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Picture courtesy of Alan Hardy
Wild flowers outside Shudy Camps Church

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by 19 May 2017

CASTLE CAMPS CLUBS & AMENITIES

Art Club (VH)	01440 730035 Sue Moss Alt' Thursdays 10.30-1.00pm
Brownies Horseheath	01223 891086
Bowls Club Apr-Nov	01799 584684 Tom Walker
Carpet Bowls (VH)	01799 584694 Wednesdays 7.30pm
CATS	01440 762290 Trevor
Cricket Club	01799 584269
The Cockerel	01799 584269
Football Club	07837 701610
Footpaths	01799 584924 Pete Mills
Good Companions (VH,50+)	01799 584016 Maureen McKenna
Gun Club	01799 584217
Hanchett Toys	01799 584979
Mobile Library	1st Tuesday of the month 11.25-11.40 Camps End 12.15-12.50 Claydon Close
Oil Syndicate	01799 584527
Parish Council (VH)	01799 584428 8pm 2nd Thursday every other month
Mel Laing, Parish Clerk	584428 / castlecampspc@gmail.com
Post Office (VH)	Monday 10.00am—12.00 noon Thursday 1.30pm—3.30pm
Saddlery	01799 584802 Horse & pet feeds
Tennis Club	01799 584328
Toddler Group (VH)	01799 584785 9.30-11.30 Weds
Yoga (VH)	01799 584890 Caroline Daunt
Youth Club	01799 584379 Fridays 7-9pm term time only
Castle Camps School	www.castlecampsschool.co.uk

(VH = Village Hall)

Linton Health Clinic	01223 892555
Non Emergency	101
Village Hall enquiries	01799 584596
C of E (Churchwarden)	01799 584012
URC (Secretary)	01799 584250
Camps Review & website	Chris Swan 01799 584958

www.castlecamps.org.uk



The Hundred Parishes Society

There has been recent mention in the press of police commissioners, funding and crime rates. Within the Hundred Parishes are some interesting examples of early methods of punishment and confinement.

Before the County Police Act of 1839, when local police stations started to be built, temporary detention of villains, especially drunks, was the responsibility of the parish. Lock ups, also known as cages, were often used and some fine examples still exist in our area.

St. George's church in Anstey has a 15th century lychgate (pictured). In 1831 the left side was bricked up and a studded door added so the structure could be used as the village lock up. In the 18th century a lock up was incorporated into the ground floor of Thaxted's 15th-century Guildhall. Great Bardfield has a 19th century cage which is open to the public in the summer months. Other lock ups can easily be found in Barley, Buntingford and Great Chishill. Newport has a much larger 18th-century 'house of correction' whose original purpose ceased in Victorian times.



A form of punishment which was 'popular' from medieval times was the use of stocks. The purpose of this punishment was to subject the offender to humiliation. Stocks were sited in public places where the 'victims' could be pelted with anything from mud to rotten fruit. Ancient stocks can be seen in Great Amwell churchyard, outside Brent Pelham church and also at Hellman's Cross in Great Canfield. The latter is on the site where Elizabeth Abbot was burnt as a witch in 1683.

All the features mentioned are protected as listed buildings and most are pictured on the Hundred Parishes website www.hundredparishes.org.uk. I hope the website will inspire you to explore our area.

Ken McDonald, Secretary

WEST WICKHAM AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

On Monday 20th March, Rob and Denise Sheriff, previous owners of a Dahlia nursery in Suffolk came to talk to us on" How to grow dahlias". Their illustrated talk gave us all the information we needed to grow the very best blooms. It covered the storing of tubers, pests and diseases (a can of sulphur seems indispensible), propagation by cuttings, supports and finally how to show off your beautiful flowers to best advantage when entering a competition. There are 56,000 varieties at the moment of which Rob grows 500. One can choose from huge giant blooms to tiny pom-poms and some of the new types of dahlia are quite stunning with many different shapes and colours in petals and foliage.

Our next meeting is on April 24th avoiding Easter Monday, when we look forward to finding out how to plant up containers. This will be the last talk in our programme and we then get ready for our **GRAND PLANT SALE on May 20th**, a date I hope you all have in your diaries.

More info. from Rosemary Yallop 01799584262

For anyone new to the area, there is a welcome pack available containing useful local information, put together by Lindi Kent (01799 584012) with the support of the Church.

This can be printed or emailed

Or see our website:
www.castlecamps.org.uk
Web contact Chris Swan:
info@castlecamps.org.uk or tel: 584958

From the Editor

Hello everyone

Good News! It has been agreed we will include adverts in the next issue as a type of "yellow pages" section. These will run on an annual basis from June 2017 to April 2018. If you would like to place an advert for the year it will need to be sent in pdf format to Mel Laing, Parish Clerk, the sizes and prices are shown on the back cover. Please contact Mel direct on 01799 584428 or email: castlecampspc@gmail.com for more details including payment terms etc.

If you would like anything included in the next issue of Camps Review then please get in touch:
Chris Swan, Ashcroft, Haverhill Rd, Castle Camps
Email: info@castlecamps.org.uk Tel: 584958

Until next time, Ed

Deadline for June edition: 19 May 2017

BIN COLLECTION DATES

GREEN/BLUE:	BLACK:
Monday 27 March	Monday 3 April
Monday 10 April	Wednesday 19 April
Tuesday 25 April	Tuesday 2 May
Monday 8 May	Monday 15 May
Monday 22 May	Monday 29 May
Monday 5 June	

REGULAR EVENTS AT CASTLE CAMPS VILLAGE HALL

Yoga	Tuesdays 10-11.30am or 7-8.30pm, Thursdays 6-7.30pm
Good Companions	3rd Thursday of each month
Art Club	Thursday 10am 01440 730035 (VH)
Youth Club	every Friday term time 7-9pm

Castle Camps Bowls Club

We are having our Spring meeting on 29th March at 7pm and anyone interested are welcome to come along.

We meet at the Bowls Club which is situated off the High Street behind the Old Post Office.

The club will be having an open day on 6th May at 2pm and anyone is invited to come along and have a go at bowling as long as flat sole shoes are worn (trainers etc. No high heels).

The bar will be open and light refreshments available.
Look forward to seeing you. Ron Goodwin

For more information you can contact Ron Goodwin on 01799 584585 or email rgoodwin484@btinternet.com.

Mrs Anne Chapman

Alex Chapman would like to thank everyone for the sympathy cards and help he's received from everybody since the death of his wife, Anne.

Camps Village Hall

Hall hiring rates are as follows:
Full day hire for the full Hall: Castle Campers: £100, Shudy Campers: £120, £160 for non-Camps hirers.
Hourly rates: Main Hall rates for these above three categories are: £10, £12, and £16 respectively.
Small Meeting Room rates are: £8, £10 and £12 respectively

The hall is very suitable for your business meetings, club meetings, birthday parties, wedding receptions and other celebrations. Please ring Susie on 01799 584596 to book or view, or email terry.chapman@tiscali.co.uk. Details can also be viewed on the web sites: www.hallsforhire.org.uk , www.cambridgeshire.net and www.venues4hire.org



Ashdon Primary School PTA 10K/3K Run Bank Holiday Monday
1st May 2017 from 9am, starting gun sounding at 10.30am.

There are several run options with something for everyone:
The 10K run is challenging, primarily off-road route, the 3K run with chip timing offers a chance for runners, young and old, to time themselves, and finally the 3K Fun Run is for everyone – including those in pushchairs and the dog! The whole family can walk / jog / run the route however quickly or slowly they choose!

Everyone across the finish line receives a medal and there are trophies awarded for those who place in the 10K run and the children who win the 3K timed race. You can enter via the school website http://www.ashdon.essex.sch.uk/ or you can pick up an entry form from the school office.

1st Horseheath Brownies

We all had a great time on our weekend away in the middle of March. We had 17 Brownies, Laurené our Young Leader, Emily our Guide helper and 6 adults at the Jarman Centre in Newmarket. We enjoyed being Pirates for the weekend especially looking for the 'hidden treasure' when the Brownies tried Geocaching. The Brownies were joined on Saturday morning by Balsham Rainbows and they all decorated a treasure chest, made an eye patch, a pirate hat and a jewel encrusted cutlass. You definitely need to be careful with those cutlasses they look really sharp!

We will be holding a joint meeting with 1st Linton Guides as a fundraiser for Red Nose. We will all be wearing red, for a red fashion show, and then putting out toy pets through their paces at the Second Toy Pet Show. All entries will receive a certificate and their might be a prize for the "best in show".

We are still collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers, they will be giving them out at the tills until be 2 May but please don't hold on to them until then please put them in the box in Horseheath Post Office, if you don't have a school or playgroup to donate them to.

Our numbers are slowly growing again but we can still take more so if you have a daughter who would be interested in joining us please register her at www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested. If you would like more information on what we do or would like to help us with a special skill you may have then please drop us an email.

PAULINE, KATIE, and LAURENÉ
E: brownies@horseheath.info

Marsh Mail (from Linton Village College)

The phenomenal performances of students at LVC outside of the regular school timetable in recent weeks has highlighted the importance of a wholesome and holistic education.

Enriching education and extra-curricular provision can too often be seen as the preserve of the privileged. Public schools boast rich co-curricular experiences while state schools can be tempted to narrow their curricular to focus on the three 'R's.

Linton Village College has a proud tradition of rich, inclusive education. Watching a large cast and crew performing 'The Sound of Music' to a professional standard confirmed the importance of delivering such a broad curriculum offer. In recent weeks, LVC students have also shone in sports tournaments and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) events.

These kinds of activities can easily be perceived as fringe opportunities. In some schools, the expense, time and energy required to deliver extended learning experiences can be seen as supernumerary.

Headteachers across the UK have publically shared their concerns about insufficient school funding on social media with images of events such as sports fixtures, extra-curricular clubs and performances in response to the question: what would you cut?

When stretched with finite resources, it may be tempting to salami-slice provision belonging to schools by compromising aspects that don't feed directly into performance tables choosing instead to direct time, money and energy into areas that will influence league table positions.

At LVC we believe in the importance of an enriching educational offer and don't see academic and extra-curricular outcomes as competing factors. This ethos has been validated by a letter from MP Nick Gibb, Minister of State for School Standards, confirming that LVC's student progress sits in the top 5% of schools nationally.

Schools face great challenges at present in terms of recruiting and retaining great staff and having the financial means to do so. Amidst the pressure, our children deserve the very best opportunities to enable them to develop into creative, ambitious and confident young people. A broad, rich curriculum experience is key to achieving this.

Helena Marsh
Executive Principal

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Minister : Rev. B. Waldron

Secretary : Mrs M. Norden 01799 584250

Treasurer : Mr E. Lee 01799 584470

CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL & MAY 2017

April

2nd – Rev. Bruce Waldron
9th – Holy Communion - Mr. Bob Parkin
16th – Easter Day– Mr Mark Hayes
Songs Of Praise - Rev. Bruce Waldron
23rd – Mr Joshua Thomas
30th – United Service – Parish Church

May

7th – Holy Communion – Rev. Elizabeth Caswell
14th – Rev. Norman Setchell
21st – Family Service – Mrs M. Whittle
28th – Mrs Wendy Roe

Services start at 10.30.am,

Easter Songs of Praise

This will be on Easter Sunday at 6.30pm.

Everyone Welcome

Followed by tea & coffee with Hot Cross Buns

Camps Village Fête 2017

The village fête will be going ahead on **Saturday 1 July** from 12 noon to 5.00pm this year. Please see separate flyer.

The Good Companions

We were off to a good start with 3 new members at our first meeting. The membership agreed that we should meet once a month and it was agreed on the 3rd Thursday and we have tried to stick to the same when we have outings etc.

Our spring social event is the Barn Dance on April 22nd and we hope you will support us as it was such good fun when we held one for two previous years. For tickets please ring Gerri 07742 670764 or Maureen Moore 07533 371811.

If anyone would like information on membership email me on maureenmarresa@msn.com
Regards, Maureen McKenna





St George's Day Barn Dance

Saturday April 22nd

Castle Camps Village Hall

2 Course Hot Supper

Bring your own drink & glasses

7.30 - 11.00pm Tickets £12

CATS and TopCATS

The joint CATS and TopCATS production "She Pyrates of the Carrybean" held in March was another great success, very much enjoyed by all ages. Well done to the whole cast and production team for a brilliant performance.



Avast me hearties!

South Cambs Cops: Village parking problems

I am aware from the many emails South Cambs officers receive and from Neighbourhood Panel meetings that parking is a constant concern for many residents in villages across South Cambridgeshire. Many of you may know that I cannot prioritise parking patrols over investigating and preventing crime and responding to calls for service. In light of this, it means that my officers might not do as much parking enforcement as many of you would like.

I have been giving some thought on how we can meet your expectations on parking enforcement and I have decided that we are going to try something new. I have therefore set up an online web-page where you can report concerns about parking. The information that you give us will go directly to me and will help us build a picture of the exact hot-spots for parking issues. I will then use this information on targeted 'crack-down' days. There is some good evidence that crack-downs work in other areas of policing so we are going to try it for parking. For obvious reasons I will not be publicising the dates of the crackdowns in advance, but updates will be sent to you by e-cops, twitter and facebook once we have completed a crackdown day .
The web page is now live and you can find it here:
http://tinyurl.com/SouthCambs-Parking

I am not pretending that this will solve all parking problems, however, I do think that it strikes the right balance between dealing with parking concerns and the other important work that we do.

PCSO 7239 Leanne Fisher, Business Watch and Engagement Officer, South Cambs Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Sawston Police Station, 4 Cambridge Road, Sawston, CB22 3DG Mobile:- 07850 142430
Email:- leanne.fisher@cambs.pnn.police.uk or southcambsbusiness-watch@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Camps Village Hall Committee

Next meeting planned for Wednesday 24th May (7.30pm village hall)
AGM was proposed for Monday 19th June
Minutes of previous meeting can be viewed on the village website:
www.castlecamps.org.uk

Christmas comes early for Castle Camps Village Hall

Due to the generosity of Camps Amateur Theatrical Society the Village Hall has been blessed with 120 new light weight stackable chairs.

For many years now hirers of the village hall have had to contend with heavy non stackable chairs and due to their excessive weight the old chairs were dragged across the floor which in turn was ruining the hall floor. All excess chairs were stacked on the stage as a form of storage area.

As an Am Dram group we hire the hall specifically for the use of the stage and found that every rehearsal would start with the de mounting of chairs off the stage, only to return them after rehearsals.



This is now a thing of the past, all the old heavy chairs have gone and there is also a nice little trolley to manoeuvre 8 chairs at a time out of the storage room to wherever you want them within the hall.

We do hope that all hirers look after these chairs, they are robust and will last for many years if treated well.

Trevor Bishop, CATS Chairman

All Saints' Castle Camps

Services over Easter

This year our services start with the Palm Sunday service at Castle Camps, we will bless our Palm Crosses and process into Church where we will hear the reading of the Matthew passion.

On Maundy Thursday we are planning an Agape at Shudy Camps. An agape is a communion service in the context of a shared meal. The aim is to hold a service which reminds us of the Passover meal that Jesus shared with his disciples. After the meal we will hold a one hour vigil when the altar will be stripped and we remember Jesus time of agony in the garden of Gethsemane.

We then move to Horseheath for the good Friday Liturgy including the veneration of the cross and reading of St Johns Passion.

On Easter Day we start at 8am at All Saints' Castle Camps with the lighting of a bonfire, from this we light our Easter Candles and carry them into Church and proclaim the resurrection. We then renew our baptismal promises, as it is through baptism that we pass from death to new life with Jesus. With the early morning service finished we will be serving breakfast. If you are coming we would ask you to sign up in Church or phone Katharine at the Vicarage (01799 585977) just so we have some idea of numbers.

At 10am we complete our celebration with the Easter Morning Eucharist.

We hope you can join us for some if not all of the services and that they will contribute to you understanding of the most important events in the history of our salvation.

Please see The Connection for all timings and information on future events from all three churches.

Lindi Kent

THE BIG TIDY UP
KEEP BRITAIN TIDY.

Your Village Needs You
Can you help?

THE Great British Spring Clean

District Council cuts have affected many services that kept our village tidy. You may have noticed that there is no longer

- Pavement sweeping
- Road gutter clearing
- Leaf collection
- Road sign cleaning
- Cutting back of grass overgrowing pavements

Can you help by tending to areas directly outside your home?
If you want to help on a larger scale and volunteer for tending areas such as Millennium Wood or the village pond then please come along to the village Annual Parish Meeting on 18th May or contact the Clerk on 01799 584428

www.thebigtidyup.org www.greatbritishspringcleanup.org.uk



ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Thursday 18th May 2017 8pm – 9.30pm

Castle Camps Village Hall

- A meeting for all Parish residents
- Drop in for refreshments, cheese & biscuits
- Bartlow Rd Development info update
- A1307 update
- Meet local organisations
- Get involved with the village
- Find out what's happening in the village
- Meet the Parish Council
- Ask questions
- Raise issues
- Make suggestions

Parish Clerk: 01799 584428. Email: castlecampspc@gmail.com
Website: www:castlecamps.org.uk

Dog Poo

The Parish Council have received complaints about the amount of dog poo not being cleared up from pavements and public footpaths around the village and would ask people to kindly pick up after their pooches.

COMMUNITY

SPEED WATCH

Speeding in our village is a problem

In an attempt to reduce speed through the village we are going to start a Speed Watch campaign supported by Cambridgeshire Police. This has been carried out in local villages with great success and so we are looking for volunteers to assist Councillors and give a few hours from time to time to the operation of the campaign. You will be given full training by Cambridgeshire Police and will be instrumental in our goal to help reduce speed through our village and make it a safer place. Community Speed Watch provides the opportunity for the public to influence and contribute to the education of drivers and assist the police identify areas and times for enforcement activity.



If you would like to be part of this, please contact Sue Herbert 01799 584844 or email: sueherbert99@btinternet.com

(This is not a means for issuing fixed penalties)

Parish Clerk: 01799 584428. Email: castlecampspc@gmail.com
Website: www:castlecamps.org.uk

Neighbourhood Watch

Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns or ideas/comments about NHW. Any concerns about suspected criminal activity should be reported via the 101 non-emergency number asap or if you believe the situation is an emergency, do not hesitate to call 999.

Anne Fear, Neighbourhood Watch coordinator for the Parish of Shudy Camps.
Home telephone: 01799 584432
Mobile: 07791 130335.
Email: annefear2003@yahoo.co.uk

Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust's Make a Will Week

Make a Will, while making a difference for local patients

Making or updating your Will can seem like a big challenge. However, it can be a lot more affordable and straightforward than you may think.
Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust's annual Make a Will Week takes place this year from 24th to 28th April. A group of local solicitors and Will-writers have kindly agreed to waive their usual fees and write or update a simple Will, in return for you making a donation to change patients' lives at Addenbrooke's and the Rosie hospitals. To find out more simply call Katharine on 01223 217757, email hello@act4addenbrookes.org.uk or visit www.act4addenbrookes.org.uk/makeawill.

All donations support patients at Addenbrooke's and the Rosie hospitals

CASTLE CAMPS PLAYGROUND GROUP EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

Tickets cost £1 each and are available from The Cockerel Public House, Susan Cutter and Wendy Perry.

The draw will take place on Good Friday at 7.30pm in The Cockerel.
(The hamper is on display in The Cockerel)



Thank you for your continued support!!

A heartfelt thank you to everybody who contributed to **Coffee for Christine** on 24th February.

The turnout at St Mary's was amazing and people were so generous with their time, raffle prizes, delicious cakes and donations.

We're delighted to tell you that we raised approximately £1260.00 before applying the Gift Aid contribution which is fabulous!

Every penny will go to **Maggie's Wallace Cancer Care Centre** in Christine's memory.