Within Reach



October/November 2016



Southern Hawker Dragonfly (Wicken Fen)



Green Woodpecker (Reach)



Swallows (Reach)



Nestling Woodpigeon Burwell

Photos: Alison Lewis

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MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 8th October 2016
10.00am – 12noon
Reach Village Centre

In aid of MacMillan Cancer Support

From the Editor



This issue of the magazine is thinner than usual because it comes at the end of the summer hols and has coincided with the organisation of the Festival. But we also do need some new contributors - either regular or one off articles and photographs would be much appreciated.

What luck with our first Festival to have such good weather – the sun shone all day although it was a bit breezy. The two Saturdays beforehand were wet, cold and windy. Once again we were able to draw upon exceptional talent within the village. Hannah Baldwin and Emma Mitchell promoted the event through social media, and David Parr created a web site. We thank our artists Joss Goodchild, Emma Mitchell, Dafila Scott and Hannah Webb who all contributed. Hannah prepared the poster which was striking and on the day she demonstrated print making. Charlotte Cane taught tatting, and it was lovely to see Alice Lingley's stitching. Jon Cane brought along his pottery kick wheel and an electric wheel. The later generated a lot of interest and the children enjoyed having a go. It was great to sit on the straw bales and listen to Glenn Newman's band, and also the country and western singers. Karen Carpenter organised the tea tent which took nearly as much money as the Fair! Thank you to everyone who made cakes, and assisted on the day. Pam King ran a raffle in aid of The Arthur Rank Hospice Charity. Grahame Radford organised the car park and this was most useful as it avoided congestion within the village. Andrew and Janet Hall, with assistance, erected and dismantled the marquees.

The villagers and visitors seemed to enjoy the day and certainly Fair Green and its setting seemed perfect for the event. What did you think of the Festival? Should it be an annual event, and does it have any bearing on the current review of the contents of Reach Fair? Please let the members of the Events Committee know of your thoughts.

In this issue we meet Timothy Clark, a budding apprentice jockey looking for sponsorship. Reach Riders Group's facilities are now in use and its membership is growing. The Mothers Union and Snake Hall Farm have both enjoyed boat trips.

I love Joss' article and was very surprised – and pleased – to learn of her successful rescue of swallow chicks. Great to learn of the range of sightings and view the photographs which accompany her article.

Danuta Gibson guides us around her garden and through the seasons.

I've heard Christmas mentioned several times but we've much to enjoy before then…….

Read this magazine carefully and learn out to differentiate between a coot and a moorhen

Claire Halpin-McDonald

Photographs: Wildlife: Alison Lewis; Reach Festival: David Parr; and Back to School: 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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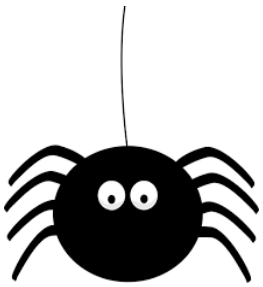

Lode Half Marathon and Fun Run Sunday 6th November 2016. Starting at Fassage Hall, Lode

Come and join us in this marvellous morning out. The distance is 13.1 miles for the half marathon and 3 miles (approx) for the Fun Run. The half marathon will start at 10 a.m. and the Fun Run at 10.15 a.m.

Entry for the Half Marathon is £23 for unaffiliated runners or £21 for affiliated runners. The Fun Run entrance fee is £5 (adults) & £2.50 for children (16yrs & under).

This year we have **CHIP TIMING** for both the Half Marathon & the Fun Run.



You can enter the half marathon on line via our website – www.loderunners.co.uk - or by post – entry form available on the website and should be posted to Lode Farm, Lode, Cambridge CB259HF. Maximum of 250 runners for the half marathon.

Fun Run entries are by post – entry form can be downloaded from the website. Maximum of 100 runners for the fun run. On the day entries will only be taken if numbers allow.

If you have any questions regarding entry please do not hesitate to contact Tessa Shrubbs on 01223 811812 or email lodefarm@aol.com

The run goes down the Fen in Lode and follows the Lodes Way cycle path to near Wicken and back. The route is attractive and generally peaceful and pretty!

Refreshments are available at Fassage Hall and include bacon sandwiches, tea, coffee and delicious home made cakes.

Why not register, start running and join us on November 6th. **The money raised will go to the Arthur Rank Hospice Charity** which is building a brand new centre just beside the Gog Magog Park and Ride.

Bottisham Village College Adult Learning

Treat yourself to a day learning something new!

We have the following Workshops on Saturday 8th October and Saturday 19th November To enrol visit our website or contact the Adult Learning Office (Most workshops run from 10.00 to 4.00, but check our website for full details)

Saturday 8th October:

Autumn Flowers
Basic Cookery
Calligraphy
Computing Learn the Basics (Free)
Indian Street Food
Introduction to Creative Writing
Paediatric First Aid (Saturday/Sunday) (meets Ofsted requirements)
Stained Glass – Make a Unique Piece in a Day
Upholstery and Chair Caning (also 19th November)
Woodturning (also 19th November)

Saturday 19th November:

Chocoholics
Christmas Cookery
Felt Making – Vessels
Simple Sewing
Website in a Day

www.bottishamvc.org/adultlearning
Tel: 01223 811372 email:
adultlearning@bottishamvc.org

Meeting Timothy Clark



My name is Timothy John Alan Clark. I'm an apprentice jockey and have been for five years. An apprenticeship can last for anything from 1 – 10 years, basically until you have ridden 95 winners.

I began riding when I was two years old, probably even earlier. My grandparents have a riding school in Jersey and I lived with them. I did pony club and showing, and especially show jumping. I came over to England quite a bit for show jumping, for example, to Bicton in the south west and also Wales. I jumped competitively up to 1.80m, and jumped for Jersey and their teams. One of my best achievements was winning the 11 Years and Under Championship at Bicton.

I had my own ponies and rode others. One of my favourite ponies was a four-year-old named Flying Sunbeam, a Connemara. That was a good pony. My first ever pony was my father's, my auntie's and my cousin's. He was called Charlie and was a New Forest.

I was brought up with ponies and horses, and was always going to follow a career in horses. My Nan taught show jumping. From school each day I would go straight up to the yard; learning and helping out.

I've moved from show jumping to flat racing as it's easier to make a living out of racing, and it's that I've focussed on. I finished school at 16, completed my exams and came straight over to England. I did a one-week course at the British Racing School, Newmarket, and after about a month got an apprenticeship with Sir Mark Prescott. The latter gave me a very good grounding; Mark is of the `old school' and teaches you the `right way'. I rode out for Mark most mornings, exercising the horses. I only got three race rides over three years but Mark helped me out a lot.

I just completed a one-week course at the British Racing School because I was riding out in Jersey and already had an idea of what's involved. The nine-week course is for those who've barely seen a horse before so it's very good for them and they are taught in the correct manner and learn horse care etc. The School will find you a suitable yard at the end of nine weeks and so guarantees graduates a starting job.

I got an Agent and would get rung up for my race rides. The Agent got me outside rides with different trainers. This was very successful and proved to be a good opening as it's hard to get a ride. Rides can be anywhere; Scotland etc.

You'll ride horses you've never met but the trainer will tell you what the horse is like. Also the paper will have a description of the horse, and you can ask a jockey who has ridden it before. From this you'll know what to expect. Horses vary a lot and every horse is different in one way or another; quick, slow, edgy, lazy, prone to buck you off!



I've enjoyed every ride I've had and I just enjoy being around horses. My biggest enjoyment to date was riding a winner for Ismail Mohammad, the Colwick Cup at Nottingham. I'd had quite a few rides for Ismail but not of this grade, and I'd not had a winner for him, so it was nice to get a winner in the end.

Winning is a combination of skill and pot luck. You have to be on the right horse. You can have a good horse, but possibly it's prone to going to going too quick and it needs to be guided to use its brain. Success is 90% down to the horse and 10% down to the jockey. The latter has to put the horse in the right place to help the horse out. Horses are herd animals and will run as a pack. Some horses don't want to be in front and that's quite frustrating!

Every racing track in Britain is well run, and staff at the race course are very helpful. You can always talk to a member of staff and they will reply and assist you.

There are rules and regulations for the horse and rider, and the race. There are often five different camera angles watching you in the race, and they are specifically there to scrutinise the horses and riders to ensure that everyone has a fair chance of winning. And to ensure that everyone is riding safely and fairly.



Horses are obviously prepared for a race. They may go out exercising every day Monday to Saturday, and possibly Sunday with some yards. At first they do light work, and then more to build up their fitness. A fit horse may canter twice every morning. Different yards in Newmarket have different working days. A horse might canter in the week, gallop Wednesday, have a normal canter Friday and then gallop on Saturday. Yards have different exercise regimes.

Horses are fed a special racing mix which will give them more energy than their normal feed. Each trainer has their own way of training and feed.

Newmarket has various canters, for example, four furlong and one-mile canter. Different trainers use different canters; they each have their own ways of working.

I'm part of an exercise rota with Martin Smith as my boss. He has 20 horses, and we start at 6.30am with the numbers riding staggered.

The number of horses in Newmarket must be several thousand. Newmarket is the HQ of flat racing, and the big jump racing centre is Lambourn, near Newbury.

I travel abroad. I'm in Jersey every other weekend from the beginning of April to the end of August. Racing is an international sport. In the summer it's common to be racing in Sweden, France and Italy; and in the winter it's America, Australia and Dubai.

I have a special exercise regime which will tend to slip if I'm not riding. When riding constantly I will stay fit just by the nature of the work. When riding you use completely different muscles so `running fit' is not `horse riding fit'. I don't follow a special diet but I do watch what I eat and try and eat sensibly. Most horse ride with a snaffle bit which does not constrained the horse so you have to be very fit and tough to race.

As an apprentice jockey I am trying to build up my rides and wins. I have my own racing saddle, and most yards have girths and collars. When competing, tack cleaning is done by a valet and also the laundry (jodhpurs and shirts). The valet will sort out all my stuff so that at the end of the race I will shower and pick up my cleaned and packed kit. The valet is someone who will look after you. He'll be an old lad who has ridden; a retired jockey. They do a very good job. I may be in Yarmouth one day and Newmarket the next; my kit will all be sorted and my bag sent forward from Yarmouth to Newmarket so I don't have to carry anything around. Canteens are free for jockeys. Also a physiotherapist, first aider and a doctor are all available so any ailment can be treated.

My rides can be variable. I had six rides last week, and just one this week. I can have 3 – 4 rides at one place, and then have to go all the way to Chepstow for just one ride. There is a requirement to declare the runners and riders 48 hours before a race so by 11am Thursday I will know where I am on Saturday.

Ideally I would like to attract some sponsorship. This can mean, for example, that the company name and logo are on a piece of kit. So if anyone would like to assist a keen budding jockey please get in touch (07753 411 669).

The VILLAGE CENTRE 100 CLUB for 2015

Help raise money to run the Village Centre

Tickets are just £10 for a full year and we have eight draws of £20 on the third Wednesday of the month and two draws of £50 in July and December

100 CLUB WINNERS

August £20: Anita Folkes
September £20: Claudine Bateman
Please contact Grahame Radford 0168 742814
to be part of the draw

Village Centre and Reach Fair

Village Centre Chairman's Report 2016

2015/16 has been another very interesting year for the Village Centre and the Committee.

Firstly, the Village Centre. We were delighted when we managed to complete the arrangements started last October with Montessori School in Burwell to start a group in Reach, using the Village centre. This has resulted in a long term arrangement with a secure financial footing and again gives the village pre-school facilities to replace Little Windmills. Our thanks go to the staff of Montessori for their enthusiasm and understanding.

In addition last September, an organisation called Dementia Compass commenced a fortnightly choir for people with memory problems and this is now about to start its fourth term. Following some 6 - 8 rehearsals they culminate in a short concert in the main hall. The next one will be on November 26th for those that may wish to attend. There have been a number of resident bookings throughout the year, including a wedding, and lots of usual village activities in addition to the Fair.

On the investment front, major projects included the much needed re-surfacing of the driveway and rear yard, which was accomplished in time for the start of Montessori. In addition the Committee decided to replace the dishwasher with a faster, more economical commercial unit which is proving to be a major benefit, and we have transferred our electricity to a "green" supplier. Also the renovation work on the outer walling has commenced and is on-going as I write this report. General maintenance is scheduled as it is needed.

Reach Fair

With regard to this year's Fair, the departure of some members last year left the Committee with the task of organising the Fair with reduced numbers. This resulted in quite a high workload for a small number of people. In the end the day was a great success and the new arrangements seem to have gone down well. My sincere thanks to all of those who helped, both on the day and beforehand. As you will be aware, the Committee are having a major re-think on the Fair in general and I hope the open meeting will prove to be of value in planning for the future of Reach Fair.

Reach Fair UPDATE

The Open Meeting on September 21st proved to be a big success as the current Events Team have volunteered to take on the task of organising Reach Fair. The Village Centre Committee will work with the Events Committee over the next few weeks to ensure a smooth transition of responsibilities and tasks, and we all wish them every success for the future.

On a personal note, I have decided to step down from the Chair this year and let someone else take the reins. I wish them every success and I will continue to help out where I can.

UPDATE

Following the AGM the new Village Centre Committee is as follows:
Andrew Towers (Chairman),
Andrew Trump (Vice Chairman),
Hugh de Lacy (Hon Treasurer)
Sue Elliott (Hon Secretary),

Committee members: Rhys Baldwin, Robert Keutgen, Glenn Newman and Grahame Radford.

And new members are still welcome.

Finally, a huge thank you all the Committee , who have done a sterling job this year with such a small number and special thanks to Jan Tabecki who has decided to step down this year after many years on the Committee. Jan, you will be missed.

Grahame Radford
Chairman
Reach Village Centre Committee

Autumn Jumble sale
Saturday 1st October 2016
Fassage Hall, Lode CB25 9HB
2pm - 4pm

Park in the High Street and walk through Fassage Close beside the post office

Entrance £1 for adults and children are free

Please bring any jumble in the morning between 10.30am – 12noon

If you have any questions ring Fran Platten on 01223 813 016

Village Centre Committee - Change

The responsibility for running the Fair has changed hands. It will now be the capable hands of the Events Team rather than the Village Hall Committee.

Change is inevitable and can be very positive. I am sure the Events Team will do sterling work.

However, I would like to acknowledge the fantastic work of the Village Hall Committee over the last decade (and more!) No-one may have matched the amazing length of service of Tony (Jordan) and Andrew (Hall) - was it for 20 years that they made it all happen? Amazing stamina.

However, there have been several stalwarts since then, who have worked tirelessly over the last decade. For them Reach Fair is a year in the planning with a building momentum: the week of the Fair is always busy; the two days leading up to the Fair are 12 hour days; Fair Day starts for many at eight and for those welcoming stalls much earlier; it finishes only when the road signs are cleared, the tables and chairs returned, the straw collected and litter picked. Those with stamina sometimes get to the pub for their celebratory drink around 9pm! Meanwhile, others are at home counting the cash ……

Teams of volunteers willingly get involved in the Fair – parking cars, 'manning' road blocks, running stalls, baking cakes and making salads - but we are only on the fringes, with duties on the day. The core work, stress and responsibility has been with a few.

On behalf of many, thank you to the outgoing Village Hall committee for all their hard work to ensure this great village tradition continues - and for raising so much money for both the village hall and the amenity fund.

Helen Oliver

Thanks to the Village Hall and Reach Fair Committee 2015/6

Rhys Baldwin
Sue Elliot
Catherine Gibson
Claire Halpin
Robert Keutgen
Hugh de Lacy
Glenn Newman
Graham Radford (Chair)
Jan Tabecki
Andrew Trump





Reach Festival



Relaxing at the tea tent



Charming Ribbons



Jon Cane with his pottery wheels



Jack Stevens JMBeltsCambridge



Will Lord generated interest all day long



Nikki Booth Preserves

Reach Festival



Jackson Creek Band



Jackie Lucas, Cloudberry Designs



Ros Norman, Tourmaline



Will Lord



Val Curwen, Willow Structures



Prospect Trust Snake Hall Farm



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 8th October 2016
10.00am – 12noon
Reach Village Centre

In aid of MacMillan Cancer Support

Bottisham and Burwell Photographic 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.

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

Light a Candle to Remember a Loved One



A Service for Thanksgiving & Remembering
Sunday November 6th 2016
3 pm
St Mary's Church
Burwell
Followed by refreshments



The Ely Mothers Union

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

The Bishop of Huntingdon came to the 140th celebration in the Bishop's garden in Ely, where fizz and strawberries were served and enjoyed.

Along with a musical performance by the Ely Imps, their singing was very much appreciated by everyone. The following is his blog of 18th June:-

Mary Sumner, founder of the Mother's Union, was the surprise guest of honour as Ely Diocesan Mother's Union celebrated the 140th birthday last night of the organisation she founded. Just before the raffle was drawn the 88 year old foundress slipped into the marquee in the Bishop's garden and then addressed the gathered company, telling her story of how the Mother's Union was founded out of her own desire as a grandmother to see her grandchildren grow up well, with a strong call to us to live up to her vision. The atmosphere was electric and speaking afterwards, I reminded myself of the dangers of working with children, animals and founding saints and echoed her call to care for our families as grandmothers (and others) who play, pay (!) and … pray.
By Bishop David



In July the MU members were treated to a boat trip on the river Cam. It was a beautiful summer's evening and grateful thanks were echoed from all who were there to Philip and Susan (MU President) Baker for organising it. Philips' advice to us on how to differentiate between a coot and a moorhen now fills me with confidence in being able to tell them apart. The moorhen has a red shield marking on its head, so the letter `r' is in its name hence it has to be a moorhen where as the coot is black with white markings. Wonderful, it is so easy when one knows.

Future Dates –

October 10th 'Diocesan Day'
October 12th 7.30 pm 'Social Policy' (speaker)

October 15th 'Sponsored Walk' raising awareness of The MU and all that it does in supporting families both in the Diocesan and Overseas projects. Walks taking place in Cambridge, Ely, Burwell and March. For more information contact Hazel Williams at hwil@aol.com or on 01638 743897

November 9th 7.30 'Bible Passage Sale'
November 23rd 2pm Advent

December 7th 'Christmas Social and Wave of Prayer
December 14th 2pm 'Christmas Readings' followed by tea.



Do you need a break in your busy day?

Why not drop in to

LUNCHBREAK CAFE

At St Mary's Church, Burwell

On the 4th Wednesday of every month

October 26th and November 23rd 2016

Open from 12.00noon till 2.00pm

Whether you work in Burwell or Reach, or your days are filled with the type of work that's unpaid, you may feel in need of an oasis of calm in your busy day. We serve light lunches in the beautiful and tranquil setting of St Mary's, so come along for a break, meet some friends and return to your work refreshed. Children's Corner with books and colouring available.

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



Swaffham Prior Parochial Charities

Once again the time has come to remind anyone who considers themselves eligible for our Christmas Grant. I would ask that you reply as soon as possible. The majority of applicants come from our pensioners in particular those who have to manage on state pension.

If however you are in particular need or know of someone who may be in difficulty but are unlikely to apply on their behalf the Trustees will always be happy to consider requests for assistance. Applicants should be sent to me or to any Trustees and may I stress that assistance is available at all times not only at Christmas.

Pam Waters
Clerk to the Trustees

01638 741035
31 Tothill Road, Swaffham Prior, Cambridge, CB25 0JX

CAMBRIDGESHIRE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY
FAMILY & LOCAL HISTORY FAIR

SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER 2016
10.00AM TO 4.00PM

GLEBE PRIMARY SCHOOL
GIRTON, CAMBRIDGE CB3 0PN

More than 50 stalls including
family and local history societies and
traders with genealogical supplies.

Research and advice given.

Free Admission Free car parking
Home cooked food available

Optional attendance at talks priced at £2 each per person (Under 16s free)
10.30a.m Robert Parker Our Ancestors 1939-1945
12 Noon Mike Petty Reflections on Eight Decades researching Cambridge
1.30p.m Myko Clelland Making the most of Findmypast
3.00p.m Gill Blanchard Behind the Scenes of 'Who Do You Think You Are?'

For further details please see www.cfhs.org.uk

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service

CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE
pressoffice@cambsfire.gov.uk
www.cambsfire.gov.uk
PREVENTING PROTECTING RESPONDING

Winter is coming and Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service is encouraging all residents to get their chimney professionally swept before the cold sets in.

Top tips to enjoy an open fire safely:

- Sweep your chimney at least once a year and get brickwork inspected, especially the chimney breast and roof space;
- Do not bank fires too high or overload the grate, and remember to let them burn down well and check the hearth before going to bed;
- Use a fire or spark guard to prevent accidental fires;
- Do not place objects on or over the mantle-piece which may cause you to stand too close to the fire to reach or use them; and
- Burn only suitable fuels and avoid burning resinous woods as soot builds up quickly.

Above all, ensure you have a working smoke alarm fitted on each floor or your home and a carbon monoxide alarm installed.

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.

Burwell Museum Coach Trips



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

The Burwell Surgery Flu Immunisation – Save the Dates!

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



Precious Memories

International Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day

Saturday 15th October 2016

6.30pm

at St Mary's Burwell

A Short Service of Remembering for those who have lost a child

Music, Readings, Prayers

Lighting of Candles

Followed by refreshments

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

Transport **cannot be provided** for hospital **OutPatient** appointments

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

Suffolk Hearing Advisory Service Registered Charity No: 1063430

NHS HEARING AID CLINICS for 2016

NEWMARKET

Day Centre
Fred Archer Way CB8 8NT

The fourth Tuesday of every other month from 1.30 pm – 3.30 pm

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

SESSIONS WILL BE HELD HERE ON:

Tuesday 26th July	Tuesday 25th October
Tuesday 23rd August	Tuesday 22nd November
Tuesday 27th September	No service in December

Batteries for NHS Hearing Aids are issued at these sessions

Suffolk Hearing Advisory Service, Basepoint Centre, 70-72 The Havens
Ransomes Europark, Ipswich. IP3 9BF
T: 01473 286060

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Out and About



Autumn is stealing in by degrees and although our fading summer holds its warm daytime temperatures the early mornings and dusk have a definite chill. There's a smell to the changing season, wood smoke and earth replace honeysuckle and mown grass, swallows and starlings line overhead wires, ruby and black berries stock hedgerows. Glorious sunsets transform the fen with luminous orange and blush red glows and the nights shorten.

I note that, above the village, buzzards have become commonplace, mewing overhead, riding the thermals, mobbed by corvids and also that, daily, green woodpeckers can be seen near Reach Wood. Ron rang to mention that the nightly cries of tawny owls can be heard clearly from their barn, we walked outside and listened to them from Great Lane also.



Swallow chick's makeshift nest. Joss

Our dog found a young hedgehog in the garden, the first we've seen for ten years within its confines. It emerges late evening from the dry, sheltered oilshed, where we hope it will successfully hibernate.

Despite the hot summer temperatures and good fruit harvest there seems to be a distinct lack of wasps, insect experts believe this to be linked to the topsy-turvy weather of previous years. Sadly, the decline of the predatory wasp, a carnivore (unlike the vegetarian bee) signals the mass of insects below them in the system is also in trouble.

A pair of swallows built their nest high on a corner post in the stable, inches below its metal roof. They raised a first brood and then, immediately, hatched a second. Unfortunately summer temperatures hit 30 degrees, the heat became intolerable under the sheeting and, as very young chicks, they exited the nest and fell to the floor below. We found them that evening, dazed and stranded on the rubber floor matting.



Ten days later, fledge to nearby ledge. Joss

Telephoned Ron for advice and he suggested we made an 'alternative nest' (Martin's face a picture, his birthday and the restaurant booking delayed for 'swallow-rescue'). Rushed home and cobbled together a wooden flowerpot with hinge fastening and cable ties. Returned to the field, nailed it high on the post but away from the boiling roof, lined with a layer of stable shavings and carefully lifted the tiny, helpless chicks in. Fretted that the parent birds would neither accept the strangeness of a large orange artificial nest or the handling of their youngsters but, miraculously, by morning, they were feeding the trio tirelessly again. In time they successfully fledged from the rim of this nest carbuncle.



The trio above the stables. Joss



One whooper and one mute swan. Claire Acklam

Village sightings of bountiful wildlife:

18.7. Claire Acklam saw 1 mute and 1 whooper swan at Reach Port whilst she was walking (the whooper belonged to Ralph Sergeant at Wicken but escaped last year).

25.7 I noticed a hedgehog on the track to our field, a large adult with distinctively pale hindquarters.

26.7 Ron and Penny spotted their first lizard in Reach Wood, then saw three more (visible sunning on anthills).

28.7 Saw a little owl on the overhead wires, Reach end of Burwell Road, a favoured place.
Tracy text that her third swallow chick brood were feathered and sitting on the stable light cable ready to fledge.

31.7 Tracy found a 'striking insect on 24 acres, did some research – Burying Beetle, feeds on corpses!'.



Jenny wren nest. Penny

1.8 Tracy text from Springhall Farm '5 hares Indian file practically ran over my feet whilst clearing muck this morning. Swallows fill the sky over our fields, little owl perched on telegraph post in the front field, all this on our doorstep.'

3.8 Hilary advised that the starling murmuration was starting near Tubney Fen.
Tony Kohlman pointed out that masses of tiny frogs were in Great Lane.

4.8 Ron advised the jenny wren had successfully raised and fledged her brood, Penny photographed their nest. Geoff and Jane (Newman) were pleased to see a female hedgehog with a youngster near their chicken run. Ron noted the remains of a hedgehog at the wood and thought it had been predated by badgers.



Burying Beetle. Tracy

Tracy text that her buddleia tree was covered in five species of butterfly. Also that her third swallow brood had fledged. A day later she watched a barn owl quartering the field opposite Tubney Fen, a sparrow hawk over Wilmott's wheatfield near Black Drove and a kestrel over her garden.

6.8 Tracy noticed a sparrow hawk diving at pigeons at Cole's chalk pit behind Gareth's field.

7.8 Penny spotted a hedgehog in their garden which ran off at high speed.

17.8 Swifts, one of the last summer migrants to arrive are the first to leave for their long journey to Africa. Ron noted his youngsters left on 17th August, about 10 days later than last year.

21.8 I saw a young green woodpecker near Reach Wood and two buzzards overhead, Ron pointed out owl pellets on our field corner posts nearby.

29.8 Noticed a flock of long tailed tits in the ash tree between our field and Aves' farm.
Tracy text that the noise from the young starlings gathering on the yard telegraph wires was deafening.

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Heron, near Pocket Park. Claire Acklam

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6.9 Claire Acklam spied a kingfisher 'flying low over water between two banks beside Pocket Park and always herons' on her walk.

9.9 Claire Acklam was fairly certain she had seen two cranes on Tubney this morning.

10.9 Dafila noted that robins were fighting for their territory with calls and songs. And mentioned the increasing number of anthills in Reach Wood.
Dragonflies flitting through our garden, I read that these cold blooded late summer jewels have survived for 325 million years!

Joss Goodchild







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As the days get noticeably shorter, it is evident that autumn is just around the corner. This is a wonderful time to enjoy the many beautiful sights that trees offer, not only individually, but as a whole landscape. The array of autumn hues that trees in particular provide, never fail to surprise and delight us. When we marvel at oranges, reds, yellows and even purples of autumn foliage, we are in fact celebrating decay and chemical change. In early autumn, the pigment chlorophyll in deciduous leaves starts to break down and as it fades away, other colours, which were masked by the presence of the chlorophyll, are revealed.

Managing the diverse tree and shrub collection at the Botanic Garden gives me the opportunity to work with some outstanding trees and shrubs that produce autumn colour. Be it from the more commonly thought of Japanese Maples (*Acer palmatum*), Liquidambar's, the smoke bush (*Cotinus*) to the slightly more unusual Pistacia (*Pistacia chinensis*). The Birch (Betula) collection at the Garden is particularly rich as the leaves become gold and warm apricot, often perfectly offset by bright white or shiny lacquer-red bark. The yellow and orange shades which come to the fore are due to carotenoids, the same pigment that makes a carrot orange.



Lake with Liquidambar styraciflua `Worplesdon'

However, one of the most vivid autumn sights is the American Sweetgum, *Liquidambar styraciflua* 'Worplesdon'. It has formed a tear-drop shape and the foliage floods deep wine-red in early autumn, against which burst cerise, red, orange and apricot tones through the following weeks. The tree is a mesmerizing sight throwing a spectacular reflection onto the surface of the Lake. For a few weeks of the year, the Sweetgum becomes the fiery fulcrum about which the whole Botanic Garden seems to revolve.

The Cambridge University Botanic Garden is open from 10am - 5pm October, 10am - 4pm November & December, 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 for details about opening times, admission charges, tours, courses and special events.

Mark Crouch,
Deputy Head of Horticulture/Senior Arborist
Cambridge University Botanic Garden

Swaffham Prior Village Gardeners Programme for 2016

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Wicken Fen and Anglesey Abbey News



The prolonged dry summer was welcomed by our visitors and Rangers alike. For the first time in a number of years we were able to get on to Sedge Fen with our tractors to cut the sedge and droves. Traditionally parts of the fen are cut on a three-year rotation to prevent the growth of scrub, but due wet conditions many areas hadn't been cut for over five years.

At the time of writing we are undertaking a structural survey of Norman's Bridge which spans Monk's Lode, near its junction with Wicken Lode. A temporary scaffolding bridge is in place whilst the survey and any remedial work is undertaken. It's anticipated that the temporary bridge will be in place until the end of October.

We were delighted to welcome co-workers, staff and volunteers from the Prospects Trust, who enjoyed a series of boat trips during that lovely warm week in September. From the picture it looks as though they enjoyed themselves.

Award winning weaver, Nadine Anderson, will be leading a **Rush Weaving Workshop** on Saturday 8th October, where you can learn how to make mats and baskets using locally grown Cambridgeshire rush. Tickets £60 are available from the Visitor Centre on 01353 720274.

Events for half term include, **Go Wild: Introduction to Geocaching** – Mon 24th October, **All About Autumn** – Tuesday 25th, traditional **Mud Oven Cooking** on Wednesday 27th and our **Fenland Spooktacular** on Friday 28th. It hardly seems possible but tickets for our **Father Christmas at the Fen** and **Christmas Elves Workshops are** already being snapped up, so please book early to avoid disappointment. Details of all events and ticketing arrangements can be found on our website at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wickenfen

Down at Anglesey Abbey, the spectacular Dahlia Garden will provide a dazzling display of late summer colour right up until the first frosts of autumn.

The new **Skylight Garden** has recently opened, which can be found at the far end of the East Lawn. It consists of 12 wooden loungers where you can learn back to observe the clouds in our vast fenland skies. The loungers are surrounded by prairie style planting, which should provide plenty of autumnal interest.

In the house, we have the last of a series of exhibitions looking at various aspects of Lord Fairhaven's life. The theme for the current exhibition (which runs until 30 October) is **Collecting and Legacy.** The exhibition takes look at his interests, friends in the art world, works of art he commissioned and the significance of his collection today.

Tickets for **Winter Lights** have completely sold-out – sorry if you missed out and please remember to book early when tickets for Winter Lights 2017 go on sale next summer.

Howard Cooper
National Trust



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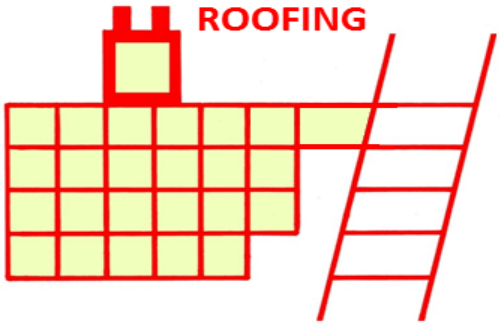

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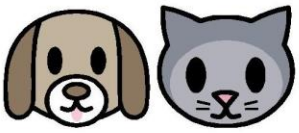

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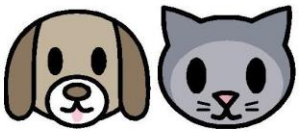

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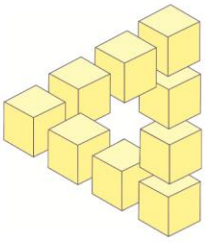

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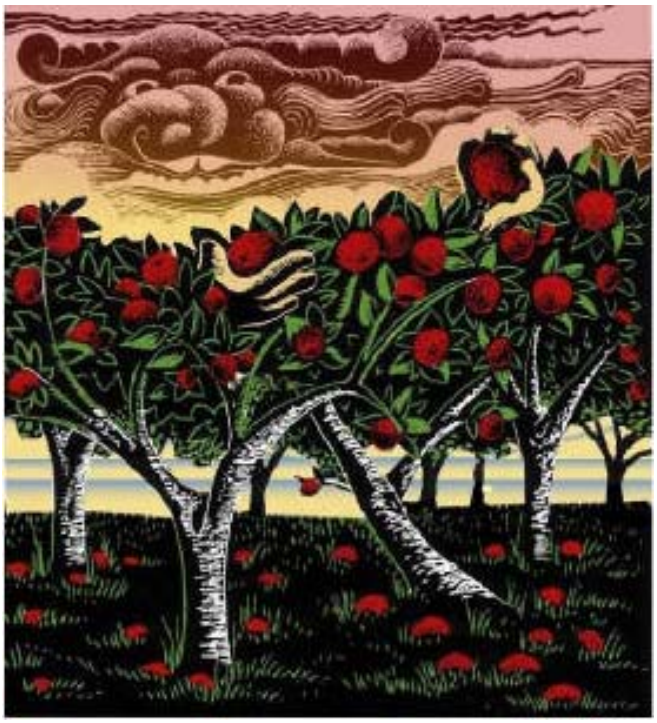
William Cecil was a British peer and conservative politician. He was an accomplished sportsman and played cricket for the Marylebone Club and Cambridge University (he was educated at St John’s College).

The ancestral home of the Marquesses of Exeter is the rather splendid looking Burghley House, near Stamford, which is now run by a trust founded by the family.

We have two trees in the orchard, one sponsored by Pieter Nielsen, the other by Julie Boreham (on behalf of her grand daughter, Lola Jones).



Lady Hennicker

Lady Hennicker is a large late-season Victorian apple variety, primarily used as a cooker. The variety was raised from a pip, of unknown parentage, in Eye, Suffolk, in the 1840s. It was developed by John Perkins, gardener to Lord Henniker of Thornham Hall.

The Victorian author Robert Hogg recounts details he received about the origins of this variety from the grower, John Perkins. He started by planting "several bushels of apple pips", which were a waste product from cider production. The most promising seedlings were selected and the rest removed, and this process was repeated for several years, until only the best varieties remained.

Although well-regarded in Victorian times for its heavy-cropping and reliability, it is no longer widely-grown. We have two trees in our orchard, both sponsored by Peter and Diana Ward.

Lord Peckover

This is described as, ‘an early-season apple, originating from the East Anglia region of England, with an attractive crimson flushed skin’. Apart from that I’ve not been able to find out any further information!

However, I am guessing that it was named after Alexander Peckover, Baron Peckover of Wisbech, who was elevated to the peerage in recognition of services to the County of Cambridgeshire as Lord Lieutenant from 1893 – 1906.



Baron Peckover was the first member of the Society of Friends (Quakers) to become ennobled and this event caused much excitement in the town of Wisbech. He was a keen chess enthusiast, travelled widely in Europe and the Middle East, was a keen horticulturalist and botanist and a great walker. His residence in Wisbech (Peckover House) is now owned by the National Trust.

(http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/peckover-house-and-garden/features/alexander-peckover-baron-peckover-of-wisbech-1830---1919)

We have three Lord Peckover trees in our orchard, two of which are sponsored – by Andrew Trump and Andrew Nelissen.

David Thomas



Tales from a Reach Garden



This time last year I was fretting about the tomatoes which were ripening very slowly if at all, and were gradually succumbing to blight. Even picking the tomatoes green didn't help because many were already infected with blight and then rotted rapidly from within while ripening indoors. We grow tomatoes in the polytunnel deliberately to avoid blight, which in most years has been a problem for growing tomatoes outdoors.

Last year the cool and wet August weather conditions – perfect for blight fungal spores to thrive and spread - meant that even tomatoes grown in the polytunnel were affected. What a difference a year makes! I could have grown the tomatoes outdoors this year because there have not been any obvious signs of blight so far. We've have had a glut of ripe tomatoes which started with the "Sungold" tomatoes ripening from the end of July. I'd say that well over half of the tomatoes have been picked so far.



That's more like it! One week's batch of ripe tomatoes

When I have a glut of tomatoes like this, which is more than can be eaten fresh, I roast them with some crushed garlic, herbs and some olive oil until they are softened and the skins are just starting to turn brown. When cool, the tomatoes are pureed then sieved, to remove the skins and pips, and I freeze the puree in packs that I use later in the year for cooking.



Diablo

Richard and I grow sweet peppers in the polytunnel too, sometimes including one or two chilli plants as well, as they also need warm and sunny conditions in which to grow. The seeds need to be sown a month or so before those of tomatoes because they are slower to germinate and to grow. As they form smaller plants than tomatoes (which are vines), they are planted in the sunniest part of the polytunnel where the tomatoes won't cast much shade on them.



Lany peppers

This has been one of those years when we've been able to pick peppers mid-season when they have turned red, rather than wait till the end of the season when they are still green and harvest what's available. Each year I have grown two pepper varieties in the polytunnel. An oxhorn variety (i.e. pointy) called "Diablo" which is often smothered in fruits which I use in stir fries - technically it's the fruits of these plants which we eat as vegetables. The other variety is a "bull nose" pepper called "Lany" with fruits which can grow to 20 cm long (8 inches); they are fleshy and good to eat roasted and stuffed. I water the plants regularly and use a high potash tomato fertilizer. Peppers are hungrier plants than tomatoes, so I fertilise them more frequently, especially once the fruits form. At the end of the growing season I remove the seeds and flash freeze the surplus peppers either as halves or cut into strips. When frozen they are packed in bags and used through the rest of the year.

The biggest problem with growing chillies in the polytunnel has been when we come to harvest them at the end of the season – it's best to harvest them separately from the sweet peppers. Chilli peppers come in so many different varieties many of them look like immature sweet peppers. I have grown a variety called "Joe's Long" which is a long thin tapering cayenne variety not too dissimilar from immature Diablo sweet peppers, and unfortunately it got mixed up with them. I realised this when wiping an eyelash out of my eye after slicing what I thought were peppers, and I had washed my hands... It certainly spiced up the stir fry too! The active ingredient in chilli peppers which gives the sensation of heat is capsaicin, which is not soluble in water so normal hand washing doesn't remove it from the skin immediately, nor will drinking a glass of water help to cool down your mouth. Capsaicin dissolves in oil, which is why milk and yoghurt (full fat) are better than water for cooling down a fiery mouthful. So traces of capsaicin can be wiped from the skin using e.g.

baby oil. Since then I wear rubber gloves when chopping the chillies – though it helps to know that they are chilli peppers in the first place!



Chillies

Thanks to the recent warm dry weather I have had a lot of watering to do in the vegetable plot and observing wildlife certainly helps to pass the time. I first came across a small common toad while watering the polytunnel early in August. It popped out from behind a tomato plant and tried to scrabble out of my way. Since then I've seen it in the fruit cage crawling away from the raspberry canes. I inadvertently brought it indoors among some spinach leaves and it slid out into the kitchen sink while I was rinsing them. I suspect it was more surprised than I was so I returned it to the spinach plot carrying it in an upturned glass as it's not a good idea to handle toads with bare hands. Early this morning I spotted it scrabbling across some grass near the outside tap not far from the spinach. I'm assuming it's only the one toad, but it may be a whole tribe of them observed at different times.



My little friend, the common toad

In spite of their unappealing warty appearance and poison glands (behind their eyes) toads are actually the gardener's friend – they eat any invertebrate that moves such as slugs, snails, insects and their ravenous larvae. They are usually more active at night time and the occasions I've seen the toad have been when I was watering the fruit and vegetables early in the morning or late evening before sunset. Now we know we have at least one toad in the garden we'll be extra vigilant when we clear the plots and burn the dead and diseased plants. Toads also like to find somewhere cosy to hide while hibernating in winter like a compost heap, it would be good to persuade them to stay.

Danuta Gibson

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In the UK, Neil Kinnock was elected leader of the Labour Party, succeeding Michael Foot. Roy Hattersley joined him as his deputy and the new Kinnock-Hattersley partnership was perceived by many within the party to be Labour's "dream ticket" to government in the next general election.



Labour had suffered a serious defeat in the general election of June 1983. Under Neil Kinnock they lost again in 1987 and in 1992, after which he resigned as leader. Mr Kinnock embraced Europe and pushed through reforms within the party.

He is widely regarded as having been a transitional leader, saving Labour from near political oblivion and helping to sow the seeds of New Labour. He was succeeded by John Smith and Tony Blair.

Mr Kinnock became a member of the European Commission in 1995 and its vice-president in 1999. He retired from the European Commission in 2004 and in January 2005 he became a life peer.

In November 1983 an armed gang carried out Britain's largest ever robbery at London's Heathrow Airport. Over £25m worth of gold bullion bound for the Far East was stolen from the Brinks Mat warehouse, about one mile outside the airport perimeter.

Police said a group of at least six men overcame the guards and successfully disabled a huge array of electronic security devices. The members of the gang, who were all armed and wearing balaclavas, also stole £100,000 worth of cut and uncut diamonds.

Police estimated 15 people were involved in the planning of the robbery, but only three of the gang members were convicted.



Micky McAvoy and Brian Robinson were both jailed for 25 years in December 1984 and Kenneth Noye served 14 years for handling some of the stolen gold. Noye was released in 1990, but 10 years later was convicted of murdering Stephen Cameron in a road-rage fight on the M25 and is now serving a life sentence.

Despite a huge police investigation most of the gold has never been recovered.

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Heritage Street Lighting Update



Finally we have progress!

Cambridgeshire County Council have come back to the Parish Council with a proposal regarding replacing seven columns around the Fair Green with new “Heritage” columns which match the ones we already have.

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www.reach-village.co.uk/street_lights.html
and you can remind yourself of what this was all about.

The Parish Council is broadly happy with the proposal and those of us who agreed to contribute some monies to this project will soon be contacted by Susan Bailey, Parish Clerk and be asked to reaffirm that commitment.

So finally we have good news – and everything will be completed by Christmas.

Not sure which one though.

David Parr

Food Focus



Graham Fullers Crab Apple & Thyme Jelly

In anticipation of the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness, and mounds of rosy crab apples (probably in about a month), I'm including Graham's Jelly recipe. I can't claim to have made this but I have tasted it and it is very good.

Boil up 4/5lb of crab apples and a large handful of roughly chopped thyme with a pint of water for approximately ½ hour. Once you have done this drain the liquid through a muslin bag into a large receptacle squeezing out as much juice as you can from the mushy fruit. Then calculating the volume of juice add a lb of sugar for each pint of liquid that you have and boil for another half hour, skimming off the scum as necessary. Place a small plate in the refrigerator and as you are nearing the end of the boiling time start testing by dropping a small amount of the liquid onto the cold plate to see if the jelly has set. If ready it should wrinkle and turn into a jellified state soon after hitting the plate. Decant into sterilised jars.

Prospects Produce

A great time for the shop! Look out for and enjoy garlic, squash, pumpkins and onions over the next few months. There will be main crop potatoes and brassicas (cabbage and kale) filling the shelves.

If you haven't tried the more elongated beetroot that they sell (the variety is called forono) – do, it is absolutely delicious and I've only ever seen it in there. They also have the more unusual chioggia beetroot which is decoratively candy striped when cut open and much better served raw in salads sliced thinly. Co-workers have been busy blackberry picking and making chutneys with harvested produce so if you haven't got time to make your own look no further for jams and chutneys.

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Swaffham Prior Primary School

We have had a very good start to the Autumn Term and it has been wonderful to see the children once more and hear about their summer adventures. The reception children are settling well and we have also welcomed some new members of staff. Mrs Sarah Deeks is working in Neptune Class with Years 3 and 4 and Miss Jasmine Davies is working in Mercury Class with reception and Year 1 children. They are both covering maternity leave. We also have a brand new Assistant Head teacher, Ms Deborah Nicholas. She is teaching Years 5 and 6 in Saturn Class.

We said 'Farewell' to Mr Gordon Godfrey who left us at the end of last term to take up a new post of Deputy Head teacher in Wales. We wish him and his family well.

Over the summer holidays the school has been refurbished and we have returned to find a school that looks new and bright. Some of the work includes a new roof, new flooring and decoration throughout the school, a new fire alarm system and lighting, and new boilers. There are still some jobs to finish, including repairing the boundary wall and putting in some new windows and doors. We are very much enjoying the changes!



Celebrating Roald Dahl.
Lily Steed with her Golden Ticket

The children have started their new topics. Saturn and Neptune Classes are finding out about 'Space' and last week, Neptune Class found what looked like parts of a space rocket on the school field. How intriguing! Mercury and Mars Classes are starting a topic called 'Grab Your Brollies!' They will be learning about weather in the UK and different locations around the world.

On Tuesday the 13th September, we celebrated 100 years since the birth of the world's number one storyteller, Roald Dahl. The children were invited to come to school dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl character and we saw some fantastic costumes. There were Willy Wonkas and Wonka bars, Enormous crocodiles, Matildas, a Miss Honey, witches, James and his giant peach, Fantastic Mr Foxes and others dressed in yellow (which was Roald Dahl's favourite colour). We had a super day – Thank you Mrs Quilter for organising it!

There are many more things to look forward to including, Cathedral Day, our Harvest Celebration and a Pumpkin Parade. The learning journey at Swaffham Prior School has begun again...

Hannah Curtis
Head teacher

Montessori School, Reach

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Amenity Fund

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.



Reach Riders Group



Some time ago, as part of the 24 acres' project, we were given some space to create a riding area for the village. After much deliberation, it was agreed that a grass area with cross country jumps was the best use of the space.

A formal committee was formed to make it happen and the Reach Riders Group was set up. The committee consists of

Sadie King (Chair)
Sue Cameron (Joint Secretary)
Claire Halpin (Joint secretary)
Hilary Fielding
Liz Tabecki

So after much fund raising, which included the Burwell Ride, an archaeology talk, a stall at Reach Fair, to mention just a few, sufficient money was raised to buy some jumps. Claire Halpin kindly donated the fencing, and with the help of John Reed, a gate was purchased and put in.



Brand new jumps arriving

The area now has four cross country jumps: three were bought from Legend Service, and one was donated by Gary and Michelle who keep their horses at Swaffham Prior.

So the Reach Riders Group is in full flow – there are currently 18 members, with the expectation that more will join in the coming months. Membership runs from September 1st to August 31st.

Members complete a Membership Form and Disclaimer when they join. There is insurance and risk assessments in place and regular checks of the area are undertaken. Also regular cutting and rolling of the area is being managed. All information will be on the village website shortly. In the meantime everything is available on the Facebook page
More fundraising is planned, the first event being the Fen Ride, organised by Hilary on the 2nd October. Members get a discount but everyone will have access to the jumps at the end of the ride if they want to use them. This is a pleasure ride and looks like great fun.

Anyone interested in joining should contact Sue Cameron for a membership form , terms and conditions and disclaimer. Email ewenandsue@btinternet.com or Tel 07879627859

Anyone interested in doing the fen ride should contact Hilary Fielding . Email hilary@reach-village.co.uk or Tel 07748224248

Sue Cameron

Cricket

Results:

Sunday 24 July



Grantchester 299 for 6 over 40 overs (Phil Kingsmill 3 – 40)
Reach 180 all out off 35 overs (Ewen Cameron 88)
Grantchester won by 119 runs

Sunday 21 August
Rain Men 180 declared
Reach 150 all out (George Carter 40)
Rain Men won by 30 runs

Sunday 11 September
Reach 108 for 1 and 111 for 2
Marquis of Hereford's XI 59 for 6 and 47 for 2
Reach won by 113 runs

This was the captain's benefit match. The good news was he notched up his highest score for a decade – 23 not out. The bad news is that it was against the Reach bowling attack!

Ross Clark



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 7th September 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 7th September 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	Present

1. Apologies for absence – There were none.

2. Declarations of Interest
Councillors Ward & Aves declared an interest in planning application 16/1008/FUL.
Councillors Cane & Baldwin declared and interest in Reach Festival.

Forum for Members of the Public
Residence of 27 Burwell Road attended the meeting to inform the PC that they attended to apply for outline planning permission for a bungalow within their garden. They would move into the bungalow and the annex would become part of the main house. This would allow the residence to remain in the village as they grew older. PC had no questions and thanked them for informing the council.

3. Planning
16/1008/FUL – the PC concluded that all previous objections to planning on this site still stood. There was also concern that the plan was incomplete and could not be built in its present form. The ***Clerk*** will therefore submit a letter to ECDC planning, stating these same objections & points.

4. Reach Festival
Reach Festival planning continues with great success and the PC are happy with all documents the 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
August is traditionally a quiet month Council-wise, and August 2016 has proved to be so.

I chaired a meeting of the Corporate Parenting Board, which received progress reports on issues such as health and well-being, educational achievement and various opportunities for Looked After Children. We currently have 615 Looked After Children in Cambridgeshire, of which 65 are Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children.

I attended a meeting of Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Economy and Environment and Children and Young People Committee to look at planning for growth with particular reference to educational provision and new schools. Concern was raised that sponsors for new Free Schools may be seeking to open new schools before they are really needed which can have a knock-on effect on existing schools. This will be raised with the Regional Schools Commissioner.

I also sat on an Appeals Panel to consider appeals for subsidised Home to School transport.

The current Executive Director of Children, Families and Adults, Adrian Loades, has announced his resignation from the County Council to take up a new post with the London of Redbridge. I have meetings scheduled for early September to consider future arrangements.

6 (3) District Councillor's Report
Green Flag Award - Ely's open spaces have been awarded2 green flags. Jubilee Gardens for the 12th year running and Ely Country Park for the 2nd year running. Cambridge has not been awarded any green flags.
Ely southern by-pass – The Government has now awarded the £16 million to build it. The contractor is Volker Fitzpatrick. It should be completed by the end of 2017.
Ely Leisure Complex – Work has commenced on the 6 screen cinema due to be finished by April 2017.
The swimming pool and leisure centre should be ready for use by January 2018. Sports England has awarded it £1.5 million in recognition of our commitment to sport and leisure within the district. When completed it should provide the district with considerable profit each year. We then plan a review of all sports and leisure facilities within the district. We need to take a particular look at rural isolation within some of our villages. We could perhaps find ways to help our elderly. Fundings could go towards helping village halls open for such things as whist drives, carpet bowls or even just a get together for a coffee and chat.

A discussion took place regarding the increasing of fly tipping in the area and the problems Councillors were having getting an adequate response from ECDC. ***Councillor Alderson*** to investigate.

6 (4) Financial Report
Nothing to report. The Parish Council remains in a financially stable situation.

6 (5) Parish Council Members Meetings
Councillors Cane & Boreham met with Connecting Cambridgeshire regarding the village broadband and Councillor Fielding met with CCC Highways to discuss the Burwell Road. Please see below.

6 (6) Play Spaces
Weekly safety inspections continue. ECDC had finally emptied the bin by the swings. ***Clerk*** to invite the play spaces officer – Cath Tayleur to attend the next meeting to discuss the up grading of the playground.

6 (7) Rights of Way
Evidence of horse riding in parts of the village where this is not permitted have been reported. ***Councillor Boreham*** to try and obtain some signs from the Woodland Trust.
Councillor Fielding had looked at Back Lane after a complaint was received regarding over grown trees. The situation will be monitored.

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

6 (9) Friends of Reach Wood
A new 'no horse riding' sign had been put up. The Prospect trust Ragwort pulling was ongoing but does not seem to be working as well this year. ***Councillor Boreham*** to contact the Woodland Trust to discuss. The meadow will be mowed on the 26th September, subject to the weather conditions.

6 (10) Local Plan
Councillor Cane to organise the publishing of the questionnaire to collect residences opinions.

7 Highways

Councillor Fielding met with CCC Highways to discuss a number of issues.
Repainting of the traffic calming road markings on the Swaffham Road. Painting of Give Way road markings on the road across the Green opposite the Dykes End Pub

Repairing the potholes in the road on Ditchfield, and booking it to be re skimmed in the future (maybe up to 2 years).
Unblocking the road drain covers at the end of Byway 6 and Ditchfield

The Road Safety Team will be sent to look at the bends just past the 24 Acres on the Burwell Road. There are a few possible options, but speed is one of the main problems, in addition to large vehicles such as busses/lorries meeting on the bends with not enough width for both to pass.

- Repaint Slow marking on the road and bring it forward a little
- Introduce Oncoming Vehicles in the Middle of the Road signs
- Widen the road near the 24Acres. However a wider road may encourage greater speed? But it would give large vehicles more room.
- Traffic calming measures

Horse and Rider warning signs could be erected on existing posts either side of the bend near the entrance to the 24 Acres. (This may be at the PC cost – up to £100 per sign) ***Clerk*** to add to October agenda.

Highways to take this forward and report back.

Councillor Brown to follow up with Highways and ask for repairs to be carried out to the edges on either side of the road.

The cutting back of trees and hedges bordering the highway, with special reference to the Burwell Road near 24 Acres. The bends warning sign is covered by branches and not clearly visible, and the overhanging branches force larger traffic into the middle of the road. It also creates a hazard for people using the entrance track to the 24 Acres. It is the adjacent land owner's responsibility, not Highways Authority. ***Clerk*** to write to the land owners highlighting this responsibility. There is also a Community Highways Volunteering scheme set up by CCC, to allow residence to assist with basic maintenance issues.

8 Moorings

Following an issue with a hire holiday boat discharging untreated effluent into the water whilst moored at 'The Point'. GOBA and Councillor Boreham have had many conversations with the boatyard concerned. The Pc have received a letter from GOBA outlining their thoughts and response to this situation. They agree to take all practical steps to prevent a re-occurrence. They have spoken with the boat yard owner who has agreed to prohibit his hirers of cruisers with sea toilets from using Reach Lode. They have spoken with the team leader of the navigation section of the Environment agency who has said he will bring this problem to the attention of all their members and they will add a caution note to the mooring sign just erected. The PC is happy with this response and ***Clerk*** will write to GOBA to thank them.

9 Broadband

A site meeting was held with Connecting Cambridgeshire and Councillors Cane & Boreham. A site was agreed for the position of the required cabinet. ***Clerk*** to sign and return the documents.

10 Information Items/AOB

The PC are able to add items to the ECDC parish conference agenda, there was nothing required.

There is an ACRE conference on 18th Nov. Councillor Cane will attend, if it is free.

The PC would like the CCC Highways Volunteers scheme to be place in the village magazine. ***Clerk*** to liaise with the magazine.

11. Payments

Susan Bailey – stationary & postage	£ 73.72
CR Contractors – mowing	£590.00
Eon – power on the green	£ 17.29
David Thomas – 24Acres expenses	£ 32.75

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 5th October 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



Now the new school year has begun, many of our regular church groups and activities have restarted. You've probably seen notices about Messy Church, and perhaps wondered what it's all about. It's not to be confused with Messy Play, which is usually a very messy play session aimed at under 5s.

Messy Church is messy, and there is play, but it's also an intergenerational form of church, for anyone from the very young to the young at heart. Recognising that there are many calls on family time, and that Sunday mornings can be inconvenient, Messy Church at St Mary's currently meets on the last Sunday of the month, from 4 – 6pm for a time of exploring faith and finding out more about Jesus. After about an hour of games, crafts and other activities, we gather together for our story, prayers and songs, before we all sit down for a hot meal – a really important part of our gathering! Over the five years our Messy Church has been running, we've welcomed many people and look forward to welcoming many more, from babies, to teens, to great grannies! To find out more, just come along, or come to one of our Messy offshoots - Messy Cafés during school holidays, and Create for Christmas on 14th November.

In addition to our regular Sunday services and groups, other activities for families and children at St Mary's include Little Bears on the 1st Thursday of the month, Refresh café on the 3rd Friday and Lunchbreak café on 4th Wednesday. We also have a monthly Friday evening Youth Café in the Guildhall. Let us know if you'd like to be on our mailing list for updates, or check our Facebook pages.

Some of you may have heard that I have started my 'Pastoral Pilgrimage', talking to as many people as would like to, in confidence, about life, the universe and anything. You set the agenda about what you want to talk about, and we can meet wherever and whenever is convenient for you. If you would value an opportunity to chat, you can contact me by phone, email or just when you see me around. Please also do get in touch if you would like to find out more about any of our events or services.

Special services coming up in the next few weeks: our Harvest Service will be at St Etheldreda's on Saturday 1st October at 6pm, and we are delighted that the Swaffham Prior School Choir will be joining us. Later in the month we will be marking International Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day with a short service at St Mary's on Saturday 15th October at 6.30pm, and on Sunday 6th November at 3pm we have our annual 'Light a Candle to Remember a Loved One' service, also at St Mary's, for those who have lost loved ones in the recent or more distant past. On November 13th, the Remembrance Sunday service in Reach will start just after 10.45am at the War Memorial, and continue at 11am in church .All are welcome to any of these services.

Finally, a reminder that both St Mary's church, in Burwell, and CentrePeace act as collection points for donations for the Foodbank. If you find yourself in need of the support of the Foodbank, I do have emergency vouchers, or you can contact Ely Foodbank on 01353 468626.

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

Church Building Update and Church Services

Building Update



It would appear that the summer is not a good time to expect rapid progress on building plans and projects as all the projects currently under consideration in both Burwell and Reach have stalled in the last couple of months!

The diocesan heating advisor duly sent his report on Reach church to the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC), who have to approve any work done to any church, with a copy to us. He set out his views of the pros and cons of various methods of heating. It was inconclusive in that he did not make one definitive recommendation, although he did suggest that radiator based heating was generally most appropriate for buildings like St Etheldreda's which are unlikely to be used more than a few times a week. In our case, he thought an oil fired boiler would probably be best, but did not rule out the use of sustainable fuels. Whilst his view was that under floor heating was most effective in buildings that are used most of the time, he considered that a case could be made for installing it in Reach if the floor was being replaced anyway.

The DAC asked him for clarification about why he rejected electric heating as a desirable option and our architect is currently following that up with the DAC and the heating advisor, and we hope that a final decision will then be made.

Church Services in Reach - Sunday @ 7

From time to time we review the pattern of our services in Burwell and Reach. Our monthly service of reflection, prayer and praise has made its home in St Etheldreda's ever since it started many years ago. For various practical reasons, however, we have decided to hold the service in Burwell for a trial period, which will make it more convenient for all the people from Burwell who attend. All are welcome, though, wherever you live! We are also always interested to hear if you have suggestions for services in Reach, whether regular, or one-offs.

Pat Chalmers
Church Administrator
administrator@stmarysburwell.org.uk

Church Services at Burwell and Reach

October 2016	St Mary's Burwell	St Etheldreda's Reach
Saturday 1st Harvest Festival		6.00pm Harvest Service Followed by Harvest Supper in the Village Centre
Sunday 2nd Trinity 19	8.00 am Holy Communion 10.00 All Age Service	
Wednesday 5th	10.00am Holy Communion 11.00am Holy Communion at Ash Grove	
Thursday 6th	10.00 Little Bears	
Friday 7th		8.00 am Morning Prayer
Sunday 9th Trinity 20	10.00am Holy Communion 7.00pm Sunday @ 7	8.00am Holy Communion
Wednesday 12th	10.00am Holy Communion	
Friday 14th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Saturday 15th	6.30pm Precious Memories Service	
Sunday 16th Trinity 21	8.00 am Holy Communion 10.00am All Age Communion	
Wednesday 19th	10.30am Holy Communion at Ness Court	
Friday 21st		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 23rd Last after Trinity	8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am Holy Communion with baptism	
Wednesday 26th	10.00am Holy Communion	
Friday 28th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 30th All Saints Day	4.00pm Messy Church	10.00am All Age Communion
November 2016		
Wednesday 2nd	10.00am Holy Communion 11.00am Holy Communion at Ash Grove	
Thursday 3rd	10.00 Little Bears	
Friday 4th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 6th 3rd before Advent	8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am All Age Service 3.00pm Remembering Service for the bereaved	
Wednesday 9th	10.00am Holy Communion	
Friday 11th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 13th Remembrance Sunday	8.00am Holy Communion 3.00pm Remembrance Day Service	11.00am Remembrance Day Service (meet 10.45am at War Memorial)
Wednesday 16th	10.30am Holy Communion at Ness Court	
Friday 18th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 20th Next before advent	8.00am Holy Communion 10.00 am Holy Communion 7.00pm Sunday @ 7	
Wednesday 23rd	10.00am Holy Communion	
Friday 25th		8.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 27th Advent Sunday	8.00am Holy Communion 10.00 Holy Communion 4.00pm Messy Church	
Wednesday 30th	10.00am Holy Communion	

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: October 2016

October 2016	Event	Location	Time
Saturday 1	Jumble Sale	Fassage Hall, Lode CB25 9HB	2 – 4pm
Saturday 1	Harvest Service	St Etheldreda, Reach	6 – 6.45pm
Saturday 1	Harvest Supper	Village Centre	7pm for 7.30pm
Wednesday 5	Parish Council Meeting	Village Centre	7.30pm
Thursday 6	Recycling Day (green)		
Saturday 8	Adult Learning	Botisham Village College	See Page 3
Saturday 8	Burwell Farmers Market	Burwell	9.30am – 12.30pm
Saturday 8	Ely Farmers Market	Ely	8.30am – 2pm
Thursday 13	Recycling Day (blue)		
Saturday 15	Apple Festival	Palace Green, Ely	10am – 4pm
Saturday 15	Precious Memories	St Mary's, Burwell	6.30pm See Page 13
Tuesday 18	Burwell Museum Coach Trip to Coventry	Tickets only from Tina's 741581	£20
Tuesday 18	AGM, Swaffham Prior Village Gardeners	Village Hall, Swaffham Prior	8pm
Tuesday 18	Mobile Library	Village Green	2.15pm
Wednesday 19	Village Centre Committee Meeting	Village Centre	7.30pm
Thursday 20	Recycling Day (green)		
Saturday 22	Ely Farmers Market	Ely	8.30am – 2pm
Wednesday 26	Lunchbreak Café	St Mary's Church, Burwell	12 noon – 2pm
Thursday 27	Recycling Day (blue)		
Friday 28	Spooky Snake Hall Farm	Snake Hall Farm	See Page 17
Friday 21 – Sunday 30	Pumpkin Festival	Cambridge	
Thurs 27 – Monday 31	Halloween Tours	Oliver Cromwell House, Ely	See Page 7





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November 2016	Event	Location	Time
Wednesday 2	Parish Council Meeting	Village Centre	7.30pm
Thursday 3	Recycling Day (green)		
Sunday 6	Light a Candle to Remember a Loved One	St Mary's Church, Burwell	3pm, See Page 21
Thursday 10	Recycling Day (blue)		
Saturday 12	Burwell Farmers Market	Burwell	9.30am – 12.30pm
Saturday 12	Ely Farmers Market	Ely	8.30am – 2pm
Tuesday 15	Mobile Library	Village Green	2.15pm
Tuesday 15	The Delights and Possibilities of the RHS Garden Hyde Hall. Rob Brett	Swaffham Prior Village Gardeners Village Hall, Swaffham Prior	8pm
Thursday 17	Recycling Day (green)		
Saturday 19	Adult Learning	Bottisham Village College	See Page 3
Wednesday 16	Village Centre Committee Meeting	Village Centre	7.30pm
Thursday 24	Recycling Day (blue)		
Saturday 26	Ely Farmers Market	Ely	8.30am – 2pm
Wednesday 23	Lunchbreak Café	St Mary's Church, Burwell	12 noon – 2pm

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

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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
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	Bookings	Grahame Radford	742814
	Marquee Bookings	Andrew Hall	743737
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	VC Committee Member	Andrew Trump	743335
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	Churchwarden at Burwell/Reach	Simon Rogers	741205
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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
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	Community Nurses		742382
	Surgery Hours	Mon 8.30am to 6.00pm with extended hours on a Monday please phone the surgery for details	



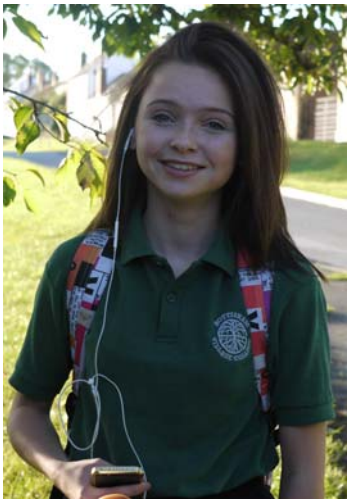
Alice Trump



Amelia Knight



Imogen Trump



Jodie Halpin-McDonald



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Hugh (left) and Ben Shackleton



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George Tucker



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