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June 2019

A warm welcome to the June edition of Buckden Roundabout. After a very hot Easter weekend, the weather has settled into something we are more used to in the UK! It has started getting warmer, albeit very slowly!

Every other June brings Buckden Open Gardens. This gives you a chance to visit some of the interesting private gardens we have here in Buckden whilst raising funds for some worthy local causes. As well as the Open Gardens, and the now traditional Garden Party featuring a BBQ, bar and bands in Silver Street, this year we have the added attraction of a Family Fun Day taking place at St Mary's - including live music in the church and traditional stalls in the churchyard. More details can be found on page 16

Last month we requested memories of the 75th anniversary of the D-Day landings, and I am delighted to include an article

from Bob Cleaver about his father and that day in June 1944.

Buckden Village Hall Trust, responsible for the maintenance and management of both the village hall and the playing fields are seeking new volunteers to become trustees and help in that task, or to help with fund-raising efforts for the required works anticipated in the next 18 to 24 months. Please see the article on page 7 for more information.

Finally, don't forget the Parish Council's photo competition—for more details see the PC page. Get snapping - the entry form can be found on page 14!

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/

This month's editor - Ian Carter

Front Cover

The cover photo for this edition was taken by Robert Wain and was taken on the outskirts of the village. Many thanks to Robert for providing such a wonderful image.

We are looking for more paintings of any kind that could use as a front cover. We can photograph them if you only have original artwork. We are also keen to get images (photos or paintings) of the village and surrounding areas in preparation for future issues. Please note that images should ideally be in portrait format and should be a *minimum* of 2400 x 1700 pixels. More is better!

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Buckden Parish Council News...

Round-about-Buckden Walk.

You are invited to the launch of our Round-about-Buckden Village Walk on Sunday 9th June at 2pm at the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome. The 8 km walk has been created by the Parish Council using existing footpaths and has been funded by the A14 legacy fund. There are shorter routes too.

Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you to everyone who attended the Annual Parish Assembly and provided feedback about the Plan. We are incorporating your feedback and updating the plan to include the results of a Housing Needs Assessment completed on our behalf by specialist consultants. This sets out the type and mix of housing we need in Buckden. Once this is done the plan will be available for your review and further feedback.

Photo Competition

The Parish Council is again sponsoring a photographic competition for the Buckden Festival Weekend. There will be three age categories, 10 years old and under, 11 to 16, and adult (17 and older). Don't forget to get your entries in by 1st July. The entry form can be found on page 14.

Planning and Roads

As you will be aware there are three large development proposals currently under discussion.

In relation to Lucks Lane we have received notification of potential road closures in the second half of the year. The Council is unhappy with these proposals and are in discussion with the developer, Bloor Homes, and Cambridgeshire County Council (CC) to mitigate the impact on residents. A further objection has been made to plans which appear to raise the ground level of the development.

A meeting is also planned with CC to discuss our ongoing objection to the design of the A1/Stirtloe Lane junction.

The Huntingdon District Council (HDC) Local Plan is expected to be approved by the end of May. The Mill Road development proposal is not included in this plan. A meeting is being held with HDC to understand exactly what this means for the proposal. The Council continue to object to the Silver Street Development and have recently commented on revised plans for access to the site.



Resignation The Council has accepted the resignation of Terry Hayward, the Chairman of the Council. Terry has worked tirelessly for the village over many years as a Councillor, Chairman of the Council and District Councillor. He has been responsible for raising funds for several village projects, in particular, the development of the Village Hall. We are very appreciative of his contribution and wish him well for the future. He will be greatly missed.

New Appointments Following Terry's resignation, Anne Howell-Jones has been appointed as Chair of the Council. Stan Studd has been appointed as a new Parish Councillor

Parish Council Vacancies We have two vacancies for Parish Councillors. If you are interested in becoming a councillor, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the Chairman or the Clerk

Office opening hours are: Mon, Wed and Thursday 10.30-2pm, Tuesday 2-4pm, Friday - closed

Council Meetings

The next meeting of the Council will be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 11th June. The meeting will include a 15 minute open form. If you want to speak at the meeting, please let us know what you want to say, by writing to the Parish Clerk, by 4th June. You will get a three-minute slot.

If required, the Council Planning Committee will meet on Tuesday 28th May and Tuesday 11th June. Agendas for these meetings are posted on the Parish notice boards not later than the Saturday preceding the meeting.

Invitation to the launch of Round-about-Buckden Walk - Sunday 9th June 2.00pm at the Village Hall

Buckden Parish Council would like to invite you to the launch You do not have to be a great walker to be part of this, as the **come.** Come and join this celebration of a new way to explore routes. the area.

Our 8 kilometre village walk, using existing footpaths, has been by the A14 legacy fund, through the Cambridgeshire Commuestablished to encourage residents and visitors to explore the nity Foundation. Come and join us and, if you're feeling enercountryside, learn more about the flora and fauna and history getic, you can walk all or part of the route. of the area and to promote health and well being.

of our Round-about-Buckden Village Walk. Everyone is wel- first board at the Village Hall shows opportunities for shorter

The walk has been created by the Parish Council and is funded

All of the papers and reports for Council meetings are available on the Thursday before the meetings on the Council website http://buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk. This provides the opportunity to see the agenda, reports of work carried out by the Council as well as reports from our County and District Councillors.

Any questions or comments on this report should be addressed to the Parish Clerk at: Buckden Parish Council, Buckden Village Hall, Burberry Road, Buckden, PE19 SUY Telephone 01480 819407 Email clerk@buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk

FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

At its May meeting, the County Council made a determined response to the challenge of the recent public concern about climate change. It was agreed to declare a 'climate emergency' which means that the Council must come up with specific plans for reducing the carbon footprint of its activities and leading residents down a similar path. Of course, in all these discussions, it is easy to repeat the platitudes and the real challenge lies ahead when it come to specific policies and actions.

The second motion was a commitment to tackling air pollution. This is another issue where we all agree that 'something must be done' but tackling it is problematic, so embedded are we in our routines and expectations.

One specific idea is to work on reducing air pollution near schools and this was of particular interest to the parish council when I reported it to them.

We also discussed the move of the County Council HQ from Cambridge to Alconbury Weald. This is being done to save money though, paradoxically, it might increase travel for staff and councillors, thereby contradicting the

good intentions of the first paragraph of this article.

Local issues for Buckden residents

I have been working with other councillors to clarify what is going to happen to Luck's Lane when the work needs to be done for the new houses. The village is fortunate to have parish councillors and other residents who are very vigilant about the detail.

In spite of our best efforts, it has still not been possible to meet the A14 planners and try to change the proposed layout of the road you take when you have gone through Brampton on the way to Huntingdon. The road layout proposed by Highways England will make the traffic jams worse than they already are. I will report back as soon as I can but I have the nasty feeling that the die is cast.

If you wish to raise any local matters with me personally and would welcome a face-to-face conversation, please write to me at peter.downes@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or ring me on 07765 833 486. I can easily get over to Buckden to see you if needed. *Peter Downes*

FROM YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

HDC Local Plan 2036

I attended the HDC briefing on the Local Plan to 2036 and am pleased to report that the Plan has been approved by the Inspector, with a date for formal adoption on or about 15 May 2019.

This Plan runs for the next 17 years and provides an agreed framework for development for all HDC Wards. This will give us more certainty over how we can deliver well planned and managed growth which includes homes, jobs, community facilities and the local infrastructure to support them.

The Plan is very prudent and well-constructed, and great credit is due to the various teams at HDC who have done this work. I will continue to work with our Conservative team to ensure that your issues are heard in the planning process, and that the needs of Buckden are met as we continue to grow.

HDC Portal

Another new development which I hope will be very useful to residents is our new online system, the Customer Portal. This offers a single view of council services for customers when they log into the secure area; available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

You can access personalised information, including a summary of your Council Tax account, and submit requests. Additional services will be made available throughout the year.

There is also a customer satisfaction widget now live on the Customer Portal. By clicking on 'Tell us what you think', where comments can be submitted and residents can suggest services they would like to see added in the future. To register, go to: my.huntingdonshire.gov.uk

Since the launch on 30 April 2019, over 1500 people have registered, and around 50% of registrations have been completed out of hours, highlighting the need for digital access to council services.

Taylors Lane Flooding

Residents have raised concerns about the impact of the Silver Street development on the Taylors Lane stream. I have followed up on this, and have been assured by the County Council that the land is capable of being developed without causing an unacceptable flood risk to surrounding land.

The details of how this will be done (in the form of a detailed surface water drainage scheme) must be a condition of any outline planning permission granted and would be submitted at the detailed design stage. I will continue to monitor the application to ensure they are aware of the history and the extent of possible flooding.

Councillor HDC Buckden Ward (Hamish.Masson@Huntingdonshire.gov.uk)



Bedfordshire Cambridgeshire Northamptonshire

Huntingdonshire Local Group

Waresley Wood

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trust invites you to participate in a guided walk at Waresley Wood on Saturday June 8th 2019.

Waresley Wood is an ancient woodland, predominantly consisting of ash and oak. It is a site of special scientific interest due to its diverse flora and is also home to many breeding birds. Over 500 species of moth and butterfly have been recorded here. We will also look at the progress of Browne's Piece which is an area of land that has been reclaimed from farmland to try to redress the loss of woodland here in the

early 20th century.

The walk will be led by one of the reserve wardens and will start at 10.30am. Everyone is most welcome to attend. Please meet at the reserve entrance. OS TL256550 or SG193RH.

There is no charge, but donations are welcome. For more information please contact Alistair (alistairrgrant@hotmail.com).

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



FRIENDS IN DEED

The next Community Café will be held on Wednesday 12th June, in the Living Stones Room in St Mary's Church from 2.30pm to 4pm. All are welcome so do come along and enjoy a cup of tea or

coffee, homemade cakes and a good chat. If you require transport then just call us on the Transport Coordinator's phone, listed below.

Friends in Deed will, as usual, be running their Bottle Stall at the Village Fair on Saturday 6th July. We would be most grateful for donations of bottles of all shapes and sizes (but indate for 6th July, please!). We are now ready to start collecting so please take your bottles to Pam Fraser, 31 Lucks Lane (811680) or call 811468 and we will collect. We have been very well supported in previous years so please keep up the good work!

Reminder! The Summer Tea Party will be held on Wednesday 24th July at Field House, Silver Street, so make sure the date is in your diary. Full details will follow nearer the time and transport will be available.

For help or information contact:
Coordinator: Jane Scott 07810 006598
Requests for transport: Andy Scott 07914 669967.
Please leave a message and include your contact details
http://www.buckdenroundabout.info/friends-in-deed

Buckden Neighbourhood Watch

ROGUE TRADERS

As the weather improves there tends to be increase in rogue trading offences. There are dangers in buying any services from the doorstep.

As well as being prepared yourself, please keep an eye on older neighbours and family members who might not be aware and may be vulnerable to techniques doorstep sellers use.

Doorstep selling involves fraudsters knocking at your door and trying to sell you something that you often don't need. Many honest businesses legitimately use the doorstep selling technique and it can be a convenient way of buying goods. However, this becomes an issue if the sales person uses pressure tactics to trick you into buying something you do not

want or need or is poor value for money.

These sellers usually try to catch you off-guard and appear polite and persuasive, whilst rushing you to make decision. They also tend to target vulnerable people who live alone.

If a doorstep seller won't go away after you've said no, you can report this by calling 101 or online to Trading Standards or Action Fraud.

For further advice and information on how to protect yourself from doorstep scammers, visit the Action Fraud website.

To contact the police: 999 in an emergency; 0800 555 111 Crime Stoppers; 0300 123 2040 Action Fraud. EMAIL burglarycrackdown@cambs.pnn.police.uk or visit www.crimestoppers.uk.org If you are not online you can telephone 101

RICHARD WEST Village Coordinator 01480 811467 working with CLIVE WILLIAMS 01480 811828

Did you know...?

...Buckden had a workhouse in Mill Road between 1766-1834. The paupers seem to have been well cared for and were inoculated against small pox in April 1777.

...In 1709, Buckden raised £2 10s. 8d. for refugees from Germany who had arrived in London in need of aid following invasions from France.

From Buckden A Short History and Plan, S.B Edgington, 1980

Catholic Church of St Hugh of Lincoln, High Street, Buckden

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Fr. Antony Arockiam CMF Fr. Jim Kennedy CMF Fr. Paul Peter Alphonse CMF

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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 5.45 pm in the Lady Chapel.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation every Saturday from 10.00 to

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. Antony 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 June

Sunday 2nd

10.30a.m. Holy Communion: Rev. Pam Siddall

Sunday 9th

10.30a.m. Holy Communion & Baptism: Rev. Paul Beard

Sunday 16th

10.30a.m. Morning Service: Mrs. Wendy Beard

Sunday 23rd

10.30a.m. Morning Service: Mr. Don Moorman

Sunday 30th

10.30a.m. Morning Service: Local Arrangement

Activities in June

Friday 1rd: 10.a.m. Coffee Morning
Friday 14th: 10.a.m. Coffee Morning
Friday 21st: 12 noon Soup and Sweet Lunch.
Friday 28th: 10a.m. Coffee Morning

Everyone is very welcome to any of these events.



Buckden Village Hall seeks new volunteers as it embarks on fund-raising for improvements



Buckden Village Hall Trust is embarking on a new round of fund-raising for needed maintenance and improvement of the Hall, sports pavilion, playing fields and nature walks. The building is now almost 20 years old and requires increased maintenance, as do the surrounding grounds.

The Trustees have identified several urgent projects for the next 18-24 months, including:

- Improving and expanding the pathways around the Hall, the Valley and playing fields and adding more seating areas.
- Replacing the storage shed for mower and sports equipment for the football and cricket players.
- Refurbishing the sports pavilion and making much needed repairs to plumbing and heating.
- Resurfacing the basketball court and painting regulation court lines.
- Replacing the flat roof to avoid leaks and structural weakness.
- Strengthening and reupholstering the easy chairs and selected blinds which are worn out.

The Trustees would like to recruit both new trustees and part time volunteers willing to help fund-raise and/or contribute their expertise for a specific project. Your time commitment can be as much or as little as you can contribute. We have volunteers who give a few hours' time to advise us on wildlife and building regulations as well as our Trustees who meet regularly on a monthly basis.

If you have expertise in building works, grounds and wildlife, project management, charity work or fund-raising, or if you are an enthusiastic volunteer, please do contact us.

If you are interested in getting involved and helping us make the Village Hall a better place, please contact:

Cynthia Alers	Chair, Board of Trustees	chair@buckdenvillagehall.co.uk
Des Foster	Treasurer, Board of Trustees	treasurer@buckdenvillagehall.co.uk
Jo Harvey	Hall Manager	admin@buckdenvillagehall.co.uk

What's on at St Mary's Buckden: June 2019

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

SUNDAY Services

Sun 2	11:00am	Family Communion
	6:00pm	BCP Holy Communion
Sun 9	PENTECOS	ST
	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	11.00am	Special Service Open Gardens
Sun 16	TRINITY S	UNDAY
	11.00am	Family Communion
	6.00pm	Evensong
Sun 23	8:00am	BCP Holy Communion
	11:00am	All-age service

Sun 30 8:00am BCP Holy Communion 11:00am Family Communion

7:00pm

Our sister church, All Saints' Offord Cluny, also has a service at 9.30am each Sunday

Night Prayer

Regular WEEKDAY Services / Prayers

Monday	2.15pm	Daily Prayers
Tuesday	2.15pm	Daily Prayers
Wednesday	9.30am	Communion
Thursday	2.15pm	Daily Prayers
Friday	2.15pm	Daily Prayers

Regular Groups / Activities

Mondays	8.15pm	Bell-ringing practice
Wednesdays	10.00am	Coffee after communion
	10.30am	Going Deeper
Thursdays	3.15pm	Jamworkx (school)
	7.00pm	youth@thetowers (Towers)
	7.00pm	Getting Active walks
Fridays	6.45pm	Angel Voices (17,24 May)
Saturdays	10.30am	Coffee & Cakes

If you would like to join in with any of the groups/ activities, please contact us via phone, email, facebook (details below) or just turn up.

Need some peace and quiet? You are welcome to use any space in St Mary's whenever the church is open.

Room to hire: St Mary's Living Stones Room (with under-floor heating, kitchen and toilet facilities) and the smaller Tower Room are available to hire for meetings, groups & social gatherings bookings@stmarysbuckden.org.uk



St Mary's is both a collection point and a voucher holder for Godmanchester Foodbank. If you are in need of help or support please contact Rev Jes Salt on 819377. Any donations of non-perishable food very gratefully received. The collection box is on your left as you enter the church.

EVENTS IN JUNE

Saturday 1st **June 10.00am Cleaning Crew** please come and lend a hand to clean the church

Getting Active Walks: Thursday Evenings 7pm see posters / facebook for locations & details

Saturday 8th June
Buckden Open Gardens 11am – 6pm
Mary's Family Fun Day 12.30 – 4.30pm

St Mary's Family Fun Day 12.30 – 4.30pm Garden Party at 20 Silver St 11am – 10pm

Wednesday 12th June COMMUNITY CAFÉ in St Mary's – all welcome

whether in need of support or just fancy a cuppa, friendly chat and homemade cake Second Wednesday each month 2.30pm-4pm

> Wednesday 12th June M&Ms – ladies' fellowship group 7.30pm at the Vicarage

Sunday 23rd June at 6pm - Open Meeting for the Benefice of Buckden & The Offords. Everyone welcome to join us & share your thoughts.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Holidays at Home – afternoon club for the retired yet young at heart!

Monday 5th to Wednesday 7th August

Children's Holiday Club: Tuesday 20th – Thursday 22nd August at Buckden School.

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

Baptists

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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 organisations. Those to be remembered this month are:

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2nd June	Church Street, Mill Road, The Barns, The Old Flour Mills
9th June	The Parish Council, The Village Hall and Playing Field Trust; those who help to run the Village Hall, and the activities there
16th June	Greenway, Aragon Close, Hoo Close, Bishops Way
23rd June	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
30th June	Clubs and societies, their leaders and members, volunteers, and the team that produces and distributes the Buckden Roundabout

Thought for the Month

Dear Friends,

Can I invite you to join me as a fly on the wall in the Kings Room in the Towers on any Thursday evening during term time.

In the upstairs room there is a happy buzz of chatter as four girls enthusiastically enjoy a game of table tennis on the table in the middle of the room, and another group sit on the bean bags nearby exchanging important news and generally chatting. At one end of the room some boys are hunched in concentration over a football match on the play station, and at the other end a game of Connect 4 is coming to a noisy conclusion.

Downstairs there is cool lighting and music in the Refectory where a crowd gather round the tuck shop which is doing its usual steady trade and as ever there are young folk hanging round the kitchen bar chatting with Charlotte and Carole, enjoying one of Carole's delicious milk shakes, or perhaps cooking (and eating!) pizzas or pancakes.

Outside a group of hardy footballers are engaged in a competitive game under the watchful eyes of Tom, Sam and Matt while periodically popping inside for refreshment from the tuck shop or kitchen bar.

As it's summer other activities may also be happening. Per-

haps a treasure hunt in the grounds of the Towers or a game of rounders. At 8pm, or later if they can swing it, the young people leave saying 'see you next week...'

Welcome to youth@thetowers - the Buckden youth club for years 7,8,9.

We are coming to the end of our first year and would like to express our thanks for the great support we have had from the village, in particular the Parish Council and The Towers, for this activity which seems to be appreciated by all the young people who come.

We will be running until the beginning of July when we close for the summer, but will be restarting again in mid September for what we hope will be another successful year.

Best wishes,

Jes
Rev Jes Salt
Priest in Charge, Buckden and the Offords



STUDY LUNCHES

Study lunches are taking a break, and there will be no study lunches in June or thereafter until further notice.

For more information contact:

Ann Brittain on 812012

found themselves confronted with on June 6th 1944.



Μv Dad, Walter (Danny to his mates) tel waste bins. was born on June 6th word. At the age of a soldier came much later! eleven, due to his Grammar However, due to the and despite

gave him candles to allow him to complete his homework in tures fall out and disappear beneath the waves. the outside toilet in the evenings. On one such occasion, his mother caught him and gave him a 'good hiding' before send- At this same point, the ramp lowered and those brave men his personal search for freedom and survival.

He strode off into the darkness and a few weeks later, after 'sleeping rough', he found himself in Cardiff and somehow got cheting off the top of said wall. employment as a 'Bell Boy', working a lift in a large hotel. Having spent nearly two years enjoying his new found independence, now thirteen, he and a fourteen year colleague were caught returning from a local dance at midnight wearing their take his tin hat off and collect rainwater so that he could soak hotel uniform, which resembled evening dress, the accepted his 'hard-tack' biscuits to make a porridge, as he had no teeth attire for a formal dance function in those days. They were and his gums were sore!" both sacked on the spot, changed into whatever clothes they owned and were turfed out of the hotel, there and then.

Years later, Dad told me that they decided to turn left, rather

Just for a moment, in humble remembrance, compare our than right at the hotel entrance and started walking off into wonderful free society and the desirable environment we en- the darkness. Weeks later, after what he described as a long joy at and around Buckden, to the horrific situation that those walk, begging, scrounging and pinching, they finally arrived in brave and selfless heroes who landed on Normandy beaches, London and 'bedded' down on an embankment bench that would become his new home for the next six months. His friend, being of bigger stature and older soon secured a job Samuel and departed. Danny being younger, small and of slight build Cleaver, couldn't secure work and survived by rummaging through ho-

> 1909, at Barford Winter was approaching, wet, and cold and hungry, Danny was Street, in the Small walking through the streets of Central London one day when Heath area of Bir- he spotted an Army Recruitment Office. His immediate mingham, in the thoughts were of improving his dire situation with a roof over days when survival his head, warmth, food and clothing. It was another case of was a much used survival and he later joked that 'any sense of purpose' of being

> brightness and gifted In 1923, between the two 'Great' wars, at the age of just thirhand-writing, he was teen and a half years old, having lied about his age to the Reawarded a scholar- cruitment Sergeant, Danny found himself as Infantryman ship to Birmingham 238184, Royal Horse Artillery, exercising gun carriage horses School. on the beaches of Malta.

poor situation of his Moving onto another birthday for Danny, on June 6th 1944, family, his parents that word 'survival' took on a whole new meaning as he apwould not let him proached the Normandy beaches on a landing craft. A situatake up the offer, as tion he rarely spoke about other than to tell a humorous side it meant additional to his recollections ... having had his teeth removed some cost for uniform etc. months earlier, his new dentures had arrived the week before the D-Day. Being somewhat of a poor fit and in the mayhem of school offering to fund this, Danny's teacher was met with "we what was happening, he shouted instructions across to a don't accept charity here". To encourage Danny, his teacher neighbouring landing craft only to see his complete set of den-

ing him to bed. That same night, miserable and wishing to were swept out waist deep into the sea water. Gun fire, exploimprove his situation, Danny opened his bedroom sash win- sions and complete madness was everywhere as Danny made dow and crept out, sliding down the shed roof to embark on his way up the beach. Eventually, despite the horror all around, he and another soldier found shelter crouching beneath a wall. They spent the next day or so here, with a German machine gunner every now and again sending bullets rico-

> When asked how he had survived this ordeal, Dad would always smile his smile and say that "when it rained he would

> What a survivor, a BIG THANKYOU DAD AND TO ALL YOUR COL-LEAGUES ... WE DO REMEMBER.

Did you know...?

....In the eighteenth century, Buckden had businesses including farriers, wheelwrights, corn merchants and hostelries (the George and the Lion). There was even an establishment that shod geese. The geese were driven through warm tar and then ... Snow fell in Buckden on 4 May in 1856 onto sand, which formed a protective layer to pad their feet on the walk to market.

....The wages of an agricultural labourer in Buckden in 1811 was 10s. a week in winter and 12s. a week in summer. At that time, beef cost 8d. a pound.

From Buckden A Short History and Plan, S.B Edgington, 1980

Fundraising Cream Teas



SATURDAY **27** JULY **2019 2** - 5PM

Fundraising to support the 'Here 4 Huntingdon' development project to better serve the community in 'fit for purpose' buildings!



CONTACT ANN OR MARK: 01480 810024

Wells Cottage 23 Lucks Lane Buckden PE19 5TF

There will be some outside seating available, but do bring along your own seat or picnic blanket.



Commencing: 7.30pm
Tickets £10 (£8 concessions) from the URC or Box Office: 01480 812777







Come to the Community Cafe

ALL WELCOME - whether in need of support or just fancy a cuppa, chat & homemade cake

on the 2nd Wednesday each month 2.30pm – 4pm in the Living Stones Room at

in the Living Stones Room at St Mary's Church Buckden

12th June; 10th July; 14th August; 11th September 2019

Huntingdonshire Health Walk Scheme June 2019

The group now has almost 30 safe walks, led by trained leaders. They are on Wednesdays at 2pm and on Fridays at 10am, excluding Bank Holidays and Christmas/New Year. Please check the website for details

So June has 8 walks, that on the 14th being from the village hall, There are new walks on the 5th and 7th which start at 2pm and 10am respectively. On the 12th and 21st, the Black Bull Pub rendezvous is 32 Post Street, Godmanchester, PE29 2AQ.

Anyone who can walk comfortably for up to 75 minutes at exercise pace will be welcome. Suitable clothing and footwear plus a bottle of drinking water are important accessories.

The subsidised scheme includes accident insurance cover, so voluntary contributions are welcomed. Refreshment and toilet facilities are usually available at the various rendezvous.

The website:- www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/healthwalks, or telephone Danielle Sancaster on 01480 387047

Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society.

We meet at 7.30 on the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month at Buckden Village Hall. Whether licensed amateur or just interested in radio and electronics you will find a warm welcome awaits you.

Ground. IP10 0PW

Thursday 13th June Club meeting and cheque presentation to

East Anglia Childrens Hospice

Sat/Sun 22/23 June Museums on the Air. Ramsey Rural Muse

um. GB2RRM

Thursday 27th June /P operations by Mervyn Foster G4KLE

Saturday 6th July Buckden Village Fete GB0HSR Thursday 11th July Club meeting, time for a chat

Thursday 25th July Antenna Analyzers - Steve Watson G1WKF

Sunday 25th August Huntingdonshire ARS Rally

Ernulf Academy, St Neots, PE19 2SH

Further details contact the club secretary David Howlett, secretary@hunts-hams.co.uk or visit our web site

http://hunts-hams.weebly.com

LADIES' PAMPER EVENING

7-9pm 28th June at Buckden Preschool

£5

Relax, chat, be pampered... and enjoy a complimentary glass of bubbly!

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. At each meeting we either have a guest speaker or participate in an activity of our own.

03 June 'London Taxis' by Miles Falla

17 June Quizzes

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.



Buckden Wine & Beermakers Society



We usually meet at the Scout Hut on the 4^{th} Thursday of the month at 8.00pm.

27th June: Greek Night

NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

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

Visitors are welcome to join us.
For further information contact Ann Elliott 01480 810346

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



Buckden Gardeners Association Visit to Old Weston Garden Farm Tuesday 18th June

Old Weston Garden Farm is part of the National Garden Scheme. A 9 acre small holding with an intricate kitchen garden and an orchard. £6.00 per person to include a cup of tea and a piece of homemade cake, booking highly recommended. Meet at the Methodist Church at 1.00pm. This is a self-drive/car share

The garden shed in Silver Street will be open from 10-11am on Sunday the 9th & 23rd June for members to buy essential gardening supplies.

For further information go to our website: http://www.buckdengardeners.info/ or call Pam on 01480 811680

Buckden Community Litter Pick Giving something back to our Earth

We have a beautiful world, tragically threatened by careless human actions. It's a small thing, but we give our time voluntarily to try and prevent a bit less plastic getting washed downstream. This year alone we've collected more than 60 sacks in Buckden!

Meet outside **The George Hotel,** Buckden **Sunday 2**nd **June, 9.30 am**

Feel great after an hour or two of fresh air and good company, followed by complimentary refreshments kindly provided by **The George Hotel.**

Please contact Natasha Marsh via email tasha.marsh2@gmail.com or leave me a message on 07913 657836 if you'd like to come along.

Hi-Vis jackets, litter-pickers and bin bags will be supplied courtesy of Hunts District Council. Please bring your own gloves and suitable footwear.

Children welcome if supervised at all times by a parent or carer, as we will be picking along roadsides at times.

Our planet needs our help.

Two Performances of PLAYBACK THEATRE

At the CLARET CENTRE, BUCKDEN TOWERS

4pm - 5.30pm

Saturday 6 July & Thursday 8 August

FREE - All welcome

Come and be surprised, entertained, enlightened! These are performances by students on the foundation course of the School of Playback Theatre UK as part of their training experience.

Playback Theatre is an improvisational participatory theatre form which first started in upstate New York with the original Playback Theatre Company in 1975 and has since then become a worldwide movement with groups and practitioners across the globe. They are active in a wide range of applications... from social services and education, to corporate training and events, to supporting recovery in trauma and crisis contexts, as well as community gatherings and celebrations. Inviting personal stories from the audience, and reenacting them with artistry and respect, Playback Theatre has the power to enable dialogue, generate empathy, and

build bridges of understanding between people.

This event is hosted by the School of Playback Theatre UK.

www.playbackschooluk.org

Huntingdon Dining Club

Huntingdon Dining Club is a friendly fundraising group which raises vital funds for the national children's charity the NSPCC in Cambridgeshire through a programme of luxury luncheons, fashion shows and talks. Money raised by the club's events and membership fee will help NSPCC projects such as Speak Out Stay Safe.

2019 Events

1st July at 12.30pm – Luncheon with Speaker on Safeguarding by Detective Inspector of Bedfordshire Police
7th October at 11am – Anne Furbank Autumn Fashion Show with Luncheon at 1pm

For more information contact Kate at cfm.armstrong@gmail.com or telephone 01954 719745

Hollywood or Bust

Hollywood or Bust is the Breast Cancer Support Group for breast cancer patients attending Hinchingbrooke Hospital.

Meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month in the Education Centre at the hospital, at 7 p.m. It is free to attend.

More details from:

Lorraine Walker – Breast care Nurse consultant
Tel: 01480363516/Email: lorraine.walker5@nhs.net
Mel Robinson – Specialist breast care nurse
Email: mel.robinson@nhs.net

HUNTS FAUNA & FLORA SOCIETY Sunday 16th JUNE 2.30pm at Jubilee Wood

Leaders: Peter Lake and Andrew Frost

Jubilee Wood is just over a hectare of new woodland (planted in 2002) established on what was once waste ground. The wood is owned by the Parish Council of Great Gidding which, with the guidance of the Forestry Commission, planted a mix of indigenous trees such as oak and ash to celebrate the Queen's Golden Jubilee in 2002. Park on Main Street (B660) near the pub in Great Gidding. Grid reference is TL121836.



Buckden Local History Society

AGM and Talk on A14 Archaeological Activities

Please take the opportunity to voice your thoughts and share your opinions on the Buckden Local History Society at the Annual General Meeting. Afterwards, John Thelwall will talk on his experiences as a volunteer archaeologist on the A14 construction work.

Wednesday 5th June, 7.30pm at The Claret Centre, Buckden Towers

Visitors welcome

For further details contact: buckdenhistory@gmail.com



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Bookings

This month we have two private parties, a wedding reception, the BJFC presentation evening, a tabletop sale (15th) a kids' party and the launch of Round-About-Buckden walk (9th).

Fundraising Volunteers

Buckden Village Hall Trust is embarking on a new round of fundraising for much needed maintenance and improvements to the Hall, pavilion and playing fields. The Trust is looking for people who are willing to help with this and

bring their expertise with them! For more information, please see the separate article on page 7.

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 Office hours 9am to 2pm.

BUCKDEN WI

Hats on for our Centenary Year: our May speaker brought with her a most glorious array of her amazing hats and even encouraged us to try them on!! Helen Tilly is a wonderfully talented milliner and designer whose hobby



gradually took over her house and studio in St. Ives and spread to a showroom, Green Rose in Fenstanton, developing into a full-time, highly trained career. Her stunning designs draw requests by word of mouth such that she has never needed to advertise and last year completed more than 200 creations for customers all over the world.

Over the course of the evening we learned how all hats are shaped on specially made hat-blocks of Obeche wood (her collection numbers a couple of hundred), then steamed, dried, stiffened, hand stitched and decorated with, for instance, her hand-made silk flowers, feathers or fabric swirls. Fabrics range from felt through to expensive parasizal, whilst

the most popular is the versatile sinamay woven from the abacca tree in the Philipines, all sourced from Luton, the home of hat-making. Helen shared some of the tricks of her trade, such as adapting a wall-paper stripper for the steaming process and using a hostess trolley for drying hats. Helen's delight in the work she loves is infectious and expresses itself in the variety of her gorgeous creations so that we enjoyed a wonderfully entertaining and informative evening with her.

Our next meeting is open to all and we do encourage visitors to join us for a warm welcome on 4th June when we shall be richly entertained by the well-known flower arranger and auctioneer Nick Grounds.

We warmly welcome visitors and new members to our meetings.

For more information please contact: Ruth Nicholas – 07957 334142 Judith Armitage – 01480 811717

Buckden Festival Photographic Competition Entry Form

Name:
Address:
Phone number:
e-mail address
Age (if 16 or under) on 1 st July 2019:
Theme: Architecture of Buckden
Number of entries (max 3):
Theme: People of Buckden
Number of entries (max 3):
Theme: Nature of Buckden
Number of entries: (max 3):

All photographs must have been taken by the entrant. Entrants must live or work in Buckden, Diddington or Stirtloe. The maximum size will be A3 including any mount. The judges will consider both creative and technical merit in making their choice. Points will be awarded for first, second and third in each theme within each age category: the overall winner of each age category will be awarded the trophy for that age, and there will also be modest cash prizes for winners of each theme. The judge's decision is final.

The closing date for entries is **midnight on 1**st **July**. To submit entries you may:

- Take your entries to the foyer at the Buckden Village Hall between 6pm 7.30 pm on Monday 1st July
- Take your entries to the Clerk's Office in the Village Hall or post through the door of 48 Vineyard Way on or before 1st July

Please make sure that you include an entry form or write out the details clearly as per the form if submitting several entries.





June 2019

Buckden Millennium Photographs Where were you in 2000 and what was happening in your street? Come and browse through the five photographic albums of every street, business and community group that year in Buckden, now on permanent display in our Local History section.

Open Forum - Talking about Dementia

Thursday 27th June, 230pm - 330pm

Knit Lit Do you enjoy knitting and a good book? Our friendly group meets on alternate Fridays. In May Knit Lit meetings are on Friday 7th and 21st from 8pm. Knitters of all ages and abilities welcome!

Researching your family history? Come along to the library where you can access Ancestry for free and if you need some help, we can book you an appointment with one of our volunteers.

E-books and e-magazines Did you know that library members can download a wide range of e-books, e-audio books and e-magazines for free at **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/libraries**? Come along to the library to find out more.

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

Living with Parkinson's and looking for local support?

Your Local Advisor is there to make sure people who are affected by Parkinson's and their families, have all the information they need to take control of life with a neurological condition. They can also assist with:

- Information about, and links to, local services and groups that can help you
- Information about benefits and help with the application process
- A supporting voice if you need to complain or are having problems getting your needs assessed or met
- Emotional support for you and your family

Free confidential service offering tailored support and information by telephone, email and home visits.

Get in touch today with your Local Advisor:

Kelly Boulter; Tel: 0344 225 3777, Email: kboulter@parkinsons.org.uk

BUCKFEST 10

Volunteering Opportunity.

Buckfest 10 will be our biggest and best event yet, and we can't do it without our brilliant volunteers. There are a whole host of jobs that you can help with including bar staff and stewarding, and also behind the scenes jobs too. No previous experience is necessary just the willingness to get stuck in! Volunteers will need to commit a minimum of 3 hours of their time, and in return get free entry to festival ... more importantly you'll get the warm glow of being part of a fantastic team and memories of a great day.

Most of our volunteers have such a good time that they come back year after year! If you want to be part of the team who deliver Cambridgeshire's best festival, or would like to find out more.

Please get in touch by emailing info@buckfest.org

As Summer is coming I thought it a good time to offer some advice about Wasps. Wasps belong to the same order of insects as Ants, the Hymenoptera. They are a highly evolved species with a distinct caste system, workers build the nests, raise the young and search for food. When Wasps sting they inject venom, usually this only results in a



reddening and a swelling around the area of the sting but in a small amount of cases a severe reaction can occur and in rare cases this can be fatal. Professional pest controllers use the principle that prevention is better than cure and so we wear proper protective clothing and we treat wasp nests with respect. If we get stung we retreat to safety because Wasps can sting repeatedly and this act produces a pheromone which excites the rest of the Wasps and can lead to multiple stings.

If you attempt to treat a Wasp nest in your loft then do so at or around dusk as most of the Wasps will be inside the nest, take a torch and point it at the nest but don't attack until you are away and at right angles to it. The Wasps will attack the torch light and so you need to be fast and thorough destroying it with a lance that delivers insecticide, also ensure that you are wearing the correct protective clothing as it isn't a job to be taken lightly.

Working towards a dementia-friendly community





Reconnect Social Group Reconnect Social Group



Welcomes ALL people living with dementia and memory loss together with their carers

Brampton Memorial Centre—1st Wednesday of every month

. Information on support & benefits Come along, see what it's all about and have a cuppa and a cake

Wednesday 5th June 2019 - 10am until 12

Peppercorn Academy: Musical Memories



On Wednesday 3rd July 2019 - 10am until 12

Brambles Pre School Singers & a Wiltshire Farm Foods Presentation

Any questions? Telephone Janet on 07702 010594

BUCKDEN OPEN GARDENS AND FAMILY FUN DAY SATURDAY JUNE 8TH

lots to see and do!

Open Gardens 11am-6pm: passports available from now from St Mary's, Nisa and Days of Buckden. £5 per adult (£4 till June 1st), children under 12 free

St Mary's from 10am: Home-made cakes, lunches

Family Fun Day at St Mary's 12.30pm-4.30pm small animals in the 'Cute & Cuddly corner'; stalls including beauty corner, face painting, activities for children, toys and books sales, plants, home-made produce, raffles, tombola, barrowful of booze to win; Classic Cars; Zip Wire Teddies so bring your teddy! (weather permitting)

Plus Live Music from 12.30pm in St Mary's Church: Ukelele band, 'Alive and Well' (local band), Elvis tribute.

Buckden Pre-School Playgroup A place for Children to grow, to learn and to flourish Tel. 07941 671999

The children started the new term by sharing the progress of their beans and happily, most of them were thriving. Activities like this not only help to teach the children about how plants grow and what they need to survive, but it also helps their comparative language and maths skills as they measure their bean stalks and discuss their growth.

Those children starting primary school in September have started PE sessions to get them used to more formal physical games and changing independently (a very important skill for school!). Together with the older non-leavers, they've also been enjoying show dance sessions with Miss Gemma, learning to following instructions while having fun and getting exercise.

Well done to everyone who found our special Easter Rocks. Our winners were Laura Freeman, Mae & Jack Burns, Ellie & Frey Grant, Clare Ross, Riley Webb and George & Emma Jolley. Congratulations! Future fundraisers will include a stall at the village festival and Super Cinema Sundays. Watch this

At the end of the Spring term, we said a sad goodbye to Miss Cori. She will be missed and we wish her all the best for the future.

Finally...

- Our need for more committee members is becoming urgent, with some members leaving soon as their children move on to primary school. As a charity-run Preschool, we are required to have a committee of a certain size to continue operating; if we fail to gain more members, we will be forced to close. After 50 years as part of the community, this would be very sad, so please consider joining-even if you can only spare a few hours a term.
- Our Big Play Party to celebrate 50 years of Preschool will be happening on Sunday 28th July on the village field. Save the Date!
- Please note our new phone number.

There are still some Preschool places available; to enrol your child or arrange a visit, contact our Manager, Samantha Sinclair, on 01480 810600. For committee enquiries, please contact our Chairperson, Becky Milne, at buckdenpreschoolchairperson@gmail.com.

For more information, visit www.buckdenpreschool.co.uk or see our Facebook updates at https://www.facebook.com/ www.buckdenpreschool.co.uk/.

In association with St Mary's Open Gardens

CHARITY GARDEN PARTY

11am - 10pm on Saturday June 8th @ 20 Silver St

BBQ and Licensed Bar - Luxury Cream Teas - Bouncy Castle - Croquet - Beat the Goalie - Live Music from 4.30pm - Garden Games

Buckden Roundabout June 2019

BJFC BJCKDEN JUNIOR SC

*Hunts Yth League U14 League Cup (1-1 at full time, 5-4 after penalties)

BUCKDEN JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Owing to FA rules, scores for U7 to U11 matches will be marked with an 'x'.

April/May Match Results

HUNTS YTH LEAGUE	HOME TEAM		AWAY TEAM	
Mini-Soccer				
13 Apr 19	Mid Beds Tigers U8	Х	Buckden Hawks U8 Black	Х
13 Apr 19	Huntingdon Rowdies U8	Х	Buckden Hawks U8 White	Х
13 Apr 19	Gt Paxton Colts U7 Panthers	Х	Buckden Caracaras U7	Х
20 Apr 19	Buckden Hawks U8 White	Х	Ramsey Colts FD U8 Lions	Х
27 Apr 19	St Neots Town U8 Sky	Х	Buckden Hawks U8 Black	Х
27 Apr 19	St Ives Rangers Colts U8 Black	Х	Buckden Hawks U8 White	Х
1 May 19	St Ives Rangers U8 Red	Х	Buckden Hawks U8 Black	Х
4 May 19	Buckden Hawks U8 White	Х	St Neots Town U8 Navy	Х
Hunts Youth (9v9)				
13 Apr 19	Little Paxton Colts U12 Sky	1	Buckden Vultures U12	4
27 Apr 19	Buckden Vultures U12	0	Huntingdon Rowdies U12 Green	0
27 Apr 19	Buckden Eagles U11	Х	St Ives U11 Blue Sox	Х
Hunts Youth (11v11)				
13 Apr 19	Needingworth Colts U14	6	Buckden Harriers U14	1
20 Apr 19	Buckden Harriers U14	15	Stukeley Meadows U14	1
27 Apr 19	Buckden Harriers U14	1	Needingworth Colts U14	4
30 Apr 19*	March Park Rangers Yth U14*	5	Buckden Harriers U14*	4
4 May 19	March Park Rangers Yth U14	0	Buckden Harriers U14	3

BJFC Needs Volunteers For Committee And Non-Committee Roles

It would be great to have more of the Buckden junior football community involved in the day-to-day running of the Club. We are searching for volunteers for various positions which do not necessarily involve sitting on the Club Committee. The BJFC Chairman has a list of roles/jobs and would be happy to discuss them with you. On-the-job training will be provided! So, if you, your family, friends, grandparents or parents/carers/grandparents of players wish to step forward then please contact: Michael Lander (07912 346481 bjfcchairman@hotmail.com)

Buckden Bowls Club

Contact Numbers		
Club Sec.	Ladies Sec.	Monthly Draw
Brian Moore	Daphne Meats	Jennie Casey
01480 812112	01480 383448	01480 476493

April Draw Results		May Draw Results
£20	No. 93 Ted Wood	No. 4 Janet Hughes
£10	No. 23 Mack May	No. 24 Michael Porter
£5	No. 1 Brian Moore	No. 31 Geoff Ashby

Thinking of playing Tennis?

Buckden Tennis Club is tucked away behind the Village Hall Car Park. We welcome players of all ages and all abilities, whether you are an experienced player, want to get back into tennis or just fancy taking up the game! If you are interested, please get in touch to find out more.

Our 4 floodlit hard-courts are open 7 days a week and are free for members to use if they wish to arrange their own games. Social Play takes place on Saturdays and Sundays mornings and Wednesday evenings. Social Play is a great way to meet up with other members - all members are welcome – no one is left out.

We have a packed schedule of club tournaments and social events throughout the summer. Visit our website for details and dates. We also have a mens, ladies and mixed teams competing in Cambs and Hunts and Peterborough League Tournaments throughout the year. We're always looking for new team members so please let us know if you would like to join in on match play.

For those looking to brush up their skills or learn new techniques, coaching is available for adults and juniors on a 1:1 basis or group sessions. For more info contact our LTA registered coach - Matt Sanders (matt@overandin.com).

For more information about the club contact our Chairman Clare Fraser on 07740456972, or visit our website at https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/buckdentennisclub, or our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/buckdentennisclub

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