Within Reach



August/September 2016



Found a shrew



Little Owl



Golden-Bloomed Grey Longhorn Beetle



Peppered Moth



Blue Tailed Damselfly



At the moth light sheet



Emptying the sweep nets

Bioblitz 24Acres. Photos: Alison Lewis

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MacMillan coffee morning

Sat 8th October 2016
10.00am - 12 noon

Reach Village Centre

From the Editor



What is more important, Reach Festival or Pets Corner? The latter of course and it has a brand new section: do the owner and pet look alike? Jodie Halpin-McDonald and Teddi kick off this new section nicely. Let me have your contribution. Mrs Blackbird Coombes also features and I get the feeling she may become a regular.

We have an article in this issue dedicated to the Reach Festival on Saturday 24th September. This is a brand new event which we hope people will support and enjoy.

The weather has been variable these last months – well not that variable, mostly rain actually. But the sun shone wonderfully for sports day and everyone clearly gave it their all so we have a colour souvenir. Just notice how much the older kids, with great patience and kindness, support and encourage the young ones.

As you read this issue Reach Riders Group will have had their Open Day Picnic and the horse and pony riding facilities on the 24Acres will be open to new members. See Facebook and the village website for details. Our thanks to Cliff and Elizabeth Parr, Violet and Hector Keutgen, Olivia Mules, Lily Steed and everyone else who worked so hard during the recent Car Wash and Cafe. We raised £148 for the Reach Riders Group. And thank you to everyone who supported this event.

On Wednesday 21 September at 7.30pm in the Village Centre there will be an important debate about the future organisation of Reach Fair. It's also an opportunity to `brain storm' the structure and contents of the Fair. If you care about the Fair come along. There's nibbles and wine to tempt you.

As I prepare this issue of the magazine and suffer a computer glitch I wish I was more technically minded. In this issue we meet Eben Upton, a real computer whizz brain, inventor of the Raspberry Pi, and yet another talented resident of Reach.

David Thomas reports on the Bioblitz at the 24Acres organised by the National Trust. An astonishing number of species were recognised, and maybe a survey year-in-year-out would identify change. The children were clearly engaged which is lovely to see.

Be inspired by Catherine Gibson and her recipe for ice cream, and enjoy your summer. Let me have your travel articles!

Read this issue carefully and learn a lot about onions

Photographs: Bioblitz: Alison Lewis and David Thomas; Queen's Picnic: Hugh de Lacy; and Sports Day: Claire Halpin-McDonald.

Claire Halpin-McDonald

About the Magazine

The purpose of *Within Reach* is to serve the whole village by circulating information and interesting articles free to every household. Additional copies are available at a charge of £2.50. Issues are published bi-monthly covering the months of Feb/Mar, Apr/May, June/July, Aug/Sept, Oct/Nov and Dec/Jan.

Copies of the Minutes of Parish Council meetings and of *Out of Reach* and *Within Reach* magazines can be found on the village website **www.reach-village.co.uk**.

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The Future of Reach Fair



As intimated in the last Within Reach, the Committee have been looking seriously at the future handling of the Fair.

Following a recent committee meeting we have come to the following conclusions which we feel we need to share with the residents, on whose behalf we act.

Because of the current workload and the small number of committee members available to carry out the necessary organisations we have reluctantly decided that there are only two options open to us:

Option one: find more members to assist with the organisation of the Fair which now requires in excess of 60 hours of time between September and March and a considerable amount of time during the run-up and on the day. We are extremely grateful to those who volunteer every year to get involved but we now need extra help from the early planning stages.
We have made several requests over the past few years for additional help, having organised a few "Open" evenings, but unfortunately the same small number of people normally attend. We are, therefore, not hopeful that this option will be viable.

Option two: "contract out" the most time consuming aspects of the Fair – the commercial stalls and arena events – to an outside organisation for a fixed fee. We would still retain the ability to ensure that this undertaking maintained the spirit of the Fair, but it would release us from the hardest work. The village aspects - the tea tent, BBQ and other village activities - together with the fairground, would still be organised by the committee. The result of this option might be a lowering of the overall profit from the day but with a lot less effort (it is expected that with more attention to the village-run events this part of the Fair could become more profitable, offsetting some of the costs of the professional organisation of the commercial activities).

We would welcome some feedback from the residents on these ideas and we are holding an informal open evening at 7.30pm on September 21st prior to the Annual General Meeting. Please come along, have a glass of wine and some nibbles and discuss with us your thoughts.

On a personal note, after several years as Treasurer and 3 years as Chairman I have decided to step down this year and let someone else take the helm. I feel that I have done as much as I can and it is time to move on.

Grahame Radford
Chairman – Reach Village Centre Committee

Harvest Service

Saturday 1st October 2016
6.00 – 6.45pm
St Etheldreda's

Harvest Supper

Saturday 1st October 2016
6.45pm for 7pm
Reach Village Centre
Tickets Pam King 742924

Donations to the Foodbank at both the Service and Supper



Reach Festival. Saturday 24th September 2016

Prepare to be amazed. Below is just a selection of the musicians, artists, artisans, crafts people etc who will be attending Reach Festival in addition to our own village artists. Bring your friends and family!



Alicia Catling. Singer



Coded Storm specialises in handmade prints, cards and other paper-based goods



Will Lord. Must see prehistoric man!



Lesley Cooke



Deborah Curtis Watson will be story telling



Sheila Knight



MadebyAimee. Needle felt birds and accessories from the Cambridgeshire countryside. Commissions are welcome - let me know what bird you would like.



JM Belts and jewellery. We are a family run company, operating from Cambridge and Ely Market. J.M Belts has been set up to offer a younger audience a wide range of leathers, buckles and jewellery. 'Traditionally British' - all our products are handmade in Cambridge. We hand pick the leather from our stockists to ensure the best quality in leather belts and jewellery for you.



Melanie Goemans



James Ryder



Ruth Lyne



Selena Bragg. My inspiration comes from the natural world, and I hope to reflect the wonderful forms and textures of nature within my pottery.



Alison Kramarchuk. I like to design and make textile jewellery by knitting silver and copper wire to create sculptural and unique wearable pieces that really stand out from the crowd.



Carol Pask. I am a ceramic artist working in stoneware and porcelain combining traditional methods to create sculptural pieces, which are often fused with, metal, wood or slate.

Interview with Eben Upton



Where were you born and brought up?
I was born in Wales, and from two months old until I was two and half lived in Papua New Guinea. My father, an English lecturer, was working there. I have one sister, who is three years younger than me.

Where did you go to school?
When we returned from PNG we eventually settled in Ilkley, Yorkshire. I went to the misleadingly-named Ilkley Grammar School (a comprehensive).

When did you become interested in computers?
From very early on. I had two early home computers (a BBC Micro and a Commodore Amiga) which I used to teach myself programming.

When I left school I worked for IBM for a year in Warwick, where I got my first experience of professional computer programming.

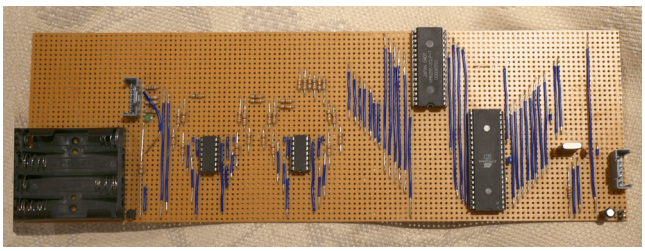
Where did you go to university?
I went up to St John's College, Cambridge in 1996 and did a first degree in physics and engineering, followed by the diploma in computer science. In 1998 I founded a company, Ideaworks3D, based in London. We developed 3d graphics software and computer games. I spent three years commuting to London from Cambridge. It was miserable experience – the commuting, not running the company!

What was your next step?
I sold the company and started a PhD in computer science – on C compilers.

When did you meet your wife, Liz?
It was in 1997 during my undergraduate degree. She was studying law at Lucy Cavendish, and we met through a mutual friend. We were married in 2004.

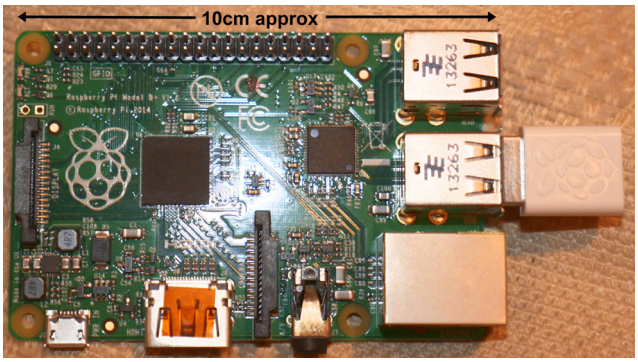
Here I abandoned the Q&A format and got Hugh de Lacy to quiz Eben about the origins of Raspberry Pi and its subsequent development.

While completing his PhD, Eben also became director of studies for computer science at St John's (and started another games company, Podfun, which helped fund his PhD). It was at St. John's that he got involved in the debate about why Cambridge, a world-class centre for computer science, was having great difficulty in attracting UK school leavers to pursue a degree in the subject. His theory was that as programmable 8-bit home computers were replaced by non-programmable games consoles and hard-to-program PCs, school students lost the opportunity to learn programming skills. This theory planted the seed of the Raspberry Pi, but it would be a while before he pursued the idea further.



Raspberry Pi prototype

In 2006 Eben joined the Cambridge division of the American semiconductor company Broadcom, who make networking products. These products are heavily software-based and his task was to lead aspects of the software design and development. He continues to be employed by Broadcom. He started thinking again about computing in schools and built (at home) what came to be an early prototype of the Raspberry Pi: a 12x6 inch board with a few chips soldered to it (see photo); by connecting a TV and a keyboard it became a powerful computer that could be used for serious programming. Encouraged by Broadcom, a more capable miniaturised version followed, and in late 2008 the Raspberry Pi Foundation charity was established. With the help of Rory Cellan-Jones, the BBC's Technology Correspondent who gave the project valuable publicity, sales took off and are now running at an astonishing 10,000 a day.



Raspberry Pi production version

Both Eben and Liz are now involved in the running of Raspberry Pi, with Eben being responsible for technical and marketing strategy and Liz for communications.

Most of the Raspberry Pi production is assembled in South Wales (in a former Sony TV factory). Around half the profits are ploughed back into the Foundation's engineering subsidiary to further develop the products while the other half goes back to the Foundation, which provides teaching materials and other valuable educational resources to 4000 schools in the UK, and another 1000 overseas.

The Raspberry Pi is by no means a toy: a third of the sales go to companies developing a diverse range of products that need a controlling computer. The low cost and versatility of the Raspberry Pi make it ideal for this kind of job, but its real value is in the early training of the UK's future software engineers.

As many of you will have heard, Eben was awarded a well-deserved CBE for his work on Raspberry Pi in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours.

How long have you and Liz lived in Reach
We stumbled upon Reach by accident while house-hunting in 2004, and have been here for eleven years. We moved last year from the house beside the pub to one opposite it. It is also home to our two Singapura cats.

What do you do for leisure?
We travel a lot, both for work and pleasure.

And your philosophy in life?
Life is full of amazing people and I'm at my happiest being surrounded by talented, creative people who are also nice people!

Hugh and Marie de Lacy

Car Wash and Café















Car Wash and Cafe

Sunday 10th July 2016



Queen's Birthday Picnic on the Green. Sunday 12th June 2016

We would like to thank all of you who attended this event and also those who assisted in making it happen.

The cake baking competition was competitive. We had seven wonderful cakes for marking and one cake that was offered just for eating.



We must thank Jean Estelle, Marie Bambrick and Charlotte Cane for the judging. They took the whole process very seriously - right down to discussions about the type of cream and flour involved! Perhaps they have missed their vocation.



We had five cakes from the adult section and the winner was Cath Tayleur. Her cake, a very moist chocolate offering, had a union jack on top.

The junior section had two cakes and was won by Lucy Quilter with a very regal entry featuring a crown on top and red, white and blue sponge inside.

All the cakes were very edible and it is fair to say there was not much left after we had all had our share!

For entertainment we had arranged some traditional games, including hopscotch and Spacehoppers, and some community singing. With Grahame and Karen leading the way we started with happy birthday to Her Majesty and ended with the National Anthem. In between we sang one song from each decade of the Queen's life. We would like to give special thanks to Hilary Fielding for her hard work in putting the music and songs together and playing the music for us.. We know she spent a lot of time gathering together the music and lyrics to make a very enjoyable interlude. Thanks also for Grahame for acting as MC.



The rain kept away (just) and we trust an enjoyable afternoon was had by all.





Karen Carpenter
The Events Team

LodeStar Festival

Your local family friendly LodeStar Festival in Lode, Cambridge, begins Friday 2nd of September!!!

LodeStar brings you the very latest National and International acts and in its eight year it has grown by word of mouth and support from the community, that's you! Gates open at 10am and close Monday 5th September at Noon. Book your tickets online www.lodestarfestival.com or phone 01223 813 318.

The Festival has grown enormously booking international headliners such as Sir Bob Geldof, Catfish And The Bottlemen and Razorlight. Book tickets to LodeStar 2016 and start your 3 days and 3 nights journey now to discover:

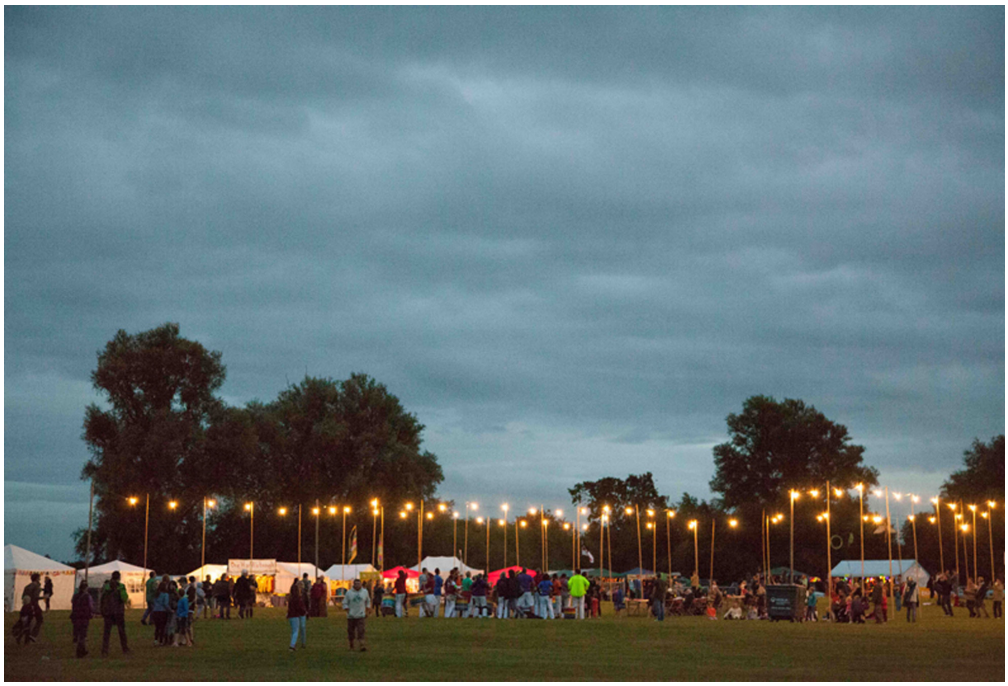
- Exciting new artists performing live music
- Family fun on a large wide open completely flat lawn-like fields
- Creative crafts and colourful market stalls
- Great workshops
- Captivating theatre and top entertainment
- Explore outdoor activities
- Amazing quality food and drink
- Chilliest camping area and the warmest atmosphere
- Archery
- Power kiting
- Face painting and more right on your doorstep!

Drinks from the local Calvors Brewery 'LodeStar' golden pale ale, English lager, Aspall's cider and a host of bespoke caterers offering wholesome tasty food at reasonable prices!

What do people say about Lodestar?
"*A real gem of a Festival. Cutting edge music with relaxed and friendly atmosphere"*
Anthony from festival kidz

When? 2nd to the 4th of September 2016 (*with Sunday camping!)*
Where? Fields of LodeStar, Lode, Cambridgeshire. CB25 9HE
Affordable 3 or 1 day tickets, 15-17yrs reduced, 14yrs and under **FREE!**
LodeStar Festival "for lovers of life" not to be missed, Book now!





Lode Half Marathon and Fun Run Sunday 6th November 2016

The Lode Runners club was initially set up to enable Lode to host a half marathon, which is run along the National Trust's Lodes Way from Lode to Burwell. Such has been the interest locally that we have been inspired to form the Lode Runners club. The latter aims to provide runners with a community that will help new and old runners alike to organise future events and meet socially.

Online entry for half marathon is now open. Postal Entries for the fun run can now be taken.

Chip Timing for both Half Marathon and Fun Run 2016

This year we will be raising money for the Arthur Rank Hospice Charity (charity no. 1133354)

Newmarket Racecourse

Family Fun Guaranteed

Newmarket Racecourse is once again putting on its annual programme of action packed events for children and families. Summer Saturdays, at the picturesque Adnams July Course, are designed especially with families in mind and are brimming with free entertainment, offering a great value day out. Don't forget under 18's are admitted free of charge and adult tickets start from just £10pp for the family enclosure.

DATES FOR THE DIARY – *This summer at the Adnams July Course…*

SUMMER SATURDAYS

- Saturday 6th August – Royal British Legion Raceday
- Saturday 13th August – All Was Quiet In The Deep Dark Wood … with appearances from The Gruffalo
- PLUS Friday 26th August – Super Hero Day



For more information or to book your tickets now visit **www.newmarketracecourses.co.uk** or call **0344 5793010**

Swaffham Prior Autumn Show Saturday 10th September 2016

Full rules and entry forms can be downloaded from www.swaffhampriorvillagehall.co.uk

Vegetables

4 French beans	4 Tomatoes
4 Runner beans	3 Courgettes
3 Beetroot	Squash or Marrow
3 Onions	Cucumber
4 Shallots	Any other vegetable
3 Carrots	Odd and/or Rude vegetable
3 Potatoes	Display of mixed herbs
6 Cherry Tomatoes	

Fruit

3 Dessert apples	3 Plums
3 Cooking apples	6 Soft fruit (same variety)
3 Pears	Any other fruit

Flowers

3 Roses	3 Dahlias (same or mixed)
3 Other flowers (same variety)	Flower arrangement
4 Mixed flowers	Mini arrangement
Sunflower	Pot plant

Additional classes (one entry per class per person)

Jam or Jelly	Victoria sponge (W.I. rules)
Pickle or Chutney	Fruit Cake
Marmalade	Decorated and/or filled cake
Any other preserve or honey	Any other cake
Homemade wine	Hand-made bread
4 eggs	Bread-machine bread

Children's classes (one entry per class per person)

Miniature garden	3 Decorated cupcakes
Vegetable or fruit animal	Model – Robot

Photography (up to three entries per person)

"Close to nature" (aged up to 16 years)	"Light & Shade" (aged 16 years and over)

Additional Attractions

Cream Teas Raffle and Annual Dog Show



Bottisham and Burwell Photographic Club

Bottisham & Burwell Photographic Club was formed in 1973 with a few founder members active in the club, one club member will be 90 this year.

The programme for our 43rd year, which commences on Tuesday 6 September 2016, has been finalised and is available on our website - **www.bottburpc.org** which also shows a gallery of members' photographs including the winning entries from competitions for the year.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 6 September 2016
'**Welcome Back**' First meeting of the 2016/2017 year will be held on Tuesday 6 September 2016, when members are asked to bring photographs (3 prints or 3 digital images) which have been taken over the summer break. Members' winning prints & digital images (PDI's) from last year will also be on display.

Tuesday 13 September 2016 (apologises, date was omitted from previous issue)
'**The Way I See It**' Digital presentation by Gerry Coles ARPS DPAGB EFIAP BPE5 who will explain techniques used to create his pictures. His prints will also be displayed during the break.

Tuesday 27 September 2016
'If it Moves Shoot It' *with a camera of course!* Digital presentation by John Bulpitt, Cambridge Camera Club.

Tuesday 11 October 2016
'**Ghosts in the Wilderness**' Talk by Tony Worobiec FRPS on his prints and style. He is on tour from the Southern Counties Photographic Federation. Sponsored by Fotospeed.
If you are finding that you now have more time or are relatively new to photography and would like to develop your skills further, why not consider joining us on our 'Welcome Back Evening'? See above.

The club has a friendly atmosphere and new members are very welcome. Personal help and advice regarding all aspects of photography is available from existing members, whose experience ranges over many years and many types of camera. If attending the 'Welcome Back' evening, you may if wished, bring three of your own pictures (any size) that you have taken during the summer.

The club meets at Lode Chapel **CB25 9EW** from 7:30 – 9:30pm. Guests are always welcome to any meeting at our venue. Fee of £3.00 including refreshments, refunded on joining.

If attending please be considerate when parking your vehicle in respect of the local residents, especially remembering the need of access for emergency vehicles.

Annual subscriptions: Adult: £40.00, Joint Membership: £67.00, Student: £21.00, refreshments 50p.

For further details contact:

Mrs Daphne Hanson DPAGB APAGB
01638 741106
Website: www.bottburpc.org

Barry Coles



Cattle at Wimpole Hall, April 2016. Photo: Barry Coles



Summer Guided Walks and Tours

Guided Tours of Oliver Cromwell's House at 11.30 am
Saturday 23rd July, 30th July, 6th August, 13th August, 20th August and 27th August
Join our costumed guide for a tour of this atmospheric house, detailing life in the 17th Century. Learn about how families would have spent their time, hear about Mrs Cromwell's love of cooking and find out what life was like as a soldier during the civil war.

Admission: Adults £6.00, Children £3.50

Introducing our Summer Programme of Guided Walks around the beautiful City of Ely. All walks depart from Oliver Cromwell's House at 11.30 am. Places may be pre-booked or booked on arrival (subject to availability). All tickets £4.00

Guided Historical City of Ely Walk: Sunday 31st July and 21st August
What better way of discovering the history of this magnificent city than being guided around its splendid array of medieval paths and monastic buildings. Discover the origins of the Cathedral and the importance of trade in this former Isle of Eels.

Ely through its Architecture: Sunday 7th August
Learn about the wealth of architecture of some of Ely's period, historical buildings during this walk with our informed guide.

Guided Riverside Walk: Sunday 24th July and 14th August
This expanded tour takes in the city centre as well as the picturesque waterside. Learn about the drainage of the Fens, the life of the Fen Folk and how the river has served visitors and residents across the ages.

Ely's Heritage Eel Trail: Sunday 28th August
Learn about the importance of eels to Ely in the past and today as you are guided around our Eel Trail. Marvel at the artworks dotted around this circular route which portrays the lifecycle of an eel.

Guided Monastic Walk: Monday 29th August
Discover and explore the grounds of the largest group of medieval monastic buildings still in private use today. Hear the tales of monks and royalty and learn how they helped shaped Ely's past.



For further details contact Tourist Information Centre
Oliver Cromwell's House – 29 St Mary's Street, Ely, Cambs. CB7 4HF
Tel: 01353 662062 or www.visitely.org.uk
@visitely

Burwell Museum Events

A summer celebration of POWER at Burwell Museum and Windmill!

This summer Burwell Museum and Windmill is celebrating 'power' in all its forms – human, steam, wind, solar, mechanical and more. Loads of fun family activities from an historic-inspired splash park to making sculptures with old bike parts!

Drop-in events - no need to book:

Railways in Burwell exhibition
Thursday 21 July – Thursday 1 September
Coming soon...the story of the railways in Burwell from the now-vanished passenger station to the industrial lines of the Fens. Featuring objects, archives, photos and reminiscences from local people. If you have stories about the railway in Burwell we want to hear from you. Please contact the museum (01638 605544 or education@burwellmuseum.org.uk)

Exhibition visitors. Please check museum opening times and standard museum admission applies.

School Holiday Fun - every Thursday afternoon

Thursday 28 July, 2-5pm– Let's go to Rio
Get ready for a summer of sport with the Burwell Olympics: outdoor rustic games, challenges and makes inspired by Rio 2016, Ancient Greece and the Fens! Standard admission for children, accompanying adults half price.

Thursday 4 August, 2-5pm- Tractor Day
Celebrate the awesome power of tractors and follow your food from farm to fork. Enjoy a windmill tour, trails, solar-power science and farm-themed crafts. Standard admission for children, accompanying adults half price.

Thursday 11 August, 2-5pm– Railway Day
All aboard for activities inspired by the much-loved book 'The Railway Children'. Imagine your own trip on the steam railway with trails, crafts, games and a look at our 'Railways in Burwell' exhibition. Standard admission for children, accompanying adults half price.

Thursday 18 August, 2-5pm- Sail Away Day
Water-themed fun for everyone with a history-inspired splash park made from recycled materials, trail and boating-themed crafts. Bring a change of clothes! Standard admission for children, accompanying adults half price.

Thursday 25 August, 2-5pm – Brilliant Bike Day
Travel in time from the Penny Farthing to the BMX with some vintage cycles, bike-themed crafts and a wheely good trail around the museum! Why not travel to the museum by bike and learn how to service and security mark it. Standard admission for children, accompanying adults half price.

Thinking ahead….

Burwell Museum's Harvest Fair
Sunday 18 September, 11am-5pm
Live folk music, pop-up pub with local ales and BBQ. Farm to Fork trails, demonstrations, windmill tours, family crafts plus local produce and crafts for sale. Standard admission applies.



Summer volunteers needed

Are you looking for a summer volunteer placement or maybe something more long-term?

We're looking for helpers to run family activities and support our 'meet and greet' team in the entrance kiosk and tea room. Training provided. If you're interested to join our team please contact Mel on volunteers@burwellmuseum.org.uk or call 01638 605544.

Opening Times
Thursdays, Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays, Easter to October
11am-5pm (unless otherwise stated)
Last admission 4pm

Admission Charges
Adults: £4
Children 3-16yrs: £2
Children under 3 yrs: free
Season ticket: Individual £15; Family £25

Full details of all events at www.burwellmuseum.org.uk

Burwell's secret Tea Room!

Did you know the museum has a tea room? We're open on Thursdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays, serving hot and cold drinks, lovely cakes and snacks. Our tea room is run by volunteers and supported by Tescos Extra Newmarket. Free entry to the museum with your season ticket. From 15 May ask for your loyalty card to receive a 6th cup of tea free when you buy 5. Don't forget – our season ticket gives you free entry to the museum from Easter - October so you can visit the tea room on any open day!

www.burwellmuseum.org.uk
01638 605544
education@burwellmuseum.org.uk

Burwell Museum, Mill Close, Burwell, Cambridge CB25 0HL



Nelson Saunders signalman. **Thursday 11 August, 2 - 5pm. Burwell Museum Railway Day**

Swaffham Prior Parochial Charities

As people will be aware the charity helps pensioners and anyone who considers themselves in need of assistance at Christmas time. This help is not only available at this time of year as the charity is always happy to listen if you need help at any other time of year

We are also wondering if there are any students who may want help with any educational needs, for example, the purchase of reference books

If you wish to discuss this further please do not hesitate to contact me

Pam Waters
Clerk to the Trustees
01638 741035

Burwell Museum Coach Trips



Clacton	Tuesday 16th August	£16
National Memorial Arboretum		
	Thursday 22nd September	£25
Coventry	Tuesday 18th October	£20
Bricklane Xmas Show and Dinner		
	Wednesday 7th December	£58

Tickets only from Tina's, Burwell and for information ring Barbara 01638 741581

Connecting Cambridgeshire: Further Delays

After the Parish Council meeting last September which was attended by a representative of Connecting Cambridgeshire (CC) the village was promised its fibre-based broadband connection by June this year. When June arrived with no sign of any activity I went back and checked the date shown on the CC website: it had been changed to 'end of 2016 '. No explanation, no apology.

This is now the third time that Connecting Cambridgeshire / BT Openreach have let the village down:

- In late 2014 we were told that Reach would get 'Superfast Broadband' by June 2015.
- Soon afterwards RaSP heard that CC/BT were intending to deliver the new service by existing wires (no fibre) despite the fact that five minutes spent with an OS map would have told them that Reach is much too far from the exchange for this to work. Given the well-documented performance of the ADSL2 system that is delivering the new service this looked like gross negligence on the part of Openreach/CC
- In August 2015 CC/BT admitted that ''. . . we are aware that *a number of premises* are unable to order fibre services because they are too far away from the cabinet" (my italics). These were weasel words because as far as I am aware *nobody* in Reach village has seen any improvement at all (and I know of some subscribers who have seen a deterioration).
- In late 2015, after the PC meeting attended by CC/BT representatives we were told to expect an improved new fibre-based service by 'June 2016'.

Early on in the CC project I signed up as Reach 'Broadband Champion' so that I would be able to receive notifications about the progress of the project and keep people in the village informed. However, *not once* have I received any notification about these delays affecting Reach: all I get is general broadcast messages along the lines of 'how great we are '.

CC are now engaging again with the Parish Council; we can only hope that this time they meet their commitment. The saddest irony in the whole sorry affair is that there are several unused optical fibres in the BT-owned cable serving Vine House. These come into the village along the Burwell road very close to where BT want to bring in the new fibre. Last year Bryan Pearson and I suggested to CC/BT that they could use some of the unused fibres to provide the service to the village but we could never get any kind of answer on whether this was possible or not (from my own knowledge of fibre networking it should have been quite possible). This door has now closed with the takeover of the Vine House infrastructure by Air Broadband.

Air Broadband

In the meantime Air Broadband have gone from strength to strength. When RaSP handed over the network there were a number of weak links and bottlenecks in the system; over the last nine months or so Air have invested significant money and resources into upgrading the weak links in the system as well as upgrading the main fibre link into Vine House to 1 gigabit per second, a tenfold increase in speed. They have also moved most of the equipment that was in Vine House to their main base at Cowley Road in Cambridge for easier maintenance.

I have personally seen a big improvement in speed consistency and general reliability of the network and am now considering the use of an Internet phone service and cancelling the BT line altogether with the big cost saving that would result. Air Broadband will themselves be offering an Internet phone service very soon (at a cost of £8/mth or £12 including national calls). There are other independent companies on the market who could also be used; in some cases it can be possible to transfer your 01638 number to the new service.

It is also worth pointing out that Air are providing a good service in much of the Fenland area to the north of Reach where BT are unlikely to provide anything in the foreseeable future. They can also provide higher connection speeds than the 10Mb/s standard service, at rates lower that those advertised on their website for Reach residents – this could be of interest to some home business users.

The only caution I have to sound about Air is that they appear to have taken their eye off the ball on their customer service side with often poor response times. I have been actively engaging with them on this and I hope to be able to announce an improvement in my next newsletter. If any villagers reading this have experienced similar problems with Air please let me know and I will make representations on your behalf.

Hugh de Lacy



Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service hopes you have all been staying fire safe with your latest outdoor activities, but just in case, here are our firefighters' top tips:

- When out camping or using a tent, never use candles inside or nearby and always discourage smoking nearby. Never cook inside a tent either.
- If cooking outdoors, keep barbeques on level ground, never pour accelerant on it and use it well away from fences, sheds and foliage.
- If you have a bonfire, build it well away from buildings, tents or other flammable objects and make sure it is properly out when you leave.
- When out in the countryside, extinguish cigarettes properly and dispose of them responsibly – never throw a lit cigarette into a field or wooded area.
- Don't forget to stay safe around our county's waterways and if you see someone in trouble in water, call 999 immediately with clear details of your location.

The school summer holidays are here and we hope you are enjoying time with family, going on holiday or even creating your own adventures at home. Why not take the opportunity to teach your children about fire safety and design your very own fire escape plan?

We recommend every household has a fire escape plan and regularly runs through it with the family – and especially when guests are coming to stay.

Here are a few things to consider when writing yours:

- Everyone should know where the window and door keys are.
- Your normal way out of the house is your best escape route so always keep it clear of clutter - think of the difficulties you'll have using this route in pitch darkness or smoke.
- Walk your escape route with the rest of your family or housemates and make sure everyone can open windows and doors easily.

If you, your neighbour or family member might be vulnerable or have trouble escaping from their house in a fire, get in touch with us to see if we can help by calling 0800 917 9994.

For the latest news, incidents and safety advice, or to contact us, log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk, call 01480 444500. Find us on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.



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At St Mary's Church, Burwell

On the 4th Wednesday of every month

August 24th and September 28th 2016

Open from 12.00noon till 2.00pm

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For more information, contact administrator@stmarysburwell.org.uk.



Healthwatch Cambridgeshire is your Local Health Care Champion

There are lots of important conversations happening at the moment about the future of our local health and care services. It is our job to make sure you are listened to when decisions are made. We are there to ask questions on your behalf.

Some of the conversations we've been involved in recently include:

- Hinchingbrooke Hospital merger
- Care at Addenbrookes and the Rosie
- The future of older people's health care and adult community services
- Children and Young people's Crisis Mental Health Care
- NHS 111 and out of hours GP care



We have also published Thriving, our report into children and young people's mental health.

We wrote Thriving to help make sure children and young people are listened to by local commissioners and providers. They are using it to help redesign children and adolescents' mental health services.

Talk to us

We need know how health and care is working in Cambridgeshire for you and the people who are important to you. We will listen to your experiences and share them with the people who make decisions about local services, without identifying you.

We also provide an Information Service and can help you find out about:

- health and social care services near to you
- what to do if you have a concern or complaint
- organisations that can give you help or advice

We are always happy to talk to local groups and attend events, so please do invite us.

Contact us www.healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk or call **01480 420628**

Healthwatch Cambridgeshire follow us @HW_Cambs

Burwell and Reach Car Scheme

If you are unable to use conventional transport the scheme can help you to travel from Burwell or Reach to Doctors, Dentist, Chiropodist, Opticians, village shopping or visits to relatives/friends at home or in hospital

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Contact Hours: 8.30am – 5.00pm Monday – Friday, please give us at least **48 hour's notice**

01638 742543 answer phone.

You will be contacted after you have left your request for a journey

The Burwell Surgery Flu Immunisation – Save the Dates!

At The Day Centre: Adults by appointment only:
Thursday 29th September: 9.00 – 11.30 am

At The Burwell Surgery: Open Clinics will be held on:
Saturday 8th October: 9.00 – 11.30 am
Saturday 5th November: 9.00 – 11.30 am

By appointment: Clinics in October:
Monday 10th – 6.30 – 7.30 pm
Thursday 20th – 2.30 – 5.00 pm
Monday 31st – 6.30 – 7.30pm

By appointment: Clinics in November:
Thursday 10th – 2.30 – 5.00pm

Further details will be available in September



Sage Advice

Whether used as a culinary herb, grain or bedding perennial, the genus *Salvia* has a versatile relationship within many human cultures. It is the horticultural value that stands out for me - diverse and vibrant blooms on scented foliage, which come into their own during the longer summer days in British gardens.



Salvia guarantica

The genus contains nearly a thousand species, and finds its highest diversity in Central and South America, with the Mediterranean Basin and Himalaya also displaying large species counts. The unifying characteristic of these species is the presence of a pair of hinged stamens, which form a staminal lever on the male part of the flower. This unusual pollination mechanism is activated by a visiting bird or bee. A nose around in the flowers on your common-old garden sage (*Salvia officinalis*) should allow activation of this lever, which under the right circumstances daubs the back of the pollinator with pollen.



Salvia lencantha

The species which cause most excitement tend to be from the New World. Many of these have colourful tubular flowers, such as *Salvia fulgens*, *Salvia guaranitica* and *Salvia concolor* or the deep purple-black of *Salvia discolour*- all of which are flowering in the Garden's Glasshouse Bays at the moment. William Robinson wrote of another Salvia species, the Mexican species *S. patens*, "doubtless, the most brilliant in cultivation, being surpassed by and equalled by few other [garden] flowers". Rather than bees, these New World cousins are geared up for hummingbirds, and the queen amongst this group is the giant Bolivian sage, *S. dombeyi*, from the high Andes, with 8cm, vivid scarlet pendent blooms.

Hopefully, this has wetted your appetite for the genus *Salvia*, which is much more than sage and chia. Many salvia species will be flowering right into September at the Garden, providing some late-summer, colourful and inspirational ideas for the home garden.

The Cambridge University Botanic Garden is open from 10am – 6pm, July – September, 7 days a week. The Glasshouses and Café close 30 minutes before the Garden and the Botanic Garden Shop at Brookside closes 15 minutes before the Garden. Please check the website at www.botanic.cam.ac.uk or telephone 01223 336265 for details about opening times, admission charges, tours, courses and special events.

Alex Summers
Glasshouse Supevisor
The Botanic Garden





Out and About



It seemed far from a ‘flaming June’ - a daily pattern developed whereby sunny mornings consistently gave way to rainy, sometimes thunderous, afternoons, creating drama within the wide east Anglian skies. However, skylarks continued to sing above the fen, dragonflies hawked insects, tram-tracks darkened the corn fields, cattle grazed river banks and garden birds began the dawn chorus an hour before sunrise.

The blackbirds in our garden successfully hatched their second demanding brood from a precarious bowl-shaped nest above the lytch gate. Several fledglings still lurk in the shrubbery and await the arrival of the hens’ morning food. At the horses’ field near Reach Wood indigo-winged swallows finally produced chicks having built and protected an empty nest for months beforehand. Four silent youngsters watch my stable duties, their parents noisily hunt insects and dive-bomb the yard cat. Opposite, a pair of wrens raised a clutch in the old skip in Gareth and Lesley’s field.



Black headed gull

In late June, when travelling down the track towards Great Lane, a fox trotted up it towards me, turned into Aves’ hedge, doubled back across the road and ran through the ex-Reeve field. I was surprised to see such a bold display mid morning at the village edge. Countrymen and poultry keepers tend to dislike “Mr. Tod” but I take the view that most domestic dogs would create havoc within a hen coop, at the moment our young dachshund’s sole intention is to nobble the sitting broody hen.

A kestrel favours the telegraph pole in John Reed’s neighbouring field and shares the central section with crows, woodpigeon and collared doves. Starlings are starting to congregate on overhead lines and rooks scratch for worms in the grass below. I read that, in a Cambridge University experiment, five clever but hungry rooks manufactured a hook from a piece of wire in order to hoist a small bucket of worms out of a tube!

Flitting, chattering goldfinches populate garden feeders and village hedges, their scarlet faces, white cheeks, black goggles and gold wing dabs add colour to the countryside. In his book - Birds And People Mark Cocker compares these chatty flocks to ‘glass fragments or tiny metal shards loosely striking against each other’.



Goldfinch

Several villagers have expressed concern regarding the number of roadkill animal victims around Reach. To see two hedgehogs squashed on nearby roads when their numbers are so compromised, is sad. Please don’t hurry through the village if you can possibly help it, and help save our wildlife.

3.6. Ron saw the distinctive gold/tawny rabbits at Reach Wood which had disappeared for over a decade.

7.6. Tracy text “whilst filling the bird bowl in our hay shed, a wren appeared and sang the most beautiful song as it waited, what a lovely way to start the day”.

11.6 Hilary text that a fox cub had crossed the path on her return from the stables.

12.6 Ron and Penny were thrilled to see a female blackcap nesting in their garden, its red blush head plainly visible.

15.6 Tracy watched a kestrel bathing in a puddle at Swan Lake grain store.

22.6 She witnessed the sad demise of a great tit when a carrion crow swooped down and took it off the bird feeder.

26.6 She saw a little owl perched on Jason’s log pile. And said there are consistently 5 hares on the land at Springhall Farm.

9.7 Ron spotted a splendid female bullfinch at home when he was feeding the hens at 9.30am.

9.7 Hilary saw the dark and light-coloured buzzards sitting on adjacent fence posts in her paddock last week and another one on the ground by the hedge a few days later. Also noticed hundreds of tiny frogs crossing the road towards Tubney Fen each evening and that thousands of starlings congregate on the pylons at dusk. Saw a marsh harrier over Churchfield Farm and a blackcap singing in the willow tree near her paddock gate. Spotted flocks of long tailed tits in the Tubney hedgerow.

I recently read a captivating book: The Running Hare, The Secret Life Of Farmland by John Lewis Stempel. This the

story of a moribund field in Herefordshire written by a farmer who noticed how compromised wildlife had become in an intensively farmed but rural area. He set about renting a modern, conventionally farmed arable field, managing it in the old-fashioned, chemical-free way, reintroducing the vanishing flowers from ploughland and making it into a traditional wheatfield.

He eventually secures a 4-acre field called Flinders. One of his first tasks is to dig out/down a square foot of soil in several places. As feared, he finds only 2 worms in these pieces (vital for aerating and providing drainage) - the field is effectively dead from the overuse of pesticides and herbicides.



He plans and researches its recovery. He ploughs with an ancient open-topped Ferguson tractor (at 3mph) and harrows behind a Shetland pony – in working half an acre he walks 5 miles. His aim - "I wanted kestrels hunting over flower-embroidered, running-with-hares corn".

He creates a conservation wheatfield by sowing a long-stemmed wheat by hand, increases the grass field margin to 3 metres, adds a pasture mix of wildflowers: corn marigold, corn chamomile, cornflower, corn poppy. Scarlet pimpernel, blue common field speedwell and purple wild pansies suddenly appear, their seeds harboured in the soil for years.

The green wheat suffers attack from long thin black slugs (no hedgehogs, affected by pesticides), but he is effectively helped by rooks who pest control. Birds start flocking to the wheat field searching for bugs and gamebirds hide their young between the stalks 'there is a whole world of life in my cornfield'.

Butterflies, bees, grasshoppers and other insects arrive, spiders spin webs between the ears of wheat, birds start singing, mammals appear. In a short time the field borders look like 'the page of an illuminated manuscript'. The acreage starts vibrating with life, toads can be seen although the field is nowhere near water (toads can live in the wild for 20 years), hares breed successfully, the insect noise and birdsong become so strong it negates all road traffic noise.

He harvests, threshes and mills the wheat for his livestock (5 tons grain) and leaves the stubble until the following March, the spilt grain provides gleanings for birds and mammals which gets them through the winter. Finally he re-digs several holes and this time counts 7 worms in each square.
I felt anxious after reading his account, our own countryside could hardly be more intensively farmed. I started checking the field edges for white bleach marks, signs that overuse of pesticides and herbicides produce but instead found lovely overgrown verges, lode banks, hedges and a profusion of wild flowers. I saw birds of prey, songbirds, seabirds, gamebirds, woodpeckers, herons, egrets, insects, bats, owls, reptiles, deer, hares etc. Even red list farmland birds are here – lapwing, grey partridge, linnet, starling, skylark and yellowhammer. So, fears were allayed in this part of the fen, thankfully.

Joss Goodchild

Swaffham Prior Village Gardeners Programme for 2016

18th October	AGM	
15th November	Rob Brett	28-360 Acres. The Delights and Possibilities of the RHS Garden Hyde Hall

Indoor meetings are on a Tuesday at 8pm in Swaffham Prior Village Hall. Details of the summer visits will be confirmed nearer the time.

Membership is £15 per person. New members and visitors are always welcome: £3 per evening.

Chairman/Treasurer: Peter Hart 01638 741681

Joint Secretaries: Margaret Joyce and Mary Hart 01638 744390 / 741681



What's Growing on at Snakehall Farm

Prospects Trust
AT SNAKEHALL FARM

FRUITFUL LEARNING AND VOLUNTEER DAYS ON THE FARM

Our TESCO's Bags of Help funded fruit cage has been erected, pathways are laid and the raised beds are in progress. We are so excited to kick start yet another new growing project for The Prospects Trust, we shall have Snakehall Farm soft fruits over the coming few years thanks to our recent fundraising win at Newmarket Tescos. Our Co-workers have been fully involved in the new growing area, working alongside our coporate volunteers on three giving days already this season. We have benefited from a huge volunteering push from staff teams working for Black Horse Finance, Anglian Water and Towry Cambridge. Each day has helped develop the new fruit project further, giving our Co-workers the chance to be the experts in their field and showcasing Snakehall Farm to new audiences. Watch this space for the fruits of our labours!

SNAKEHALL FARM CO-WORKERS

If you pop into our shop or buzz past our farm gates you may not even know what goes on at Snakehall Farm? We have been growing people alongside produce at The Prospects Trust since 1989 and we continue to grow, sow and harvest lots of opportunities. We have 50 adults with disabilities working on our farm site and on our garden teams every week, we support special schools and provide seasonal placements to younger people throughout the year. For more details about supported placements contract Rhian on 01638 741551 or visit our website www.prospectstrust.org.uk.



ORGANICALLY PERFECT AND THAT IS A FACT

The Farm Team are 100% officially organically fabulous again this year. After a day of clipboard inspection, acres of paperwork and copious compliance checks the whole Green Dream Team can breathe a sigh of relief after they received the organic thumbs up from The Organic Farmers and Growers. We never add nasties to our produce and have been growing naturally since 1989, but our organic status is more than just not adding anything horrible to our land, it dictates everything we do and gives our farmer lots of forms to fill in. Well done the farm team and we hope you enjoy eating our certified organic produce this summer and for many years to come.

This summer our shop will be stocked with all the seasonal best, from French Beans to four different varieties of tomatoes, you don't need to leave Reach to get your five a day.

WINGING IT?

No we are not referring to our glorious girls, the re-homed chickens this time, we are thinking of Jenny Day who has braved the skies and illustrated some `plane' determination to support two close to heart charities, The Stroke Association and The Prospects Trust. Jenny is doing the walk in memory of two very special people, Ron, and her sister Sandy. Jenny's Grandad was our very own Super Ron, father to our Farmer Mark and longstanding volunteer up until he sadly passed away in 2015. As you may recall Ron was the catalyst for our huge Snakehall Superhero Sky Dive which massively contributed to our £25,000 for 25 years fundraising target. As Ron didn't achieve his next daredevil feat of wing walking, Jenny has taken up the challenge and will walk the wings as the plane soars up to 130mph, luckily Grandad Ron must have passed down his thirst for adventure to Jenny. We wish Jenny lots of luck. You can donate online: https://localgiving.org/jennyswingwalk

We always encourage our Friends of the Farm to support our supporters so take a look at our online Local Giving page for all the fundraising feats happening that you can support too: https://localgiving.org/charity/prospectstrustatsnakehallfarm/

SCREWFIX-ED IT

The Snkehall Team welcomed Newmarket Screwfix Manager, Ben Cole, on to the farm this summer when he came and presented a £5,000 cheque from The Screwfix Foundation. The Screwfix Foundation donates much needed funding to help a variety of local projects throughout the UK, from

repairing buildings and improving community facilities, to improving the homes of people living with sickness or disability. Maz Baker applied to the foundation to help with general repairs and the new Woodworking Workshop built by our Co-workers on both the Farm & Garden Teams over the winter months. The teams are really looking forward to a safe environment to learn lots of new woodcraft and tool use. Thanks to Screwfix the whole workshop is now electrically charged with new wiring, emergency stop buttons and more sockets for the power tools. Thank you Screwfix Foundation.

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Saturday 8th October 2016
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Reach Village Centre

In aid of MacMillan Cancer Support



Wicken Fen and Anglesey Abbey News



Joan Childs, our Strategic Manager, has left Wicken Fen to return to her native Yorkshire. In the interim, Isabel Sedgwick (Visitor Experience Manager) and Martin Lester (Countryside Manager) are holding the reins, until a new manager is appointed later in the autumn.

Over the last few weeks we've undertaken a major project to improve the drainage of the car-park, particularly the overflow section, large parts of which have to be closed off during the winter / spring due to the waterlogged ground. The work also includes the addition of 44 hardstanding parking spaces.



A big thank-you to everyone who joined in the recent BioBlitz on the Reach24 Acres. I understand the species count stands at 231, with a few insects still to be identified.

At the end of September / early October (exact date yet to be determined) we will be undertaking a structural survey of Norman's bridge, which crosses Monk's Lode, near the junction with Wicken Lode. The structural survey and any remedial work required are likely to take a minimum of two weeks, meaning there will be no way of crossing the Lode at this point. An alternative route via Wicken village will be signposted during the closure.

Details of all our summer holiday events and booking arrangements can be found on our website at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wicken-fen - please book early to avoid disappointment. We also have a **Basket Making Workshop** on Saturday 3 September, where you can learn how to make a traditional rectangular trug basket – tickets for this event cost £65 and are available from the Visitor Centre on 01353 720274.

At Anglesey Abbey, the new Skylight Garden has recently opened. Located at the northern end of the East Lawn, the Skylight Garden consists of two major elements. A circle of twelve slightly leaning oak structures will make it a pleasant experience for visitors to learn back and observe the clouds without straining their necks. Interpretation will help with the identification of various cloud formations. The second element includes triangular shaped beds each side of the central design planted with Lilac bushes, under planted with prairie style planting schemes that will give interest during the late summer / autumn period.



This year's Dahlia Festival runs from 12 September – 2 October. The centre piece of the Dahlia Festival is magnificent sweeping Dahlia Garden, planted with over 70 varieties of dahlia, many with intriguing names such as Bracken Ballerina, Spartacus, Streets Ahead and Café au Lait. Throughout the Festival fun & imaginative dahlia designs will be incorporated into prominent features throughout the gardens, whilst the House will be decorated with dahlia floral arrangements, designed to capture the life and interests of Lord Fairhaven.

And finally, I know we are all dreaming of a long hot summer but tickets for Anglesey Abbey's Winter Lights are already on sale – over 3000 tickets were sold on the first day alone. Please get in quick if you want tickets as are likely to sell out well ahead of the event – full details are available at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/anglesey-abbey

Howard Cooper
National Trust

Harvest Service
Saturday 1st October 2016
6.00 – 6.45pm
St Etheldreda's

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Saturday 1st October 2016
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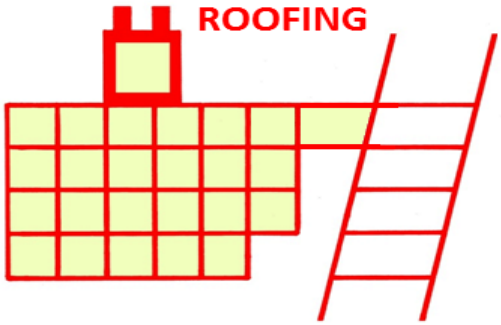

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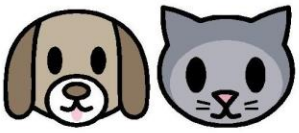

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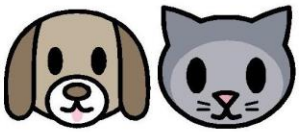

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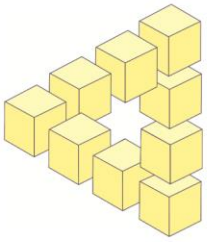

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During National Allotments Week the National Allotment Society (NAS) is encouraging allotment associations across the UK to hold events during the week to welcome the wider community into their sites to see for themselves.



Our members support many initiatives, Hazel Grove Allotments have created an area suitable for people with restricted mobility; Newdigate Allotments in Bedworth welcome children from the local school who help out with their sensory garden and have met up with the resident beekeeper; another member in Porthcawl shares his plot with a group of people with a learning disability and helps them to cook the produce that they have grown and the internationally renowned People's Community Garden in Ipswich, which provides opportunity for all with food and leisure gardening , training courses and community events. Often sited in built up urban areas allotment sites contribute a significant amount to the health and well-being of communities and sites in rural areas are often important community hubs.

There is a general acknowledgment and rafts of academic studies that examine and highlight the importance of access to green space and gardening opportunities for everyone. However pressures to build houses, create jobs or make a profit often seem to compromise decision makers and allotment land along with other important green space is slowly being eroded and budgets being cut. A recent report commissioned by the National Gardens Society from the Kings Fund "Gardens and Health" calls for more joined up strategic thinking between government departments responsible for health, the environment, planning and local government in order to exploit the potential of all forms of gardening to support their priorities.

Karen Kenny, the National Allotment Society President would like to invite you to visit an event during National Allotment Week and experience the joy of allotments for yourselves.

"We are proud of the Allotment Movement in Britain and its continued success in offering opportunities for families to provide for themselves, whilst also being a valuable resource to diverse groups of people. Social inclusion is an important part of allotment life and there are many projects for those with both physical and mental disabilities, as well as projects which target the socially disadvantaged. We also see whole families from toddlers right up to and including Granny and Granddad enjoying working together on their plots."



The NAS aims to protect, promote and preserve allotments and we call on all those who value allotments to support us in this endeavour, we can all do our part-

- Allotment associations - protect your site, register as a community asset. Allotment Federations -keep allotments in the public eye, make sure they are mentioned in the Local Plan and lobby your councillors and MPs.
- Councils preserve and value your allotment service – it has the potential to deliver some of your public health targets.
- Plot-holders -join the National Allotment Society and support your regional allotment network to promote the allotment movement.
- Aspiring plot-holders - do not be put off by the thought of a long wait – sign up for a plot now; without waiting lists allotment authorities cannot assess demand.

National Allotment Society

What about establishing an allotment as part of the 24Acres? Ed.

Bioblitz on the 24Acres



It is the end of the day and the sun is setting over the fen, and you can faintly hear the scream of swifts as they soar and swoop over the village. You a see a group of people gathered in a field, assembled round what looks like a stack of silver coloured cages and a bale of hay, listening intently to an instructor.

What you are witnessing is the start of the Reach 24Acrees bioblitz. You may well be asking, 'what on earth is a bioblitz?' The answer: it is an intense period of biological surveying in an attempt to record all the living species within a particular area, and over a set period of time. It usually involves members of local communities, and the public more widely are encouraged to participate, with the goal of getting people more interested in biodiversity and conservation.



On 2nd and 3rd July the National Trust (under the leadership of Maddie Downes) worked with some 'friends' of Reach 24Acres to hold a bioblitz on the site. Events kicked off with setting live-traps ('Longworth traps') to survey small mammals on Saturday evening. Then as the light faded participants armed themselves with 'bat detectors' and went in search of this flying mammal. Bats use high frequency calls normally beyond the range of human hearing to build up a sound picture of their surroundings. This echolocation system enables them to wing their way through the dark night hunting the tiniest of insects. A bat detector makes these echolocation calls audible to humans - and because different bat species hunt different prey and are different sizes, they make different calls which can help identify them.

Then as night fell a moth trap was put in place. Moths (as we all know) get attracted to light at night, so a simple moth trap comprises a special bulb (typically a Mercury Vapour bulb) placed in front of a white sheet. The moths can easily be lifted from the sheet for identification. By the time the sun was rising over the orchard on Sunday morning 48 moth species had been recorded, including a Reed Leopard Moth (*Phragmataecia castaneae*) which are nationally scarce. Moths excel in having the most wonderful names. Others species recorded included the Beautiful Hook-tip, Burnished Brass, Common Footman, Ghost Moth, Setaceous Hebrew Character and the Double Square Spot.



The next morning the surveys continued in earnest. We kicked things off at 8am by checking the small mammal traps under the supervision of Cath Tayleur (nothing more exciting that shrews). That was followed by a survey of the birds (highlights on the list included Grasshopper Warbler and Little Owl), and then the bugs. These were surveyed using a 'sweep net' that was brushed through the long grass and thickets of nettles to dislodge any insects which were then carefully transferred to white trays for identification by a specialist. Once again, some great names (Fine Streaked Bugkin, Greater Bulb-Fly and Elongate Plant Bug).

After the bugs came the butterflies, and then finally a survey of the plants.



It was a great day – about 30 people took part at different imes. Some were there for most of the time, from Saturday evening right through to close of play at Sunday lunchtime –

we clearly have some budding amateur naturalists in the village. Lily and Dylan Steed, Dylan's friend Isaac, and Hector and Violet Keutgen deserve special mention for their enthusiastic participation.



By the end of the day we had recorded 292 different species – you can see the complete list on the village website together with a few more photos. This isn't a complete list of the wildlife of the site – just what was recorded during the bioblitz. So if you have information about other bees, birds, butterflies or other species that you have seen at the 24Acres please let us know – ideally with details of exactly when and where it was spotted.

And do also take a look at the Wicken vision blog which has some pictures of the finds – including (and how could you resist?) a Golden-bloomed Grey Longhorn beetle (*Agapanthia villosoviridescens)* - http://wickenvision.blogspot.co.uk/2016/07/reach-24-bioblitz.html

David Thomas

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Tales from a Reach Garden



It's been an odd year weather-wise, we had a very mild winter followed by a cool damp spring, then June which was cooler, wetter and gloomier than normal for Cambridgeshire – It has been hard to remember that Cambridgeshire is one England's driest counties.

It was pretty obvious in the vegetable garden that plants weren't doing as well as they ought to have done in June. The asparagus plants did well and did not seem to be put off by the gloomy weather. Usually June is the month when I start harvesting soft fruit, peas and broad beans, but not this year. We had to dig up the garlic bulbs earlier than planned because the cool, wet weather had caused "rust" – a fungal disease – to settle on the leaves and stems which then shrivel up.

Some of our red onions also had to be dug up early, while still fairly small, because the leaves were starting to rot. At least this way the bulbs have the chance to dry out rather than rot in the ground. What a difference from last year when we had an amazing crop of onions thanks to the dry, bright spring and early summer. Last year's onions were eventually lifted in August and brought indoors to complete drying off. We finally finished using them last week.



Onions drying off indoors in September last year

I usually grow two varieties of onions each year, a red variety for salads called "Red Baron" which did exceptionally well last year, and a golden variety called "Rumba" which is usually very reliable and stores well. We plant the onions as "sets" (i.e. baby onions) rather than seed. We have used onion seed in the past (a variety called "Bedford Giant"), with mixed results. Onion seed should be sown in late summer the year before the onions mature and can be lifted.

To grow onions the soil is fertilised with well-rotted manure, which is dug in a couple of months beforehand, a general fertilizer is sprinkled on the soil surface and raked in before planting. We don't plant the sets on freshly manured soil because this tends to rot them, but it's good for sowing onion seed. We planted the sets about 10 - 15cm (4 - 6 inches) apart so their tops were just showing above the ground. However, after planting we have had to be vigilant because curious birds tend to pull the sets out of the ground while looking for tasty morsels. The sets can be popped back into the soil providing this has happened the same day and there is little root damage. Onions, shallots and garlic are shallow rooted, so need to be kept weed free which is easier to achieve when the weeds are at the seedling stage, when they can be hoed easily between the rows.



Some of this year's sad crop of red onions

Needless to say, after a week away, or if you're indoors nursing a cold during a wet week, the weeds flourish and have to be pulled up by hand later… At about this time of the year, with adequate warmth, well-watered and fed, the onion bulbs swell, and the green tops start to flop over. I lift them gently from the soil at this stage and leave them there if the weather is warm and dry. This allows the tops to dry out and the onion skins to harden allowing them to be stored for longer.



A weeded bed of onions in May

Now we are in July and, fingers crossed, the weather is warming up. I've had a glut of soft fruit, peas and broad beans to pick all at the same time. The red currants and summer raspberries have been prolific, succulent and aphid free this year, so some things are doing very well well even if they've started cropping later than usual. Our leafy vegetables, such as lettuce, spinach and chard have grown well, as have the weeds growing between them and the slugs that would feed on them. I've had to use shower resistant slug pellets to deal with the slugs this year, especially among leafy vegetables which we protect from rabbits and birds anyway, so there's no risk of poisoning most wildlife. I don't bother to protect the onions because nothing seems to want to eat them, but I regularly find broken snail shells next to a large piece of flint in the onion bed which our local thrushes have used as an anvil on which to break the snails.



Onions drying in the sun in late summer



A row of chard growing in the garden

Weeding is a necessary chore in the garden during the growing season, especially in damp weather. I'm reminded, painfully, that I missed a nettle or two during weeding while cutting and picking spinach, chard or a low hanging pea pod. The stinging nettles have been especially plentiful so far this year…

Danuta Gibson



Triffid in Derek Coombes' garden. Scary stuff



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Meetings take place in the Village Centre on the first Wednesday of each month. They start at 7.30pm and all Reach villagers are welcome to attend.

In addition to her councillor duties **Hilary Fielding** is Rights of Way Officer.

Food Focus



Homemade Ice Cream

Hopefully I'm not teaching you all to suck eggs as this is an old recipe which has been kicking around for years. For some reason I've gone through phases of making it and then forgotten about it. This is not however a reflection of its deliciousness – it is truly scrumptious, and in my opinion better than 95% of shop bought ice creams. The children even prefer it to shop bought – praise indeed.



Apart from tasting fantastic, this is an ice cream method which can be made without an ice cream maker and without taking it out of the freezer endlessly to whisk or churn it (a serious faff), that is as long as you don't add any fruit (fresh fruit is what causes the ice crystals which make churning necessary). I'm very grateful for this aspect as I don't want any more rarely used gadgets in the kitchen. The pasta maker has only been used about 3 times, the juicer once (a nightmare to clean), and these days I'll go to ridiculous lengths to avoid getting the magi-mix out of the cupboard. Fortunately we don't have a bread maker to glare at me and make me feel guilty.

I also think that slightly like homemade pasta, you can serve homemade ice cream if entertaining, especially if you combine it with homemade meringues, fresh fruit and/or offer a couple of different flavours.

Recipe
Whisk 6 egg yolks with 6oz sugar, adding 1 tsp of vanilla essence towards the end, and then whisk a 600ml pot of double cream separately. Combine the two, stirring with a metal spoon, transfer to a freezer safe container and freeze. If you are making one of the variations below add the extra ingredients at the end.

Variations (I'm not quite sure if it's necessary to add the vanilla essence if you are making the flavours below, I will leave that up to your discretion)

- Add smashed up chocolate coated honeycomb or maltesers
- Add chopped up stem ginger (100-150g) and a bit of juice from the jar for a perfect pudding after curry, serve with fresh mango and meringue
- I haven't tried this but recently thought that bashed up peanut butter brittle might work quite well
- Sadly we've passed the season now but crumbled up or small bits of elderflower fritter sprinkled on top would elevate the ice cream to another level

Prospects Produce

Broad beans are still delicious and the waxy charlottes may be there for a bit longer. The French beans are fresh and fantastic and the beetroot is at its best. The farm fridge is full of herbs, spinach, kale and tomatoes. We've had a wonderful cauliflower from Snakehall recently and their carrots are positively perfumed. Co-workers have just started to harvest the pointed cabbages and in addition to the above the following will be in the shop over the next couple of months: second early potatoes, onions, salad, chillis and peppers, aubergine, courgettes and squash

Ps Foody Markets & Events happening near you over the next two months

Reach Festival - Saturday 24th September (10.30 - 4.30). The event will showcase local handmade crafts and produce. In addition there will be displays of crafts being undertaken including potting, spinning, lace making and flint knapping

Burwell Farmers Market (Burwell Village College) 2nd Saturday of the month (9.30 - 12.30) – August 13th & September 10th.

Ely Farmers Market 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month (8.30 - 2) August 13th & 27th, and September 10th & 24th.

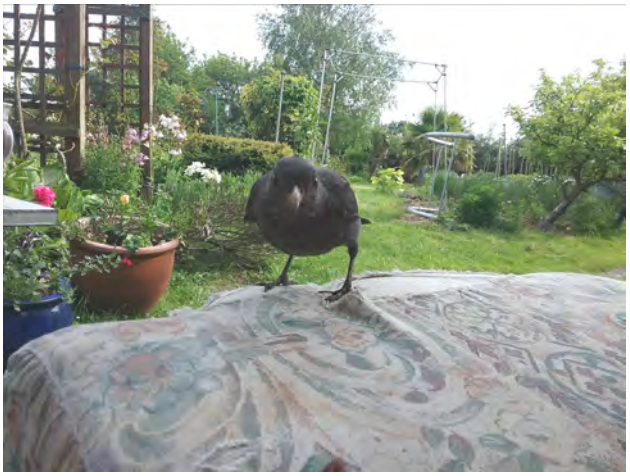
Stretham Farmers Market Saturday 10th September (9 – 1)

Newmarket Open Weekend Food Festival 17th & 18th September. Newmarket Open Weekend will once again incorporate a regional Food & Drink Festival as well as an annual regional sausage competition. Taste the flavours of East Anglia with local traders offering a mix of fabulous local foods and produce over the weekend.

Bury St Edmunds Food & Drink Festival Sunday 28th and Monday 29th August (10 – 5). Celebrity chef demonstrations and much more.

Catherine Gibson

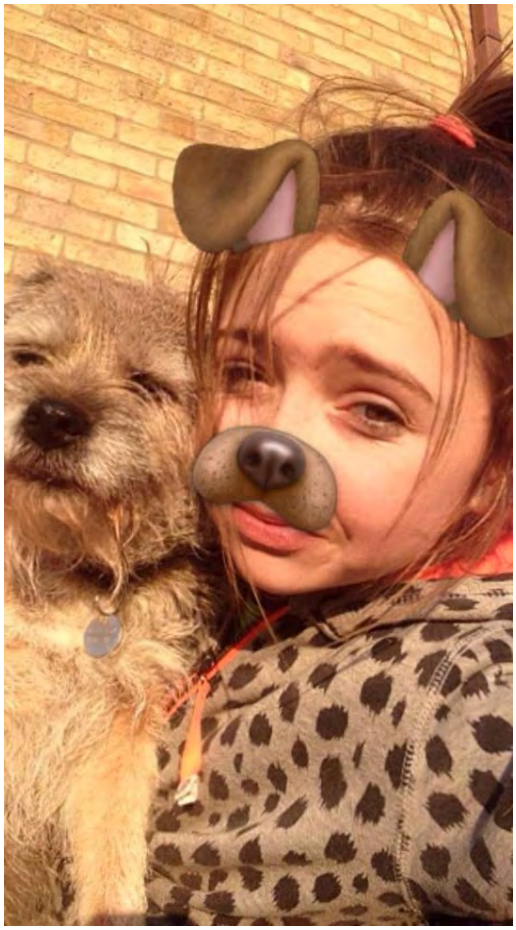
Pets Corner



Mrs Blackbird Coombes. You lookin' at me



Jodie Halpin-McDonald on Cuckoo Bay at Ixworth



Do the pet and owner look alike?

Teddi (left) and Jodie Halpin-McDonald



Eddie Acklam. Checking all's well at the car wash and cafe

MacMillan coffee morning

Sat 8th October 2016
10.00am - 12 noon

Reach Village Centre

Swaffham Prior Primary School

We have reached the end of another school year and yet again we seem to have had a busy and very productive end to the summer term…

During the week beginning Monday 20th May, we had our 'Parent in Class' week. We were delighted to welcome parents and carers into teaching sessions that week and have had some very positive feedback. We had an 'e'-safety day and activities in class that day were based on keeping children safe when using technology such as personal phones and the internet. We also had two 'e'-safety information sessions led by PCSO Maria Robinson. These were well attended by parents/carers. Building on the success of this week, we would like to hold another week next year.

FoSPS committee members have been very proactive. They have held a series of events including a café, Ice-cream Fridays and two school discos for the children. They are busy planning for an event in September which is to be a replacement for the Summer Fair which was postponed because of the refurbishment. A 'beautiful blue sea' has been placed around the pirate ship. It is some all-weather safe surfacing paid for by FoSPS and means that the children can play on the boat all year round. As part of the Queen's birthday celebrations, some bookmarks were purchased for the children as a keepsake of the occasion.



Lucy and Henry reading at Ely Cathedral to commemorate the Battle of the Somme

We celebrated the Queen's 90th Birthday, and fabulous crowns appeared on our school gate. The children made birthday cards for the Queen and spent a day participating in activities related to her life and reign. The birthday cards were sent to the Queen.

The Year 2 children took part in a Multiskills event at Bottisham Village College on Wednesday 15th June where they practised a range of skills and played mini games organised by the college's Sports Leaders. The children joined in extremely well and had a good go at everything. The pool has had to be closed due to the refurbishment, the children have been having special sessions based on Olympic athletics and sports.

Neptune and Saturn Classes went to Wicken Fen for the day. 'One of the many activities we did during the day was pond dipping where we learned about the different species found in in the pond. Another activity we did was a walk on the Boardwalk to a hide. We did some birdwatching and saw a buzzard and some ducks. Then our groups visited the old cottage which was extremely small. It used to be two houses but it has been converted into one. They had vintage collectables set out as they would have been around the time of WW2. It used to be lived in by an old lady. She lived there until she was 92. All in all it was a very good day and we all came away having learned something.' By Cleo and Harmony



Swaffham Olympics. George mid-throw

On Friday 1st July, Saturn Class and Mr Godfrey participated in a special commemorative service at Ely Cathedral to mark the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme and to remember the 11th Battalion of the Suffolk Regiment. As part of the service representatives from the Royal British Legion presented Banners and Standards, a Piper played 'The Battle of the Somme and a bugler played The Last post and Reveille. Mr Godfrey was part of a small group of readers who read a selection of information, diary entries and poems. The children sang two WW1 songs and four children read pieces about local men who gave their lives for their country. It was a very moving service and the children proved to be excellent ambassadors for the school. Following the service, the children demonstrated their accomplished Molly dancing skills outside the Cathedral. Well done to Saturn Class and Mr Godfrey, and thank you to those parents and carers who came to support the children.

As part of the commemoration some of Saturn Class went to Burwell Museum on Sunday 3rd July.

'We started our performance with a song called 'Long, long trail'. After that we did some molly dancing and our first dance was called the Cross-hand polka. We then did some readings, the same ones that we read in Ely Cathedral on Friday. It was followed with Birds a-building and then the Broom dance. We got some members of the public to have a go at the Broom dance. They felt they needed more practise. We finished with Long, long trail dance. It was an enjoyable afternoon and we were proud of what we did.' By Chris and Emmett

The year 6 children have been on an induction day to Bottisham Village College and during the past few weeks we have had visits from our new reception children. For their last visit we had a picnic during which they will be introduced to their Year 6 buddies.



Sports Day hurdling, Violet

Our KS2 production, 'Mystery at Magpie Manor', was well received. The musical was based on the mysterious disappearance of a valuable heirloom at Magpie Manor. Everyone seemed to have a motive! There were many comments from the audience on how good the acting and individual performances were.

Mercury Class Assembly took place on the last Friday of the term and the children performed the story of 'The Three Pigs'. The children sang confidently and remembered their lines. The assembly was a triumph!

We finished the term with two sporting events, Sports Day and Swaffham Olympics. The children undertook a range of skills based games planned by our Year 6 Sports Leaders on Sports Day and then went on to take part in some competitive races, including sprinting and a range of relays. The children demonstrated that they were good team players with good sportsmanship! This year Team Tokyo won. Swaffham Olympics took place and was won by Swaffham Bulbeck this year. Medals, funded by the Rotary, were awarded to the winning athletes. We will be striving to bring the trophy back to Swaffham Prior next year!

There are to be some staffing changes in September. Mr Godfrey will be leaving us at the end of this term, as he and his family are relocating to Wales. We are very sad that he will be going but also happy for him and his family as they begin an exciting new phase in their lives. We are delighted to announce that we have appointed three new teachers for September 2016. Ms Deborah Nicholas is to be our new Assistant Head teacher and teacher in Saturn Class. Miss Jasmine Davies will be teaching in Mercury Class until Miss Helen Cranness returns in February 2017 and Mrs Sarah Deeks will be teaching in Neptune Class with Mrs Rachel Holt until Mrs Kirsty Anderton returns from her maternity leave.

We have our Leaver's Assembly and then the term is at an end. We wish you a lovely summer with many sunny days!

Hannah Curtis
Head teacher

Montessori School, Reach

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Amenity Fund

The Amenity Fund gave the sum of £122.82 to Sports Day

If you feel you have a worthwhile project that could be funded via the Amenity Fund, please get in touch with the new Chair Claire Halpin-McDonald. The committee members of the Fund are listed below.

Hannah Baldwin	07702 813845
Claire Halpin-McDonald	743330
Grahame Radford	742814
David Thomas	742676
Andrew Trump	743335
Diana Ward	744210

To learn more about the fund please visit the village website at: www.reach-village.co.uk/amenity_fund.html.



Cricket



After a couple of false starts, Reach's cricket season finally got off to a start on 19 June with a match against a team of travelling assortments calling themselves the Space Cadets. Things boded well for a Reach team reinforced with Cambridge blues (although unfortunately they were rowers).

Put into bat we notched up 148 runs all out in 40 overs, with Gwilym Davies scoring 29 and Tom Wileman 26. It didn't seem bad on a pudgy pitch more than amply watered by five inches of rain in the previous week. With the Cadets reduced to 30-5 victory seemed a formality, rather like an England football team facing Iceland and being a goal up after four minutes. There is no position too strong, however, that a Reach team is incapable of ceding. We failed to take another wicket, and the Cadets dribbled over the line.

We were back a week later for our annual derby against Swaffham Bulbeck, a team which slaughtered us so heavily in their first couple of games against us that last year their captain begged to be allowed to bat first just in order to make the game last beyond 3pm. Four hours later they were humbled as we scored the winning run. This year they chose to put us into bat on another pudgy pitch and outfield so slow that the grass was doing the fielding for them. Although we had to run virtually every run we ended with a credible 141, with Gwilym Davies scoring 32 and one of our new recruits, Rakesh Loi 34.

By the time of Swaffham Bulbeck's innings the pitch and outfield had started to dry, giving them the best of the batting conditions. But an unusually competent performance in the field saw seven catches. Bulbeck finally succumbed when Tim Davies took two wickets in the last but one over.

What was especially encouraging was that we had two new boys from the village turn out for the game, Rakesh and also John Tayleur. If there are any more cricketers lurking in cottages or potting sheds please let me know at rossjclark@aol.com.

Fixtures confirmed for this season:

Sunday 21 August (home)	Rain Men
Sunday 11 September (home)	Ross Clark XI (the captain's benefit match)

Ross Clark

Congratulations to Jack Lynch

The international Hanseatic Water Ski event took place in early July on the river at Kings Lynn. Jack Lynch from Reach, who has been skiing since he was 12 years old and competing since 16yrs, was up with the pace and gained on the leader (Steven Van Gaeveren from Belgium) to finish 2nd on the first day. On day two he went one better and became overall Formula 1 Champion.

Jack, and his Devon-based team H20, travelled to America and California for the Catalina race, considered 'The Greatest Water Ski Race In The World'. The competition route runs from Los Angeles to Catalina Island and back, Jack defended his reigning Championship title.

Known as the premier water ski race of the world this challenging event takes place on the open ocean and has a rich 66 year history. During the 60 mile race conditions were tough, with choppy water. Despite his knees starting to hurt 10 miles from the finish, Jack completed the route in 59 minutes. No World Record (54 mins) this year but he still holds the record he set last year. His title is Catalina Ski Race Senior Mens Champion 2016.



Jack Lynch

There are other talented water skiers from Reach, Harvey Robinson competes in Formula 2, ably assisted by his father James as Observer (on board the boat relaying information to the driver).

Joss Goodchild

Sports Day

The sun stayed out just long enough for the annual chaos of sports day. Twenty enthusiastic children (and a few reluctant adults!) took part in the usual mixture of races – three legged, sack, potato and spoon, wheelbarrow, a bit of sprinting and the 'marathon' (a lap of the rec then round the chestnut tree on the green). Good humour, boisterous boys and cheating dominated proceedings. It was particularly great to see so many teenagers and new faces. Where else do competitor ages range from 2 (Evie Giorgio-Miller) to David McMillan (70 and a half), I wonder?



Careful preparation

We have great athletes in this tiny village: the Knight family are all fabulous sports people and 'raise the game' for everyone! Newly emerging athletes include Scarlett Bailey who specialises in long jump but also competes in sprints and trains for triathlon; and Benjamin Shackleton who won three gold medals at a recent County meeting (for shotput, hammer and discus) and then followed it with two silvers and a bronze at the Eastern Athletics Association meeting. Ben demonstrated his 'throwing power' with a welly and so introduced a new competition to the day! Great 'chuckers' include Violet Keutgen and Lucy Bridgeman

A 'survey' of what the children like and dislike revealed that they like pretty much everything, but 'apple bobbing' remains the firm favourite. Its mine too – many have become very skilled over the years at getting the apple in one 'dunk' by pushing it to the bottom of the bucket, completely submerging their heads in the water and emerging triumphantly with eyes shut, hair soaked and an apple in their mouth. Violets 'tradition' of then tipping a bucket of cold water over her head at the end never fails to amuse. The strongest 'dislike' was that "Juliet was not here"!



Harry Oliver-Towers (left) and Dylan Steed

Trophy winners

Senior female marathon	Scarlett Bailey (again!)
Senior male marathon	Ben Knight
Junior marathon boys	Hector Keutgen (again!)
Junior Girls Marathon	Lily Steed (again!)
Junior overall athlete	Lini Tayleur
Intermediate overall athlete	Olivia Mules and Lily Steed
Senior overall athlete	Emelia Knight
Sportsmanship Cup	Olivia Mules

Many thanks to all those who took part. Special thanks to Rob Keutgen for marking out the lines (very professional!); Jo Riches for buying all supplies and sorting drinks and food on the day; Sue Bailey for all pre-event administrative work and scoring on the day; and Andrew Towers for support and BBQ duties. Next year a few of us are 'stepping down' from organising this event – and Debbie Quilter has kindly 'volunteered' to lead. She will need others – so if you have

young children and would like to be part of her team, please do yet in touch!

Helen Oliver



Winners!

Postscript

Special thanks to Juliet Vickery who has led Sports Day for nearly a decade spreading her love of sport. Her enthusiasm and energy have been unmatched! Thank you Juliet.

Juliet has been truly inspirational! It is a result of her enthusiasm and guidance that some children in this village have donned GB shirts – and there are a few …… including Ben Snaith (a sprinter) and Daniel Blocksage (a tri athlete). And there will be more: by the time this is published two of our village teenagers will have competed at the English school competition this weekend – Ben Shackleton to throw the shotput and Maise Snaith to run 100metres. (Those of you who remember the Cole family who used to live at 2a Burwell Road will also be interested to learn that Alex (now 17) is in the English junior rugby squad!)



Yes Mummy, I know





The Marathon: Olivia Mules in front at this stage













REACH
PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Reach Parish Council meeting held on: Wednesday 1st June 2016

Attendance

Charlotte Cane	Chair	Present
Hilary Fielding	Vice Chair	Present
Michael Aves	Councillor	Present
Hannah Baldwin	Councillor	Not Present
Steve Boreham	Councillor	Present
Diana Ward	Councillor	Present
Nathan Bridgeman	Councillor	Present
Susan Bailey	Clerk	Present
Allen Alderson	District Councillor	Not Present
David Brown	County Councillor	Present

1. Apologies for absence were received and approved

2. Approval of appointment of Councillor by co-option
The appointment of Nathan Bridgeman as Councillor was unanimously approved.

3. Declarations of Interest
Councillors Cane declared an interest in the planning discussion 16/00590/FUL.

4. ECDC Planning officer presentation and discussion
Barbara Greengrass attended the meeting to discuss the planning procedure at ECDC.
Planning at ECDC consists of 3 teams of 3 people and a large support team. The local plans are being rewritten as the previous one did not give enough land for the council to fulfil it housing requirements for the next 5 years.
The major points considered when an application is outside the planning envelope is visual impact and the location, how isolated it is.
The appeal process once an application has been rejected gives the applicant 6 months from the date of refusal.
ECDC is not keen on 'back land' development but it is not prohibited. The demolition of the property and redevelopment of the entire plot is preferred.
The PC asked for applications to be sent out quicker to give the PC enough time to respond within the deadline. There is often a long period between the validation of an application and the PC receiving it.
The PC also asked about the validation process as a problem had been encountered with a previous application where the information was not complete on validation and additional information was drip feed during the process making it very difficult for the PC and the public to make comment. Barbara Greengrass to look into these 2 points and respond to the PC.

5. Planning
16/00470/FUL– the council had no comment to make**.**

6. Reach Festival
Plans are progressing well; this is an event being run by The Events Team. The PC requested details of all expenditure that will go through the PC. A timeline of set up, the event and tidy up is also required, along with details of volunteers for insurance purposes. The Events team also need to establish which exhibitors will be covered by PC insurance and provide risk assessments and full details. A note will be given to residents living along Swaffham Road regarding parking during the event. Safety fencing will be set up along the Swaffham Road side of the green, however not directly on the curb to allow people to step out of the road.

7. Minutes of Previous Meeting
The Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting were signed as correct.

8 (1) Amenity Fund Committee
Nothing report

8(2) County Councillor's Report
Full Council met on 10th May for the Annual Meeting. I have been appointed to the Children and Young People Committee, the General Purposes Committee, the Constitution and Ethics Committee and as a substitute member on the Staffing and Appeals Committee.
Cllr S Count (Conservative) was elected Chairman of the General Purposes Committee with Cllr Roger Hickford (Conservative) as vice-Chairman. This also means that they are Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council respectively.
I had the honour of being elected vice-Chairman of the Children and Young People Committee, with Cllr Joan Whitehead (Labour) elected as Chairwoman.
Cllr S Kindersley (Lib Dem) was elected Chairman of the Council for the coming year.

The ongoing discussions regarding devolution have seen a number of meetings during May. The latest position is that Government has now offered a deal for a Cambridgeshire/Peterborough deal, combined with a separate deal for Norfolk and Suffolk. At the time of writing the full details of how such a deal might work are still being discussed and seem to change on a daily basis.

During May I chaired a meeting of the Corporate Parenting Board; attended the inaugural meeting of a new Board to consider how the educational improvement, particularly of disadvantaged groups can be improved across Cambridgeshire: Children and Young People Committee met and considered the process for setting up new Free Schools, linkages between Children's Centres and health workers and financial performance amongst other issues. I also attended a meeting of the General Purposes Committee and a workshop with Senior Management Team to consider transformation work and business planning for the coming year.

On the less formal side I joined the Mayor of Cambridge to distribute pennies at Reach Fair.

8 (3) District Councillor's Report
No report

8 (4) Financial Report
The Parish Council remains in a financially stable situation.

8 (5) Parish Council Members Meetings
There were none.

8 (6) Play Spaces
A questionnaire to establish what is required for the updating of the play areas is in process. ***Councillor Bridgeman*** and some volunteers are to tidy up the playground and remove weeds etc.

8 (7) Rights of Way
The rubble on byway 11 had now become overgrown and could no longer be seen. Councillor Fielding had contacted CCC but had not received a reply, ***Clerk*** to check we have the correct contact details.

8 (8) 24Acres Committee Report
The grant for the water supply had been agreed. A Meadow Day is being arranged over 2/3rd July.

8 (9) Friends of Reach Wood
The Woodland Trust has agreed to pay for the yearly pulling of Ragwort from the meadow. Ash dieback has been sighted within the wood. ***Councillor Boreham*** to inform the WT. There is also a Hemlock and nettle problem in the dip of the path running crossways in the wood, again ***Councillor Boreham*** will contact the WT to see how they would like to proceed.

8 (10) Local Plan
No suggested building sites within Reach had been put forward for the new Local Plan. Although there were sites in the local area which could supply 1089 homes should they all be taken up. Any house building in the local area will increase demand on schools, traffic, doctors and all infrastructure. ***Councillor Ward*** to find out final response date.

9 Risk Assessment
A standard risk assessment form is being produced, final changes will be sent to Councillor Boreham in the coming week and a final draft will be approved at the next meeting.

10 Reach Port
Following further investigation it would seem that the Hythe area could be part of the Devils Dyke and not a natural formation, and that there is evidence of 2 medieval docks in the area. Anglian Water seem very keen to leave the site which is now only a pumping station, and therefore most of the machinery could be removed. In the new local plan, the PC has asked that the area be listed as Green Space to give it some protection. The area may also be able to be listed as an asset of value to the community, even though it is not owned by the community. The PC would then have first refusal over it should any changes take place. PC were in full support of this. ***Councillor Boreham*** to continue with discussions.

11 Annual Audit Review and consideration for 2017
The audit was signed and approved by the Chair. It was agreed that although it is not compulsory for an internal audit next year that the PC would like to continue as good practise.

12 Local Government County Boundary Review
The new draft does not include a single representative for our area. ***The Clerk*** to put forward, again, the comment that this would be the best and most desired situation.

13 Information Items/AOB

The neighbourhood plan questionnaire is being produced and will be discussed at the next meeting. ***Councillor Boreham*** to make changes if requested in the coming week.

Again complaints had been received regarding bikes parking within the cemetery during Reach Fair. ***Clerk*** to inform the Fair committee.

The grass needs cutting on the verge outside the cemetery, ***clerk*** to ask for this to be included in the cemetery cut.

A spending allowance was agreed of £25 per month, without prior consent, for individuals to spend on general maintenance and management of village infrastructure, for example the 24Acres.

Connecting Cambridgeshire public consultation. Reach is not included in the provision of super fast broadband. ***Clerk*** to respond to the consultation stating that Reach should be included as Burwell and Swaffham Prior are, that we are only 9 miles from the centre of Cambridge and that the businesses in the area and the many people who work from home need this service.

14 Payments

Susan Bailey – postage	£ 7.35
CR Contractors – mowing	£332.50
JA Neale – audit	£100.00
CAPALC membership	£174.55

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 6th July 2016 at 7.30pm. The Agenda for the meeting will be issued by the previous Wednesday and can be accessed from the Parish Council area of the Reach website (www.reach-village.co.uk).

Chairman: Date:

REACH
PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Reach Parish Council meeting held on: Wednesday 6th July 2016

Attendance

Charlotte Cane	Chair	Present
Hilary Fielding	Vice Chair	Present
Michael Aves	Councillor	Present
Hannah Baldwin	Councillor	Present
Steve Boreham	Councillor	Present
Diana Ward	Councillor	Present
Nathan Bridgeman	Councillor	Present
Susan Bailey	Clerk	Present
Allen Alderson	District Councillor	Present
David Brown	County Councillor	Not Present

1. Apologies for absence were received and approved

2. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Ward declared an interest in planning application 16/00715/FUL.

3. Planning

16/00715/FUL – the PC concluded that there had been no significant change from the previous planning application for this site and the ***Clerk*** will therefore submit a letter to ECDC planning, stating the same objections.
16/00833/ARN – this is permitted development. The PC had no comment to make.

16/00686/OUT - the PC discussed this application, although it is outside the parish, as it is felt that the development would have significant effects on the village. The main issue being that of infrastructure, within Burwell and surrounding the development. Particularly the road, Weirs Drove and the junction with Reach Road. ***Clerk*** will therefore submit a letter to ECDC planning.

4. Reach Festival, Reach Riders Group & Car Wash
Risk assessment & timeline documents for the **car wash** were discussed and approved subject to the updating of the paperwork to include reference to prevention of damage to vehicles.
Reach Riders Group a timeline and risk assessment were provided for a riding facility on the 24Acres. Following discussion this was approved.
Reach Festival planning continues with great success and updates to documents had been received since the last meeting. The PC are happy with developing plans.

5. Minutes of Previous Meeting
The Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting were signed as correct.

6 (1) Amenity Fund Committee
Nothing report

6(2) County Councillor's Report
No report supplied.

6 (3) District Councillor's Report
Ely Southern By Pass – The government will shortly confirm the funding for this project. Preferred contractor will then be announced. This will be a design and build contract with a start date of approx. Nov. 2016 and completion date of Dec 2017.

On 28th June I attended a full council meeting to discuss –

1) The new district leisure centre at Ely The centre would have the following facilities – an 8 lane 25m pool, a learner pool, a 120 station gym, 2 dance studios, a 4 court sports hall and a 3G all weather pitch.
   We have picked the contractor but cannot announce them until the contract has been signed. The budget for the project is £13,500,000. The majority of this funding will come from capital receipts or borrowing. Financially it should be cost neutral from construction and operation.
2) The Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Devolution Proposal this includes new un-ring fenced funding under a single pot £20million per annum. For infrastructure and economic growth: £100m capitol grant (out to 2020/21) for the delivery of new houses and devolved budget for key role network of roads and local transport. An additional £70m capitol ring fenced for Cambridge to address their exceptional housing market conditions.
   James Palmer, Council Leader, has negotiated the inclusion of key infrastructure projects in the deed document for consideration. Specifically: CLT scheme for Kennet, CLT development as a whole, Soham railway station including double tracking and reinstatement of the loop Newmarket curve, Ely north junction improvements, Ely southern bypass, A14/A142 junction & upgrades to the AA10.

6 (4) Financial Report
The Parish Council remains in a financially stable situation. The rural grant has been received from ECDC.

6 (5) Parish Council Members Meetings
There were none.

6 (6) Play Spaces
Safety inspection results have been received with all items low risk. The questionnaire results are awaited. Upgrading the play areas will be discussed at the September meeting.

6 (7) Rights of Way
Rubble has been dumped at the end of green lane byway. ***Councillor Fielding*** to contact the enforcement officer at ECDC to get this removed.
ECDC had reported back that trees and vegetation from the edge of a property to the middle of the highway is the owner's responsibility.

Gates are in the process of being installed on the underbank drove by Reach Bridge across the Lode. This is to stop vehicles access this area, but allow other users and cattle to roam between fields. There is concern that these will encourage the cattle to congregate at this point making the track unsafe for other users. The tunnels under the bridge are too small for riders of larger horse and riders are already stating they will stop using this route. This is a major amenity for the village which we do not want to lose. ***Clerk*** to write to NT to note this concern and invite them to attend a future meeting to discuss this project prior to its completion.

6 (8) 24Acres Committee Report
The bio blitz day/evening went very well and was a great success.

6 (9) Friends of Reach Wood
The Woodland Trust has stated it has a 'wait and see' attitude to Ash dieback. The Prospect trust have been contracted to pull the Ragwort from the meadow, as they did last year.

6 (10) Local Plan
Full consultation for the local plan has been postponed until after the summer holidays. In the meantime ***Councillor Boreham*** will produce a questionnaire and once approved by the councillors the PDF will be put on the website and emailed asking for response. In September a walk around and door knock will take place to encourage more household to express their opinions.

7 Risk Assessment
A final draft V1.0 was approved. ***Clerk*** to send to regular users and ask to be put on the website.

8 The Hythe
Anglian Water are happy to hand the management of The Hythe to the PC to allow the village to what they wish in the area. They are not at this point considering selling the land or removing the disused tanks in the short term. Councillor Boreham continues his discussions. ***Clerk*** to write and express the PC's interest in this project. GOBO have put up a new mooring sign and the E/A sign can be removed should we want to. Raw sewage from a river cruiser has been released at The Point. Councillor Boreham to continue investigations. This will be added to the next agenda.

9 24Acres management plan
The management plan was accepted subject to two points. Firstly, the wood was designed for zero management but the plan needs a provision for control of unwanted 'nuisance vegetation' by whatever mean, when and where appropriate. And the design plan was for meadow/scrub/canopy. But there is a potential future need to thin and not replant. This situation must be monitored. ***Clerk*** to inform interested parties.
Councillor Boreham is producing an access point map, and has been talking to the NT regarding more access points. A conversation needs to take place with the landowner regarding the repairing of the culvert.

10 Broadband
Connecting Cambridgeshire has requested that a cabinet be placed on the green to allow Openreach to continue with the plan to bring fibre broadband to the village. The PC were concern about the positioning of this cabinet for the fair lorries and also as it was very close to the end of The Dyke. ***Clerk*** to arrange for a site meeting.

11 Streetlights
The PC had received a quotation for the streetlight to be changed to heritage style as previously discussed. This was accepted with the addition of PC5. ***Clerk*** to confirm with CCC.

12 Dog bin
It was agreed that the dog bin should be moved from the end of Clunch Pit Lane to The Hythe as residence were unhappy with its present position. ***Clerk*** to arrange with ECDC.

13 August meeting
Lucy Frazer QC MP has invited the PC and residence to a meeting, in Bottisham, on Wednesday 3rd August. This is the date of the next PC meeting. A discussion took place as to whether the PC should attend this meeting. It was decided that this was not necessary. ***Clerk*** to inform Lucy Frazer's office that Reach PC will be unable to attend.

14 Information Items/AOB
Complaints have been received regarding the mowing of the green. Following discussion it was decided that fortnightly cuts were adequate and that this year had been an exceptional growing year due to the weather conditions.

A memorial plaque had been put up in the tree on the green. This will be removed.

15. Payments

Susan Bailey – Clerk salary	£939.20
CR Contractors – mowing	£388.50
Eon – power on the green	£ 8.45
Fenland leisure – playground inspection	£120.00

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 3rd August 2016 at 7.30pm. The Agenda for the meeting will be issued by the previous Wednesday and can be accessed from the Parish Council area of the Reach website (www.reach-village.co.uk).

Chairman: Date:

Letter from the Vicarage



During the last few weeks we have seen a lot of changes, particularly following the EU referendum, and by the time you read this, things will no doubt have moved on again. Dealing with change and uncertainty can be unsettling, and even frightening, and sometimes there is a tendency to take refuge in the safety of what is familiar, and with those who are like us. We may feel more secure, but, as we've seen in recent weeks, it can also lead to division and alienation from each other. I've grown to love the hymn 'Abide with me', particularly since it was sung at the opening ceremony of the London 2012 Olympics. 'O thou who changest not, abide with me' is a prayer that gives peace to my soul, and hope to my days, that God does not change and will be with me, through the changing seasons of life. Perhaps it may be an encouragement to you, as well, and as we continue to face change, let's keep on reaching out and listening to each other, building bridges, not walls between us. If you think it would be helpful to talk to someone, I'm very happy to arrange a time to meet with you.

During the summer holidays, our Messy Church team will again be hosting Messy Cafés at St Mary's on 4 Wednesday afternoons from July 27th. All Ages, All Welcome - come along any time between 2.30 and 4.30pm. We'll post updates each week on Facebook about any other times.

Also at St Mary's on September 10th we will be taking part again in the National Heritage Open Day, and there will be tower tours and displays of local history. And once again we are very pleased that the Burwell Village College Choir and Burwell Community Choir will be joining us for our Harvest Service & Tea, at 4pm on Sunday 25th September. Our harvest service in Reach is a week later, on Saturday 1st October at 6pm, before the village harvest supper. At both services we'll be taking a collection for Christian Aid, and also collecting contributions for the Foodbank.

Please get in touch if you would like more information about these or any of our events or services, including a christening or thanksgiving service for the gift of a child, or to find out more about the Christian faith. We are also reviewing our service pattern at Reach, so there may be some changes. If you would like to comment on the current pattern, please let me know.

Revd Dr Eleanor Williams, Vicar of Burwell with Reach
01638 741262 vicar@stmarysburwell.org.uk
Come and find us on Facebook!



Church Building Update



As mentioned in the last magazine, we had about 10 replies to the recent questionnaire about potential community use of the church. Most people indicated they would support concerts and exhibitions, cafes open to the public and small meetings, and several offered help. The replies also included an impressive range of other suggestions including bingo sessions, a library, an archive and permanent display about the history of Reach, a playgroup, an 'Over 60's group, nurse sessions run by the surgery and a Post Office or shop.

Many have expressed the view that, since the work will be funded by Maisie's legacy, it is very important that she would have approved of whatever we do. This means ensuring that changes made do not detract from the building's core purpose as a church. The main dilemma this raises is the question of the pews. Some people would like to see the pews completely removed, while others feel strongly that replacing the pews with modern stacking chairs would change the ambience too much and would therefore not be acceptable. Hopefully, a suitable compromise will be found, which could involve either modifying the existing pews so that they could be moved (if this were technically possible) or buying new flexible seating. This doesn't have to look modern as it is now possible to buy beautiful carved wooden stacking pews.

So what happens next? We expect the Diocesan Heating Advisor's report in early August. Based on his advice, the architect can then draw up detailed plans for the building project. This will be based on the latest draft proposals that have been displayed in church for some weeks, namely:

- Work to address problems in the roof structure
- Installation of improved heating based on advice received
- Addition of insulation to the floor, walls and roof and improvement of the floor surface
- Installation of water and drainage
- Modification of the screen at the back of church to accommodate a toilet and a servery
- Overhaul/refurbishment of the organ
- Removal of the redundant pulpit and removal and/or modification of some or all of the pews to increase flexible space
- Addition of audiovisual systems

When the final plans have been prepared, they will again be available to view and the project will be costed. We can then start the process of obtaining a faculty, which will involve consulting with various organisations such as English Heritage and the Victorian Society. In addition to the structural work, we can also consider matters such as moveable furniture and a suitable memorial for Maisie.

Pat Chalmers
Church Administrator
administrator@stmarysburwell.org.uk

Church Services at Burwell and Reach

	St Mary's Burwell	St Etheldreda's Reach
August 2016		
Wednesday 3rd	10.00am Holy Communion 11.00am Holy Communion at Ash Grove	
Friday 5th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 7th August Trinity 11	8.00 am Holy Communion 10.00 All Age Service	
Wednesday 10th	10.00am Holy Communion	
Friday 12th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 14th August Trinity 12	10.00am Holy Communion	8.00am Holy Communion
Wednesday 17th	10.30am Holy Communion at Ness Court	
Friday 19th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 21st August Trinity 13	8.00 am Holy Communion 10.00am Holy Communion	
Wednesday 24th	10.00am Holy Communion	
Friday 26th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 28th August Trinity 14	8.00am Holy Communion **10.00am All Age Communion**	
Wednesday 31st	10.00am Holy Communion	
September 2016		
Thursday 1st	10.00am Little Bears	
Friday 2nd		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 4th September Trinity 15	8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am All Age Service	
Wednesday 7th	10.00am Holy Communion 11.00am Holy Communion at Ash Grove	
Friday 9th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 11th September Trinity 16	10.00 Holy Communion	8.00am Holy Communion 7.00pm Sunday @ 7
Wednesday 14th	10.00am Holy Communion	
Friday 16th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 18th September Trinity 17	8.00am Holy Communion 10.00 am All Age Communion	
Wednesday 21st	10.30am Holy Communion at Ness Court	
Friday 23rd		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 25th September Trinity 18	8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am Holy Communion 4.00 Harvest Service	
Wednesday 28th	10.00am Holy Communion	
Friday 30th		8.00am Morning Prayer

Bus Timetable

Reach is served by the 10/10A bus service, provided by Stagecoach.

The difference between the 10 and 10A services is that the 10 travels via Valley Way in Newmarket whilst the 10A uses Noel Murless Drive.

A summary of all buses serving Reach and/or Swaffham Prior Monday to Saturday is shown below.

Please note that there is no bus service at all on Sundays.

Newmarket – Burwell – Reach – Bottisham – Cambridge																
Service No:	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10		10	10	10	10
	M-F	**M-F**	**Sat**	**M-F**	**Sat**							**Sat**	**M-F**			
Newmarket (Guineas Station)				0704	0719	0814	0914	1014	1114	1214	1314	1414	1424	1514	1614	1714
Burwell (Manchetts Ness Road)	0628	0658	0713	0728	0743	0838	0938	1038	1138	1238	1338	1438	1448	1538	1638	1738
Reach	0639	0709	0724			0849		1049		1249		1449	1459	1549	1649	1749
Swaffham Prior	0644	0714	0729	0741	0756	0854	0951	1054	1151	1254	1351	1454	1504	1554	1654	1754
Cambridge (Drummer Street)	0727	0807	0812	0837	0842	0937	1037	1137	1237	1337	1437	1537	1547	1637	1737	1837

Cambridge – Bottisham – Reach – Burwell – Newmarket																
Service No:	10	10A	10	10	10A	10	10	10	10	10	10		10	10	10	10
				M-F	**NMD**											
Cambridge (Drummer Street)				0655	0755	0825	0925	1025	1125	1225	1325	1425	1525	1635	1735	1845
Swaffham Prior				0729	0829	0902	0959	1102	1159	1302	1359	1502	1559	1712	1809	1919
Reach				0735	0835		1005		1205		1405		1605		1815	1925
Burwell (Hawthorn Way)				0742	0842	0912	1012	1112	1212	1312	1412	1512	1612	1722	1822	1932
Newmarket (Guineas Station)				0810	0910	0940	1040	1140	1240	1340	1440	1540	1640	1800		

M-F - these buses run on Monday to Friday only
NMD - this bus calls at Noel Murless Drive at 0905
Sat - these buses run on Saturday only

A full timetable can be downloaded from **www.reach-village.co.uk/bus_service.html**

Please note that the bus stops at a number of stops in Burwell – those listed are just timing points

Diary Dates: August 2016

August 2016	Event	Location	Time
Wednesday 3	Parish Council Meeting NO MEETING	Village Centre	7.30pm
Thursday 4	Recycling Day (green)		
Thursday 11	Recycling Day (blue)		
Saturday 13	Burwell Farmers Market	Burwell	9.30am – 12.30pm
Saturday 13	Ely Farmers Market	Ely	8.30am – 2pm
Tuesday 19	Burwell Museum Coach Trip to Clacton	Tickets only from Tina's 741581	£16
Tuesday 16	Mobile Library	Village Green	2.15pm
Wednesday 17	Village Centre Committee Meeting NO MEETING	Village Centre	7.30pm
Thursday 18	Recycling Day (green)		
Sunday 21	24Acres	Cricket Match	
Wednesday 24	Lunchbreak Café	St Mary's Church, Burwell	12 noon – 2pm
Thursday 25	Recycling Day (blue)		
Saturday 27	Ely Farmers Market	Ely	8.30am – 2pm
Sunday 28th - Monday 29th	Food and Drink Festival	Bury St Edmunds	



International Left handers Day is a day to celebrate being left handed, and to raise awareness for the everyday challenges of being left handed in a world designed for right handers.

Celebrated on the 13th August every year, you can help to raise awareness in your own way by planning an event to spread the word, or get involved in the chat on Twitter using the hash tag **#lefthandersday** and wish your fellow lefties a Happy Left Handers Awareness Day.



This year, National Fishing Month will begin on the 22nd July, and conclude on the 29th August.

As in previous years, the idea behind National Fishing Month is to encourage every family member to have a go at fishing. It does not matter what age you are, or what previous experience you have. Nor does it matter which cultural or social background you may be from. Fishing is for everyone!

Fishery owners, organisers and angling coaches give up their valuable time to support National Fishing Month, so please take this opportunity to have a go at this wonderful sport. If you're a beginner and would like some tips on good fishing spots and events for National Fishing Month, or just want to join in the conversation, you can get involved on Twitter using the hashtag #NationalFishingMonth

Diary Dates: September 2016

September 2016	Event	Location	Time
Thursday 1	Recycling Day (blue)		
Friday 2nd - Sunday 4	Lodestar Festival	Lode	See Page 10
Wednesday 7	Parish Council Meeting	Village Centre	7.30pm
Thursday 8	Recycling Day (green)		
Saturday 10	Burwell Farmers Market	Burwell	9.30am – 12.30pm
Saturday 10	Ely Farmers Market	Ely	8.30am – 2pm
Saturday 10	Swaffham Prior Autumn Show and Annual Dog Show	Swaffham Prior	
Saturday 10	Heritage Open Day and Gift Day	St Mary's Church, Burwell	10am - 12noon
Sunday 11	24Acres	Cricket Match	
Thursday 15	Recycling Day (blue)		
Saturday 17 - Sunday 18	Open Weekend Food Market	Newmarket	
Tuesday 20	Mobile Library	Village Green	2.15pm
Wednesday 21	Village Centre Committee Meeting	Village Centre	7.30pm
Thursday 22	Recycling Day (green)		
Thursday 22	Burwell Museum Coach Trip to National Memorial Arboretum	Tickets only from Tina's 741581	£25
Saturday 24	Reach Festival	Reach	10.30am -4.30pm
Saturday 24	Ely Farmers Market	Ely	8.30am – 2pm
Wednesday 28	Lunchbreak Café	St Mary's Church, Burwell	12 noon – 2pm
Thursday 29	Recycling Day (blue)		

Wednesdays 7.30pm onwards **Bell ringing at Swaffham Bulbeck** – new recruits are welcome

Events with **Authors and Reading Group** are organised by Topping bookshop, Ely 01353 645005 or www.toppingbooks.co.uk

Burwell Museum website is www.burwellmuseum.org.uk **Tel:** 01638 605544

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	Councillor	Hilary Fielding	741853
	Councillor	Diana Ward	744210
	Councillor	Nathan Bridgeman	
	Clerk	Susan Bailey	743794
	Rights of Way Officer	Hilary Fielding	741853
	County Councillor	David Brown	743283
	District Councillor	Allen Alderson	741744
Village Centre			
	Chair	Grahame Radford	742814
	Finance	Hugh de Lacy	743839
	Bookings	Grahame Radford	742814
	Marquee Bookings	Andrew Hall	743737
Amenity Fund Committee			
	Chair	Claire Halpin-McDonald	743330
	VC Committee Member	Grahame Radford	742814
	VC Committee Member	Andrew Trump	743335
	PC Committee Member	Diana Ward	744210
	PC Committee Member	Andrew Trump	
Burwell and Reach Car Scheme			01638 742543
Church			
	Vicar	Eleanor Williams	741262
	Reader in Training	Frances Leadon	741770
	Priest in Retirement	Reverend David King	742924
	Parochial Church Council Member	Pam King	742924
	Churchwarden at Burwell/Reach	Simon Rogers	741205
	Churchwarden at Burwell/Reach	Stephen Walton	744214
Emergencies			
	Electricity (Eastern Electric)		0800 783 8838
	Police (Emergency)		999
	Police (Non-emergency)		101
	Water (Anglian Water)		08457 145145
Doctors, Burwell			
	Appointments and Emergencies		741234
	Enquiries		743602
	Community Nurses		742382
	Surgery Hours	Mon 8.30am to 6.00pm with extended hours on a Monday please phone the surgery for details	















Bioblitz 24Acres. Photos: David Thomas

















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Sports Day 2016







