made in 1510, 1627, 1654, 1779, 1790 and 1997, the last for the celebration of the new Millennium bell frame. They are still rung every week and for weddings etc.

Henry VIII appointed Thomas Wolsey as Bishop of Lincoln in 1514, and he stayed at Buckden's new palace. Simultaneously, Wolsey began construction of Hampton Court Palace and was made Lord Chancellor the following year. Queen Katherine of Aragon was held in Buckden palace under house arrest by Henry in 1533, but had access to the village and no doubt prayed in St. Mary's, with the newly appointed vicar, Henry White MA.

Henry White was still vicar in 1551 and would have presided over the hasty burials of two Dukes of Suffolk. Staying at the palace, the older Duke, Henry Brandon, aged 15 died on 14th July, and his younger brother Charles became Duke. Unfortunately, Charles had also contracted the same English sweating sickness and died twenty minutes later, making his the shortest-lived peerage on record.



**St Mary's Parish Church,
Church St, Buckden PE19 5TL**

SUNDAY Services

11am Family service - every week

6pm Communion - 1st Sundays only

8am Communion - 2nd 4th 5th Sundays

6pm Evensong - 3rd Sundays only

7pm Night prayer - 4th Sundays only

WEEKDAY Services

Monday 2.15pm Daily Prayers

Tuesday 1.30pm Daily Prayers

Wednesday 9.30am Communion

Thursday 1.00pm Daily Prayers

Friday 9.15am Daily Prayers

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAYS

8pm Going Deeper – informal bible study at the Horse-shoe Inn, Offord Darcy

8.15pm Bell-Ringers practice at St Mary's

TUESDAYS

Jamworkx After-School Club 3.15pm at Buckden School
(term-time only)

WEDNESDAYS

10.00am Cuppa and chat after communion

10.30am Going Deeper – informal bible study

FRIDAYS

15th & 22nd September 6.45pm
Angel Voices – informal all-age choir

SATURDAYS - COFFEE & CAKES

10.30am – 12 noon in St Mary's

This month we have much to celebrate! Thanks to the approval of a £40,000 grant from the Amey Community Fund and to all the fund-raising activities which have contributed to our restoration fund we have been able to start repairs to the high-level stonework of the tower. Apologies for any inconvenience caused by the scaffolding and the vehicles.

***800* Celebration weekend: 16th / 17th Sept** We celebrate both the 800th anniversary of the first priest recorded in Buckden (Rev William de Bugden in 1217) and the many & varied talents that have gone into the *800 and counting* challenge. All proceeds are to be returned to St Mary's over the celebration weekend. There will various displays, performances and refreshments in church on the Saturday and a special celebration service at 11am on Sunday.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Thursday 7th Sept - Getting active walk

meet 7pm outside The Lion to walk for ½ hour before M&Ms or 1 hour if you prefer

Thursday 7th Sept 7.30pm - vicarage

M&Ms – ladies' fellowship group

Heritage Weekend 9th/10th Sept

Church open for heritage weekend visitors

Saturday - Ride & Stride event

Wednesday 13th September

Friends in Deed - Living Stones Cafe

2.30pm – 4pm refreshments & chat

Thursday 14th Sept - Getting active cycle

meet 7pm in Buckden Village Hall carpark for an hour's cycle then a well-earned drink

CELEBRATION Weekend 16th/17th Sept

800 years – 800 & counting talents, performances, displays, refreshments

Thursday 21st Sept - Getting active walk

meet 7pm outside Buckden Marina for an hour's walk then a well-earned drink

Sunday 24th Sept – OPEN MEETING

Everyone welcome. Come & share your views.

Thursday 28th Sept - Getting active cycle

details to be confirmed

For more information on our events / activities / services all year, see www.stmarysbuckden.org.uk or follow us on facebook: St Mary's Buckden or twitter: @A1churchbuckden

Priest in Charge: Rev Jes Salt 01480 819377 priestincharge@stmarysbuckden.org.uk



Buckden & District Churches Together
www.buckdendistrictchurches.wordpress.com

Anglicans Baptists Catholics Methodists

Weekly Prayer Roster

Each week during the year the Churches, in their prayers, remember the residents of particular streets in the village, those who work in the parish and village organizations. Those to be remembered this month are:

3rd September	Church Street, Mill Road, The Barns, The Old Flour Mills
10th September	The Parish Council, The Village Hall and Playing Field Trust; those who help to run the Village Hall, and the activities there
17th September	Greenway, Aragon Close, Hoo Close, Bishops Way
24th September	Village shops, and those who work in them; businesses based in the village, hotels, inns, and those who work at home; homemakers, carers, the unemployed and underemployed, and all visitors to the village

Thought for the Month

Dear Friends,

I am now, I think, officially middle-aged. I know I still look young and vibrant, but don't be fooled. I know I am middle-aged now because I have started gardening.

For two years we have been shaking our heads and clicking our tongues at the vegetable patches in the corner of the garden. No more! The raised beds and their vegetable contents have gone to the tip — or Household Waste Recycling Centre as we must now call it — and a new (slightly sloping) cottage garden has emerged.

“What is your point?” I hear you cry.

My point is: how many things are there in our Churches and in our lives that we have been shaking our heads and clicking our tongues at for years, but haven't done anything about? It is human nature to let sleeping dogs lie; to accept the unacceptable simply because we have not done anything to change it. We wait around (often with an occasional moan) until someone or something finally prods us into action.

That is not good enough for the Christian. God deserves the best from us, because God gives the best to us. I know that there are quite a few things in my life and in the Church that need drastic overhauling. The vegetable patch is just the Household Waste Recycling Centre of the iceberg.

I hope I am not too middle-aged to make a start on some of them. God has infinite patience with me, but I really shouldn't rely on that. I pray God will give me the strength and the inspiration to attack more than the garden.

And I pray that God will inspire you, too, to attend to your vegetable patches, your lives and our Churches.

Every blessing.
Paul



20th PIDLEY INTERNATIONAL **20years**
TEDDY BEAR FREEFALL COMPETITION
 Saturday 9th September 2017 from 10am
 Rookery Farm, Pidley PE28 3DF
 Follow the signs from the village

- Plenty of family entertainment including the world-famous Teddy Bear Freefall Competition! Which Teddy Bear will you support??
- Meet Pidley Ted and his team of stretcher-bearer Brownies
- Bring your own teddy bears and take part in the Best Dressed Teddy Bear competition
- Free entry and plenty of car-parking spaces
- Delicious Food, Drink & Cakes!
- Plus extra new activities and lots of games to enjoy on the day!

Help us celebrate our 20th Anniversary of this great event!

PIDLEY MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM



All funds raised go towards local charity Pidley Mountain Rescue Team. We provide specialised equipment to improve the independence and quality of life of children and adults living in Huntingdonshire who are coping with disabilities or mobility issues.

www.pidleymountainrescue.org.uk

Methodists Support Macmillan: 10a.m. Friday 29th September

As usual, the Methodists will be joining the village's efforts to support Macmillan's 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' by devoting their regular coffee slot to that cause.

There will be a cake stall and sales table and with your help we hope for another great result, to "change lives with every slice!"

Do come along and spend a cheery morning with good company in a very worthwhile cause. Thank you.

Buckden WEA In and Out of the Workhouse

Explore life inside and outside the local Union Workhouse, and changing social attitudes towards poverty.

Tutor: Liz Carter

Tuesdays 26th September to 5th December 2017

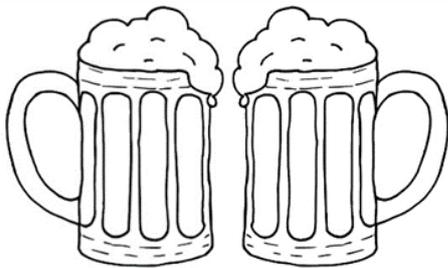
Half Term on 24th October

10 sessions of 90 minutes: Fee £54.00

10.00 to 11.45 with coffee

The Claret Centre, Buckden Towers.

Contacts: Bridget Hale 216391, Bill Templeton 456788



Beer Festival

Join us for a great time on

Friday 15th & Saturday 16thth September 2017

Many beers and ciders, plus other drinks for non-beer drinkers

Live Music on both nights.

BBQ

Friday night Adults only, 18.00 to 23.30

Saturday 12.00 to 23.30, including Family Afternoon

Location – Scout Hut, Lucks Lane, Buckden

All proceeds to Buckden Scouts

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal, 2017

Buckden Community will be taking part in the above appeal and shoe boxes will be collected in November. Operation Christmas Child is a worthwhile charity making a difference at Christmas, by giving shoe boxes containing small gifts to children in poor countries.

Gift suggestions:

Toiletries: Toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, comb, hair clips, bar of soap, flannel, etc.

No Bottles or liquid items please, thank you.

Educational Supplies: Felt pens, pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, eraser, colouring book, notepad, picture or puzzle book, chalk, pencil case, stickers, solar calculators, etc.

Toys:

Cuddly toy, doll, toy truck, skipping rope, yo-yo, ball, small puzzle, etc.

Other items:

Hat, scarf, gloves, sunglasses, hair accessories, wind up torch, jewellery set, sweets (best before date of at least March 2018)

Are you able to knit a puppet, hat, scarf, gloves for a Christmas shoebox please? Patterns are available .

Of course, you may like to do your own shoebox and this would be very welcome, as well.

Another way of helping this appeal is, if you have a spare empty shoebox. Donations of money always welcome for transportation as this year it will cost £5 to transport each box. Thank you.

If you would like more information contact Carol Swebstone on 810053. Thank you.

Shoebox Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy Stall

Friday 1st September at 10 o' clock in the Methodist Schoolroom.

Leaflets, knitting patterns and examples of completed shoeboxes, ways to help towards the shoebox appeal will all be there. Donations made will all help the shoebox appeal. Please come and find out if you can help in any way, thank you.

Carol Swebstone 810053

Huntingdonshire Health Walk Scheme Huntingdon Group September 2017

This month, there are 9 Wednesday-afternoon/ Friday-morning health walks. The one at 2pm on the 13th is centred on our Village Hall car park. There is also a new 'Hartford Marina' walk, from 10am on the 15th, centred on the Barley Mow Pub, Main Street, Hartford.

Health walks are of 45 - 80 minutes' duration. You walk at your own pace but with the added benefits of being in the company of other walkers plus trained walk leaders.

Weather-proof clothes and sturdy shoes are a must, and so is a bottle of water, to avoid dehydration. There's usually a cup of tea/coffee available to enjoy afterwards, if you so wish. Health walking is a very companionable and healthy experience – your company would be most welcome.

For further information, please check out www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/healthwalks, or feel free to telephone Danielle Sancaster on 01480 387047

MONDAY CLUB

We are a social group of retired ladies who meet fortnightly at 2.30pm in the Millard Room at Buckden Village Hall.

We enjoy a cup of tea as we chat and participate in a raffle. Once a month we aim to organise a speaker or activity.

Our meetings for **September 2017** will be:

04 September: A talk by St Neots Fire Service

18 September: A talk on Assistive Technology by the 'Safe and Well' Service advising on available aids and gadgets to help with independent living

NB. This meeting will be in the Lincoln Room

Why not come and join us? You'd be most welcome! If you require a lift or any further information please contact Jane Scott on 811468 or Betty Millard on 810087.

THE FRIENDS OF BUCKDEN TOWERS

Heritage Day

at

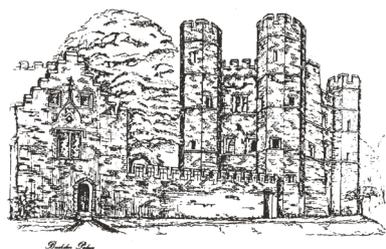
The Towers

Sunday 10th September 2017
1.00 to 4.00 p.m.

Open to the Public

Free Entry and Parking

"Mini tours" of The Towers – only £2.00
Produce stalls
John Banks Plants
Refreshments



Buckden Local History Society September Meeting

Outing To

The Norris Museum

Wednesday 20th September

7.00-8.30pm

Meet at the museum

41 Broadway, St Ives

PE27 5BX

Visitors £4.00

*For further details and to reserve a place contact
buckdenhistory@gmail.com*

Buckden Gardeners Association

Saturday 9th September 2017
Buckden Gardeners Autumn Show
& Plant Sale
2.00pm Buckden Village Hall
Adult admission 50p, children free.



The entries are in, the judges are booked and the trophies are ready. Tea, coffee and cake will be waiting for you.

Please come and admire the exhibits, meet up with friends and chat over a cuppa, buy a raffle ticket or two and take time to look at the stalls selling their goods.

Full details including schedules are on our web site
www.buckdengardeners.info

Tel: Pam 01480 811680 for further information.

LIFE DRAWING GROUP*

Venue: Buckden Village Hall
Day: Wednesday
Time: 9.30 am - 12.30 pm
Contact: Terry Sladden
Tel: 01480 811031
Email: trrslddn8@gmail.com

Cost: **£10.00 per 3 hours** inc. 30 minute break

*Male & Female models



Summer Reading Challenge

The summer reading challenge has been very popular this year with over 70 children visiting Buckden library regularly to take part in our weekly craft activity and choose books to read over the summer.

The presentation ceremony for those who have completed the challenge is on Friday 15th September at 5pm. We hope as many children as possible will come along to collect their medal and certificate.

Story Time

Our regular story time for pre-school children takes place every Tuesday afternoon from 2.15 – 2.45pm. Do come along for half an hour of stories and fun.

Engage in the Afternoon

The next Engage in the Afternoon, ‘The Reader of Books; Roald Dahl’s Matilda’ is on Wednesday 20th September. Becky Morris who is completing a PhD in English Literature will be talking about Matilda and some of the Victorian and Edwardian novels she reads. This is a free event; tickets are available from the library.

Tuesday	10.00 am to 1.00 pm
	2.00 pm to 5.00 pm
Thursday	2.00 pm to 5.00 pm
Friday	5.00 pm to 8.00 pm
Saturday	10.00 am to 1.00 pm
Closed Monday and Wednesday	

Village Hall, Burberry Road, Buckden
Tel: 0345 045 5225
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

CELEBRATION WEEKEND

for the conclusion of the
'800 and Counting'
fund-raising initiative at
St.Mary's Church, Buckden

Sat. 16th Sept.
11am ~ 4pm
'A Celebration of Talent'

Sun. 17th Sept.
11am
Celebration Family Service

Wednesday 20th September
2.00 - 3.30pm
at Buckden Library

The Reader of Books: Roald Dahl’s Matilda

Rebecca Morris is completing a PhD in English Literature, specialising in “The Girl Hero in 19th and 20th Century Children’s Literature”. She will be talking about Matilda and some of the Victorian and Edwardian novels she reads.

This is a free event - donations welcome.
Booking required - tickets available from
Buckden Library or call 0345 045 5225

Refreshments served after the talk
Contact 0345 045 5225 for more information

Bowls Club Monthly Draw

July		August	
No. 14		No. 80	
Roger Pursford	£20	Paul Richards	£20
No. 37		No. 21	
Sue Bebbington	£10	Denise Heath	£10
No. 84		No. 58	
Karen Reid	£5	Juliet May	£5

Sir,
We are very disappointed to learn of the Government Inspector's decision to now permit the building of the 180 houses on land off Lucks Lane, Buckden; despite all our best efforts and the assistance and support, including financially, of many villagers over the last 18 months.

His decision was based on his finding that the Hunts District Council cannot demonstrate a five-year-plan for housing construction and that they are unlikely to be able to do so for the medium term future. Accordingly, any housing construction on any land around Buckden and indeed throughout Huntingdonshire, subject to certain conditions, is now permissible to fulfil the shortfall over the coming years.

Gladman, the land bankers involved in this Buckden site, and others will now have free rein in planning applications for any development around Buckden and other Hunts villages, knowing that, subject to certain conditions, their application cannot be refused until the HDC can meet the housing quotas stipulated by the Inspector.

The Inspector chose to ignore or dismiss our (and the Buckden Parish Council's) evidence and arguments re highway and village congestion and safety, pedestrian safety, heritage, coalescence of Buckden/Stirtloe, public transportation, the school and surgery etc., instead he accepted all Gladman's evidence and arguments. Those are his prerogatives and his findings, and he cannot be challenged further in the courts, even if we had the funds and expertise to do so.

The PBF Group is devastated by this news for Buckden; we did our best for the village and thank all our supporters for their time, efforts and funds in trying to prevent this unsustainable development from going ahead.

Again, we thank all those who have been involved in this campaign and hope that the burden of this development will not lie too heavy on us all.

Yours faithfully,
Barry Jobling
Chairman
Protect Buckden's Future Group

Sir,
Building in Buckden helps the "housing crisis." Nonsense.

There is a housing issue for some, but not all. Housing affordability has consistently fallen over the last 40 years. Building "more" fails to address this, e.g. Bucken 20% only on social need. Typical.

The recent Inquiry was farcical, ignoring the detriment to environment and local community.

A stable population needs 2 percent of its income for infrastructure maintenance. Population growth of 1 per cent needs 3 percent of income, 2 per cent growth needs 4 percent of income, and infrastructure tasks and cost doubles. More downward pressure on amenities like doctors, schools.

UK population in 2015: 65 million; 78million plus by 2039, 100 million plus by 2100. Adding a city the size of Liverpool every year. These figures mean future crisis. There is already major pressure to encroach on the green belt.

The UK depends for over 50% on food imports. Rising world population, with global warming, means food production problems are increasing. GM is not a magic bullet solution. Assuming other countries are going to be a perpetual food basket is nonsense, as is concreting over more and more of the UK.

UK living standards are based on a use of 1.7 earths. Sustainability is achievable, but more people and more building magnifies the problem.

Solution? The cheapest, quickest most sustainable and achievable is to stop population expansion. "All environmental problems become ultimately impossible to solve with more people." (Sir David Attenborough)

Not changing this condemns our children and grandchildren to a far worse world.

Willing to do something? Questions? Contact
huntspm@gmail.com

Yours sincerely,
John Davies
Population Matters

Wildlife on Your Doorstep

Mark Ward is Editor-in-Chief for the RSPB. He moved to Buckden in 2011 with his wife Laura and was so impressed with its wildlife that it became the inspiration for his latest book, *Wildlife on Your Doorstep*. In this exclusive article for *The Roundabout* he shares extracts from the book and the story behind it.

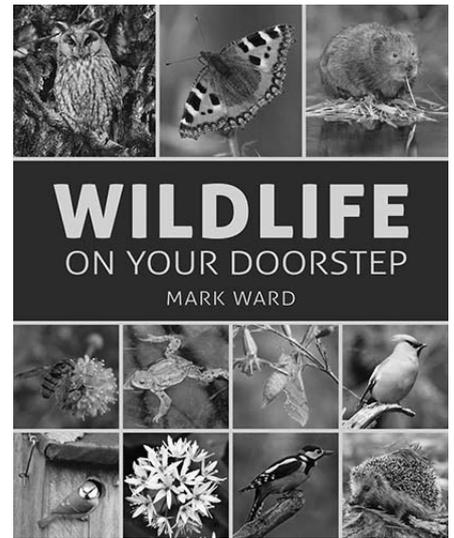
It was a bitter January day when we moved into our new home. As I gazed out across the wildlife-free zone that was our new garden from the kitchen window; over piles of rubble and paving stones and a dying *leylandii* hedge, I was blissfully unaware this ramshackle spot would soon become a haven for newts, toads, animals, birds and a host of insects.

It didn't take long for me to have my first amazing wildlife encounters, as this entry from my diary from our first week in the house shows.

From the diary - 5th January

As I brushed my teeth this morning, trilling calls drifted in through the half-open bathroom window. I hurriedly pressed the stop button in case I was just getting overexcited by a malfunctioning toothbrush, but no: it was the sibilant trill of Waxwings! Dripping toothpaste all down the stairs (leading to a later admonishment from Laura), I raced outside, pyjama clad, to find a flock of 40 of these plump beauties sitting in Silver Birches on the green. While watching them from the garden later on as they perched on next door's TV aerial, and proudly pointing them out to the in-laws, the sublime went to the ridiculous as a brace of Woodcock suddenly hurtled through right over our heads, presumably disturbed by the farmer at work in the next field. The distraction of having one of my favourite birds available from various windows in the house is an unbelievable treat, but has done me no favours when it came to getting the boxes unpacked for moving in!

The attraction of nearby nature reserves, Grafham Water, Brampton Wood and Paxton Pits were well known to me, having grown up in Cambridgeshire, but over the next few years the variety and abundance of wildlife I found in the Buckden area amazed me.



Badger feeding in the garden

Studying an OS map got me looking closely at the area we now called home. Footpaths and bridleways provided easy access to all sorts of places I couldn't wait to explore. Looking more closely at the village, I found a churchyard, a pond tucked away behind the playing field and a secluded flood meadow. This put the idea in my mind of setting a patch – an area I could watch regularly and get to know everything that lived there, so I drew on a circle with a radius of 5 miles with our house in the middle and made that my main area of wildlife watching.

Most exciting of all was the chain of gravel pits running alongside the river from Buckden Marina. I had no idea at that time that this was a major migration flyway and what a range of raptors, terns, waders, wildfowl and gulls I'd be seeing migrating along it from the comfort of my own garden.

The best place to start with getting to know your local wildlife is your garden. This is where many of my best encounters of all have occurred. If you can provide a varied spread, your garden should become the go to place for birds throughout the year. Here's what I feed mine:

- Seed – A quality mix, with little or no wheat, on the bird table and in hanging and pole seed feeders.
- Fat balls – High in energy. Just put whole in a special cage feeder where they'll not be stolen by squirrels and can last a good while. Avoid nets – birds get their feet caught.
- Fat cakes – Square shaped suet products in snug square cage feeders.
- Suet pellets – On the bird table and a hanging cage feeder full of them too.
- Fallen fruit – Apples go out in hard weather as natural fruits and berries dwindle.
- Scraps – Nothing wrong with kitchen scraps, so crumbs and old grated cheese go out too.

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Wetland wonders

The River Ouse to the east of the village is a brilliant place to walk along through the year. Summer brings abundant dragonflies and damselflies, including our local speciality, the Scarce Chaser. Even winter brings great wildlife watching though as this entry from my diary shows.

From the diary - 26th February

I'd abandoned a trip further afield and decided on a walk along the river instead with nothing in particular in mind to look for, other than to enjoy the walk. As I passed the huge fallen Crack Willow, a spluttering snort came from below me. Looking down, I stared into a whiskery face with a pair of dewy eyes – my first local Otter. It was hard to suppress the heart-pumping excitement and I worried I might spook it by getting over excited. Fortunately, it wasn't worried by me gawking at it and swam along a bit further, scurried up the bank to emerge on the path behind me, giving an unforgettable view as it stared at me again before continuing on to one of the gravel pits for more fishing.

Marvellous migrants

During migration times in spring and autumn, around 100 different species of birds pass through the Buckden area, stopping off to feed and "refuel" on their long journeys.

Grafham Water is a brilliant place for birdwatching, especially in spring and autumn when it acts a "magnet" for birds migrating along the River Ouse Valley - north in spring as they head to northern Europe and the Arctic to breed and south in autumn as they head for Africa. The world's longest distance migrant, the Arctic Tern, is a regular visitor to the reservoir in late April and early May when flocks of these graceful birds stop to feed on their migration that can see them cover 50,000 miles in a year from pole to pole. Scarce species regularly drop in at these times, as another diary entry shows:

From the diary - 15th September

Laura and I went blackberrying around the lagoons at Grafham Water today. The hedgerows are a reliable spot for a good crop of juicy berries and it is a handy circular route of a mile or so. It was no use pretending that I didn't know two juvenile Spoonbills had arrived there - the main reason for the visit. After filling our baskets, we enjoyed the sight of two of these unusually active individuals sweeping their spectacular spatula bills through the shallow waters of one of the pools at point blank range. We came home with a good few bags of blackberries too, so everyone was happy.

Discover the wildlife on your doorstep

Watching the wildlife that lives alongside me provides a rollercoaster ride of emotions every day of the year. I laugh when the beady-eyed Starlings squabble over the fat balls in my garden and the Badger cubs topple over when they sneeze too hard. I worry if the Blue Tits are bringing enough caterpillars to their chicks in the nestbox and if the Swallows will return safely from Africa. And I am full of envy when somebody sees something in my patch that I haven't!



Privet Hawk Moths on the wall

Get to know the birds, animals, butterflies and bees that live on your doorstep and I guarantee you'll become hooked – just like me.

Get the book

Wildlife on Your Doorstep is published by Reed New Holland and is available from all good booksellers, in store and online. Simply Google "Wildlife on Your Doorstep, Mark Ward". The book is 180 pages long and full colour throughout with more than 150 photographs, many taken in Buckden and the local area. It is packed with advice and tips on attracting wildlife to your garden and what you can see through the year, as well as extracts from Mark's diaries. Mark also has copies available that he would be happy to put a personal message in. He is also happy to answer any questions you have about wildlife, attracting wildlife to your garden and where to go locally by dropping him an email at goldenbins@hotmail.co.uk or calling 07974 432 460.

Pig at Grand PoPo by Pat King

Journeying Overland through Africa is full of experiences especially when self catering whilst camping. We had failed to buy anything for supper when we pitched up our tents in the Ivory Coast. Was it to be tinned tuna and pasta again! Suddenly a man appeared from nowhere on a moped, as they are apt to do in Africa, asking 'Did we want pork?' This, to a group of travellers who had not tasted meat for some weeks, was like asking us....well anyway, we certainly did want pork.

I was designated cook for that evening so I spoke to the man who instantly invited me to sit behind him on his moped. Off we went down a very dusty, potholed road where I was presented with a choice of four, small, black pigs in a dark corner of a farm-yard. 'Choose your pig' he said. I wasn't so sure that I wanted pork now that I saw it running around on four short legs. 'Don't worry I've changed my mind. Just take me back and I will pay you for your time.' I said cowardly. 'Don't be silly Mom, I'll choose one for you.' With that he pointed to the smallest, of course, and gave orders for its capture. Amazingly his friend turned up, on another moped, and the poor piggy was tied to his handlebars. Still alive at this point and squealing loudly! I was a bit upset but thought, 'well there's no going back now without pork so I might as well see it through'. He had also taken the money off me by then.

We drove to his home where he directed me into his living quarters whilst he cut poor piggies throat. Amazingly his animals, goats and chickens came to watch the final deed. I put my hands over my ears...sure you can imagine why.

'Come see it being prepared', Well the dreadful bit was over so I thought why not! We went into a shack where the pig was laid out on a plank. There was a red, bleeding gouge where the throat had been cut. He sharpened a knife then poured boiling water over the pig using the knife to scrape off the black hair. After scalding the whole pig again he dunked it full in the boiling pot. I declined the head before he scrubbed the carcass with water containing dissolved blue crystals. A young lad came to hold the legs as the man used a large cutlass to cut down through the stomach. Entrails slithered into a large bowl, grey intestines and dark red lungs. He then jointed the pork.

Putting the meat into a large basket he loaded it and me back onto the moped and he returned me to a very hungry group of campers.

The pork tasted delicious after barbecuing on an open fire. I did feel a bit guilty eating it but what an experience, one that can only be gained by travelling Overland.

Writing Competition

This month, we publish the first runner-up in our writing competition. Congratulations to Pat King The judge had this to say about Pat's entry: *"This piece has a feel of a real event. Although it is obviously a recollection, the use of snippets of dialogue give the reader the sense of being an observer of the scene "*. Further runners-up will be published in later editions

From Little Acorns - A Bomber Crew Story from WW2 by Roger Leivers

Five years ago, this October, an email was forwarded to me from a gentleman who owned a rare Squire Supercharged sports car, enquiring about a Stirling Bomber which crashed close to Godmanchester on the 11th April 1942. The car had been owned by Sqd Ldr Drummond Wilson who lost his life in the crash. From this email, an amazing story revealed itself, and having now completed the research into the crew I have been able to put together a detailed account of their lives, the raids they flew on and XV Squadron's (based at Alconbury and Wyton) entire activity from October 1941 to the date of the crash. But the story is far more than bombs and bullets, for thanks to the families I have been able to discover what happened to the crew men. Did they live to see VE Day? Would fate be kind to them, or would she turn her back? And what became of the families, the wives, girlfriends and children? The twists and turns of fate, the seemingly insignificant decisions which could cost a man his life, or indeed save him.

The book 'Stirling to Essen' chronicles these events, revealing stories connected to the Battle of Britain, and even the holocaust. It's filled with personal accounts provided by the families, as well over 60 photographs, nearly all made available for the first time. The book, supported by a Goodliff Fund grant of £1000, has now been launched, and its first outing was at my annual Godmanchester Bomber Command Day. The following week saw the main launch take place at the Imperial War Museum Duxford's 'Flying Legends' weekend. Since then it's been featured at the Town's Gala Day and had a 'reading' at Huntingdon Bookshop.

The Facebook page that supports the project ('The Godmanchester Stirling') is now followed by nearly 800 people from 42 countries across the world. The talk, by the same name, has been given to every historical society in the Huntingdon area. The book is available online with both Amazon and Waterstones, or via Fighting High Publishing, or if you would like a signed/ dedicated copy then please contact me directly (01480 383460).

All that remains is for the families to meet in Godmanchester this September to unveil a memorial to Drummond Wilson and his crew, an eternal reminder of the service and sacrifice they made 75 years ago this year.

FRIENDS IN DEED

The Friends in Deed Summer Tea Party was held on the 2nd August at the Bowlings and we would like to express our gratitude once again to Pam and Miles Falla who very kindly hosted the event. The weather was not so kind and a last minute decision to hold the event indoors proved to be a wise one! Thirty-nine people came along for tea and a variety of homemade cakes. Very many thanks to Brenda Steadman as the main organiser and to all those members who provided cakes, gave lifts and helped out on the day, making it such an enjoyable occasion.



The next Drop-in Café will be held on 13 September (and subsequently on the second Wednesday of each month) in the Living Stones Room in St Mary's Church, 2.30pm to 4pm. If you like homemade cakes, tea or coffee, and a friendly atmosphere, why not come along and join us. All are welcome and transport is available within the village on request (see below).

For help or information contact:

Coordinator: Jane Scott 07810 006598

Leave a message and include your contact details

Requests for transport: Andy Scott 07914 669967.

<http://www.buckdenroundabout.info/friends-in-deed>

BUCKDEN WI

Our next W.I. Meeting Tuesday 5th September 7:30pm at Buckden School hall will be a talk titled "Why Exercise Matters".

This will be an interesting evening as we all want to live longer and exercise plays a part in this. Everyone is welcome.

The competition is your favourite trainers.

For more information please contact:

Ruth Nicholas – 07957 334142

Judith Armitage – 01480 811717

Patricia Ford – 01480 819144



BUCKDEN ROUNDABOUT WINS AWARD

For the second year running the Buckden Roundabout has won the Bronze award in the Cambridge Building Society Community Magazine awards. The Roundabout won bronze in the category for "high-frequency" magazines (those with 10 to 12 issues per year), the same category in which we won bronze last year. Your Roundabout editorial team is determined to improve the Roundabout and we have our eyes on a silver, or even a gold award for 2018. We couldn't do this without the contributions from all our regular contributors, from those who write occasional articles for us, and from those who submit wonderful photographs for the front cover. This award is for you too.



Buckden Wine & Beermakers Society

Several members exhibited wines and liquors at the Buckden Spring Gardeners show and achieved winning places.

At the beginning of April the committee enjoyed a meal together and at the 39th AGM all the previous committee were re-elected.

May meeting was an Australian themed evening. Members sampled Australian beers, wines and delicacies of crocodile, kangaroo, ostrich, lamingtons, damper bread and vegemite.

At the Buckden, Bretton, Peterborough and Sawtry Wine and Beer Makers County Show Buckden accomplished 2nd place overall and all who entered products were placed.

At the June meeting a record numbers of members attended an interesting and informative presentation, about The Pathfinders, by R.A.F Wyton Heritage Centre. The evening concluded with nibbles and elderflower champagne.

A big thank you to all those who organised and supported the 'Human fruit Machine' stall at the Buckden Village Festival.

We meet at the Scout Hut on the 4th Thursday of the month at 8.00pm.

NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

to join a lively sociable group where help and advice on wine and beer making are freely given.

For further information contact Ann Elliott 01480 810346

Future meetings.

Thursday 28th September. A visit to
The Happy Brewer at Roxton.

Burberry Road, Buckden, Cambridgeshire, PE19 5UY
Tel: 01480 811101

www.buckdenvillagehall.co.uk **email:** admin@buckdenvillagehall.co.uk

Bookings
 This month we have two christenings, a renewal of wedding vows celebration, a Macmillan Fashion Show (1st September), the Buckden Gardener's Association Autumn Show (9th September), Hinchingsbrooke Scouts TOPS Awards ceremony as well as all our regular hirers. We also have the NHS Blood Donor Session in the Hall on Friday 22nd September.

Lost Property
 Several toys have been handed into the Hall and have been sitting here unclaimed for several months. If anyone has lost any toys recently from either inside the building or just outside, please pop in to see if any of them are yours. If they have not been claimed by the end of September they will be donated to Buckden Preschool.

How you can help Buckden Village Hall when buying online
 As you know Buckden Village Hall Trust is a charity and it costs a lot of money to maintain and repair this building. Did you know that whenever you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday – you could be raising money for Buckden Village Hall Trust? There are nearly 3,000 retailers including Amazon, John Lewis, M&S, Aviva and Tesco who will donate a percentage of the amount you spend to Buckden Village Hall Trust to say thank you for shopping with them. It's really simple and doesn't cost you anything. All you have to do is:

1. Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/buckdenvillagehall
2. Sign up for free
3. Get shopping! Your donations will be collected by easyfundraising and automatically sent to us!

There are no catches or hidden charges and Buckden Village Hall Trust will be extremely grateful for your donations :o)

Don't forget that as residents of Buckden you all receive discounted rates on Hall hire. Please call or email me if you would like to find out more information.

Jo Harvey, 01480 811101, admin@buckdenvillagehall.co.uk

Film on a Farm held on Saturday 10th June

A quick Thank You to all of those who came along to Grease at Stirtloe Park, on Saturday June 10th. We hope you enjoyed attending the event as much as we enjoyed hearing your renditions of "Oh Grease Lightning...". With thanks to your attendance and generosity on the night we're able to donate £800 to the St. Mary's Church Buckden Restoration Appeal. Thank you again.

Jonny Bruce

Cambridgeshire Police

Has summer really come and gone? I'm sure I saw the sun once. As we approach autumn and the nights start drawing in, I recommend that you begin to leave a light on when you are out. 24 hour timers are easy to use and quite cheap to buy and allows you to set the timer to when you are out, leaving a light on in the home.

I was recently told of some quite disturbing graffiti being written in gold spray on the walls of the underpass beneath the A1. Some of this is quite abusive wording and could cause upset. I ask if you see anyone hanging around the underpass area, whether they are children or adults, you call it into the Police on 101, and we will come and check it out. Also if you have any knowledge or see anyone with gold spray paint or gold paint on their hands please call me direct on the details below, all calls will remain anonymous.

We have had no serious crime of note to report over the past month, but please remain vigilant as crime is happening in neighbouring villages.

Please keep safe and remember to report any suspicious activity on 101.

Richard **PCSO 7101 Richard Braddick**, Richard.braddick@cambs.pnn.police.uk | **Mobile:** 07921 094801 | **Call:** 101
 St Neots Safer Neighbourhood Team
 St. Neots Police Station | Dovehouse Close | St. Neots | Cambridgeshire | PE19 1DS



**BUCKDEN CHURCH OF
ENGLAND SCHOOL
(Primary Academy Trust)**

**School Term and Holiday Dates 2017/2018
2017**

Autumn Term Opens Monday 4 September
Half Term 23 October - 27 October
Autumn Term Closes Tuesday 19 December

2018

Spring Term Opens Wednesday 3 January
Half Term 12 - 16 February
Spring Term Closes Thursday 29 March

Summer Term Opens Monday 16 April
May Day Monday 7 May
Half Term 28 May - 1 June
Summer Term Closes Tuesday 17 July

**Professional Days Wednesday 18 July -
Tuesday 24 July inclusive**



A new term and a new school year is almost upon us and we're looking forward to welcoming new starters and their families – and welcoming back our returning pre-schoolers too.

We haven't been idle over the summer! There are plans afoot to restructure the space inside preschool and we once again ran some very successful Stay and Play sessions throughout the holidays. These sessions were great for allowing young children (and their parents and carers) to socialise and have fun – and cake! Thanks to all who came along.

There are always people to thank for their support, but this month there are some especially big thanks. Firstly, a huge thank you to Brampton Playgroup. Sadly, they were forced to close recently and as a charity, had to dispose of their assets. They chose to give us a cheque for £1800. This is amazingly generous and we are very grateful.

We would also like to thank the organisers of Buckfest. Although the Preschool wasn't chosen as one of their selected charities this year, they are kindly donating the cost of some new tablets for Preschool, which we use to record the children's activities and learning. Of course, we must also thank everyone who helped to run or supported our tombola stall at Buckfest, which raised over £100.

Finally, we would like to thank all our departing committee members, who have worked so hard. We have to welcome our new committee members, including our new Chairperson, Tizzy Pape.

Preschool re-opens on Monday 4th September and our new opening hours are 9-3, Monday to Friday. This is to ensure we are open for 30 hours a week, allowing parents and carers eligible for 30 hours' funding to use their full entitlement. We still have places available at present.

To arrange a visit or book a place for your child, contact our Manager, Denise Carter, on 07941 671999. For more information, visit www.buckdenpreschool.co.uk

Miss Alison

**ST PETER'S CHURCH
OFFORD D'ARCY**
will be open on
SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER
10.00 am to 5.00 pm
and on
SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER
1.00 pm to 6.00 pm
All are welcome to explore
this beautiful church
with many fine features
dating from Norman times

Poetry Corner

Staying Together by Peter Keable

Scattered shards of light passage a blankness
We have now discovered. The speeding Nebula
Cargo the genomes of our searching lives
Colliding the arrival of men and women.
Growing, cell by cell. Shaping, gene by gene. The jagged
Nova of men and women emerge from the brewing
Earth. Arterial blood pounded with the fire of lava

Brimming the breast to rise the power men seek.
A time of flesh, tangled in its desire as molten rivers
Wrestling rocks. Then, like continents, break.
These arms that hold you now, reach from those Vulcan
Times to this quiet embrace, the Cosmos of our love
Where we wait the Heralds call. A time of dust
Joins us to the riding thermals, becoming cosmic
Travellers seeking a distant planet, whose sun
Reflects our arrival and we kick-start again.

A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme July to August 2017 Update



Construction Activities:

Section 1 (Alconbury to East Coast mainline - west): The new construction access from the A1 to land to the west is ready to be opened.

Section 2 (Alconbury to East Coast mainline - east): Fifty percent of the River Great Ouse Crossings piles are in place, bringing the works close to the river itself. The precast concrete yard has produced 360 separate units of the total 1600 required, which equates to over 1000 cubic metres of concrete cast.

South of Brampton Hut, a concrete pour for the east abutment of the bridge is imminent. This will take the new A14 over the realigned A1. We have now completed approximately one hundred and forty 1.8m wide concrete piles; these are the tubes of concrete that are lowered into the ground to support structures. The longest of these reaches a depth of 38 metres. A further thirty-five narrower piles have also been completed, meaning that the piling for the bridges in the section of new road between Brampton Hut and Buckden is almost complete. Earthworks are progressing well; we have placed 100,000 m³ of stone to form the River Great Ouse construction platform. A 600,000m² area of land has been stripped of topsoil for archaeological investigations. 350,000 m³ of fill has been placed to shape the embankments south of Brampton Hut, forming the realigned A1 and the new A14 in this location.

On a smaller scale we are nearing completion of a number of farm tracks, providing the farmers with revised access routes. As the excavation of borrow pits continues, we are monitoring local fishing lakes to ensure that water levels are not adversely affected. Recharge lagoons have been created for ground water control. Over 1200 metres of ditches have been dug, providing a permanent drainage solution.

Section 3 (East Coast mainline to Swavesey): Piling works continue at Mere Way and the New Barns bailey bridge is being erected. Bridge building at Silver Street & Corpus Christi continues and construction of the Hilton Road bridge is progressing well.

Environmental and Archaeology:

The electric car charging points are in daily use in the compound car parks. We will be starting archaeological investigations shortly in the flood compensation areas to the west of the A1 north of Brampton Hut. Across the 13km of Section 3, a total of 104 archaeologists continue their ground investigations near Offord Rd, Conington Rd, Hilton Rd and New Barnes Lane.

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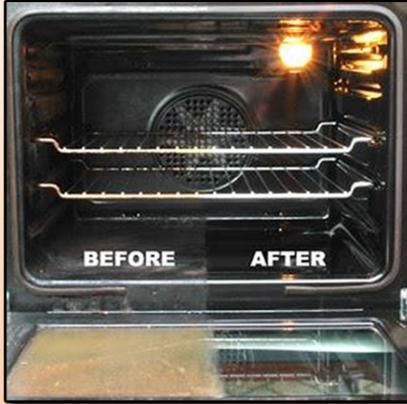
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