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June 2016

Welcome to the June edition of the Roundabout.

Some administrative news. Please note that with effect from June 1st the contact address and phone number for the editor will change to that given on this page. Please ensure that all articles and enquiries are directed to the new address.

Our cover this month reflects a community event happening very early next month - and one that Buckden should rightly be proud of. Please note that all are welcome to attend the commemoration.

Finally please note that in order to help Buckden Village Festival the July edition will be distributed a week earlier than planned on 23rd June. This makes our deadlines very tight so please submit articles by Tuesday 7th June.

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

Tuesday 7 June

Friday 10 June

Tuesday 14 June

Front Cover

Shows a photo of Capt Green VC and two badges: Royal Army Medical Corps, his regiment: and the Sherwood Foresters to whom he was attached on the first day of the Somme. We are still looking for photos, images, drawings and paintings to use on the front cover so please keep sending them in.

June Production Dates

Production dates for the July Edition of

the Roundabout are as follows:

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Buckden Photographic Competition

The Parish Council is again sponsoring a photographic competition for the Buckden Festival Weekend and there will be opportunities for photographers of all ages to enter and display their best photographs. There will be three age categories, 10 years old and under, 11 to 16, and adult (17 and older).

Buckden Festival Photographic Competition Entry Form

Name:	
Address	
Phone number:	e-mail address
Age (if 16 or under) on June 27th 2016: .	

Theme: **Black and White** Number of entries (max 3): Theme: **Heritage** Number of entries (max 3): Theme: **Speed** Number of entries: (max 3):

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

The closing date for entries is **midnight on 27th June**. To submit entries you may:

- Take your entries to the foyer at the Buckden Village Hall between 6pm 8pm on Monday 27th June
- Take your entries to the Clerk's Office in the Village Hall or post through the door of 48 Vineyard Way
 on or before 27th June
- Please make sure that you include an entry form or write out the details clearly as per the form if submitting several entries.

Your Parish Council are currently working with Cambridgeshire County Council to establish a 20 mph speed limit area around Buckden School. Residents will be able to see the exact location of the 20 mph zone at an exhibition to be held on Friday June 3rd between 5pm and 8pm in the Millard Suite in the Village Hall.

Are you interested in what happens in our community? Would you like to be involved with decisions that affect our everyday life? If so, why not consider becoming a parish councillor?

We currently have vacancies for councillors and would welcome applications for this role. Council meetings take place once a month and committees and working groups also meet on the same basis. We deal with a considerable range of issues including major road developments, planning applications, upkeep of the public areas of the village, the Christmas lights – the list is endless.

So, if you enjoy living in Buckden, Diddington or Stirtloe, and you would like to give something back, please come and join us. You can contact the Clerk at the address below for further details

The annual meeting of the **Parish Council, including a 15 minute Public Forum will be held on Tuesday 14th June 2016 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 14th and Tuesday 28th June** 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 <u>clerk@buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk</u> Do not forget our website at <u>www.buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk</u>

FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Following on from my article in last month's Roundabout magazine about **devolution**, Cambridgeshire County Council will be undergoing a review of governance arrangements for local authorities and looking at more efficient and effective ways to serve the community. The County Council thinks that it is important to review all possible ways of governance for local authorities and ways of working. This includes the possibility of moving away from Shire Hall in Cambridge and using this building for development to increase the council revenue. At a time of decreasing government grants to local authorities the question has to be asked if there are more ways of raising revenue to continue to provide services for our communities.

20 is Plenty for Buckden: Following on from the success of Buckden Parish Council in securing funding from Cambridgeshire County Council to fund the majority of a change of speed limit in the proximity to Buckden primary school from 30 mph to 20 mph, please look out for dates for further public consultation as part of the preparation for the Traffic Regulations Order to formally change the speed limit. Watch out for information in the Roundabout magazine.

Please be advised that residents can come along to the Buckden village hall on the second Tuesday of the month at 6.30pm for an hour to speak to me. I will be in the Aragon room and no appointment is necessary. My next surgery will be held on **Tuesday 12th July 2016**.

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

Opportunities to serve our community

Last month I reminded readers of the importance of our residents in defining the character of our village. Some of you now have the opportunity to really make a difference.

Village Hall Trust

One of the jewels in the Buckden crown is our village hall and associated sports facilities and lake. There are many in the village who do not appreciate that it is not run by the Parish Council but by the Village Hall Trust, a wholly independent charity with its own trustees. Some of these are nominated by village clubs and some are 'village volunteers'. Recent years have seen a huge improvement in the facilities offered and the involvement with the village. Much of this has been due to astute chairmanship, energetic administrators and to the work of the treasurer. Unfortunately the latter has now resigned and the Trust is seeking a replacement. If you feel that you have the skills and time to offer your services to fill this important role please contact the chairman, John Thelwall.

Parish Council

Parish Councils are the third layer of local government and as such are responsible for many of the activities that ensure that we have such a pleasant environment in which to live. We are lucky to have some very dedicated people who are prepared to ensure that the Council fulfils this role. Unfortunately two of them have recently resigned and the Council will soon be seeking replacements. The role involves a full Council meeting and a Working Group or committee meeting once a month and possibly other activities depending upon the particular interests of members. I can assure you that it can be very rewarding; and occasionally frustrating. If you feel that you would like to help the village please contact the Clerk, John Chase. I would be very happy to have a chat if you would like more information.

Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC)

I am often asked to explain the roles and responsibilities of the PCC. The oft asked questions are 'what does he or she do?' and 'what difference does he or she actually make'. Well, we have a new PCC, Jason Ablewhite, and as soon as he has settled into his new role I intend to invite him, with the agreement of the Parish Council, to attend one of our meetings to answer those questions. When he accepts our invitation I urge you to attend and ask him the hard questions.

The village has lost another character and a WW2 hero. Percy Canning was best known in the village for his skills as a gardener and he was probably the most prolific winner of the cups, medals and other prizes awarded at the Gardeners' club annual shows. What was less well known, and something that he rarely spoke about, was his experiences in WW2 as a tail gunner in the Lancaster bomber. This was the most dangerous position in the air-craft and at the same time sometimes the most important as the defender of the vulnerable tail of the aircraft. For his valour he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal. He will be much missed.

I am now half way through my term of office and am very grateful for the support that I have received. If you have any queries that you feel I can be useful in solving please don't hesitate to contact me on 01480 810974 or terry.hayward@huntingdonshire.gov.uk

With all best wishes

Terry Hayward (Cllr), Buckden Ward, Huntingdonshire District Council

THIS DEVELOPMENT THREATENS YOUR BUCKDEN VILLAGE

Gladman Developments plan to build 180 houses off Lucks Lane, between Buckden and Stirtloe, seriously affecting all Buckden villagers. Here's why:

- It is too large. It represents a 14% increase in Buckden housing and a 20% increase in population and vehicles.
- A precedent will be set. If approved, there will be no limit to future developments surrounding Buckden and other local villages.
- The A1 roundabout is over capacity now. An estimated 100 extra vehicles would queue at this dan- • gerous junction, backing up into Mayfield and Church Street. Congestion, parking and road safety will present daily hazards to us all.
- The Stirtloe Lane/A1 junction will become an accident black spot. The site's motorists, avoiding the roundabout, will use Stirtloe Lane attempting the . dash into fast flowing A1 traffic.
- Access is via one small street, Lucks Lane. Around 350 extra vehicles must use this and Stirtloe Lane, causing delays and pedestrian safety issues. The lack of roadside footpaths will prevent safe countryside access.
- The Offord river/rail crossing will be dangerously congested. An estimated 70 extra vehicles will use this already congested Mill Road exit daily. The worst case scenario is vehicles gridlocked on the level crossing.

- Buckden Primary Academy is almost full. Any payments for expansion offered by the developer would go to Hunts or Cambs Councils to be spent where and when they decide, not ring-fenced for Buckden. Meantime, some of our children may have to be educated elsewhere
- Buckden Surgery is close to capacity. The NHS calculates that 432 extra patients will come from this development, the Surgery can accommodate 175 extra patients. It is not clear where the surplus patients would have to travel to receive their health care.
- Springs on the site present a flooding and subsidence risk to existing and new housing.
- The plan will build on and remove the natural countryside buffer zone between Buckden and Stirtloe, causing them to be joined to the detriment of both.
- This proposal contravenes the Hunts Local Plan, Five-year Housing Plan and Buckden Village Plan; and is unsustainable under the National Planning Policy Framework.

DO NOT DESPAIR, GLADMAN CAN AND HAS BEEN BEATEN. PLEASE WRITE with your concerns before 20th June 2016 to Mr. Gavin Sylvester, Hunts DC, Pathfinder House, St. Mary's Street, Huntingdon, PE29 3TN or email him at: mail@huntsdc.gov.uk, or comment via the Hunts DC planning website. Please ensure you quote reference 16/00576/OUT.

The Protect Buckden's Future group - Email: protectbuckdensfuture@gmail.com



Buckfest, Buckden's annual music festival now in its seventh year, has sold out in record time. Less than one month after tickets went on sale, the Committee confirmed that all 1750 tickets had been sold.

The festival, taking place on Saturday 16th July in the grounds of Buckden Village Club, will be welcoming over 20 bands to perform on three stages and are pleased to The Elouise Keeling be supporting two local charities this year. After a hotly contested public vote in March, The Elouise Keeling Asthma Trust and Little Miracles, St Neots were chosen by the Buckfest audience as the festivals charity partners for 2016.

The Elouise Keeling Asthma Trust, founded by Karen Keeling after her daughter tragically died following an asthma attack, aims to reduce the unnecessary suffering of children with asthma, provide training and raise awareness. The Trust has recently funded specific asthma training for a nurse at Hinchingbrooke Hospital within the paediatric respiratory clinic. They are purchasing equipment for the clinic and hope to fund training in schools.

Little Miracles, St Neots supports families that have children up to the age of 25 with additional needs, disabilities and life-limiting conditions. These children need a place to play, laugh and create friendships - Little Miracles provides this whilst the families are able to access the advice, support and care that they deserve. Little Miracles exists to reduce isolation and to ensure that families, including parents, carers and siblings, get the support that they need in order to support their families fully.

Those attending Buckfest will help raise funds for the charities through the sale of event programmes, merchandise and by taking part in games and raffles hosted by the charities. Profits from the event will also go towards supporting Buckden Village Club, to ensure its ongoing availability for local community use.



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: Stewards:	Rev. Paul Beard (473444) Bob Baxter (810092)			
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Room Bool	Angie Barne kings:	es (810102)		
Services in	Isabel Danie	els (810084)		
Sunday 5	June			
10.30 am	Morning Se			
6.00pm	Mr. John Br SUS at Berl			
Sunday 12				
10.30 am	Morning Se Rev. Miles I			
6.00pm		ymns and readings		
Sunday 19				
10.30 am	Morning Service, Holy Communion Dr. Barbara Churms			
6.00pm	Rev. Pam Siddall			
Sunday 26				
10.30 am	Holy Comm Rev. Paul B			
6.00pm		ymns and readings		
Activities in				
Fri 3	10.00 am	Coffee Morning		
Wed 8	2.30 pm	CAMEO, Wesley Rm Talk, Rev. Katy Dunn		
Fri 10	10.00 am	Coffee Morning		
Mon 13	12.30 pm	Study Lunch		
Tue 14	9.30 am	Quiet Time, Wesley Room		
Fri 17	12.00	Soup & sweet lunch		
Fri 24	10.00 am	Coffee Morning		
	Start again	2nd September		
Tue 28	9.30 am	Quiet Time, Wesley Room		

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_{BVF} St Mary's, £6 incl drink – turn up on the day or tickets in a	dvance ~ July 2016 BVF
BVF Saturday 11.45am Parade Free – turn up on the day at Buckden Towers	BVF
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Saturday 12 30pm Fete	
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^{BVF} Sunday 11.00am Village Service	BVF
^{BVF} Free – turn up on the day at the Village Hall	BVF
BVF Book the dates in your diary and start getting your costumes ready! P More information at <u>www.BuckdenVillageFestival.co.uk</u>	rizes for the most colourful.
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CHURCH NEWS

The Benefice of Buckden & the Offords **St Mary's Parish Church** Church St, Buckden PE19 5TL

www.stmarysbuckden.org.uk

Facebook: 'like' St Mary's Buckden Twitter: follow @A1ChurchBuckden email: enquiries@stmarysbuckden.org.uk

Priest in Charge: Revd Jes Salt 819377

The Vicarage, Church St, Buckden PE19 5TL priestincharge@stmarysbuckden.org.uk

Churchwardens:

Anne Carter	812789
David Riley	810718
churchwardens@stmarvsbuckd	len.ora.uk

Pastoral Care Co-ordinator:

Marilyn Rolin 07719 087215 pastoralcare@stmarysbuckden.org.uk

Friends in Deed (transport): 07914 669 967 Friends in Deed (general): 07810 006 598

Bookings for baptisms, weddings and funerals or room hire Contact bookings@stmarysbuckden.org.uk

Services at St Mary's in June

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Wed 1	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sat 4	2.00pm	Wedding
Sun 5	11:00am	Family Eucharist
	6.00pm	BCP Holy Communion
Wed 8	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 12	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	11:00am	Family Eucharist
	4:00pm	Stepping Stones (Vicarage)
	6:00pm	Queen's birthday service
Wed 15	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 19	11.00am	Family Eucharist
	1:30pm	Baptism
	6.00pm	Evensong
Wed 22	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 26	8:00am	BCP Holy Communion
	11:00am	All-age Family Communion
	7:00pm	Night Prayer
Wed 29	9.30am	Holy Communion
Fri 1	11:00am	VC Commemoration service / unveiling
JULY		of the stone

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

The Daily Office (daily prayers) is said in St Mary's on Monday 2.15pm Tuesday 4.30pm Thursday 9.15am Friday 9.15am All are welcome. Prayer requests may be left in church.

St Mary's Living Stones Room

(with under-floor heating, kitchen and toilet facilities) is available for hire for meetings, groups and social gatherings. <u>bookings@stmarysbuckden.org.uk</u>

St Mary's is open

St Mary's is open during the day for private prayer.

Need some peace and quiet? You are welcome to use the Quiet Room at the back or any other place in St Mary's whenever the church is open.

Cup of tea and a chat? Jes will be in Church each Wednesday 10 - 10.45am (after communion) if you want to drop in for a chat.

Events in June

Sunday 5th June TREASURE TRAIL starts from 1.30pm at church Prizes – Drinks – Food - Tombola – Children's Competition £5 for a family, individuals or couples Advance Tickets from Cost Cutter and Que Sera

> Friends in Deed: LIVING STONES CAFE Wednesday 8th June

2.30pm – 4pm in the Living Stones Room All are welcome to drop in for tea/coffee/cakes and chat

Saturday 11th June 7:30pm SONG CYCLE CONCERT

Tickets £10 (£8 concessions), which includes a complimentary glass of wine. Tickets from 01480 812777

> Buckden & District Churches Together SERVICE TO CELEBRATE THE QUEEN'S 90th BIRTHDAY Sunday 12th June 6pm in St Mary's

> > Friday 1st July

Unveiling of the new VC Commemoration Stone Starting at the Green memorial in the High Street at 11am

Regular Groups and Events Newcomers are always welcome at <u>all</u> groups & events

Going Deeper: Wednesdays 10.45am in the Living Stones Room. A chance to look again at Sunday's bible readings.

Jamworkx (Jesus & Me Works) Kids' After School Club Fridays 3.20 – 4.20pm at Buckden School. Contact school

Coffee & Cakes: Saturdays 10.30am - noon in the Living Stones Room. Contact Gina Bylett 01480 812777

St Mary's Bell-Ringers practice on Mondays at 8.15pm. Visitors and beginners are always welcome

Ground Floor Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays 8pm - 10pm Contact Lorraine Toogood 01480 811352

Angel Voices informal all age choir Fridays 17th & 24th June 6.45pm Living Stones Room. 01480 812777

"NEW" M & M's - an informal ladies group meeting on the first Thursday evening of every month. See list in church for more information

Second Sunday Stepping Stones 12th June 4pm in the vicarage. Stories, music, games & craft for pre-schoolers and KS1

Open Ministry Meeting 26th June. All are welcome to this open forum at 6pm on the 4th Sunday of each month

Bible study group meets on the last Monday each month 1.30pm in the Living Stones Room.

'Honeycomb': will be taking a break until the autumn. Information from or ideas for future activities to Lorraine Toogood (tel. 811352)

CHURCH NEWS



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

Catholics

Anglicans **Baptists**

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:

5th June	Park Road, Falcon Way; The Marinas, and those who live and work there	
12th June	Field Close, Lincoln Close, Silver Street, Beaufort Drive, St Hugh's Road	
19th June	School Lane, Buckden Primary School (pupils, teachers and teaching assistants, governors, volunteers, midday supervisors, lollipop lady, all support staff)	
	Scouts, Cubs and Beavers, Guides, Brownies and Rainbows, Playgroup and Day Nursery, Buccaneers after school club, Buckden Towers Youth Retreat Centre	

Thought for the month

The much-guoted and sagacious Clive Lewis (CS to most of the world) once said that, "Faith is the art of holding onto things your reason has once accepted, in spite of your changing moods."

The very nature of our moods, or our emotions, is that of change. We have welcomed in the spring and now hope that the fleeting season of summer will last longer than the blossom on the cherry trees. And as the budding tree has brought forth the beauty of blossom, in turn giving way to the promise of ripe fruit, so we may hope that God is using the changes in our lives in the same way.

The mature trees that delight us with blossom, shade and the sweetest fruit will be laid bare by the chill of autumn, their leaves showing flashes of colour before they wither and fall, leaving the jagged bones of those once-fruitful branches to lacerate the bleak skies of winter.

Like the seasons of the trees, our emotions and hopes can bloom and flourish, wither and fall. The world around us can seem sometimes comfortable and sometimes harsh but, thank God, Jesus is always the same: 'yesterday, today and forever'. Deeply rooted in him, our faith can be even firmer and more secure than the roots that anchor the trees against the winter storms.

Writing in the New Testament, in the fifth chapter of his first book, the apostle Peter encourages his readers to, "Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you."

When our feelings flutter like withering leaves and circumstances threaten to drag us to the ground, let us remember the hope we had and be certain that even though everything around us may fail, Jesus Christ will not. Baptist Church.



Friends in Deed will be running their usual Bottle Stall at the Village Fair. Please donate of bottles of all shapes and sizes (but in-date for 2nd July, please!) to Jane Scott, 9 Bishops Way, 811468, as soon as possible. Will collect by arrangement. Cut-off date for donations Friday 24th June.

STUDY LUNCHES

The regular monthly study lunches continue on Monday June 13th, and then on Monday July 11th

Methodist Church Hall 12.30 pm to 2.00 pm Contact: Ann Brittain on 812012

Huntingdonshire Health Walk Scheme Huntingdon Group June 2016

There are nine different walks to choose from this month: one of them starts at the Village Hall Car Park on Wednesday the 8th at 2pm sharp - the 'Diddington Doddle'.

On Wednesday the 29th at 2pm, a new walk from Houghton Mill Car Park, the 'Hemingford Meadow' walk, will feature, and on Friday the 3rd at 10am, it may be the last chance this year to see the Port Holme SSSI in full bloom walking our 'Meadow Meander' from the Godmanchester Nursery.

New walkers will be offered our pocket-size brochure, plus ID and Incentive cards. The walks last about an hour, whenever it suits you, boosting health... and happiness too, we believe! Newcomers, welcome! For more information, please contact

Danielle Sancaster (HDC Sports Development Officer) on 01480 387047.

Web: www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/healthwalks

Buckden Local History Society AGM



Followed by an illustrated talk

The Battle of the Somme 1916

By Barry Jobling Wednesday 1st June 2016 7.30pm at Buckden Towers For more information please contact Buckdenhistory@gmail.com

Buckden Gardeners Association Tuesday 21st June 2016



Trip to Lucy Boston's Garden, Hemingford Grey

Leave from the Methodist Church 6.00pm Self-drive/car-share. Entry fee £4 for members, £6 non-members

The garden shed in Silver Street is open from 10.00am-11.00am on Sunday 5th & 19th June, or by appointment - call Tim 01480 811680

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

LIFE DRAWING GROUP*

Venue: Buckden Village Hall Day: Wednesday Time: 9.30 am - 12.30 pm Contact: Terry Sladden Tel: 01480 811031 Email: trrslddn8@gmail.com Cost: **£10.00 per 3 hours** inc. 30 minute break *Male & Female models

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 June 2016 will be:

- Monday 6th: Outing to Wimpole Hall
- Monday 20th: Tea & chat & Bingo

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.



Monthly children's church group for all pre-school and KS1 children with their parents

Music, crafts, stories and light refreshments

4.00pm



@The Vicarage of St Mary's Church, Buckden



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

9th June Club Meeting

23rd June Club Meeting

- 25/26thMuseums on the Air Ramsey RuralJuneMuseum. Special event radio station
- 2nd July Buckden Village Festival. Live demonstrations of amateur radio, come and see how it's done!

For further information contact the secretary **Phil Haylock** on **01487 832937** E mail <u>phinorm@talktalk.net</u>

or visit our website at www.radioclubs.net/huntsars

ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, DIDDINGTON A SUMMER CONCERT BY THE ARAGON SINGERS FOLLOWED BY A STRAWBERRY CREAM TEA

SUNDAY, 5TH JUNE AT 3.00 P.M. You are invited to join us for a lovely summer's afternoon Concert given by The Aragon Singers of Buckden and followed by a Strawberry Cream Tea in the beautiful setting of St. Laurence's Church, Diddington. Entry to the event will cost £7.50 (children £5.00) and will be payable on the door.

Please come along and join us for what promises to be a lovely afternoon and help our Church finances along at the same time. There will also be a raffle during the afternoon.

FOR YOUR DIARY





Story/Rhyme Time Every Tuesday at 2.15pm All under 5s welcome with their carers

Knit-Lit

Friday 10th and 24th at 8.00 pm

Engage

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2pm on Wednesday 15th June.

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	2.00 pm to 5.00 pm	
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Friday 24 June

In celebration of the 400th Anniversary of the death of William Shakespeare, the acclaimed Festival Players will be returning to perform the Bard's most famous play.

Presented in full costume, the all-male cast will bring you the excitement of this great thriller : intrigue, ghostly visitations, passion, a gripping duel and humour, in a clear and fast-paced 2 hour production.

"HAMLET"

in the Knot Garden at The Towers at 7.30pm

Tickets - £13 (£11 concessions) are available from the office (**01480 810344**) or, subject to availability, on the gate before the performance.

Gates will open at 6.30pm for picnics in the grounds.

Treasure Trail

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Don't miss..... Buckden's Secret History

SUNDAY 5TH JUNE Start from 1.30pm At St Mary's Church - £5

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CINEMA CLUB

A new, occasional, feature covering all things movierelated! This month we are highlighting some of the forthcoming releases in June.

June 3rd	Breaking The Bank - can a struggling 200 year old, family-run British bank fend off international investors?			
	Race - based on the true story of Jessie Owens.			
	The Nice Guys - stars Russell Crowe and Ryan Gosling. A heavy-drinking private de- tective and a jaded racketeer team up to find a missing girl in Los Angeles.			
	Mother's Day - Jennifer Aniston and Julia Roberts star in this comedy about the im- portance of mothers.			
June 10th	Now You See Me 2 - the Four Horsemen are back and are recruited by a tech genius to pull off their most impossible heist yet.			
	The Boss - stars Melissa McCarthy as a titan of industry who is sent to prison after she's caught for insider trading.			
	Elvis And Nixon - comedy-drama recounts the real-life meeting between The King and the US President.			
June 24th	Independence Day: Resurgence - two decades after mankind thwarted an invasion from outer space, alien reinforcements ar- rive			
	The Secret Life Of Pets - pets have fun when their owners go to work in this hilari- ous animation.			

FRIENDS IN DEED

Our annual training event was held in the Village Hall on 11 April. An excellent First Aid Course was delivered by a team from the British Red Cross. As well as a comprehensive run through on all the basics, it included practical CPR and defibrillator training. There is an very good smart phone app (First Aid by British Red Cross) which is well worth having as a 'just in case' – and it is free!



Reminder! Friends in Deed will be running their Bottle Stall at the Village Fair. Please bring donations of bottles of all shapes and sizes (but in-date for 2nd July, please!) to Jane Scott, 9 Bishops Way, 811468, as soon as possible. Cut-off date for donations Friday 24th June.

The Summer Tea Party will be held on 10th August so put the date in your diaries now. Full details will follow nearer the time and transport will be available.

And don't forget, the Drop-in Café is held on the second Wednesday of each month in the Living Stones Room in St Mary's Church, 1430 to 1600. Homemade cakes, tea and coffee - all welcome! 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 Friends

We had a super group holiday in Torquay. It's so easy to just get on a coach, in the village and go, leaving the organisation to Brian and me. We feel privileged to enable villagers to have a lovely, friendly, break.

There are still some spaces on our holiday to Potters on 7th-11th November. Contact me if you are interested.

As part of the Buckden Festival we are organising a Fashion Show in St. Mary's Church on Friday 1st July starting at 7.30. Tickets £6 include a drink to enjoy as we indulge in some retail therapy. I am sure you are going to join our Festival Carnival Parade. Prizes for the most brightly dressed. Lets bring Rio Carnival to Buckden. Meet at Buckden Towers at 11.45 on Saturday 2nd July, or line the route.

Info from Pat King 01480811020, 07981727603 patking@writeme.com



Spotted Flycatchers - do you have this increasingly rare bird breeding in your garden?

Spotted Flycatchers are attractive little migrant birds which are summer visitors to UK village gardens and churchyards. Although they breed with us, they spend ten months of the year travelling between here and their wintering grounds in Southern Africa. This is an increasingly dangerous journey for them, and sadly they are in deep decline. Wide-spread losses amounted to a 50% decline during 1995-2010, continuing an 88% decline since 1970.

Only some fifty pairs remain breeding in Cambridgeshire, so it's now quite a rare bird, but most rural villages still have a pair or two. The Cambridge Bird Club is running a survey this year to find and monitor nesting pairs, and it's almost certain that there will be additional pairs in our villages of which they are not aware.

Do you have flycatchers in your garden? Please let the Bird Club know by sending an email to <u>spofl@cambridgebirdclub.org.uk</u> with any information you have, including records of single birds between now and September.





BUCKDEN WI

At the May meeting members were entertained with a very enlightening presentation on Japan by Dr. Steve Jones. Stunning photographs of Japanese gardens high-lighted the links between nature and the culture of Japan. In a country with a high density of population in cities and towns and where the majority of people live in flats or very small houses, it was amazing how gardens were created in the smallest of spaces.



In June 7th Nick Sly will be telling members "All about Alpacas" and the competition will be for a picture of a cute animal.

VILLAGE NEWS



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Bookings

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In June we have a kid's party, PODS training day, a wedding reception and a special yoga workshop (please see below) as well as all our regular weekly bookings.

'Love Life'

This special yoga session runs on Saturday 18th June from 10am – 4pm and will be run by David Sye of Yogabeats. Due to its popularity, places will need to be booked in advance. Please call or email for further details.

Maintenance

The main Hall will be given a fresh coat of paint at the beginning of June.

Your Village Hall needs you!

If anyone living in the village would like to become a trustee and help to run this wonderful building please call or email me (details at the end of this article).

Thanks to Alistair Henderson

Alistair Henderson, who had been Treasurer for three years, resigned his position at the beginning of April. The trustees would like to thank him for the excellent job he did whilst treasurer. The Trust had been making a loss for some years, and after a great deal of hard work and tightening up on controls and expenditure, this was turned into a profit for the last two financial years. Alistair's business acumen and management skills have been invaluable and his talents will be very much missed. The trustees wish him all the best in whatever he undertakes in the future.

 $\frac{1}{5}$ Don't forget that as residents of Buckden you all receive discounted rates on Hall hire. Please call or $\frac{1}{5}$ email me if you would like to find out more.

Jo Harvey (811101/admin@buckdenvillagehall.co.uk)



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TOPS, working in partnership with The Friends of St Peter's Church, are planning an exciting production of 'A Christmas Carol' to be staged in the lovely and atmospheric setting of St Peter's Church, Offord Darcy, in January 2017.

Offord Village Hall is the usual venue for our shows but we have staged a number of productions in St Peter's Church over the years, including The Wind in the Willows, The Pied Piper and Fantastic Mr Fox. Indeed we presented A Christmas Carol in the church back in 1997 that featured on TV.

To help us get this new project up and running we are looking for members to join us. There are many ways in which people can be involved, from front of house, on the boards to backstage. So as well as finding the cast, we need help with all aspects of production including staging and set building, design and painting, lighting and sound, music, costumes, front of house support and publicity.

If you are interested in meeting us and hearing more about this exciting project please come along to an informal get together at Offord Village Hall on **Sunday July 3rd starting at 7pm**. Refreshments provided!

Or in the meantime contact Sarah Hogben (811423) or John Kirby (810049).

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH (NHW)

Local Crime.

Recent crime incidents have consisted almost entirely of distraction burglaries (see below for more information) and damage to, or theft from, vehicles. There have been 5 incidents involving damage to vehicle wing mirrors. These are almost impossible to prevent but can sometimes be averted by parking in well lit areas and as close as possible to occupied buildings.

Distraction burglaries.

There has recently been a significant increase in distraction burglaries which can often be associated with 'cold callers'. Most of these unexpected salesmen are polite but there have been some instances of sellers being persistent and a few aggressive. The following precautions may help you to avoid becoming a victim of a distraction burglary:

- If you have a caller at your door whom you cannot identify ensure that all doors on that level other than the one in use are locked. This reduces the risk of an unseen accomplice attempting an entry elsewhere.
- should you wish to answer the door, attach the chain lock before opening it. If possible, carry a mobile phone with you.
- do not allow any stranger to enter without ensuring that he has a genuine reason. Public officials and workmen should have an identity card which you should use to satisfy yourself (by calling his parent firm if necessary) that he is entitled to be there.
- If you allow the caller into the house, close the door after him and accompany him throughout.
- If you become concerned with his behaviour and refuses to leave, call the police (on 101 initially). If he does not leave, call 999. You should also call 101 after any visitor has left if you were unhappy with his behaviour.

Richard West 811467 and Clive Williams 811828

BUCKDEN VILLAGE HALL TRUST Treasurer Wanted

I am sure we all agree that the Village Hall, the playing fields, the library, Village Club, tennis club and bowls club are great assets for the village. All of them are either managed directly by the Village Hall Trust or the Trust owns their premises. The Hall and its various rooms are let out to local people for events such as birthday parties and weddings and to commercial users who often provide activities used by our community.

The Trust is a completely separate body from the Parish Council. The Council helps with the cost of maintaining the playing field but otherwise the Trust is financially independent of the Council. It is run by volunteer trustees. The Trust has to be run as a business, to meet the cost of paying staff, its general overheads and repairs and maintenance.

Following the resignation of our Treasurer (see our monthly report) we need a new Treasurer. It is an entirely voluntary position, with no salary or honorarium. It needs someone familiar with accounts to do the monthly and annual accounts, but also with a knowledge of small business management.

It is not particularly difficult, nor very time consuming.

If you have such skills, want to get involved with the community and can give a couple of hours a week to help the Trust, please contact Jo Harvey on 01480 811101 or me on 07831 580625. John Thelwall, Chairman



BUCKDEN CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL (Primary Academy Trust)

<u>May 2016</u>

This has been a very busy half term. The children in Years 6 and 2 have been sitting their SATS tests. They have been very busy in class preparing for the tests and have now completed them. Many of our children have taken part in both residential and day visits.

A large party of the Year 4 children went on a residential visit to the Kingswood Centre at West Runton in Norfolk and enjoyed the sunnier weather. The children took part in a wide variety of activities throughout each day. These varied from climbing up and down ropes, abseiling to archery and taking part in field games and team challenges. They also spent time on the beach, looking in rock pools and studying the local environment. Everyone came home exhilarated, but tired including the accompanying staff, Mrs Heather, Miss Wilkerson, Mrs Butcher and Mrs Holl. Year 4 also visited Grafham for a science based Garden Day. During the day the children went bug hunting, built bug hotels, made a composter, planted a mini meadow, planted lavender seeds around the centre and walked across and learnt about the dam. It was an extremely busy day and the children and staff had a wonderful time. Even the weather was kind. Thank you to the staff at Grafham for making it a truly amazing day.

Our Year 5 children visited the Safety Zone which is based at St Neots Fire Station. During the visit the children were given advice by local police officers and PCSOs, representatives from the Fire Service, Environmental Health, Road Safety Offices and St John's Ambulance officers on personal safety. It was an informative afternoon for both the children and the teachers who accompanied them.

Our Reception children visited Paxton Pits to discover the world of the mini-beast. They spent a lovely day searching for them in the ponds and undergrowth.

We have plenty to look forward to after the half term with our Sports Day, Year 5/6 play and the end of term assemblies. We are also planning for a whole school music and performing arts extravaganza at Hinchingbrooke PAC. There is great excitement about this event. We are hoping that the summer brings some good weather for us all to enjoy the final half term of the school year.



The children have been getting their exercise in a slightly different way this month with a spot of maypole dancing, while our new starters have begun to settle into preschool life.

For those children starting 'big school' in September, May has been all about working towards greater independence. This includes more formal PE sessions that help them practise that important skill of getting changed, as we know that like us, Reception teachers and teaching assistants only have one pair of hands each! They've also been encouraged to practise writing their name, fastening their coats and opening their packed lunch items independently.

Our next event, on 10th June, is our Teddy Bears' Picnic, which was a huge success last year. All children of preschool age are welcome, whether they attend our preschool or not. This year it is part of our celebrations for the Queen's 90th birthday party, so we would love you to come dressed in red, white and blue (but this isn't compulsory!) There will be a fun music and movement session (with pompoms!) run by Pauline Coker, a selection of outdoor toys and equipment to play with and of course a picnic. Please do come along!

Finally, an early reminder that as usual, we will have a stall at the Village Fayre on 2^{nd} July, including our ever-popular tombola – so please come along to support us. Any unwanted gifts you can donate beforehand will be gratefully received.

Some sessions are now full, so please contact us soon as possible if you would like a place for your child (even if this is for a September start).

Miss Alison

For more information, please visit <u>www.buckdenpreschool.co.uk</u>.

To book a visit or talk to our Manager, Michelle Nelson, ring 07941 671999. You can also contact our Chairman, Alan Scott, on 07745274921, and visit <u>www.facebook.com/www.buckdenpreschool.co.uk</u> for our latest updates.



BUCKDEN JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

April/May Match Results

As we are near the end of the season the number of fixtures has thinned out. The U8 Eagles (5v5) and the U10 Buzzards (7v7) have reached the finals of the Hunts Mini-Soccer Champions League within their respective age groups and are scheduled to play their matches away on 21



LEAGUE	HOME TEAM		AWAY TEAM	
Hunts Mini-Soccer				
16/4/16*	Buckden Buzzards U10*	9	St Ives Rangers U10 Black Sox*	1
23/4/16	Buckden Buzzards U10	6	Needingworth Colts U11	2
23/4/16	Buckden Vultures U9	1	Huntingdon Rowdies U9 Green	3
23/4/16	Buckden Eagles U8	11	Sawtry Colts U8 Black Sox	4
7/5/16	St Ives Rangers U10 Black Sox	1	Buckden Buzzards U10	6
7/5/16	St Ives Rangers U9 Red Sox	1	Buckden Vultures U9	3
7/5/16	Huntingdon Rowdies U8 White	3	Buckden Eagles U8	17
Cambridge United	ridge United U9s		Buckden Vultures	
Tournament Win- ners - 2 May 16	U10s		Buckden Buzzards	
Hunts Youth (9v9)				
16/4/16	St Neots Town U11	2	Buckden Harriers U11	1
Hunts Youth (11v11)				
23/4/16	Stilton United Colts U11	15	Buckden Falcons U14	0

May. Results will be published next month.

*U10 Champions League Cup game

Buckden Needs Referees for Mini-Soccer Matches

BUCKDE

TENNIS CLUB

Buckden JFC requires Refs on Saturday mornings at Buckden for U8, U9 and U10 home matches. You don't have to be formally qualified – you just need to be able to do the job! If you wish to find out more, please contact Buckden JFC Secretary Bob Crane (01480 434610 / robertcrane46@yahoo.co.uk).

Buckden Dribblers Still Welcome New Players and Need Coaches

The Dribblers (boys and girls, ages 3-6yrs) train at Buckden sports field on Saturdays 9-10.00AM **and still (and always will!) welcome any new players**. We now have a couple of coaches for next season (Pre-school to Year 1) but really need some more (Buckden JFC will pay for qualification courses etc.). Also, we are starting to look at how many players we'll have for the new Under 7 team - Buckden Raptors - and possibly another U7 team starting this September. Any boys and girls who will be 6 yrs old by 31st August who want to be part of Buckden U7s please contact (ASAP) Nick Speroni (07921 725293 / <u>nick.speroni@hotmail.co.uk</u>) or Matt Gill (01480 811581 / 07803 000690 / <u>matt.gill@hgextra.co.uk</u>).

Buckden JFC Requires Players For Its U11 'Buzzards' Team (9v9) Next Season (2016-17)

Buckden JFC will run an U11 team to play 9v9 for the 2016-17 season. If your offspring is interested in playing for the team or knows of anybody else that does (players need to be aged 9 or 10 by 31 Aug 2016) please contact the Buzzards' manager Matt McGuffey (07908 804031 <u>matthew mcguffey@hotmail.com</u>) or coach Kevin Stableford (01480 404512 / 07538 949986 <u>k.stableford@uk.cdw.com</u>).



The Summer Season starts April 1st and our 4 all weather hard courts are open all year round seven days a week and all courts are floodlit to \mathbf{V} a County Standard.

We have teams in the Cambridgeshire LTA Leagues and the Huntingdon and Peterborough leagues and matches are played the year round.

Internal club competitions are knock out trophy singles and doubles tournaments including juniors, ladies and men.

We run social club play sessions on Saturday and Sunday morning and Wednesday evening and we hold monthly Sunday Tea Tournaments throughout the summer.

Coaching is available for adults and juniors through out LTA QUALIFIED Coach Alex Button 07850031172.

We welcome players of all standards from beginning to county standard if you are interested in playing please contact us through our Chairman Peter Fielder on **01480 437031** or **07775543353** or visit our website at buckden-tennis.org or our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/groups/Buckden/

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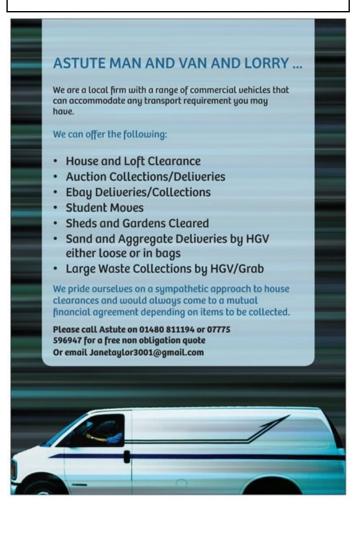
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