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September 2018

As I write, the scorching summer that we've had so far seems to be in abeyance, at least for now. One of the consequences of the hot, dry weather is that this year's grain harvest has been earlier than usual (check out this month's cover photo). My farmer friend tells me that his yields are down about 15%, but quality is high. I noticed today that, surprisingly in spite of the drought, there is a lot of fruit on the blackthorn, so it'll be a good year for making sloe gin.

The proposed developments around Buckden are making lots of waves and are discussed in the Parish Council report, both County and District Councillors' reports and elsewhere in this edition, in a letter to the Editor and in an announcement from the group "Keep Buckden a Village".

Front Cover

This month's cover photo is of the 2018 harvest being gathered just behind Vineyard Way and was taken by Martin Shirley - as ever we are very grateful.

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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There is an article by John Thelwall on page 13 that traces the history of one of the older houses in Buckden. It is based on the deeds of the house, which were donated to the Buckden History Society. It's fascinating to see the differences between the old and modern legal requirements for buying and selling properties, and how prices have varied since the mid-1800s. I enjoyed John's article and I hope you do too. We'd like to include more interesting articles like this, so please consider writing something for us.

Please remember to visit the Roundabout 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/>

This month's editor - Alec MacAndrew

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Buckden Parish Council News...

Planning Matters

Over 200 members of the public attended the meeting of the Council on Tuesday 14th August to hear the Council consider the Outline application for a new housing estate to the north of Mill Road.

The Council agreed the following resolution: **Buckden Parish Council strongly recommends that the OUTLINE application for a housing development to the north of Mill Road, Buckden be REFUSED and that no further large housing developments in the village be considered until:**

- The effects of the Lucks Lane development are clear, and
- There are agreed published plans in course of implementation for the future improvement to the A1, and
- There are agreed published plans in course of implementation for the future improvement to the main line level crossing.

Silver Street Proposed Development: The Council has arranged a Public Meeting in the Village Hall at 7.00pm on Thursday 6th September for the Church Commissioners and their agents to present their ideas for the proposed development on Silver Street.

Lucks Lane Development The Council will consider the conditional information supplied for this development at its meeting at 7.30pm on Tuesday 11th September.

A1 and Main Line Level Crossing

The Council has been informed that there are no plans to upgrade the A1 or to improve the Level Crossing in the near future. The Council has written to our MP, the Secretary of State for Transport and the CEO Network Rail pointing out how urgently these improvements are needed. We shall continue to press them and HDC and CCC for support. We understand that Jonathan Djanogly is planning to discuss these urgent matters with all other MPs along the A1 from the M25 to Peterborough.

Village Trees

The Parish Council commissions a survey of all of its trees every five years. At its meeting on 14th August the Council agreed to employ Hayden's Arboricultural Consultants to complete the Health and Safety survey this year. All Council trees will be labelled with small tags to ensure that when there are any issues the tree can be easily identified.

Vacancies

There are still vacancies on the Council. If you are interested in becoming a Councillor please contact the Clerk or Chairman of Council.

The next Buckden Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 11th September. The meeting includes a 15 minutes open forum. Parishioners are asked to apply in writing in advance outlining what they wish to say to the clerk by the 6th September for a three minute slot during the Open Forum

If required the Parish Council Planning Committee will meet on Tuesday 11th September and Tuesday 25th September at 7.00pm. Agendas for these meetings are posted on the Parish Council notice boards not later than the Saturday preceding the meeting.

FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

The very big attendance at the August parish council meeting is a clear indicator of the strength of concern about the cumulative impact on the village of the various outline housing proposals. The Parish Council chairman's response to the District Council met with the approval of the meeting, strengthened by several useful contributions from residents.

The next few weeks and months are going to be crucial as we seek, together, to make sure that any growth in the village is sustainable and enhances quality of life. As your County Councillor, I will be keeping a particularly close eye on two aspects:

- a) the effect of new developments on road traffic and safety
- b) the long-term implications for school places, both within the village at primary and pre-school level and also, some years ahead, at Hinchingbrooke School.

All this has to be taken into consideration alongside housing growth in Brampton, Godmanchester and Huntingdon. I recognise that all this is unsettling and very challenging but I will do what I can to keep a clear eye on the key factors.

The bottom line is that there is a serious housing shortage in the country and in this area with over 3,000 families on the local housing list. Domestic instability is a strong contributory factor in several social problems, not least for young children, so it is in everybody's best interests that solutions are found. But these solutions must respect the structure and fabric of our towns and villages as far as is humanly possible.

We live in interesting times. Keeping in touch and well informed is more essential than ever.

If you wish to raise any local matters with me personally and would welcome a face-to-face conversation, I come to the Aragon Room in the Village Hall at 7 p.m. on the evening of the Parish Council meeting, the 2nd Tuesday in the month. At other times, please ring me on 07765 833 486 or write to me at peter.downes@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Peter Downes

FROM YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Planning Issues: Housing development, planning and the impact of strategic investment continue to be the main topics occupying both residents and the Council. The Huntingdonshire Plan 2036 is currently undergoing a process of ratification, with the initial evaluation taking place from 16 July. I attended several sessions and was able to make initial contact with a range of Developers active in the area. As with the Lucks Lane Enquiry last year, matters revolved around legal arguments and the statistical basis of decisions taken by HDC over the past 4 years when the 2036 plan was being developed. The consensus was that the HDC plan had been relatively well received by the Inspector, and there was optimism that the enquiry could be completed quickly. Further meetings take place on 10, 17, and 25 September when Buckden Parish Council will be making representations to the Inspector. Once ratified the 2036 Plan will then form the future planning structure, which will give the HDC more scope to influence planning events.

There is funding available from the Combined Authority for Housing and Infrastructure, especially when there was an alignment and common interest with regional objectives. This could be some form of post 18 education, especially as Buckden has so many conference and leisure resources.

Transport: I am working with Highways England and the County Council to find a solution to the roundabout congestion and hope to be able to implement a trial solution in the coming months. More news on this soon. On the issue of the Offord Rail Crossing, Network Rail continues to resist any moves either to close the crossing, or to improve it, which was also confirmed by recent work by the Parish Council. So we will probably have to work in this framework for the next two Network Rail budget periods, effectively 10 years.

Local: I met with several members of the Buckden Marina Trust and will be following up to see how the Marina community can be supported by various HDC resources and improve integration with Buckden. I am keen to try and get camera controlled lights onto the bridge to improve traffic flow; the same type of system that works so well on the Brampton A1 underpass. The Ouse Valley Way remains an issue for walkers, and I will be going to a conference on this in early September.

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**Bedfordshire
Cambridgeshire
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**Huntingdonshire
Local Group**

Otters in Cambridgeshire

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trust invites you to the first of our indoor meetings on Wednesday 12th September 2018. As usual this will be held at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB, starting at 7.30pm. Our topic, Otters in Cambridgeshire, will be delivered by Ruth Hawkesley.

These shy, but appealing creatures, have struggled in recent times to maintain their previous stronghold in our region. Ruth will explain the results from the 6th County Otter Survey that was carried out by the Wildlife Trusts and Cambridgeshire Mammal Group in the winters of 2016 and 2017 and the follow up site checks that have been undertaken this year.

A Tale of Trees, the Battle to Save Britain's Ancient Woodland

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trust invites you to this presentation on ancient woodlands on Wednesday 10th October 2018. As usual this will be held at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB, starting at 7.30pm. Our speaker will be Derek Niemann, who is a renowned nature writer and Guardian country diarist. Derek will look at how the destruction of up to half of the county's mature trees happened 40 years ago and will explain what has been done in recent years to ameliorate their loss.

These should be a should be stimulating, uplifting and fascinating talks and anyone who is interested is most welcome to attend. Booking is not necessary. The entrance charge is £2.50 (accompanied children free). For more information please contact Tim on 01480 457795.

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Buckden Neighbourhood Watch

There has been number of cases reported nationally where criminals have targeted keyless cars by using relay technology to intercept the signal that is given off by key fobs. Although there have not been significant reports of this type in Cambridgeshire this is something to be aware of. Owners of high value vehicles are advised to take extra precautions:

1. If you have a garage don't use it as a storage area clear it out and keep your vehicle safe inside.
2. If you park your vehicle on the street or driveway, consider if there are other security products you could use such as a steering lock
3. If you have gates securing your driveway, keep them closed and locked
4. Never leave your keys on show or near a door
5. Consider purchasing a Defender signal blocker for your key fob. This simple device is essentially a small shielded wallet that the key fob is placed into. Secure by Design product, the defender meets standard criteria and can therefore be recommended by the police.

For more information about the defender signal blocker see <http://ow.ly/1hg630kycDr>
To find out more go to: <https://www.cambs.police.uk/A-TO-Z>

Warm Weather

Warm weather brings opportunities for burglars, so please keep windows and doors secure.

For further information there is a National Neighbourhood Watch website.

I am sure you are aware of the many ways you can contact the police:

999 in an emergency 0800 555 111 Crime Stoppers 0300 123 2040 Action Fraud
EMAIL burglarycrackdown@cambs.pnn.police.uk or www.crimestoppers-uk.org

If you are not online you can telephone 101

RICHARD WEST Village Coordinator working with CLIVE WILLIAMS

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Website: saintshughandjoseph.churchgoers.co.uk

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Fr. Antony Arockiam cmf
Fr. Jim Kennedy 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 5.45 pm 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. Antony know their contact details.

FRIENDS IN DEED

The Friends in Deed Summer Tea Party was held on the 8th August at Field House and we would like to express our sincere thanks to Jane Shepard who very kindly hosted the event. The weather was pleasantly cooler and a record number of 50 people came along to enjoy great company, tea and a variety of homemade cakes. Very many thanks to all those who helped organise the event and to members who provided cakes, gave lifts and helped out on the day, making it such an enjoyable occasion. The 'backroom' team were brilliant!

The next **Drop-in Café** will be held on **Wednesday 12th September** (and subsequently on the second Wednesday of each month) in the Living Stones Room in St Mary's Church, 2.30pm to 4pm. If you like homemade cakes, tea or coffee, and a friendly atmosphere, why not come along and join us. All are welcome and transport is available within the village on request (see below).

For help or information contact:

Coordinator: Jane Scott 07810 006598

Leave a message and include your contact details

Buckden Methodist Church

Minister: Rev. Paul Beard
(01480 473444)

Stewards: Angie Barnes (810102)
Bob Baxter (810092)
Carol Swepstone (810053)

Services in September

Sunday 2nd

10.30 a.m. Morning Service: Rev. Pam Siddall

Sunday 9th

10.30 a.m. Local arrangement

Sunday 16th

10.30 a.m. Morning Service: Mr Don Moorman

Sunday 23rd

10.30 a.m. Harvest Festival: Rev. James Bamber

Sunday 30th

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion: Rev. Paul Beard

Activities in September

Friday 7th: 10.30 a.m. Shoebox Coffee Morning

Monday 10th: NO Study Lunch this month

Tuesday 11th: 9.30 a.m. Quiet Time (Wesley Room)

Friday 14th: 10.30 a.m. Coffee Morning

Friday 21st: 12 noon Soup and Sweet Lunch

Tuesday 25th: 9.30 a.m. Bible Study (Wesley Room)

Friday 28th: 10.30 a.m. Macmillan Coffee Morning

Everyone is welcome to any of these events.



Requests for transport: Andy Scott 07914 669967.

<http://www.buckdenroundabout.info/friends-in-deed>

What's on at St Mary's Buckden: July 2018

**St Mary's Parish Church,
Church St, Buckden PE19 5TL**



SUNDAY Services

Sun 2	11:00am	Family Communion
	6.00pm	BCP Holy Communion
Sun 9	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	11:00am	Morning Service
Sun 16	11.00am	Family Communion
	6.00pm	Evensong
Sun 23	8:00am	BCP Holy Communion
	11:00am	All-age HARVEST Communion
	7:00pm	Night Prayer
Sun 30	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	11:00am	Family Communion

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

Regular WEEKDAY Services

Monday	2.15pm	Daily Prayers
Tuesday	1.30pm	Daily Prayers
Wednesday	9.30am	Communion
Thursday	11.15am	Daily Prayers
Friday	9.15am	Daily Prayers

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

St Mary's Living Stones Room (with under-floor heating, kitchen and toilet facilities) is available to hire for meetings, groups and social gatherings

COMING SOON – youth@thetowers

A new youth club for school years 7 to 9. Thursdays 7pm-8pm at Buckden Towers. £1 per session.
Start date to be confirmed.

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

EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

Cleaning Crew in St Mary's

Saturday 1st September from 10am

Ride, Drive & Stride Event

Saturday 8th September – join us or sponsor us to tour local churches on foot, by bike, or by car

Friends in Deed – Drop-in Cafe

Wednesday 12th September 2.30pm at St Mary's
All welcome for tea, cake & chat and to find out more about Friends in Deed

Heritage Open Days 6th - 9th & 13th - 16th Sept www.heritageopendays.org.uk

St Mary's will be open to visitors every day.
Guided tours on Sunday 16th at 2pm and 3.30pm

Harvest Festival Service

Sunday 23rd September at 11am
Come and join our all-age celebration

Open meeting for the Benefice of Buckden with the Offords

Sunday 23rd September at 6pm; ends with Night Prayer at 7pm. Join us to share your thoughts

Monthly Bible Study Group

Monday 24th September 1.30pm in LSR

REGULAR ACTIVITIES:

all are welcome to join us for any of these activities, just come along

Bell-Ringers: meet for practice at 8.15pm on Mondays at St Mary's

Cuppa and chat: Wednesdays 10.00am, after communion and before Going Deeper

Going Deeper: informal bible study
Wednesdays 10.30am

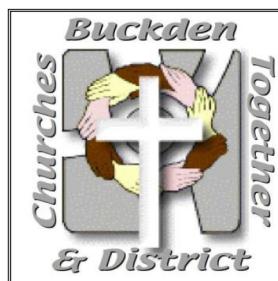
Jamworkx After-School Club: Thursdays 3.15pm at Buckden School (term-time only)

Getting Active – why not join us for an evening walk.: We meet at 7pm on Thursday evenings to walk for an hour. Venues vary so check the St Mary's facebook page or the roadside noticeboard

Angel Voices – informal all-age choir: practice at St Mary's 6.45pm on Fridays 14th & 21st Sept

Coffee & Cakes:

Saturdays 10.30am – 12 noon in St Mary's



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 organisations. Those to be remembered this month are:

2nd September	Mayfield, Springfield Close, The Osiers, Stirtloe
9th September	Vineyard Way, Burberry Road, Swan End, Lark End, The Library and its librarians
16th September	The churches of the village: St Hugh's, St Mary's, Buckden Methodist Church, also Perry Baptist Church, members of home groups from these and other local churches, ministers and all who make our churches welcoming and worshipful places
23rd September	Church Street, Mill Road, The Barns, The Old Flour Mills
30th September	The Parish Council, The Village Hall and Playing Field Trust; those who help to run the Village Hall, and the activities there

STUDY LUNCHES

September – no lunch.

8th October – lunch with speaker

12th November – lunch. This is the day after the big centenary armistice day – bring art or poetry of First World War to share.

10th December – an Advent theme

Methodist Church Hall 12.30 pm to 2.00 pm

Contact: **Ann Brittain** on **812012**

Thought for the Month

Dear All

Well what a summer we have had so far, we have actually had an unusual year! The summer reminds me of 1976 which was so similar. As I sit to write this the weather has changed and storms have been the order of the day. Thankfully my son finished harvest the day before the rains came. All we have out in the fields are some big bales of straw and those do not suffer too much in the rain. In 1976 we actually finished harvest even earlier in July and would have had time to get another harvest in before it rained. Friends of ours took a Church youth group away for the weekend on that August bank holiday. They reminded the youngsters to take wellies and macs but as it had not rained for so long most didn't! That is when the rains came and they were unprepared!

This reminds me of the bible story about the young women who were unprepared when the wedding party arrived. I know it is easy for any one of us to point the finger at others who are not prepared. I will confess that at times that has been my lot; things creep up and I am not ready! How is it with you - are you ready for the future? Are you ready for every eventuality? Time waits they say for nobody and that can be the fatal flaw in our lives. So, if you want to be ready for the future please come and find out about the way that Jesus Christ can help in giving assurance for that time!

Soon we will be in the time for Harvest Thanksgiving, do attend one and thank God for all his bounty!

Best Wishes

Tony Whitlock; Perry Baptist

Huntingdonshire Health Walk Scheme

Huntingdon Group July 2018

There are 20 - 30 different healthwalks on the Huntingdon group's "patch". Led by trained walk leaders, walks take place every Wednesday at 2pm and Friday at 10am. Details are in a booklet that leaders issue, or you can make contact as below.

If you can walk at your exercise-walking pace for 45 to 85 minutes, a healthwalk is for you. Wearing sturdy footwear and weatherproof clothing is vital, and carrying a small bottle of drinking water will avoid the risk of dehydration.

Healthwalking is healthy and fun. You can usually opt for a hot drink afterwards. Walks cost nothing, although voluntary donations to the development of the subsidised scheme are gratefully received.

Contacts: www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/healthwalks
Danielle Sancaster, 01480 387047.

Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society.

We meet at 7.30 on the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month at Buckden Village Hall. Whether licensed amateur or just interested in radio and electronics you will find a warm welcome awaits you.

Saturday 8th September "Churches on the Air" at St.Mary's Buckden. Callsign GB1SMB

Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd September "Railways on the Air" at Nene Valley Railway. Callsign GB0NVR

Friday 28th & Saturday 29th September "National Hamfest" at Newark & Nottingham Showground, Lincoln Rd, Winthorpe NG242NY

Thursday 11th October Bring & Buy evening. Brush the cobwebs off that surplus kit.

12th to 14th October RSGB Convention, Milton Keynes.

Sunday 14th October Dunstable Mobile Radio Rally

Sunday 21st October "Jamboree on the Air" St. Ives Cambs. Callsign GB5SIS

Thursday 25th October "Radio for Navigation" Club talk by Mike G3TSO

Further details contact the club secretary David Howlett, secretary@hunts-hams.co.uk or visit our web site <http://hunts-hams.weebly.com>

Shoebox Appeal Coffee Morning and Stalls

Friday 7th September 10am – 11:30am in the Buckden Methodist Church Hall. Leaflets, knitting patterns, examples of completed shoeboxes, ways to help with the shoebox appeal will all be there. Donations made will help towards the shoebox appeal either with transportation of the boxes or to buy items for the boxes. There will be a bring and buy stall, cake stall and card stall.

Please come along and find out if you are able to help.
Contact Carol Slepstone 810053

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.

3rd September – a talk about Local Ghosts by Mark Egerton

17th September – Light-hearted exercises with Pat King

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.

OFFORD BEER FESTIVAL

SATURDAY
29TH SEPTEMBER 2018

6PM - 11PM
OFFORD VILLAGE HALL

TICKET INCLUDES:

5 DRINKS
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Buckden Wine & Beermakers Society

27th September

Harvest Meeting



We meet at the Scout Hut on the

4th Thursday of the month at 8.00pm.

NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

to join a lively sociable group where help and advice on wine and beer making are freely given.

Visitors are welcome to join us.

For further information contact Ann Elliott 01480 810346

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

**THE HINCHINGBROOKE
Bösendorfer
CONCERTS**

2018 - 2019 

**OCTOBER 19TH
2018** Frédéric Aguessy, *piano*

**NOVEMBER 30TH
2018** Joy Farrall, *clarinet*;
Caroline Dearnley, *cello*;
John Lenehan, *piano*.

**JANUARY 25TH
2019** Katya Apekisheva and
Charles Owen, *piano duo*.

**MARCH 1ST
2019** Emma Halnan, *flute*;
Robert Burton, *saxophone*;
Manon Fischer-Dieskau, *piano*;
Christine Zerafa, *piano*.

**MARCH 29TH
2019** Masayuki Tayama, *piano*.

Hinchinbrooke Performing Arts Centre
Huntingdon at 7.30 pm
Box Office 01480 375678 (9am to 3pm)
www.ticketsource.co.uk/hinchinbrookepac

**TICKETS: ADULTS: £15
(ALL 5 CONCERTS: £60)
GROUPS OF 20+: £10 EACH
STUDENTS UNDER 21: £5**

**BUCKDEN
Open Gardens**

**NEW gardens wanted
for June 2019!**

large/small/wildlife-friendly/different
If you would like to share with others the pleasure that your garden gives you then please call:
ANN 01480-811848 or FIONA 01480-431037.

THE FRIENDS OF BUCKDEN TOWERS

**Heritage Day
at The Towers**

**Sunday 16th September 2018
1.00 to 4.00 p.m.**

Open to the Public Free Entry and Parking

“Mini” tours of The Towers – only £2.00
Produce stall
Refreshments
Wool Dyeing Demonstration
Knot Garden and Grounds Open

Buckden Local History Society



**Using social media
for family history**
by
Robert Parker

Robert is a Cambridgeshire based qualified and experienced Genealogist who delivers talks and research services for those interested in tracing their ancestors. He has been researching his own family history for over 25 years.

**Wednesday 5th September
7.30pm at
The Claret Centre, Buckden Towers
Visitors welcome**

For further details contact buckdenhistory@gmail.com

Buckden WEA

Russia and the Russian Culture Part 2

Why the USSR collapsed. What democracy brought to ordinary Russians. Personal experience of living through Perestroika and collapse of the USSR.

Tutor: Marina Burrell

Tuesdays
18th September to 27th November 2018
half term 23rd October.

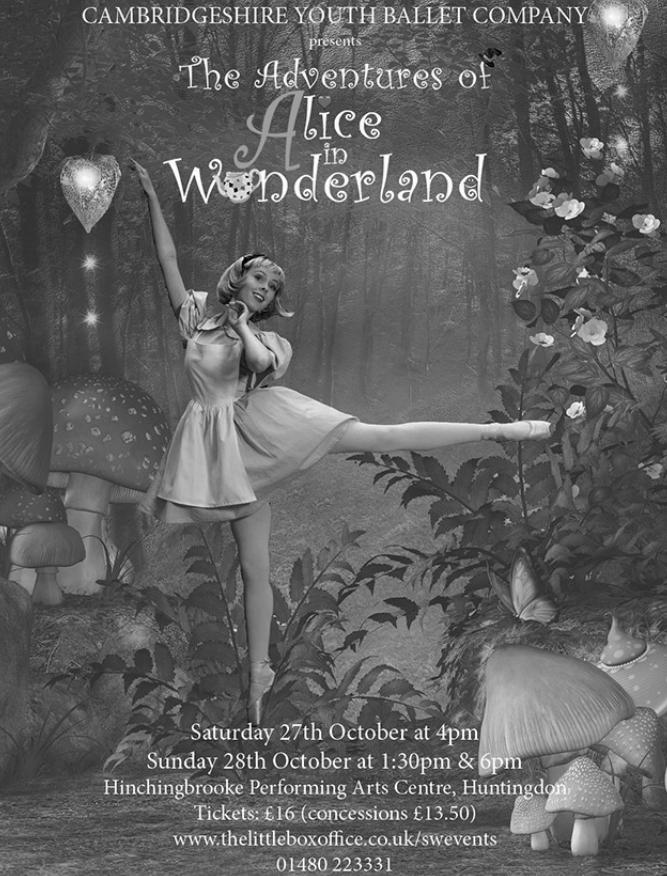
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The Claret Centre, Buckden Towers

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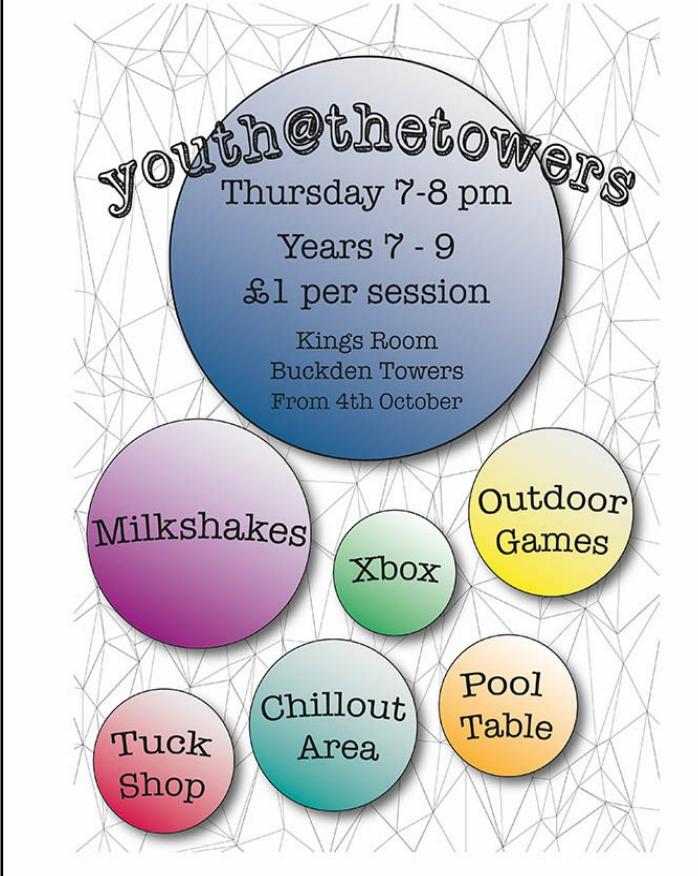
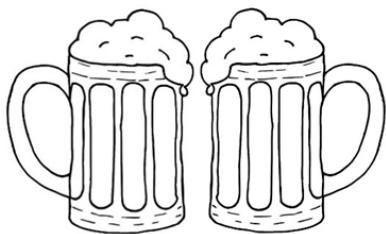
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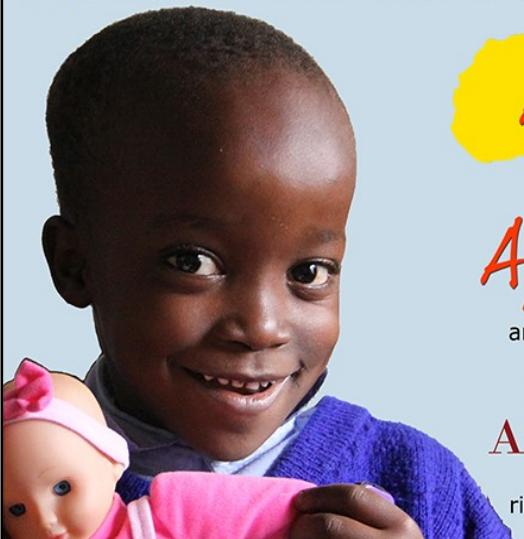
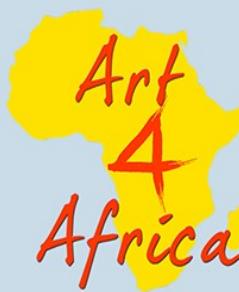
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A Buckden House

By John Thelwall

A couple of years ago, the then owners of a house in Lucks Lane were kind enough to give their old title deeds to Buckden Local History Society. These deeds tell the story of the house and how they were bought and sold in the 19th Century.

In 1861 Charles Mehew, a harness maker sold the house to Thomas Adams, a baker, for £220, a substantial sum for a smallish cottage, but the sale included just under an acre of land at Hardwick Dene. Charles owned the Copyhold in the property. The freehold was owned by the Lord of the Manor and Charles had to pay a rent of 8d per year.

The transfer took place at The George Inn, Buckden, where the manorial court was held in the presence of the Steward to the Lords of the Manor.

In manorial courts there was also a representative group of tenants known as the Homage, who had local knowledge that the Steward didn't. Thomas Adams probably bought them all a drink for their trouble.

Today, if you are selling your house, the Transfer deed is a simple exercise in box filling. The money is sent between the lawyers and the seller's lawyer sends the Transfer deed to the buyer's lawyer. In 1861, life was not so simple. Usually a sale of land took place on or within sight of the land being sold. The seller would give to the buyer a handful of soil, taken from the land, or perhaps the keys to the house. That constituted delivery of the property. The buyer then handed over the purchase price in cash. The seller might show he had given vacant possession by, for example, jumping over a hedge on the boundary to the land.

Thomas wanted to be really sure Charles acknowledged he had been paid in full, so the Admission includes this receipt: *"to him [Charles Mehew] in hand [i.e. in cash] well and truly paid by Thomas Adams of Buckden aforesaid a Baker at or immediately before the signing or passing of this Surrender the receipt whereof the said Charles Mehew doth hereby acknowledge and of and from the same sum and every part thereof doth hereby acquit release and forever discharge the said Thomas Adams his heirs executors administrators and assigns"*

That's 65 words. In 1994, the last of the deeds, the receipt says: *"the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged"* - seven

words. So the legal language had become much simpler.

The house is described as being formerly in the occupation of Sarah Moles widow, deceased, then of Thomas Mehew, also deceased, who was the father of Charles, the seller, and who inherited it in 1827. In those days, when everyone knew everyone else's business and the village was a small community, such a description sufficed as the Homage knew exactly who owned what and which cottage was being sold.



A view of Lucks Lane from the north: these cottages are perhaps like the one described in this article.

In 1869 Thomas died and his widow, Susannah inherited it.

Then in 1873, Susannah sold it to Frederick Middleton. Fred is described as a gardener. The price was £150.00. William Bowyer, Merchant of Buckden, agreed to lend Fred £100 to buy the cottage at an interest the rate 5%. By 1882 Fred had paid off the debt but in the late 1890s all was not well with him and in April 1897 he had to borrow £70 from Susan Middleton, his sister. Susan however only got 2% interest.

The mortgage also refers to Fred having built another house on the land, so Fred was an entrepreneur as well as a gardener.

In December 1897, Fred died. Perhaps he was ill when he borrowed the money from his sister and it was to help him through his illness because he couldn't work. In 1898, Susan inherited both houses. In the documents Fred is described as a "Gentleman" so he had gone up in the world. Susan inherited on condition that she maintained and provided "a home for my mother" so long as she (her mother) shall live. In 1909 Susan died, without leaving a will. She was a spinster and the cottage was inherited by her eldest brother Charles Middleton, also a gardener, but who lived in Derby.

Then in 1920 the property was sold at auction at the George and we are lucky enough to have a copy of the auction particulars. The auctioneers were Dilley Son and Read. The two houses were sold as one lot.

One had a sitting room, kitchen and bedroom, pantry, barn and earth closet. It also had a yard with brick and tile wood place, carpenters shop and loft over. It was rented out at 12 shillings (60p) per lunar month.

The other house had two sitting rooms, kitchen, three bedrooms, scullery and pantry, a small garden, earth closet and two brick and thatched barns. It was let at two guineas

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(£2.10p) a quarter. So the total rental income for the two was £16-4-0 (£16.20p) per year.

The cottages were bought by Gertrude Gale, widow of Buckden – presumably a member of the well known Gale family.

In 1929 Gertrude Gale sold the properties on again.

They were bought by James Wooley, a retired game-keeper. In 1949, James died, having appointed Richard William Wooley to be his sole executor. There is no indication in the deeds what relation, if any, Richard was to James. He is described as a Railway Ganger, living at 6 Council Houses, Holme.

In 1950 he sold one of the cottages to his wife, for £150. Mrs Wooley then held onto the property until 1976. When she



*A view of Lucks Lane from the south—
one of the oldest streets in Buckden*

sold it she was still living in Holme, so she had probably rented it out all this time. She sold it to Dorothy Ivy Owens who was then living in Cranfield Way. She paid £3,600 for it. Ms Owens made a very good bargain, because 6 months after buying it, she mortgaged the property for £6,950. Perhaps she used the money on doing it up and possibly extending it.

The interest rate she paid was 10.75% - unthinkable today. In 1978, just two years after she bought it for £3,600, Ms Owens sold it for £15,500 to a Mr and

Mrs James. They borrowed £13,950 – a 90% mortgage, at a rate of 9.75%. 90% mortgages are not a new phenomenon.

But the Jameses were probably well pleased with their bargain, because in 1980, they sold it again to a Mr and Mrs Payne for £26,500. So from 1976 to 1980, its value rose by over 70%. It sounds a lot, but in those 4 years the RPI went up by 66%, so house prices only increased slightly more than inflation.

In 1994 Mrs Payne sold it to a Mr Gosschalk and Ms Whittall, of the Lion Hotel Buckden for £38,500. In 14 years it had gone up in value by 45%. The RPI in the same period went up 248%!

Buckden has many old properties and if any of our readers have any old deeds that they would be willing to lend, or even give, to Buckden History Society, we would be very grateful as it will add to our picture of the history of the village. Please contact blhschairman@btinternet.com

(Based on a talk given by John Thelwall to Buckden Local History Society on 6th June 2018. A fuller version can be found on the Roundabout website here: <http://tinyurl.com/y8luvn15>)

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal, 2018

Buckden Community will be taking part in the above appeal and shoe boxes will be collected in November. Operation Christmas Child is a worthwhile charity making a difference at Christmas, by giving shoe boxes containing small gifts to children in poor countries.

Gift suggestions:

Toiletries: Toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, comb, hair clips, bar of soap, flannel, etc. No Bottles or liquid items please.

Educational Supplies: Felt pens, pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, eraser, colouring book, notepad, picture or puzzle book, chalk, pencil case, stickers, solar calculators, etc.

Toys: Cuddly toy with **CE LABEL**, doll, toy truck, skipping rope, yo-yo, ball, small puzzle, etc.

Other items: Hat, scarf, gloves, sunglasses, hair accessories, wind up torch, jewellery set, sweets (best before date of at least March 2019)

Are you able to knit a puppet, hat, scarf, gloves for a Christmas shoebox please? Patterns are available

Of course, you may like to do your own shoebox and this would be very welcome.

Donations of money always welcome for transportation as this year it will cost £5 to transport each box. Thank you.

If you would like more information, contact Carol Slepstone 810053 or visit samaritans-purse.org.uk/occ which has lots of interesting information such as "The journey of a shoebox", Stories from children who have received a shoebox and are now an adult, the impact a shoebox gives a child and lots more.

Cambridge Building Society Community Magazine Awards

The annual award ceremony for community magazines in Cambridgeshire, sponsored by the Cambridge Building Society was held on Monday 23rd July. Two representatives from the Roundabout editorial team attended. Although we didn't win an award this year, the judges had this to say about the Buckden Roundabout: "Not too many adverts, strong editorial content, great photos and plenty of relevant local news".

Your editorial team wants to keep improving the Roundabout. We would like to publish more articles of interest to our residents and we encourage all our readers to submit articles about anything that you think would interest our readers. We are also interested in including reports and photos of local events. You can submit material through our website here: www.buckdenroundabout.info/contact-us or by e-mail to editor@buckdenroundabout.info



Heritage Day at Buckden Towers

Buckden Towers will be ready for visitors on Sunday 16th September 2018, from 1.00-4.00pm.

Visitors will be able to take a short guided tour of the outside of the Towers (£2.00). Each tour will last about 30 minutes. Refreshments will be available as well as produce.

The Knot Garden will be open and there will be a continuous demonstration of using plants from the dye bed to dye wool.

At the same time, St Mary's Church will be open with free tours of St. Mary's Church at 2.00pm and 3.30pm on Sunday 16th September 2018. The door linking St Mary's churchyard and Buckden Towers grounds will be open for ease of access.

Friday 3 August 2018 Bridge the Gap Charity walk



Bridge the Gap is once again expected to be a fantastic family day out or an opportunity for friends or work colleagues to get an insight of our impressive city.

This popular annual walk will take you to visit some of the stunning Cambridge Colleges and their gardens, which aren't normally open to the general public. 2018 is set to be another super year featuring **Christ's College, Sidney Sussex College, St Catharine's College, Trinity College and Pembroke College** with walkers also looking forward to being captivated by the fabulous exhibits at the newly opened **Museum of Zoology** which will also serve as a checkpoint on route.

This year the walk takes place on **Sunday 9 September** and will start and finish from Parker's Piece, with the Society of Cambridge Tourist Guides on hand throughout to offer interesting historical tales and provide an array of information about their stunning grounds and features, plus you'll be able to hear music from the hugely talented Waterbeach Brass Band as you wander around.

At the end of the walk a lively atmosphere in the tea tent will welcome you back, so all you need to do is sit back and enjoy a slice of cake.

This year is cause for extra celebration for headline sponsor Cambridge Building Society, as they celebrate a decade of helping to fund and organise the event. Peter Burrows, Fi-

nance Director for The Cambridge explains why they are so passionate about being involved: "**Bridge the Gap** provides the perfect opportunity to get involved with your local community - it's an event for the local community, organised by the local community to benefit the local community.

"The great thing about it, is that it's open to everyone. Not only does it give an opportunity to explore the Colleges that those who live here might take for granted but it raises much needed funds for two local charities whose valuable work really does make a difference to people's lives."

The Bridge the Gap team additionally consists of Arthur Rank Hospice Charity - a long standing beneficiary - and Romsey Mill who came on board in 2016, as well as TTP, Cambridge Assessment and the Rotary Club of Cambridge who continue to sponsor the walk ensuring that 100% of the entry fee directly benefits the Charities.



You will be in the company of more than 2000 people on this special day out, so please come along and help our community partners Arthur Rank Hospice Charity and Romsey Mill reach their fundraising goal of £50,000.

If you'd like to get involved visit <http://www.arhc.org.uk/bridge-the-gap.asp> or pick up an entry form from any of the Cambridge Building Society stores or branches. Online registration is available until 1pm on Friday 7 September for £18 each, or walkers can sign up on the day for £20. Children are free of charge when accompanied by a paying adult. Groups of friends, families or work colleagues are also welcome with special rates of £15 per person within a group of 10 or more, available until Friday 7 September – for group bookings please call Arthur Rank Hospice Charity on 01223 675888.



Art4Africa Exhibition returns to Keysoe

Local charity Rise Africa UK (www.rise-africa.co.uk) is holding its second Art4Africa exhibition in September from Thurs 6th to Sun 9th, to raise money to help educate 80 children in Tanzania. The charity hopes to better the £15,000 it raised at the previous event in 2016.

The Art4Africa exhibition will feature paintings, indoor and garden sculptures, pottery and jewellery by more than 70 local and nationally renowned artists, plus a dedicated gift area. Over 30 artists from Cambridgeshire and 17 from Bedfordshire will ensure that Art4Africa is not only a great way to help transform disadvantaged children's lives in Tanzania but also provides a unique opportunity for local artists to show their work. All pieces are for sale, with 100 per cent of the money raised going to the charity.

On Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th of September there will be a Barbecue and Bar area. The organisers aim to offer all visitors a great experience.



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Olivia Faulkner founded Rise Africa UK in 2011 aged 21, after spending three months working in Tanzania. "I've seen for myself the difference a few pounds can make," said Olivia. "Buying a piece of art is an amazing feeling knowing that you've enabled a child to have an education."

The exhibition will be transforming Olivia's parents' home, an 18th Century Baptist Chapel and its gardens into a stunning celebration of local and national artworks. The venue is The Old Chapel House, Riseley Road, Keysoe, MK44 2HT.

Admission is free from 0900 to 1800 every day. There is also a ticket only evening, Wednesday 5th September 1930, offering a first view of the exhibition with drinks & canapes all with the sound of a steel drum band.

Tickets are limited and are on sale via www.art4africa.co.uk

Christopher Faulkner, Olivia's father said "Art4Africa started as an idea in 2016 to raise some money for Olivia's charity before we redecorated the house. It has become so much more and to have been described as "one of the best and most professional charity events" in 2016 was a real honour. We had to do it again, even though the house has been redecorated!! We really work hard to promote new artists and one of our most successful artists in 2016 had never sold a picture before. Giving new local artists an opportunity is a key objective for Art4Africa."

Offord Village Hall



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The Parson's Nose'**

**Saturday September
15th 7:30pm - 11pm**

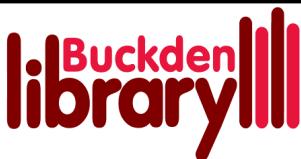
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John 01480 810049
Alan 01480 811126



Summer Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all the children who completed this year's Summer Reading Challenge. Our presentation ceremony takes place on Friday 21st September at 5.30pm.

Regular Activities

Saturday Children's Craft

Our regular craft activity starts again on Saturday 8th September. Come along to make your super-power pizza on a paper plate!

Engage in the Afternoon – Roman Treasures Project

On Wednesday 19th September from 2pm – 3.30pm, historian Kate Hadley introduces us to our Roman ancestors (Celtic and Iron Age too) and gives us an insight into their lives by taking a close look at the treasures they had in their pockets and on their dining and dressing tables 2000 years ago. Kate has had access to private collections and will be showing treasures seen for the first time. Pick up your ticket from the library.

Storytime

Storytime for pre-school children starts again in September. Come along and listen to some stories and sing some rhymes. Storytime starts at 2.15pm and in September will be on Tuesday 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th.

Knit Lit

Do you enjoy knitting and a good book? Our friendly group meets on alternate Fridays. In September our Knit Lit meetings are on Friday 14th and 28th from 8pm. Knitters of all ages and abilities welcome!

New to the library

Fun Palace – Saturday 6th October

On Saturday 6th October, all libraries across Cambridgeshire will be taking part in the Fun Palace weekend. This involves communities coming together to hold activities in their local library, sharing skills and interests. Last year activities at our libraries included science experiments, origami, Lego and dj-ing. Buckden Library will be taking part this October. So if you're passionate about something and would like to share this with others, please get in touch with Rebecca.ca.morris@cambridgeshire.gov.uk. We'd love to hear from you! For more information about fun palaces visit www.funpalaces.co.uk

Lego Club

Our new monthly Lego club starts on Saturday 29th September. Come along and see what you can build. Suitable for children aged 5 – 11. 50p per child.

To help us get the club up and running we'd welcome any donations of Lego, so if you have any Lego that is no longer played with, please do pop it into the library.

We're also looking for volunteers to help run the club. If you have a couple of hours to spare one Saturday a month, please do ask let us know at the library.

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 PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH CLERK AND RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER

Buckden Parish Council is seeking an enthusiastic and customer focussed individual to fill the post of Parish Clerk. The Clerk is responsible for managing the day to day business of the Council and is required to provide professional support and guidance in all aspects of the Council's work

Applicants will need an administrative and financial background, excellent communication skills, and a good knowledge of office applications. Preferably they will have a working knowledge of local government law and procedures or show they have the potential and willingness to learn with training. They will also have supervisory experience.

The successful applicant will be expected to have, or be prepared to obtain within a reasonable period, a relevant local council qualification.

This post is office based in Buckden Village Hall. The hours of employment are 30 hours per week. There is some flexibility in determining the specific hours of work. Attendance will be required at evening or other meetings for which time off in lieu can be taken.

The full-time salary scale is £25,463 - £33,136 per annum (Local Government Spinal Column 28 -37) This salary is then pro-rated and has a bar to progression to SCP 35 dependent upon having obtained a relevant local council qualification.

The closing date is 7th September. For an application pack, contact: ahowelljones@buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk or by post to: Clerk to Buckden Parish Council, Buckden Village Hall, Burberry Road, Buckden PE19 5UY.

If you would like to discuss the post informally, please contact the Chair, Terry Hayward on thayward@buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk or councillor, Anne Howell-Jones on ahowelljones@buckdenparishcouncil.org.uk

Note: CVs will not be accepted.

Buckden Bowls Club

August Draw

No. 42 Brian Calligan £20

No. 35 Marjorie Rowlands £10

No. 22 Eileen Linane £5

Contacts

Brian Moore Club Sec. 812112
Lady Captain Pat Purssord 810622



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Bookings

September is set to be a busy month after the relative calm of August. So far we have several business meetings including BeNCH, Parkinson's UK, Cambs County Council and Waitrose, a Blood Donor Session (7th), a wedding reception, a Table Top sale (22nd), three kid's parties and a private evening function as well as all our usual hirers.

Booking the Hall for functions

Booking the Hall for a family celebration couldn't be easier and residents of Buckden are given discounted rates. Simply call me, email me or just pop in to discuss your ideas. The Hall looks so lovely when it's decorated for an event. The picture was taken when it was set up ready for a joint kid's party and christening. The black and white doesn't quite do it justice but gives you an idea of how the Hall is transformed with the marquee up, a few tablecloths and some pretty decorations!

We are very lucky to have this facility on our doorstep!

Jo Harvey, 01480 811101, admin@buckdenvillagehall.co.uk, Office hours 9am to 2pm.



Young scientists at Buckden Primary School

Good luck young scientists at Buckden C.E. Primary School who will be taking part in The Energy Challenge from September! The Energy Challenge is a science-focused competition organised by AstraZeneca and MedImmune for pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 in Cambridgeshire. If your school hasn't signed up to The Energy Challenge there is still time! The Energy Challenge will be running throughout the next academic year with a grand final scheduled to take place in June 2019. The challenge is aligned with the National Curriculum and is designed to help children recognise the impact of diet and exercise on their bodies. The participants will have fun whilst working scientifically; recording measurements, observing data and drawing conclusions. Furthermore, the challenge is completely free and participating schools will be assigned STEM mentors from AstraZeneca and MedImmune to support their pupils as well as receiving a scientific mechanical balance, to keep, for use both as part of The Energy Challenge and in their own STEM teaching into the future.

To sign up your school please visit: <http://www.theenergychallenge.co.uk/> or email energyChallenge@astrazeneca.com for further information.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

The UK has finite space. Population growth has to stop at some point. Quality of life, traffic congestion, school, doctor provision and wildlife are being degraded by population pressure.

Population projections for the UK in the future show 72 million plus, putting us back to where we are now in terms of housing shortage.

The Huntingdonshire 2036 Plan is "to influence..." not "stop" development. There must be more accountability allowing residents to stop building. Solar panels, ground/air sourced heat pumps must be integral to new builds. Present policies fail sustainability.

All this needs to be taken up by all bodies at all levels now.

Yours sincerely
John Davies

Letters to the Editor do not necessarily reflect the views of the Buckden Roundabout.

BUCKDEN WI

Our July meeting was party night. The committee provided scones, jam, cream and strawberries and also served the tea. Some members provided their own drink to make it more of a social evening. We all enjoyed eating and socialising with each other. It was a relaxing evening before our Summer break. We were entertained by a local choir "One over the Eight" who provided an informal concert for us. This was much enjoyed by all and we are looking forward to their next visit.

At the next Meeting, Tuesday 4th September 7:30pm in the Millard Suite at the Village Hall our talk will be about ACCW (WI supported charity). Everyone is welcome. The competition is a foreign holiday memento.

For further information please contact:

Ruth Nicholas – 07957 334142

Judith Armitage – 01480 811717

Patricia Ford – 01480 819144

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INSPIRING WOMEN

**BUCKDEN CHURCH OF
ENGLAND SCHOOL
(Primary Academy Trust)**



August 2018

At Buckden Primary Academy we are looking for volunteers to listen to our children read. Do you have a spare afternoon a week that you could commit to coming into school? Full training will be given. If you are interested please contact me on mheather@buckden.cambs.sch.uk to arrange an interview. References and a DBS check will be done – the safeguarding of our children is paramount.

Many thanks,
Michelle Heather
Deputy Headteacher.

On Friday 14th September Buckden Academy will be holding a fete fundraiser. The fete is being organised to continue our fundraising for a track around our school field. During the afternoon there will be many activities including Hook the Duck, a penalty shootout, Splat the Rat, a tombola, a raffle and bar and a barbecue, plus much more. The fun will start at 3.15 pm – everyone is invited to attend and support our fundraising for our new track.

We would also be interested to hear from local businesses who would like to sponsor the school in our fundraising for the track, also if any resident would like to have a stall at our fete, please contact Lizell Heather lheather@buckden.cambs.sch.uk by 31st August.

Term Dates

There have been slight changes in the term dates for 2018/2019.

Autumn Term Opens

Half Term

Monday 29th October

Autumn Term Closes

Monday 3 September

22 – 26 October

Professional Day (Please note change in dates).

Thursday 20 December

2019

Spring Term Opens

Half Term

Spring Term Closes

Monday 7 January

18 – 22 February

Friday 5 April

Summer Term Opens

May Day

Half Term

Summer Term Closes

Tuesday 23 April

Monday 6 May

27 May – 31 May

Thursday 18 July (Please note change in dates).

Professional Day

Friday 19 July (Please note change in dates).

Professional Day

Monday 22 July

Professional Day

Tuesday 23 July

Professional Day

Wednesday 24 July

Buckden Pre-School Playgroup
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It's nearly time to open the doors of Preschool once again and start a new school year. We are looking forward to welcoming our new starters and hearing how our leavers are getting on at their 'big' schools.

As usual, we haven't been idle over the summer holidays. We are always striving to improve and expand the facilities, opportunities and activities that we offer the children, and returning children and their families will notice some changes in the look and layout of Preschool. We hope it will meet with their approval!

In this first half-term, our themes are focused on the children themselves: their likes and interests, their family and friends, the house they live in, their pets and their awareness of the town or village they live in and the environment around them.

Many young children don't know their address and following on from our People Who Help Us topic last term, we will be working on this with them so that if they need to give their address to the emergency services, they will know it off by heart.

We now have very limited places available for 2-year-olds in September, but there are still places available for children 3+. Do get in touch using the contact details below to book a visit if you're considering applying for a place. There is also a waiting list form on the admission page on our website.

Finally, you may have heard that we had an Ofsted inspection near the end of term. The Inspector said she had had a lovely day with us – high praise indeed! – and the committee and staff were very pleased with the result, which was a very solid Good.

You can view the report here: <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/files/2789453/urn/221840.pdf>

Alternatively, you can follow the link from our website.

For information about Preschool, please contact our Manager, Samantha Sinclair, on 07941 671999 or visit www.buckdenpreschool.co.uk.

You can also contact our Acting Chairperson, Becky Milne, at buckdenpreschoolchairperson@gmail.com and see our Facebook updates at <https://www.facebook.com/www.buckdenpreschool.co.uk/>.

Miss Alison



BUCKDEN JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Buckden Junior Football Club is a Charter Standard club and has been awarded 'Youth Club of the Year' for the 2017-18 season by Hunts FA. For next season, which starts on 8th September, 10 teams are planned:

Training Only - U4/5/6s (Dribblers)
 League teams - U7 Caracaras, U8 Hawks Black, U8 Hawks White, U9 Raptors Black, U9 Raptors White, U11 Eagles, U12 Vultures, U13 Ospreys*, U14 Harriers (all League teams are now grouped under the Hunts Youth League).

* The U12 Buzzards folded towards the end of last season; the U13 Ospreys are a new team

We would also like to take this opportunity to publicly thank our team sponsors for their generosity last season:

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Weekly Training Sessions For U7s-U11s Who Are Not In A Team

Next season, BJFC is hoping to start up a weekly training session on a weekday evening for all children from U7 to U11 who wish to play football but are not registered with a team. We get quite a few parents asking whether their child can join a certain age group but most of our teams are well subscribed and therefore cannot take on any new players, even just for training.

However a weekly training session dedicated to these potential players might be just the ticket, even if they have never been involved with a team or even trained in a group before. This would be a great opportunity to train without the commitment that belonging to a team requires, whilst it can also be a great stepping stone for any players who choose to join one of our teams when places become available as squad sizes increase every 2 years and/or some players leave.

There would be no commitment on the part of the players or parents/carers, just a weekly fee of £3 to help cover the cost of equipment and as a contribution to the day-to-day running of the club.

However, we would need volunteers to run this enterprise (qualification courses would be paid for by BJFC).
 If you are interested in volunteering, please contact: Michael Lander (07912 346481 bjfcchairman@hotmail.com)

Buckden Tennis Club

Buckden Tennis club is located behind the village hall, next to the playing fields. We welcome people of all ages and abilities, whether you are an experienced player, want to get back into tennis or just fancy taking up the game!

Our 4 all-weather hard-courts are open 7 days a week, all year round, with floodlighting to county standard. We have club tournaments throughout the summer. September is a busy month with the Maurice Pepper Mixed doubles on 2nd September, the Knock Out Finals on the 9th September and the Albert Dudley (Vets) Tournament on 23rd September. We also have mens, ladies and mixed teams competing in Hunts & Peterborough Summer League after great success in the Cambs summer league. We're always looking for new team members so please let us know if you're interested in joining us.

Social Play is a great way to meet up with other members and takes place on Saturday and Sunday 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, LTA licensed coaching is available for adults and juniors through Over and In. Please contact our coach Matt Sanders (matt@overandin.com). Coaching is available on 1:1 basis & group sessions can also be arranged. For more information about the club contact our Chairman Clare Fraser on 07740456972, or visit our website at www.buckdentennis.org.uk, or our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/buckdentennisclub>

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Buckden Gardeners Association



It is with much regret that the committee have decided to **cancel the forthcoming Autumn show** scheduled for Saturday 8th September 2018.

This summer has been exceptionally hot and dry, with some record-breaking temperatures and very little rain. Most gardens are looking a little different this year; parched flower beds, lawns that look like straw and vegetables that have failed to thrive. This means that this year there are insufficient entries to be able to hold a Garden Show. In 2019 we anticipate a bright and colourful show.

Could all last year's Autumn trophy winners please return their cups to John, 1 Lark End Buckden. Tel: 01480 812008

Buckden Gardeners Association would like to welcome new members from Buckden and the surrounding area in Huntingdonshire. Annual membership £5.00, visitor fee £2.00.

All forthcoming events start at 7.45pm in the village hall and are advertised in the Roundabout and on our web site:
<http://www.buckdengardeners.info/>

16th October - Paxton Pits Nature Reserve talk about Birds
20th November - "Garden Colour All Year Round" talk by Geoff Hodge; radio presenter, journalist and writer.



A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme

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A landscape through time: archaeology of the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme



Friday 14th September 2018

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Details: www.molaheadland.com/a14c2h/events

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BLPSPA

Who is a member?

As a patient registered with the Buckden & Little Paxton Surgeries, you are a member of the Surgery Patients' Association (BLPSPA). We need you to feel part of it.



How does it work?

There is a committee that meets 4 times a year. There is a chair/ secretary/ treasurer/and village representatives all of whom stand for election annually in September

What does it do?

The BLPSPA supports the development of good health in our community.

It can organise the transport of patients to and from the surgery when necessary.

Fundraising through the Association provides amenities at the surgeries, for example to meet the stringent requirements of Health and Safety (the chairs in the waiting rooms), and the automatic doors and their maintenance. We've funded the wifi connection, new

radios in both surgeries, the check-in screens, blood pressure monitors for patients to borrow, pillows for examination couches, and most recently purchased new phlebotomy chairs. We're currently looking at upgrading the bicycle racks at Buckden Surgery. Funds are raised mainly through the 200 Club. Significant sums raised by the book sales at Little Paxton also help.

Informative talks and social events such as coffee mornings are organised.

We also can provide, where appropriate, communication between patients and surgery staff, enhancing what is available.

How can I become involved?

You could join the committee – our next round of elections is in September. Alternatively, you may have ideas of topics for events that could be of interest to you or your family. Or you may have a particular interest or skill to contribute? We also try to be at village events where you can talk to us. Please do get in touch.

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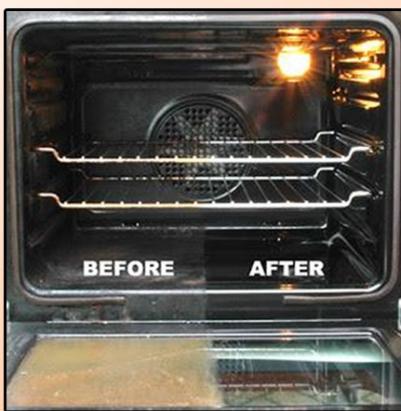
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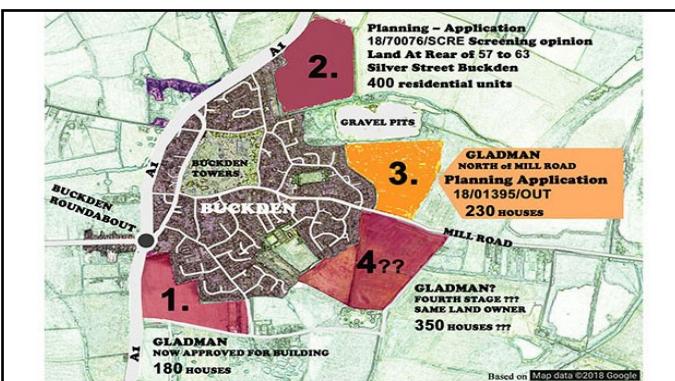
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