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## Regular dates for your diary

Mon	9:30-13:30	Fun for 1's & 2's	Playgroup
Mon	9:45	Comberton walkers	Baptist Church
1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon	19:00	Carpet bowls	VH
3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon	19:30	Wine Makers	VH
Tues	10:30-12:00	Village Café & Crafts	VH
Tues	18:30-20:00	Keep Fit	CVC
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues	19:45	Women's Institute	VH
4 <sup>th</sup> Tues	20:00	Antiquarian Society	VH
Wed	10:00-11:30	Baby & Toddler Group	VH
Wed	12:25-13:10	Lunchtime Badminton	CVC
Wed	14:00	Bridge Club	VH
Wed	18:30-21:00	Tennis Mix in Session	Tennis Club
Wed	20:00-22:00	Shuttles Badminton	CVC
Wed (term)	14:00-15:30	Bumps & Babies	Baptist Church
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed	19:30	Parish Council	VH
Thurs	9:30-11:30	Fun for 1's & 2's	Playgroup
Thurs	9:30-1:15	Tumble Tots	VH
Thurs (term)	16:00-18:00	EDGE Youth Club	Baptist Church
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs	14:30	Friendship Club	VH
4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs	14:30	Oasis Teas (55+)	VH
Fri	18:00-21:00	TaeKwon Do	Meridian Sch.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Fri	20:00	Comedy Club	CVC
3 <sup>rd</sup> Fri	19:00	Bingo Party	VH
Sat	10:00-11:00	Park Tennis	Park
Sat	9:00-12:30	Junior Squash	CVC
4 <sup>th</sup> Sat	9:00	Selah	VH
Sun	15:00-18:40	Adult Squash	CVC
VH = Village Hall		CVC = Comberton Village College	

## Upcoming events

### July

5	Lunch Club	The Green Man, Shrepeth
5	Heidi Allen MP Surgery	Melbourn Hub, Melbourn
6/7	Open Studio	Various
10	Pantomime Auditions	VH
12	Parish Council Meeting	VH
13	Summer Reading Challenge Registration	Library
13/14	Open Studio	Various
17	Fisherman's Friends (Film)	VH
19	Annual Supper	VH
25	Oasis Tea	VH
20/21	Open Studio	Various
27/28	Open Studio	Various
29 - 2 Aug	Beekeepers Holiday Club	Baptist Church
31	Decorate a moon rock	Library

### August

5	Summer Storytime with craft	Library
12	Centenary Organ Rededication	St Mary's Comberton
16	Family Board Games	Library
21	Make a solar system	Library
26	Church Fete	St Mary's Comberton
30	Create an alien	Library

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## From the Editor

Dear Comberton

First of all we would like to say a great big thank you to Chris Balding for editing this magazine for the past eighteen months, what a great job he did and made lasting contributions and improvements that we will try and maintain and build upon. We wish him and his family all the best as he moves into the next chapter of his career.

Please accept our apologies for any omissions/errors in this edition as we try to get everything set up for our new editor who we hope to announce with the next (September 2019) issue. The current team are very excited about the plans we hope to put in place to ensure that our wonderful magazine continues in good shape for the future.

Just a reminder that we do not publish an August edition so we hope you all have a good summer, see you in September

Best Wishes  
The Contact Team

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## Important People for the Village

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**Services and Events in July and August (at St Mary's Comberton unless otherwise noted)**

Sunday	7 July	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	14 July	8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		9.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	21 July	9.30 am	Healing & Wholeness
		7.30 pm	Lordsbridge School of Theology at Coton Parish Rooms
Thursday	25 July	2.30 pm	Oasis Tea in the Village Hall
Sunday	28 July	8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		9.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	4 August	9.30 am	Morning Worship
		4 pm	Village War Memorial / Organ Re-dedication followed by tea
Sunday	11 August	8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		9.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	18 August	9.30 am	Healing & Wholeness
		7.30 pm	Lordsbridge School of Theology at Coton Parish Rooms
Sunday	25 August	8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		9.30 am	Holy Communion
Monday	26 August	2.30 pm	Church Fete in and around the Church
Wed 28 August –		10 am	Oasis Holiday Club at Comberton Baptist Church
Friday 30 August			
Saturday	31 August	9 am	Selah in the Village Hall

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**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August, pm.** Celebration of the centenary of the dedication of the organ and the return of servicemen and women from the First World War. The organ will be re-dedicated at 4 pm.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December.** Concert by the choir of Jesus College Cambridge.

We continue to welcome anyone who would like to help us raise money for the fabric of St Mary's. Help with publicity would be particularly welcome. A major project this year is to provide a hard-standing area for disabled parking in the corner of the car park – a much-needed facility that will enhance the church building as a community resource.

Brian McCabe ([bjmccabe@btinternet.com](mailto:bjmccabe@btinternet.com); Tel 01223 263387)

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The Cambridge Chronicle recorded his funeral at St. Mary's, and showed Military Volunteers bearing his coffin to the graveside. The Chronicle reported that his death was due to an "Undermined Constitution". Later, when the family had the Headstone placed, it bore a heavy inscription. As well as Henry John, they commemorated his older brothers Walter and Alfred who had served in the 11<sup>th</sup> Battalion, the Suffolks. Both brothers were killed on 1 July 1916, the first day of the Battle of the Somme. Their bodies were never found. Perhaps some of the villagers attending the celebrations took a quiet moment to stand by the grave?

Please come and join us at the Centenary Organ Rededication Service at St. Mary's on Sunday 4 August 2019, at 4p.m. There will be Organ Music before the Service and a Tea to follow!

*I am indebted to Angela Foreman and the Day family for research material.*

***David R Hughes, Trustee, Friends of St.Mary's (FOSM)***

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More details can be found on the Library Service website at:  
[www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library)

We are getting ready for an out-of- this world adventure with Space Chase, this year's Summer Reading Challenge. As our children read their library books over the summer holidays they will be able to solve clues and collect stickers to complete their mission folder and help a super space family, the Rockets, track down books taken by the mischievous aliens. All children, who read six books to complete the challenge, will receive a special Space Chase certificate and medal. Registration to take part begins at the library on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July**, so do bring your children along to sign up from that date onwards.

We will be running our special Summer Reading Challenge sessions in the library throughout the summer holidays; full details will be available on registration. In addition, alongside the Summer Reading Challenge, we will be holding some special events for families. Please do come along and support the following activities:

**Wednesday 31 July** (2.30 -4.00 pm) Decorate a moon rock

**Monday 5 August** (11.00 - Noon) Summer Storytime with craft

**Friday 16 August** (11.00 – 12 noon) Family Board Games

**Wednesday 21 August** (2.30 – 4.00 pm) Make a solar system

**Friday 30 August** (2.30 – 4.00 pm) Create an alien

To help cover costs, there will be a small charge per child for these events.

Upcoming Rhymetime sessions: 1 & 15 July (10.30 -11.00 am).

Please note that although these sessions are aimed at very young children we welcome older siblings and pre-schoolers who enjoy singing too!

Rhymetime stops for the summer holidays, but will re-start on

**Monday 9 September**. We wish, once again, to thank our wonderful volunteer, Barbara, for her commitment and enthusiasm, which has made our Rhymetime sessions so much fun for our youngest children and their parent/carers. If you would like to see Barbara again before September, she has kindly agreed to lead our special Summer Storytime on **Monday 5 August**.



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On moving to the village over 12 years ago I was persuaded by the then-chairman to take on the role of Lettings Secretary for the hall as a way to become involved in village life and to get to know people and it has been everything he promised and more, and I have loved doing it. However, having gone from a stay-at-home mum with a part-time job to now working a 47 hour week I simply don't have the time to perform the role any longer and I resigned at the recent AGM, meaning that someone else does need to take over to ensure the continued smooth running of the hall for the enjoyment of so many people.

You would typically spend an hour or so during an average week answering phone calls and emails from potential hirers and sending booking paperwork to them, which is almost all done via email these days. Hirers will need to collect keys from you prior to their function, but that can be arranged to suit you (I ask hirers not to come at weekends, for example). You will have the backing of a friendly and supportive group of trustees and I am happy to have a lengthy handover period to settle someone new into the role. I simply am not able to continue in this role so please do give some serious consideration to whether you could do something to help the community by taking on this important, fun and sociable position. An honorarium is payable.

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## Your Village Hall Needs You! Cont'd

If you have any questions, please contact me on 01223 971006 or stephaniejyoung@hotmail.co.uk and I will be very happy to have a chat with you but please bear in mind that I can't always reply during working hours. Please don't assume that someone else will do it – they usually don't so please do give it some serious consideration! The village hall is such an asset to our community and I am sure you would enjoy being involved with it as much as I have over the last 12 years.

Stephanie Young, Retiring Lettings Secretary  
Comberton Village Hall



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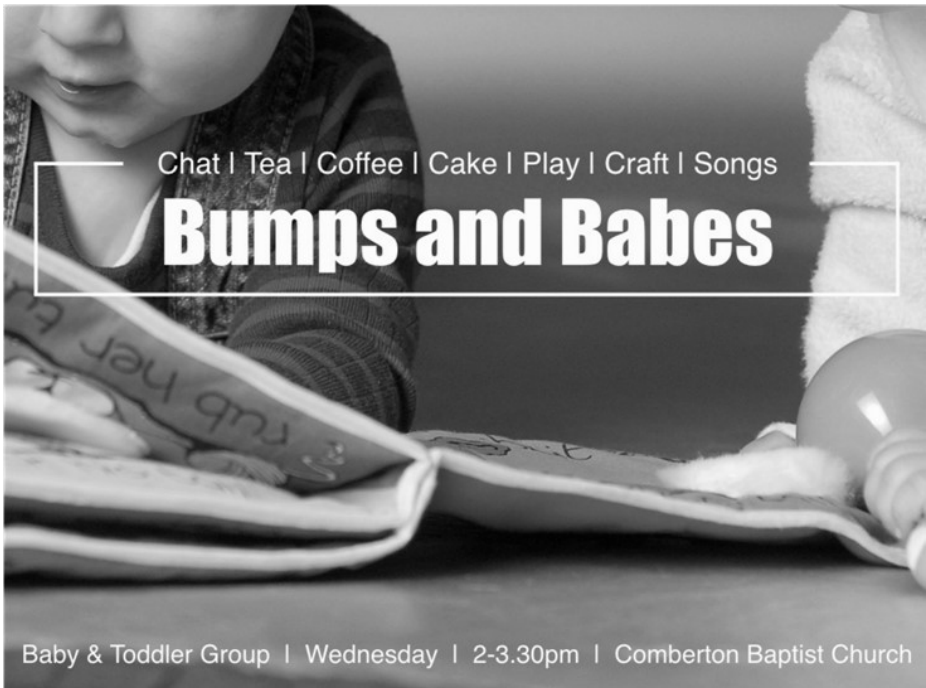
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## Heidi Allen MP Newsletter

Before I launch into my usual monthly constituency update, I thought it important to explain what has happened recently in terms of my own party allegiance. As you will know, I left the Conservative Party in February to sit as an Independent MP because I was concerned the Party had drifted to the right and it was more concerned with its own survival than the national interest. Early polling results gave us, as Independents, the confidence to formalise into a party structure, named "Change UK" to fight the European elections at the end of May. However it soon became clear that the Brexit Party was storming ahead. Believing passionately that the National interest must always come first, and that Nigel Farage did not have the right answers for the country's future, I felt our support should shift to other Remain parties who were faring better than us in the polls.

I was unable to convince a majority of Change UK MPs of this strategy and they remained steadfastly of the opinion that the party should seek to achieve as many votes for itself rather than collaborate with other parties

Now the European elections are over, I remain unwavering in my strong belief that the country must always come first. As such, I have

stepped down from Change UK and returned to sit once again as an Independent with four other colleagues – Sarah Wollaston, Luciana Berger, Angela Smith and Gavin Shuker.

There are two principal reasons as to why I have done this.

I do not believe I can serve my constituents and country well if I put party interests ahead of theirs.

Secondly, the political landscape remains very volatile. In the coming weeks and months I can easily envisage MPs leave the Conservative Party because they cannot tolerate a new Prime Minister who advocates a hard Brexit or no deal Brexit. Equally, there are Labour colleagues who will no longer tolerate Jeremy Corbyn's inability to fight as an opposition leader should.

Recognising that it is very difficult for MPs to leave their parties and immediately join other ones, I believe my role will be to help convene a safe neutral space in the centre ground of Parliament and offer a home for those MPs. It will allow us to work alongside the Liberal Democrats, Greens, SNP, Change UK and Plaid Cymru in the national interest, ensuring we do not crash out of the EU with no deal.

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As an Independent MP with a reputation for cross party working and prioritising the national interest over party allegiance, I feel strongly that I will be able to help act as a convener.

It is my strong belief that this is what the country needs right now.

A more detailed statement, including a video setting out my views, can be seen on my website: <https://heidiallen.co.uk/explaining-the-decision-to-sit-as-an-independent-member-of-parliament/>

Back onto local issues!

Highways England have launched the latest stage of their consultation, seeking your views on the proposed route for the A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet improvements.

The consultation webpage has “fly-through” videos which show what the roads and the junctions will look like. They are an excellent way of not only getting a clearer understanding of the route but also looking at specific “pinch points” along the route including Black Cat roundabout, the Eltisley junction and the roundabout at Caxton Gibbet.

There are also a number of local consultation events taking place including:

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June from 10am to 4pm at Newton Primary School, Eltisley

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July from 12 noon to 8pm at Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Cambourne

A mobile visitor centre on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July between 8.30am to 2.30pm at Pendrill Court, Ermine Street North, Papworth Everard

The consultation is available here and is open until 28<sup>th</sup> July - <https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a428-black-cat-to-caxton-gibbet-improvements/>

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## Heidi Allen MP Newsletter Cont'd

Last month, I was delighted to formally open the Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton Community Rail Partnership and extend my thanks to its Chair, Councillor Van de Ven for her kind invitation to its anniversary celebrations.

This initiative is designed to connect users with their rail network, Great Northern, giving a voice to the passenger and local community.

We celebrated the anniversary in style with a fabulous train themed cake and refreshments at the Plough in Shepreth! If you are a rail user and would like to connect with this group please visit <http://meldrethsheprethfoxtonrail.org.uk/>.

Finally, I was pleased to read the National Lottery Community Fund had awarded £136,666.40 to six community projects in South Cambridgeshire, including Fen Drayton Primary School, Cambridge Branch of the National Childbirth Trust, Cambridgeshire Hearing Help, Kingston Village Hall, Guilden Morden Community Pub Limited and Headway Cambridgeshire. The National Lottery Community Fund makes awards to groups who are

improving their communities. If you are involved with a local community group and looking for funding, why not take a look at their website at <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/?> Well done to everybody involved in these community projects!

As ever, my newsletter can only provide a snapshot of my work on your behalf but if there is anything you would like to talk to me about, my next surgery is on Friday 5 July. This is an "appointment only" surgery between 2.30 and 4.30pm at The Melbourn Hub, 30 High St, Melbourn, SG8 6DZ. If you would like an appointment, please call my office on 01223 830037.

Further surgery dates will be added to my website soon - <https://heidiallen.co.uk/constituency-surgeries/>

In the meantime, if you would like to contact me, please email [heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk) or call my office.

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## Parish Council Report

The Parish Council met on 12 June 2019.

### *Parish Council membership and member responsibilities*

Cllr Hywel Griffiths was elected as the Chairman and Cllr Tim Scott was elected as the Vice-Chairman. Other members were appointed to the Planning Committee or various working groups. Details will be in the minutes for interested residents. The Council also reviewed its policies and landholdings.

### *Vacancies on the Parish Council*

There are vacancies on the Parish Council. If any members of the public are interested in undertaking this role, please contact the Clerk at the address below.

### *Annual Accounts*

The Council approved its annual accounts for FY ending 31 March 2019 and considered the internal auditor's report. Residents may inspect the accounts and all the supporting information between 17 June and 26 July by contacting the Clerk for an appointment

### *Annual Parish Meeting*

The Parish Council thanks all residents who attended the Annual Parish Meeting. The meeting gave residents the

opportunity to hear about the work of various organisations in the village. Cllr Tatnell provided an informative update on the plans for the village pond, with a view to protecting wildlife, retaining water, and preserving the historic pond as an attractive natural feature of the village.

### *Dog Fouling*

The Parish Council thanks all the residents who clear up after their dogs, but would like to encourage all owners to clear up.

### *Village Pond*

The Parish Council is supporting Frog Life's grant application for external funding towards community engagement to investigate pond improvements. The work carried out to date has been reviewed and a programme of future work has been suggested. A quotation has been accepted to cut back the willows and remove the stumps.

### *Verges*

The Parish Council arranges 3 cuts of the highway verges per annum on behalf of CCC. The Parish Council has agreed to increase this to 4 cuts a year.

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## Parish Council Report Cont'd

### *Parish Council meetings*

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### *Parish Council contact details*

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All parishioners are invited to attend the meeting and the first ten minutes or so are open to residents to ask questions or make comments and observations on Comberton matters or on items on the agenda. If the matter is on the agenda or has already been under discussion a response may be given at the meeting otherwise the matter might be tabled for fuller discussion at the next or a future meeting.



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*Mr Jonathon Lewis – Director for Education in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough came for a visit*

Mr Lewis visited our school at the beginning of June and was greeted by some eager Year 6 children, who accompanied him on a tour. Our children were excellent ambassadors and Mr Lewis commented on 'our polite and well behaved children', 'our good learning routines' and 'lots of good writing'.

*Healthy Living Week: Our theme was 'Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds'*

We recently celebrated our Healthy living week. Each year, we reflect on ways to keep ourselves fit and healthy. The children enjoyed a daily mile walk

around the school grounds; discussing healthy foods and reflecting on their internet use and internet activities. Our Key Stage 2 children visited the Cambridgeshire Life Bus which came to Meridian. They learnt valuable lessons on keeping their bodies safe from harm. Some of the younger children had workshops in healthy eating and yoga, led by parent volunteers.

*Captain Noah and the Floating Zoo*

We were treated to a wonderful evening of music by our Key Stage 2 choir who performed with the adult choir 'Village Voices'. Both choirs sang two songs from their own repertoire and this was followed by an ambitious performance of Captain Noah and the Floating Zoo. The children rose to the challenge magnificently! Thank you to Miss Sands (teacher and music co-lead) and Mrs Walthew (Village Voices choir director) for organising such an excellent community event.

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On Wednesday 3rd July at 1.45pm we will be hosting this event for all families in the CB23 network schools. This will be facilitated by the Early Intervention Family Worker, Samantha Stacey. Please do come along if you have children starting school in September.

Could you volunteer as a governor?

We are keen to recruit new governors from the local community. If you are interested in volunteering as a governor and becoming more involved in the primary school, please do get in touch with the chair of governors, Mr Peter Newton, [chair@meridian.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:chair@meridian.cambs.sch.uk) to find out more.

Kind Regards,  
Mrs C. Etchie, Headteacher

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## Friends of the Rosie Hospital

Thank you for all your support at The Friends of the Rosie Hospital stalls this year. So far we have raised £518 to help make the Rosie a more comfortable environment for mothers and babies. For up-to-the minute information follow Rosie in Stitches facebook page

See below for where you can shop with us again.

Upcoming Stall dates this summer

Tea Bar, Rosie Hospital  
Outpatient Clinic  
Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm  
Bar Hill Village Fete  
Saturday 6th July 2pm to 5pm  
Selling toys for all ages

We always need help in the Tea Bar in Clinic 21 for a few hours a week or on an occasional basis. At present we do not have a

regular volunteer for either Monday afternoon or Thursday morning. We also require occasional volunteers to help when a regular volunteer is unable to help due to holidays/illness etc.

Please email [annlaskey@icloud.com](mailto:annlaskey@icloud.com) if you would like to volunteer.

New members are always welcome, whether to contribute financially, to join our team of knitters, provide transport for our volunteers, display a small selection of our wares or to help on the Rosie tea bar. Contact Mary Sanders on 01223 356615 further details are given on our website [www.rosieinstitches.org.uk](http://www.rosieinstitches.org.uk).

Thank you for your continued support

# CAM Dance

**New for September**

MONDAYS  
AT MERIDIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL  
COMBERTON

**Childrens**  
**Beginners**  
**Ballroom & Latin**  
**6yrs +**

**Childrens**  
**Beginners**  
**Rock & Roll**  
**6yrs +**



Seniors

# Holiday Club



£18 for three days  
including hot lunch

Wednesday 28th August  
- Friday 30th August

10am – 2.30pm

Registration from 9.30am

arts and crafts, music  
and singing, flower  
arranging, modelling,  
croquet, boules,  
meditations or just  
relaxing with a jigsaw or  
the newspapers

Each day there is an entertaining, illustrated talk on the theme of gardens. The talks will be followed by a short time of Christian worship and then a hot lunch

Oasis takes place at **Comberton Baptist Church**, Green End

For details and bookings call **01223 262236** or visit [c-b-c.org.uk/oasis](http://c-b-c.org.uk/oasis)

Organised by St. Mary's Comberton | Comberton Baptist Church | Comberton Catholic Community

# E D G E

## COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB

THURSDAYS. 4PM TO 6PM.  
COMBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH.

## The Challenge Sponsored by Budgens of Comberton Solution

This puzzle proved so tricky that it tricked me . A 'rogue' four gate-crashed when I wasn't looking with the result that my intended total of 144 ( ie Gross relating to 15 packs of Bombay Mix per day ) became 148 ! As a consequence I made the decision to put all entries in the hat regardless of the total recorded. Apologies to all those who racked their brains to find the implied link. **Hidden numbers are all in bold type.**

On every occasion that I stay in an hotel **eventually**, if I am not **working**, time passes very slowly. **If I vent** my frustration on the kitchen staff by **not entertaining** clients in their restaurant eventually I find my **breath reeks** of the Bombay Mix snacks ( my favourite ) from the rooms mini bar. Whenever possible I like to **run in every** marathon, wherever I am but went to hospital yesterday instead. Being a member of a group of radiologists **I x-rayed** myself as part of a regular check-up policy. Unfortunately I **weigh twice** what I should but not any members of **our** family has ever weighed less than 150 kilos ! This **is even true of our** pets, have you ever seen a 40 kilo dachshund ? We had a special trolley made to fit under his stomach ! I must finish now as my hands , **stiff if typing** for too long , become unusable. My right hand, that **went yesterday**, is still causing me trouble. I would dearly love to **weigh Tofts** average of 70 but some of us can only dream. At the moment I am not able to exercise. Where is the Bombay Mix; and get that dachshund off my lap !!!!!!!

June Winner; Meg Briggs, Barrons Way

## The Challenge Sponsored by Budgens of Comberton

AKA ! or What did you say your name was?

Simply link up the real names in the left hand column with the assumed names on the right. (AA,BB etc)

A Stephen King	( ) George Eliot
B Anne Bronte	( ) Moliere
C Washington Irving	( ) Curren Bell
D David Cornwell	( ) Lewis Carroll
E Eric Arthur Blair	( ) Saki
F Joanne Rowling	( ) Lemony Snicket
G Erika Mitchell	( ) Richard Bachman
H Jean Baptiste Poquelin	( ) Barbara Vine
I Hector Hugh Munro	( ) Dietrich Knickerbocker
J Samuel Clemens	( ) Mary Westmacott
K Ruth Rendell	( ) Acton Bell
L Agatha Christie	( ) John Le Carre
M Mary Ann Evans	( ) George Orwell
N Daniel Handler	( ) Ellis Bell
O Charlotte Bronte	( ) E L James
P Charles Dodgson	( ) Robert Galbraith
Q Emily Bronte	( ) Mark Twain

Entries please to Budgens. The Library or Green End Surgery  
no later than the 14<sup>th</sup> August 2019. The prize of £10, generously  
donated by Budgens, is to be spent in store.

Name.....

Address.....

# Comberton Village Hall Lettings Charges

## *Village and Affiliated Community Group Use*

### **Main Hall**

Private (except evening social events)	£15
Affiliated Group (except evening social events)	£12.50
Weekday evening social events (M-T)	£30
Weekend evening social events (F/S/S)	£60
Wedding reception (all day - midnight)	£200
Meeting Room or Community Room	£10
Committee meetings in Meeting or Committee Room	£5

## ***Non-Village and Non-Affiliated Community Group Use***

### **Main Hall**

Private (except evening social events)	£25
Non-Affiliated Group (exc evening social events)	£20
Weekday evening social events (M-T)	£40
Weekend evening social events (F/S/S)	£90
Wedding reception (all day - midnight)	£300
Meeting Room or Community Room	£15

Community Commercial and Commercial Letting charge on application to the Lettings Secretary

Sessions run from 9am-1 pm, 2pm-5:30pm and 6pm-1 0:30pm.  
Midnight for Friday/Saturday/Sunday. Premises to be vacated by end of session

Annual affiliation fee of £10 is due on 1<sup>st</sup> January

Community Group Use means local groups operating on a non-commercial basis

Groups working with children or vulnerable adults will need to have Child Protection and Vulnerable Adult policies in place

Booking should be made with the Lettings Secretary, Mrs Stephanie Young on 01 223 971 006 or 07773 085479 between 9am-9pm.

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