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April 2017

It appears spring has sprung! Blue skies and a lovely mild day! Long may it continue.

As the cover indicates, there is currently lots of discussion regarding roads around the village. The A14 work has started in earnest, a report on the future of the A1 is due later this year and there is currently a consultation regarding the future of the A428. Busy time for highways!

As has been mentioned numerous times in previous issues, this is your magazine! To help illustrate that, two initiatives started in the March edition of the magazine. Firstly we had our first Poetry Corner in the March edition, and I am delighted to say that we have received a couple of new poems as a result! One is published this month. Secondly in March we launched our writing competition, open to all ages. There is a modest cash prize for the winners, as well the winning stories being published in the magazine. Please see page 13 for details. So all budding writers and poets should get their pens out and get creative!

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

Editorial Team

Front Cover

This month's cover was provided by Tim Walker, and shows a heavy truck carrying ballast crossing the pontoon bridge on the River Ouse, the first stage in building the viaduct.

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

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Buckden Parish Council News...



The Lucks Lane proposed development

Your Parish Council is uniting with the Huntingdonshire District Council and the Protect Buckden's Future group to fight the proposed Lucks Lane development. As many readers will know, this proposed development was refused by the Huntingdonshire District Council and, as a consequence, Gladman are taking this to appeal.

At the time of writing, we are fairly sure that the appeal will run from 16 - 24 May, excluding the weekend, and will take place in Buckden Village Hall.

Tell the Inspector what you think

On the first day of the appeal, members of the public are able to state whether they oppose or approve of the proposed development, giving reasons for their views. We urge residents to attend at least the first day of the appeal and tell the Inspector what they think of the proposed development to ensure that he has a clear idea of the views of the community.

Annual Parish Meeting, 25th April 2017 at 7 pm

At the Annual Parish Meeting, reports will be given by the Parish Council, the Village Hall Trust, village charities and the District and County Councillors. In addition, we hope that our Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, Andy Coles, will be in attendance, along with the candidates for the Cambridgeshire County Council elections to be held on 4th May 2017.

This is an excellent opportunity to find out what's going on in our parish and in the wider community and to ask searching questions of those who represent you, or hope to have that role. Why not come along and quiz those local politicians?

Parish Council Photo Competition

Just to remind you, the Parish Council Photo Competition will again take place this summer, with entries being displayed during the summer Festival Weekend. There will be three age categories: Up to age 10, age 11-17 and over 18 years and three content categories:

- 1. Animals
- 2. Holidays
- Landscapes

A small, financial prize for the winner of each category in each age group. So, please, look through your photos and pick some good ones. It would be excellent to have a really full display as part of the Festival Weekend celebrations

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council, including a 15 minute Public Forum will be held on Tuesday 11th April 2017 starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend and raise any Buckden related issues.

If required, the **Parish Council's Planning Committee** will meet on **Tuesday 11th April** starting 7pm. Agendas for the meetings are posted on the Parish Council notice boards not later than the Saturday preceding the meeting.

Any questions or comments on this report can be addressed to the Parish Clerk, John Chase, Clerk to Buckden Parish Council, Buckden Village Hall, Burberry Road, Buckden PE19 5UY, Telephone (01480) 819407, Email: clerk@buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk

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

FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

On Monday 6th March Highways England announced **proposals for a new A428** route from the Black Cat Roundabout to the Caxton Gibbet. There are 3 proposed routes and a 7 week public consultation ending on April 23rd. To make your thoughts known you can either complete an online questionnaire at:

https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a428-black-cat-to-caxton-gibbet/

Drop-in days have been held throughout March the last being on April 1st at Newton Primary school Eltiseley PE19 6TL 10.00am-4.00pm. There is also information available at St Neots library and Papworth library during the consultation period. There are also 3 proposals for further improvements to the Black Cat roundabout. Once the consultation has closed Highways England will publish the preferred route in August 2017 and the scheme is hoped to commence in 2020 once work to the A14 has been completed. Please contact me if you would like any further information.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Julie Wisson, County Councillor Buckden and the Offords.

07725 791459 01767 677837 Julie.Wisson@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

FROM YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

A428

Julie Wisson has already alerted you to the public consultation that has just started on this important next stage of road improvements in the local area. There will be three route options between Caxton Gibbet and the Black Cat Roundabout, the Orange, Purple and Pink routes and three options for the further development of the Black cat roundabout. You can collect an information booklet and questionnaire from St Neots library or HDC and St Neots Council offices. There will also be public information events between during March and early April at various local venues.

A1

The A1 Safety Advisory Group has met Jonathan Djanogly, our local MP, and has urged him to support efforts to press Government and Highways England to provide an early amelioration of the current problems experienced not only by the residents of Buckden, Stirtloe, Diddington and Southoe but by all drivers using this busy and strategically important road.

Ouse Valley Way

In April the County Council will be recognising their responsibility for the maintenance of the OVW by taking over grass cutting and other clearance. If you have problems with obstructions please contact either me, our Parish Clerk or our parish footpath co-ordinator, Melanie Storey.

A14

Work appears to be proceeding well with the minimum of problems for local road users. Several residents have expressed their concerns to me about the loss of trees and hedges. I am assured by the contractors and Highways England that new planting will take place as each section of the road is completed. I have suggested that the planting of saplings should be augmented with more mature trees and shrubs. The Parish Council is also exploring the possibility of a new wood between the new road and the village. The way that the work is progressing along the route is impressive. If you get the opportunity walk along the OVW to see how the crossing of the River Ouse is achieved.

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

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



Bedfordshire Cambridgeshire Northamptonshire

Huntingdonshire Local Group

Spring Flowers

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trust invites you to come and enjoy one of the highlights of the English spring by joining in one of our spring flower walks at our local nature reserves.

As usual we will be visiting Brampton Wood where we hope to experience the delightful colour and scent of bluebells in this ancient woodland. We also hope to see flowers such as celandine, wood anemone and dogs mercury plus some early butterflies. We are offering two walks – one on Sunday 23rd April at 10.30 am and the second on Saturday 29th April at 2.30pm. Please meet at Brampton Wood Car Park, Grafham Road, Brampton. GR TL 184698.

We are also offering a walk at Portholme Meadow on Wednesday 26th April, at 7.00pm. Portholme is believed to be the largest flood plain meadow in England and has a good-sized population of snakeshead fritillaries at this time of year. Please meet at Godmanchester Lock at 7.00pm. Parking is in Godmanchester and the lock can be accessed via the Chinese Bridge.

Everyone is most welcome to attend. There is no charge, but donations are welcome. For more information please contact George on 01480 450809.

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

Cambridgeshire Police

In the past month we have seen an increase in criminal activity in the Buckden and Offord area which has included four homes being burgled in just one evening whilst the owners were away.

We would love to be able to patrol the area day and night but sadly that is not possible and so we're hoping you can help us. Your eyes and ears are an important part of preventing crime and keeping our villages safe. We are urging all residents to get in touch and report any suspicious activity to police. This can include anything from doorstep sellers to behaviour that just doesn't seem right. Any information, no matter how big or small, can be vital in helping us complete our investigations. Dates, locations and descriptions are particularly helpful.

Our officers will be running drop in surgeries on the below dates to answer any questions on queries you may have. It would be great to see you there.

Thursday 16th March: 2pm-3pm

• Friday 7th April: 6pm-7pm

Tuesday 9th May: 11am-12pm

Thursday 29th June: 2pm-3pm

"Drop-in surgery takes place in library

If you wish to discuss anything with me, and can't attend the above, please feel free to email or call me on the details below.

Richard

PCSO 7101 Richard Braddick

Richard.braddick@cambs.pnn.police.uk St Neots Safer Neighbourhood Team

St. Neots Police Station | Dovehouse Close | St. Neots | Cambridgeshire | PE19 1DS

Mobile: 07921-094801 | Call: 101

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

Telephone: 01480 810344

Website: saintshughandjoseph.churchgoers.co.uk

In the pastoral care of the Claretian Missionaries:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Buckden Methodist Church

Minister: Rev. Paul Beard

(01480 473444)

Stewards: Angie Barnes (810102)

Bob Baxter (8100920) Carol Swepstone (810053)

Services in April Sunday 2nd

10.30 am Morning Service: Mrs Wendy Beard

6.00pm Evening Fellowship

Sunday 9th Palm Sunday

10.30 am Holy Communion: Rev. Paul Beard

6.00pm S.U.S at Tempsford

Sunday 16th Easter Sunday

10.30 am Morning Service: Mr Don Moornan

Sunday 23rd

10.30am Morning Service: Mr Colin Webber

6.00pm Evening Fellowship

Activities in April:

Mon 312.30pmLent Study lunchWed 52.30pmCAMEO QUIZFri 710.00amCoffee Morning

Tues 11 9.30am Quiet time in the Wesley Room

Fri 14 Good Friday Walk of Witness

(Children's activities and seasonal refreshments

in the Methodist Church As usual)

Fri 21 10.00am Coffee Morning

Tue 25 9.30am Bible Study in the Wesley Room

Fri 28 10.00am Coffee Morning

In The Beginning....

This year marks the 800th anniversary of the first named priest in Buckden, 'William de Bugden'. William of Buckden, hardly a unique name in 1217, but people were named after where they came from in those days, so he was a local chap.

In this first of a series of short articles, we'll uncover a bit about the early church in Buckden, before William's time. Christianity reached this area around 275AD as noted from church plate dating from that period found at Water Newton and a little later in Godmanchester, but it wasn't until 673AD that the monks of Peterborough and Ely began missionary work in the Great Ouse valley and the first small wooden church was probably built in Buckden around 680-700AD, as there was sufficient population (about 125) to support it.

By 1086, the Domesday Book records that there was a church and a priest here, and already the new Norman Bishop of Lincoln, Remigius had ordered the singing of Psalm 101 daily in Buckden church.

Bishop Robert Bloett of Lincoln examined Christina of Markyate (formerly Theodora of Huntingdon) in our church in 1115, and found her not guilty of adultery!

Bishop (Saint) Hugh of Lincoln loved his manor (the Towers) and church in Buckden, staying here as often as he could. When he died in November 1200, his body lay 'with great mourning' in Buckden church before being taken to Lincoln cathedral for burial.

You are invited to take part in St Mary's *800 and counting!!!* event

We at St Mary's would like to challenge individuals / families / groups in the village to use your talents and expertise to help us to celebrate the 800, have some fun, raise funds and "Grow the money" for our Restoration Appeal

800 years - 2017 marks the 800th anniversary of the first recorded priest at St Mary's Buckden.

800 pounds £££ - on Saturday 22nd April 10.30am – 12noon we will be giving out 80 x £10. It's "first come, first served", so come along with your contact details and your ideas.

800 ideas!!! How you "grow the money" is entirely up to you. It could be a sponsored event, a coffee morning, a car boot sale, a concert, busking, a stall at the village festival in July! If you're creative, make something to sell or auction. We just ask that you use your imagination and your talents to the full.

800 celebration. We invite you to our celebration weekend on 16th / 17th September when all proceeds are to be returned to St Mary's as we celebrate the many and varied talents within the village.

Any questions, contact enquiries@stmarysbuckden.org.uk or Rev Jes on 01480 819377 or Pat King on 01480 811020

What's On at St Mary's Buckden: April 2017

LENT COURSE – last sessions on

Monday 3rd April 12.30pm Methodist Hall Thursday 6th April 8.15pm at 7 Vineyard Way

SERVICES FOR EASTER & HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday 9th April 11am Maundy Thursday 13th April 8pm

Good Friday 14th April 2pm Last Hour

Easter Sunday 16th April 11am

Friday 14th April – Churches Together Good Friday Service & Children's Event

Children's event 10.45am in the Methodist Church. Service 11am at St Hugh's Church and will process to St Mary's, then on to the Methodist Church. Finishing together with refreshments in the Methodist Church Hall.

Regular SUNDAY Services

8am	Communion	2 nd 4 th 5 th Sundays
11am	Family service	every week
6pm	Communion	1 st Sunday
6pm	Evensong	3 rd Sunday
7pm	Night prayer	4 th Sunday

Regular WEEKDAY Services

Monday	2.15pm	Daily Prayers
Tuesday	1.30pm	Daily Prayers
Wednesday	9.30am	Communion
Thursday	1.00pm	Daily Prayers
Friday	9.15am	Daily Prayers

MONDAYS 8.15pm Bell-Ringers TUESDAYS Jamworkx After-School Club

3.15pm at Buckden School (term-time only)

WEDNESDAYS

10.00am Cuppa and chat after communion 10.30am Going Deeper – informal bible study

FRIDAYS 14th & 21st April 6.45pm

Angel Voices – informal all-age choir

SATURDAYS COFFEE & CAKES

10.30am – 12 noon in St Mary's

Saturday 1st April 10.00am - noon

churchyard tidy all helpers welcome

Thursday 6th April 7.30pm vicarage

M&Ms – ladies' fellowship group

"spring things" & hanging baskets

Wednesday 12th April Friends in Deed - Living Stones Cafe 2.30pm – 4pm refreshments & chat

Sunday 16th April 4pm

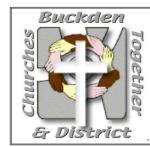
JAM Club at Offord Village Hall
fun for the under 7s and their parents

Saturday 22nd April 10.30am-noon *800 and counting* distribution

Sunday 23rd April 12.15pm Annual meetings; APCM & elections

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

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



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

Anglicans

Baptists

Catholics

Methodists

Weekly Prayer Roster

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

Work in the parish at	id village organizations. Those to be remembered this month are.
2nd April	Scouts, Cubs and Beavers, Guides, Brownies and Rainbows, Playgroup and Day Nursery, Buccaneers after school club, Buckden Towers Youth Retreat Centre
9th April	Mayfield, Springfield Close, The Osiers, Stirtloe
16th April	Vineyard Way, Burberry Road, Swan End, Lark End, The Library and its librarians
23rd April	The churches of the village: St Hugh's, St Mary's, Buckden Methodist Church, also Offord and Perry Baptist Churches, members of home groups from these and other local churches, ministers and all who make our churches welcoming and worshipful places
30th April	Church Street, Mill Road, The Barns, The Old Flour Mills

Thought for the month

Dear Friends,

Life is a bit like... Well, it's sort of... I mean that's the thing about life, it's...

I am beset by imminent clichés. But the thing about clichés is that they become clichés because they are often said. And they are often said because they express something that is often encountered in the experiences people have.

So – life is a bit a like a roller-coaster. One minute you are full of hope and expectation, spreading your palm leaves in God's path and having a whale of time worshipping and belonging and feeling good. Then you are suddenly down in the dumps, trudging away from God with your head down and your heart in your boots, wondering how God could have let things get in such a sorry state and unable to believe they can get better. Only a week separates the Palm Sunday Donkey Derby from the Emmaus 10K unFun Run

They say that into every life a little rain must fall. If it didn't, then life would be very dull. "I could settle for dull" I hear you say. But you can't settle for dull, because life won't let you. Life won't let you settle at all. You can make like the ostrich, of course, and bury your head in the sand and invite life to go and play elsewhere. But life won't. It will play where you are. If your head is in the sand it will play leapfrog. If you are looking around you, it will play hide-and seek. In any event, it will play havoc.

So – life is a bit a like a roller-coaster. You will soar; you will plummet; you will coast; you will roll. And you won't stop until the ride's over. Question: How do you make God laugh? Answer: Tell him your plans.

But, confusingly enough, life also is not like a roller-coaster. In a roller-coaster you just sit there and it happens, and you eventually get back to where you started. Some people live their lives that way, it's true. But it doesn't have to be like that. God does laugh at our plans, but he is laughing with us, not at us. We know our plans are likely to go astray; that life will interrupt them. God knows that, too.

God wants us to have plans — and not just for the laughs. But God wants to work on our plans with us. God wants joint plans. God wants to live in partnership with us. That's why God joined the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. God wanted to help them see a bigger, brighter picture. God shared a vision with them. If we are prepared to look, God will share a vision with us, too.

It won't get us off the roller-coaster, but it will make it a lot more fun! Paul

Children's Society Box Holders

Many thanks for your generous contributions to the Children's Society. At this year's box opening we counted the great total of £1,630.31. Well done everyone. Jo Mcgregor.

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Buckden and Little Paxton Surgery Patient Association

March Draw Results

200 Club

£100	No. 199	Mrs M Butler
£25	No. 61	Mrs Gillian Thompson
£25	No. 169	Mrs Margaret Street
£25	No. 149	Mrs Linda Bays
£25	No. 105	Mrs June Donachy

It's subscription time of year. Thank you to all members who have paid promptly! We are struggling to retain 200 members!

The yearly cost remains at £12. This includes:

- Entry in all 4 quarterly draws of 1 x £100 and x4 £25 prizes.
- June half year Bonus prize of an additional £100 prize
- December Bonus of an additional £200 prize.

Please contact Sheena Wilkinson (Tel 810086) if you would like to join the 200 Club and support Buckden and Little Paxton Surgery Patient Association in raising funds.

To date we have purchased some of the blue chairs in the waiting room, the Touch Screen Entry system and paid for servicing of the automatic door.

Scout Fundraising Update

We had a successful Quiz Night on 11th February. Thank you to all who braved the round trip to Offord after the closure of the level crossing. The evening raised £379 for our forthcoming trip to the Ardeche. We would like to thank Days of Buckden, the Lion, the George and Nisa Supermarket for their support of this event.

Below you will find a list of upcoming events, which we would like to invite you to.

01/04/2017	Jumble Sale
22/04/2017	Horse Racing – Details to follow
06/05/2017	Breakfast at the Scout Hut 8-12

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The British Legion Remembrance Travel is offering a trip to the Normandy landing sites. It is wholly and totally free to Normandy veterans plus a family member and a carer (three persons in all). It is a five day trip which includes visits to such as Pegasus Bridge and Arromanches. The costs are being covered from fines following the LIBOR banking scandal which apparently has funded other RBL activities.

If this amazing offer is of interest please contact Remembrance Travel on 01473 660800 or

info@remembrancetravel.org.uk.

If you have any other Legion associated query please let me

Veronica Hunstone, Secretary, RBL Buckden Branch 01480 810070

Buckden Community Litter Pick

Please come and join our litter pick, all welcome! **SUNDAY 23th April @ 9.30 am**

SUNDAY 23th April @ 9.30 am outside the Lion Hotel

For an hour or so of fresh air, good company and light exercise, not to mention keeping our village as we would like it.

Followed by a complimentary tea, coffee or squash, sponsored by our local businesses at the Lion Hotel.

Please contact myself, Peter Emeleus, on 07751289191 or email ging30@hotmail.com if you wish to come along.

Hi Viz jacket, litter pickers and bags will be supplied compliments of Charlie Wilkins at HDC. Please provide your own gloves and suitable foot wear.

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

"Remember you're a Womble"

BVF

Stall Bookings

Bookings now being taken for the fete on 1st July

BOOKINGS now being taken for the fete on 1 a Jul Commercial Stalls - £20 Village Organisations - Free

Email <u>BuckdenVillageFestival@gmail.com</u> to book BVF

A14 Monthly Bulletin - February/March 2017

Section 1 & 2 - Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line **February's Activities**

The crossing of the River Great Ouse is progressing well and the temporary pontoon is now in place which allows us to transport machinery and materials across onto the east bank of the river. On both sides of the river the bridge supports for the temporary bailey bridge are nearly complete. This bridge will span the river and allow boats to travel beneath it whilst we construct the new permanent crossing.

The site clearance is continuing along the north bound carriageway of the A1 north of Brampton Hut. This has mainly been done at night.

Works for March

BVF

Over the next couple of weeks plant crossings will be installed across Grafham Road and Buckden Road. Once installed they will allow site traffic to safely cross these side roads and will also complete the haul road network allowing our traffic to move within the site boundary from the River Ouse through to the borrow pit on the east side of the A1.

Foundations works (piling) continue to progress the main structures in this sections. On completion this will allow the realigned A14 from Ellington to cross the realigned A1 at Brampton Hut.

Huntingdonshire Health Walk Scheme Huntingdon Group March 2017

There are 7 Wednesday-afternoon/ Friday-morning health walks this month, but there will no be a walk on (Good) Friday the 14th. Unfortunately, none of this month's walks starts in the village, a rare occurrence.

Health walks are of 45 to 80 minutes' duration, easy-paced and

The almost-inevitable "April showers" will be a reminder to equip ourselves with good weatherproof footwear and clothing. All being well, the milder weather will encourage us to always carry a bottle of drinking water.

We look forward to you sharing the healthy benefits of walking with us, usually followed by a hot 'cuppa', if required. Walking'n'talking together is a very therapeutic and 'fun' activity, whatever the weather. Why not come and join us?

For more information, please check out the website**, or 'phone Doug Finlayson on 01480 387047.

** www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/healthwalks

The Friends of Buckden Towers

PLANT SALE 20th May 2016 11.00 AM to 3.00 PM

Buckden Towers

(By kind permission of the Owners) HIGH QUALITY AND UNUSUAL PLANTS REFRESHMENTS FREE PARKING (Entrance £2.50)

> No Dogs Allowed and no entry before 11.00 Generously sponsored by Anne Furbank Ltd

Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society

Just beginning or experienced, a warm welcome awaits you at Buckden Village Hall, Millard Suite at 7:30 pm on the 2nd and

4th Thursdays of the month

For further information contact the secretary

13th April Club Meeting

27th April 'Sea Skua' Talk by John Shere MOJWS

Phil Haylock on 01487 832937

E mail phinorm@talktalk.net

or visit our website at hunts-hams.weebly.com

MONDAY CLUB

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

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

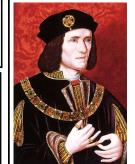
Our meetings for April 2017 will be:

- Monday 3rd: Easter Quiz and Simnel cake
- Monday 24th: 'Keeping it in the Family' Advice on wills, Lasting Power of Attorney and protecting your home from care home fees (postponed from December)

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

Buckden Local History Society





Richard the Third

Matthew Morris Wednesday 5th April 2017 7.30pm at Buckden Towers Visitors always welcome

For further details contact Buckdenhistory@gmail.com

Buckden Gardeners Association



HAPPY HEALTHY ROSES

Talk with practical demonstration by Geoff Hodge Tuesday 18th April 2017 7.45pm at the Village Hall Members free, visitors £2.00

The Garden Shed in Silver St will be open from 10-11am on the 9th and 23rd for members to buy essential gardening supplies

> For further details see our website: www.buckdengardeners.info Or contact Pam (01480 811680)

LIFE DRAWING GROUP*

Venue: Buckden Village Hall

Wednesday Day: Time: 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

Contact: Terry Sladden 01480 811031 Tel:

Email: trrslddn8@gmail.com

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

*Male & Female models





Story/Rhyme Time

Every Tuesday at 2.15pm All under 5s welcome with their carers There will be extra Easter activities on 4th and 11th April where all children under 12 are welcome

Craft activities for children

On Saturday April 8th at 10.30am we will be making Beatrix Potter Easter baskets

Engage

Chloe Coombs from Macmillan Cancer Support in the Community will talk about this brilliant organisation, what is available locally and how to get involved Wednesday 19th April at 2.00pm.

Games

Come along any Thursday afternoon from 2.00pm to meet like minded people. Refreshments available.

Knit-Lit

Friday 28th April at 8.00 pm

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

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

Buckden Wine & Beermakers Society

Thursday 27th April 2017 8.00pm in the Scout Hut **Annual General Meeting**

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

New members are welcome Join a lively, sociable group where help and advice on wine and beer making are freely given.

For further information contact Ann Elliott 01480 810346

Future meetings.

Thursday 25th May

Friday 5th M Commencing 7.30pm at St.Mary's Church, Buckden present

Tickets: £10 (£8 concessions) including a complimentary glass of wine during the interval Tickets and further details from Stageworks and Box Office: 01480 812777 or 07979 030144 Also from Costcutter (Hunts End) and Que Sera (High Street)



Kimbolton Country Fayre & Classic Car Show

An outstanding £18,000! was raised last year, distributed to a range of Rotary supported charities.

This year, for the 26th show, we are planning a spectacular event packed with new activities for all. In addition to hundreds of classic cars; already lined up, are The Sealed Knot civil war re-enactment, Seamark geese/ pig / sheep racing, Beagles, Heavy Horses, inflatables, dozens of other stalls and events and not of course forgetting the Galaxy Swing Band.

We look forward to seeing you again this year. The date for your diary is Sunday 9th July.

Keep up to date by visiting our website www.kimboltoncountryfayre.com or following us on Twitter@KimboltonFayre

FRIENDS IN DEED

If you feel that you have a little spare time, and would like to enable Friends in Deed to provide more assistance, then do consider joining us. You could help out with the Drop-in Cafes, visiting people in the village or volunteer as a driver. No-one is expected to do more than they want, and the amount of time you are able to give is entirely under your control. Do contact our Coordinator if you would like to know more.



<u>Please note!</u> Our training day, scheduled for Monday April 10th 2017, has had to be postponed and will now take place in June. The actual date will be advised in the next issue of the Roundabout and by email to our members.

After our successful Winter Tea Party the regular Drop-in Cafes, held on the second Wednesday of each month, have recommenced and the next one is on 12th April. Do come along and if your require transport then call us on the Transport Coordinator's phone listed below.

For help or information contact:

Coordinator: Jane Scott 07810 006598 Requests for transport: Andy Scott 07914 669967.

Leave a message and include your contact details http://www.buckdenroundabout.info/friends-in-deed

BUCKDEN WI

At our March meeting we were extremely grateful to Jean Crane who travelled over from Norfolk at very short notice to take the place of our ailing advertised speaker. Jean took us on a journey to the small village of Much Hadham (near Bishops Stortford) and with the help of pictures and artefacts



she described its history from being a Roman pottery, through its links to Henry 7th and on to an evocative portrayal of her own childhood there during the war. Finally she brought us to the life and work of its most famous inhabitant, the sculptor Henry Moore and we learned of his local philanthropy and of the Henry Moore Foundation and gardens (with tea-room now available, it sounds a good venue for an outing.) Next time (4th April) we look forward to 'Tales of the Fens and Marshes' from Mr. Alan Lamb. The competition will be for a Fenland Photograph. As ever, visitors and potential new members will be most welcome.

BUCKDEN PAROCHIAL CHARITIES ALMSHOUSE CHARITIES OF JAMES SOUTH AND WILLIAM BURBERRY VACANCY FOR A NEW TRUSTEE

A Board of **voluntary** trustees manages the Almshouses in Church Street, Buckden.

We now have a **vacancy** for a new trustee to contribute to the running of this valuable village asset.

The Board meets routinely four times a year, and occasionally more frequently to decide on immediate matters.

If you would like to take the opportunity to join us, please contact the Clerk, Joe Greenway at joe.greenway@btinternet.com or on 07745889759 for more information.

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Writing Competition 2017

Can you write up to 500 words with the title 'Journey'?

A cash prize of £15.00 will be awarded to the winner in each of these categories

Up to 10 years 11-17 years 18+ years

Entries are welcomed from all ages. Winning entries will be published in future issues of the Roundabout.

Email your entry to Roundabout editor by Wednesday 31st May or hand your paper entry in at Buckden Library.



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Bookings

This month we have a Jivenites Weekender, Cruse Bereavement Training, a kid's party, a wedding reception and several business meetings amongst our regular hirers.

New Sign Language class starts this month

An Introduction to Sign Language course is due to start in the Aragon Room from 3rd April 2017. It is a 10 week course (excluding bank holidays) running Monday evenings 7pm – 9pm and is a fun, informal class. It is designed for hearing people to learn finger spelling and basic conversation. If anyone is interested in finding out more please contact Jane Kennedy at janemkennedy005@gmail.com

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

BECOME A COMMUNITY CYBER AMBASSADOR

Cybercrime is one of the fastest rising crime types did you know 80% of cybercrime is easily preventable. Cambridgeshire Constabulary are seeking representatives from community groups.

As an ambassador you would use your enthusiasm and commitment to raise awareness within your community group around the different types of cybercrime and assist in promoting prevention advice to your local area. Ambassadors are not expected to have an in depth knowledge of technology but an interest in learning more about cybercrime and an enthusiasm to promote the latest cyber prevention advice within in community group.

Cyber Ambassadors are asked to commit to delivering a minimum of two awareness events a year to their community group to help Cambridgeshire Constabulary to increase awareness around the county.

If you are interested please email cyberprotectcambs@cambs.pnn.police.uk The day will be led by an instructor from Get Safe Online, one of the leading advice websites on cybercrime and online fraud.

PHONE NUMBERS

101 Anyone with information for the police 0800 555 111 Crime Stoppers anonymously 999 in an emergency

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BUCKDEN CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL (Primary Academy Trust)

March 2017

As Spring approaches, we are busy preparing for the better weather. March has been a busy month with a variety of activities. We celebrated World Book Day with the children and teachers bringing their favourite book to school to share with their friends. Our year 5 children had a Medieval Day. The children (and teachers) came to school dressed in clothes of the period. They learnt about life in the time of the Magna Carta, around the early 1200's, what life was like for a peasant in 1215, how the feudal system worked, what was King John really like and how the Magna Carta came about. They also took part in a variety of activities including writing in authentic ink and designing their own coat of arms.

The PTA hosted a Mothers Day Afternoon Tea for our Mums and Grandmas. Our visitors enjoyed a cup of tea with their scones or cake – in some cases both! The PTA also organised a shop where the children were able to buy a present for their mums. It was a lovely afternoon – we were pleased to see so many of our mums join us.

Our Year 3/4 children have been very busy writing, learning, practising and performing their end of term play. 'Porridge' was performed to our parents and friends who came along and, we hope, enjoyed the production. Well done to all our budding actors and actresses and to the staff who turned their hand to writing, directing, producing, costume making and prompters.

We have now over 500 bottles towards our greenhouse. Thank you to everyone who has brought in their empty 2 litre bottles. We have a target of 1500 bottles so we still have a long way to go. Please continue to bring in your empty 2 litre plastic bottles. We are grateful for all donations. The school is also collecting the 'Active Kids' vouchers being given out when you shop in Sainsburys. We are aiming for a record collection this year which will enable us to buy sports equipment for the school. If you do shop in Sainsburys, please collect the vouchers and bring them into the school office. We are grateful for all donations. Thank you.

We would like to wish the residents of Buckden a Happy Easter. We look forward to seeing you when we return for the Summer Term on Tuesday 18th April.

THANK YOU! Alex Hulme Foundation

A huge thank you to all who attended or supported our Charity Boden event. We raised an amazing £1400 for The Alex Hulme Foundation. They were absolutely delighted.

Look forward to seeing you all again next year.



As I write this, the children have been enjoying St Patrick's Day craft activities. We have a lovely line of happy leprechaun faces hanging on our display line and our pot of gold activity has given the children the chance to think about how they would use a great deal of money. Unfortunately, any hopes we had of this bringing out their charitable side have so far been disappointed! Answers have included, "I'd buy a big gold ship," and "I'd buy Santa!" Of course, we may have also been making items for Mother's Day, which Mums will have received by now. We hope you liked them.

We'd like to thank everyone who donated to our Easter Raffle. By the look of the hampers, the winners will spend the rest of the year trying to burn off the calories! Although the village festival and Buckfest still seem a long way away, we will be asking for donations for our famous tombola, so if you have any unwanted suitable items, they would be gratefully received.

St. George's Day is nearly here, and this will give us a chance to discuss what it means to be 'brave'. Our sponsored bounce and Easter craft morning are also just around the corner and promise to be fun, if hectic, events — and of course, both staff and children are enjoying the warmer weather and the sunshine. Our secure, shaded outdoor area comes into its own at this time of year, allowing the children to play outside in the fresh air regularly without having to make a trip to a park or field as some preschools do. We are aware how lucky we are in this regard.

We look forward to seeing you at our summer events. Miss Alison

To arrange a visit or book a place for your child please contact our Manager, Michelle Nelson on 07941 671999.

For more information, please contact our Chairperson, Lindsey Page, at <u>Buckdenpreschoolchair@aol.com</u> or visit <u>www.buckdenpreschool.co.uk</u>

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BUCKDEN JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

February/March Match Results

LEAGUE	HOME TEAM		AWAY TEAM	
Hunts Mini-Soccer				
25/2/17	Priory Parkside U10 Black	0	Buckden Vultures U10	2
25/2/17	St Ives U9 Blue Sox	1	Buckden Eagles U9	1
4/3/17*	Buckden Vultures U10*	1/5	Huntingdon Rowdies U10 Green*	1/2
4/3/17**	Buckden Eagles U9**	6	Little Paxton U10**	2
Hunts Youth (9v9)				
18/2/17	Buckden Buzzards U11	5	Godmanchester U11 White	0
25/2/17	Buckden Harriers U12	1	St Neots Town U12	4
25/2/17**	Buckden Buzzards U11**	7	St Ives U11 Black Sox**	0
4/3/17**	Buckden Harriers U12**	4	Buckden Buzzards U11**	4
Hunts Youth (11v11)				
25/2/17	Buckden Falcons U15	1	Needingworth Colts U15	1

^{*} Mini-Soccer U10 League Cup (Vultures drew 1-1 by full time then won 5-2 on penalties)

BUCKDEN JFC KIT DONATED TO SCHOOLBOYS IN KENYA



BJFC teams receive new kit (strips, shorts and socks) every couple of years, thus often there are some used items to dispose of. However, following an appeal by Ann Scott who lives in Buckden we donated some old kit to her charity which provides sports clothing and equipment for children in Kenya. That's Ann on the RHS in the picture.

The BJFC kit was given to a school group in the forest of Kirosa. Part of the area is now known as the Kirosa Scott Reserve in memory of Ann's husband from an Appeal which she set up. The Kirosa school group are now forming a football team and BJFC hopes to provide it with other sports items to help it along.

New Season - Anyone for tennis?

The Summer Season starts on 1st April with 4 all weather hard-courts waiting for you to play on. The courts are open 7 days a week, all year round, each with floodlighting to county standard. Our friendly club welcomes people of all standards and ages.

We have a full range of club knock-out tournaments during the summer as well as mens, ladies and mixed teams competing in Hunts & Peterborough and Cambridgeshire Leagues throughout the year. For the social player we meet on Saturdays and Sundays mornings and Wednesday evenings. All members are welcome – no one is left out. The courts are free to members to use at other times if they wish to arrange their own games.

For those looking to brush up their skills, or learn new techniques, we have coaching available for adults and juniors through our LTA Qualified Coach Alex Button (Tel <u>07850031172</u>). Coaching is available on 1:1 basis and group sessions can also be arranged.

If you are interested in joining the club please contact us through our Chairman Clare Fraser on 07740456972 or visit our website at www.buckdentennis.org.uk or our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/groups/buckden

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No. 72 Elsa Casey £5 No. 39 Brian Moore £5 No. 62 Mary Ward £5

Club Sec: Brian Moore Ladies Sec: Daphne Meats Monthly Draw Org: Jennie Casey

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^{**}Friendly

POETRY CORNER

Welcome once again to Poetry Corner. The Roundabout is looking for submissions of poems of no more than 30 lines from all and every resident of Buckden. We would especially like the school children to participate. So get writing those masterpieces and send them to the Editor. This month, Ken Bushell has written the poem 'Looking at Life'.

> When a man reaches Eighty The end is in sight Either he's bald Or his hair has turned white

He's off to bed early And turns off the light Knowing he'll visit the bathroom Many times in the night

Taking a nap happens often each day Doing odd jobs, stems off final decay He contacts his kids and his grandchildren too Urging them to succeed at what he failed to do

Where did happiness go? He reflects on his life He had more than his share but He misses his wife

In the local newspaper he scans every week The obituary columns, he is trying to seek If his name is among them. If it's not he's OK And ready to enjoy living the rest of the day

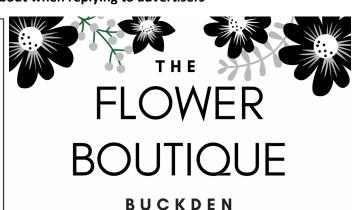
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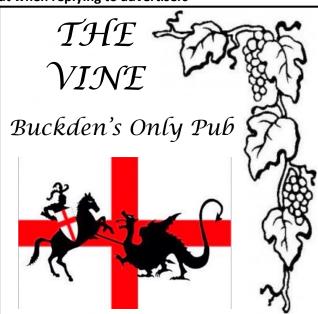
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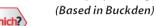
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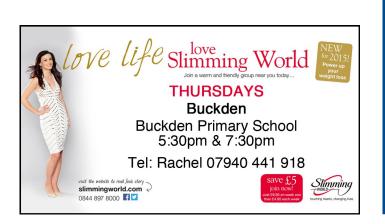
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