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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

REGULAR DATES

Every Tuesday	Comberton Café at the Village Hall
Every Tuesday	Table Tennis in Village Hall
Every Tuesday 2.00pm	Slow 'n' Low in Village Hall
Every Wednesday 10.00 to 11.30	Comberton Toddler Group at Village Hall
Every Wednesday evening	Tang Soo Do at Meridian School
Every Wednesday 12.25 - 1.10	Lunchtime Badminton at Village Hall
1st and 3rd Sunday of each month	S.E.F at Comberton Baptist Church
1 st 2 nd and 4 th Monday Evenings at 7.00pm	Carpet Bowls at Village Hall.
4th Tuesday of each month at 8.00pm	Comberton Antiquarian Society at Village Hall

JUNE 2011

8th June	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting at Village Hall
9th June	8.00pm	Science and Faith at St Mary's Church
11th June	10.00am	CU3A Plant Sale by the Duck Pond
12th June	2.00pm	Fun Run at Meridian Primary School
14th June	7.30pm	WI 'Words and Music' at Village Hall
15th June	7.30pm	'Remember Me' at Village Hall
18th June	7.00pm	A Night at the Opera at Comberton Leisure Hall
18th June	7.15pm	Scouts Quiz Night at Meridian School
19th June	1.00pm	Winemakers BBQ at Toft
22nd June	1.00 - 6.00pm	Woodland Trust Open Afternoon

JULY 2011

1st July	7.00-9.00pm	Evening Bingo at Village Hall
23rd July	6.00pm	Comberton A&GA Barbecue

A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Last month I went to the Cambridge Building Society Community Magazine Awards evening. This is always an interesting evening and the Cambridge Building Society's hospitality is excellent. There is a wide divergence of styles, presentation, size and cost in the magazines on display. Some are full of colour but are quarterly and not free. We did not win anything this year. However, Comberton was well represented by the Village college who won two awards. They won Bronze Award and Silver Award for sport@com in the Best Specialist Magazines Awards. Congratulations to both of these magazines.

Jenny Brown, who has organised the distribution of Contact to each of your homes each month, has sadly and reluctantly retired following heart surgery. Jenny has seen five editors come and go whilst fulfilling this invaluable role. She has built a strong team of distributors and ensured that Contact reaches every home in the village at the ned of each month. No Contact would have been possible without these valiant and invisible volunteers. Many, many thanks to you, Jenny on behalf of all Comberton villagers.

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At the Village Hall

Wed. 15th June

Remember me 12A

A romantic drama with a twist

Wed. 20th July

THE KING'S SPEECH

Tickets £3.50 on the door.

Doors open 7.30, Film starts 7.45

For further information Sandra Hyde Tel: 262075

This event is sponsored by Comberton Village Hall Trustees

Comberton 1st Scout Group

Quiz Night

18th June 2011

Meridian Primary School,
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7.15 for 7.30 start

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Science and Faith - How do they relate?

**Can a scientist be a Christian?
Has Science disproved Christianity?**

An evening with Rev Professor Michael Reiss,
Professor of Science Education at the
Institute of Education in London.

**8.00pm. Thursday 9th June at St Mary's
Church, Comberton**

Everybody welcome - Scientist, Christian, both or
neither.

CVC : All Years: Olympic Torch Relay 2012

Monday 9th May 2011

Dear Parent/Carer,

Pledge your support and our school could have the opportunity to carry the Olympic Flame in the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay

We're delighted to be taking part in the UK's biggest school sporting event Lloyds TSB National School Sport Week, which runs from 27 June 1 July 2011. This is a fun week of sport and celebration, which uses the inspiration of London 2012 Games to help our young people take part in more sport. This year we're also encouraging them to set their personal best in a variety of Olympic and Paralympic sports.

We will be hosting a number of events during the week including both Primary and KS3 Swimming Galas,

Lloyds TSB is also National Presenting Partner of the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay, and with your pledges of support our school could have the chance of carrying the Olympic Flame in the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay a once in a lifetime opportunity.

To give us the best chance of winning we need you to make a pledge of support for our school online. It's simple to do, just go to www.lloydstsb.com/nationalschoolsportweek, search for us by school name or postcode CB23 7DU fill in your details and click the 'Submit' button. That's it!

Your pledge of support could make all the difference. We just need 100 pledges of support to be in with a chance of carrying the Olympic Flame. Even if we reach 50 pledges we'll still be in with a chance of winning £500 of sports equipment vouchers to help us enable more of our young people to do more sport.

You can also share our pledge page through email or on Facebook or Twitter. Once you've pledged your support, please ask your friends and family to pledge too - it only takes a minute!

Thank you for your support.
Regards
Paula Fisher

School Sports Co-ordinator
South Cambs School Sports Partnership

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Wednesday 15th June

2 for 2.30 – 4.30 pm

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RAFFLE also

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EVENING BINGO on FRIDAY 1st JULY,
7 for 7.30pm to 9pm

MERIDIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL FUN RUN

12th June 2pm

Meridian Primary School will not be holding a Fete this year, instead we are having a Fun Run. Registration closes 27th May forms available from school & CB3.

There will also be a great Raffle with loads of lovely prizes, a Bar & BBQ, Crazy golf, Bouncy Castles, Cake stall and more. It would be great to see you all. Please do come along and support our school.

Meridian Primary School PTA

VILLAGE CAFÉ at the VILLAGE HALL

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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

from the Clerk

The Parish Council met on 11 May 2011.

The first business at the First and Annual meeting was the election of the Chairman and appointment of members to committees and working groups.

Parish Council members contact details

Miss Amanda Bacon (Chairman)	Arial View, 92B Swaynes	264711
Mr Andrew Hollick	73 Swaynes Lane	263089
Mrs Sandra Hyde	57 Long Road	262075
Dr Janet McCabe	3 Westcroft	263387
Mr Simon Moffat	86 Swaynes Lane	
Miss Chris Westgarth	85 Barton Road	263242

Dame Veronica Sutherland of Hines Lane was co-opted on to the Parish Council.

There are still six vacancies so if you are interested in joining the Parish Council please contact the Clerk.

The Council recorded its thanks to Robert Cook, Jane Winney and Dorothy Morrison who were co-opted to continue on the Tree Group.

The Council approved its accounts and these will be submitted for external audit on 6 June.

All policies were reviewed and updated as required.

The Council awarded a grant of £750 to St Mary's Church (churchyard upkeep), and £350 to Comberton Scouts (annual fireworks). A request for financial support from Comberton Play Group (storage shed) was carried forward to the next meeting.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 8 June 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. 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 will be tabled for fuller discussion at the next or a future meeting.

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Services and Events at St Mary's in June

Thursday 2nd	7.30pm	Lordsbridge Team Ascension Day Service, Haslingfield
Sunday 5th	8.00am	Holy Communion (Prayer Book) at St Mary's
	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 9th	8.00pm	Science and Religious Faith - how do they relate? With Rev Professor Michael Reiss, in St Mary's Church.
Sunday 12th	8.30am	Holy Communion (Prayer Book) at St Andrew's Toft Pentecost
	9.30am	Holy Communion for Pentecost Sunday
Sunday 19th	8.00am	Holy Communion (Prayer Book) at St Mary's
Trinity Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 26th	9.30am	All-Age worship

Can a scientist be a Christian? A surprising large number of scientists are also Christian believers. But how can science and faith fit together? Hasn't science disproved religion? Come and join in thinking further about it on the evening of Thursday June 9th. Our speaker is Rev Professor Michael Reiss, Professor of Science Education in London. Everybody is welcome - Christian, scientist, both or neither!

New Curate on the Way! We have a new curate joining us at St Mary's from the start of July. He is Corin Redsell, who is finishing his training at Ridley Hall in Cambridge at the moment. Corin and his wife, Nicky, will be living in Coton Vicarage but spending a lot of their time in Comberton and sharing in the life of St Mary's.

St Mary's Church building is open all day every weekend, not only when there are services. Please feel free to come in at any time, to sit, pray, think or simply enjoy the quiet.

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6.00 pm OLEM

Sunday Masses at OLEM

8.00 am

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Wednesday 29th June is the Feast of St Peter & St Paul. There will be a 7.30 pm mass at OLEM.

Further details of these and all other services for June for the entire parish may be found on the parish website which also has the weekly newssheet and other parish information. www.olem.org.uk

BUMPS AND BABES

Every Wednesday from 1:30 – 3 pm, in the Church Centre at Comberton Baptist Church, a group of young mothers and mothers-to-be meet together. Bumps and Babes is open to any mum-to-be and any mum with a baby. We meet to relax, drink tea and coffee, eat cake and chat.

It is the chance to unwind for a little while. Some gals from the church volunteer to make the tea and the coffee, produce the cake and hold the little ones so that mums can take a breather.

Whether it is to swap stories and get tips on what works best, or just have a natter and take the weight off our feet. It is good just to get out and know each of us is not on our own.

The Centre is equipped with Babe-friendly gear: a big play rug and lots of toys. It is a nice group, with anything from three to fifteen mums there, depending on holidays and sleep patterns.

Our Donna and Ann run B&B, so if you think it is for you, do come along, it would be great to see you.

Comberton Baptist Church is in Green End. It has Sunday services at 10:30 to 12:00, for children, and teens as well as the adults. There are also other smaller 'Life Groups' in people's houses during the week. The church is open to anyone who is interested. You are always welcome.

If you want to find out more first, or you need someone to talk to, do call 01223 263422. The website is www.c-b-c.org.uk)



NEWS FROM THE MERIDIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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At the time of writing the weather has been extremely good for weeks (by the time you read it, however, that may be a very different story!) But, whatever the weather, this is the term when the children take part in lots of learning activities outside the classroom. For example, our Year 5s will be having their swimming lessons once a week at Comberton Village College pool, and taking part in an inter-school swimming gala at the end of June. The Year 4s will go

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to Cambridge for the Year 4 Mini-Olympics, while younger children will take part in tennis and multi-skills tournaments. Back at school there are, of course, two sports days, one for FS/KS1 and the other for KS2. We have four 'houses', and the children take part in a range of fun, active tasks to gain points for their house.

Year 6 (our oldest children) have a particularly busy time in the summer term. They take part in an Athletics Festival at the village college and many will undertake Bikeability training, learning to ride their bikes safely prior to moving on to secondary school. They also wrestle with a science challenge at the village college, and create and perform a drama production for parents. One of the high spots of their year (and possibly their whole primary career!) is the Year 6 Leavers' Disco. They choose the theme and then our wonderful PTA organise everything, including appropriate decorations. Dress has to fit the theme and is always astonishingly imaginative.

The PTA will be as active as ever in other areas too. This year they have organised a fun run (to take place on Sunday 12 June at 2pm -- do come and join us) as a change from the usual fete, and are also encouraging the children to show off their musical skills at a Saturday afternoon musical soiree. On the last day of the school year we have the (now famous) 'wear what you like but with sensible shoes' day. A privilege for which the children are invited to donate £1 to PTA funds. It is this mix of fund-raising events and child-centred fun which makes our PTA such a valuable part of the school. Where would we be without them?

Glennis Virgo

Headteacher

COMBERTON VILLAGE COLLEGE:

A Note from the Principal

After a long period of time, we will all be very pleased when the current building work at the college is finished. The final handover is now imminent and the official opening ceremony is due to take place on 14 June. Lord Hill, Education Minister, will open the facility. David Bell, Permanent Secretary at the Department for Education, is set also to be in attendance. We hope that many others will also be there to celebrate the opening of this major new facility in the area. We are pleased to be able to report that, once the contractors have left the site, we have confirmed that there will be a minimum of 55 additional car parking spaces compared to the position before the work started. There is some scope to get further cars in addition to that onto the site also. This is more than the number of extra staff who will work at the school.

The new gymnasium is already completed and is handed over to the school. There will also be a new school library located amongst the new facilities and a major new front entrance that we hope all visitors will appreciate. Then there will be all the fine new Sixth Form facilities, both general (Lecture Theatre, private study space, common room and cafeteria) and dedicated teaching spaces.

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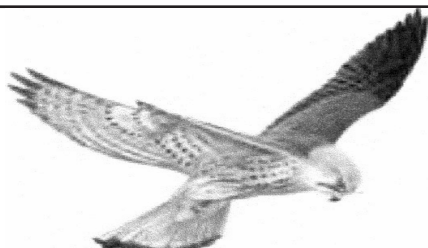
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This will allow our first ever cohort of Sixth Form students to start with us this coming September. We have been funded for the maximum number possible for us in the first year, namely 185 students. We are pleased to be able to confirm that we expect to have approximately that many students with us when we start in September. About 100 of these are current pupils at Comberton Village College. The remaining students will come from other schools, many local and others further afield.

Looking further ahead, we are in much discussion with the county and a design team about the development of a secondary school at Cambourne. The plan is to look to secure facilities that could open in September 2013 in order to cater for the further increase in numbers of children aged 11 that will be in the designated catchment area of Comberton Village College by that date. The new school, run in very tight association with Comberton Village, would allow all pupils in the catchment area to be educated at a local secondary school into the future. This is obviously what we all want to happen and can be the case if we are able to see through this development.

Stephen Munday

ANNUAL SUPPER WITH ENTERTAINMENT

This year's event organised for the over 65's by the Village Hall Trustees, will take place on Friday 22nd July. Further details will be in the July Contact.

WI REPORT

May is traditionally the month when WI members discuss resolutions which are then voted on at the AGM in June. The two resolutions for discussion this year concern support for local libraries and opposition to planning permission for mega-farms. The arguments were presented for and against each resolution and the result of our vote will be taken to the AGM in Liverpool.

Afterwards members had the opportunity to look at our archives and discover how Comberton WI operated in 1940-1942. It provided an insight into a very different world, preoccupied by war,

Next meeting: 14th June at 7.45pm in the Village Hall 'Words and Music'.

Visitors are always welcome.

TABLE TOP SALE

Comberton WI are planning to organise a table top sale on Saturday 24th September in the Village Hall from 10.00 to 12.00. Tables will be available for £8. If you are interested in hiring a table, please contact Mandy Ray on 264094 or mja@yahoo.co.uk

A NIGHT AT THE OPERA

Come and join the Cambridgeshire Choral Society for 'Night at the Opera' a selection of well-known choruses and arias from popular operas with professional soloists and a children's choir from Girton Glebe School. Saturday June 18th at 7.00pm in Comberton Leisure Performance Hall.

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Secretary: Mary Catlin, 59 Green End, Comberton, CAMBRIDGE, CB23 7DY, Tel 01223 263905, email derekatlin@ricsonline.org

The Wedding Day ... and the arrival of our visitors from le Vaudreuil.

They had left France in the morning, and visited Canterbury and Leeds Castle before arriving in Comberton in the evening. Forty-five came, and were hosted by members of the Association.

Saturday saw various activities with many visiting Cambridge and others further afield. One group spent the morning on a circular walk from Toft to Caldecote, enjoying both the countryside and the wonderful English weather, before ending up at Toft being taught the intricacies of Maypole dancing. In the evening, hosts arranged dinner for our guests, many gathering in groups. Sunday lunch for 95 was held in the Village Hall, with an excellent three course meal and entertainment from the Saf-fron Walden Buskers, after which came the sad 'au revours'. As usual an excellent weekend.....we do welcome new members, especially families. For further information, please do contact either myself or Mary Catlin.

We would love to see you.

Peter Mitton

PINK ROSE CRAFT EVENING

I would like to say a great big thank you to all who came along to support the Pink Rose Craft Evening on May 4th. It was a resounding success (much to my relief – I think the Pink Bubbly got people in the mood!).

There seemed to be something for everyone, from the craft stalls to Madeleine Bradley's amazing flower demonstration. Madeleine's talent for unusual and unique arrangements together with her light-hearted sense of humour got everyone's attention.

We raised £1,041.00 on the evening and with promised donations our total should reach £1,116.00 – much appreciated funds for the Breast Cancer Research Unit at Addenbrookes. THANKYOU

Barbara Urquhart

A BAROQUE FEAST FROM COMBERTON CANTABILE!

The concert opened with an organ solo of Pachelbel's Ciacona in D played by Brian Watkins. It was lovely to hear a work other than the 'Canon' - such a popular piece. Brian cajoled an excellent performance from St. Mary's organ, which has a small keyboard, and this made an enjoyable start to the concert.

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Comberton Cantabile's performance of Purcell's 'Come ye Sons of Art' (which he wrote as a birthday ode for Queen Mary on her 33rd birthday, 1694) would have delighted both Purcell and Queen Mary, I think! The work has a variety of solos and duets (with choruses at the beginning and end), which were sung very competently by members of the choir and the visiting soprano, Sarah Maxwell. Her solo 'Bid the Virtues' with the lovely tone of her voice interweaving with the oboe part was very beautiful. The work is not easy, with some difficult rhythms to negotiate, but under Brenda Brown's excellent direction everything hung together very well.

The performance of Vivaldi's 'Gloria' was energising and inspiring and there was some wonderful blended singing, which made one forget that this is an amateur choir, particularly in 'Propter magnum gloriam' and 'Cum Sancto Spirito' at the end. Again the solos were strong, and well supported by the organ and oboe - the latter played so beautifully by Jan Payne. This was an ambitious programme for the choir and soloists, but the church setting and the well loved work of Vivaldi's 'Gloria' made this a very special performance which took 'Comberton Cantabile' to new heights, and made those of us from the village very proud of our choir and their director Brenda Brown.

Elizabeth Booker

COMBERTON ALLOTMENTS & GARDENS ASSOCIATION

Barbecue Saturday 23rd July 2011

Our annual get together will be at 6.00pm. Tickets are strictly limited to 40 and will be £5 per person. Please bring your own drinks glasses and a chair to sit on.

Details from Quin (264410) and Ian (264078)

Autumn Outing Sunday 25th September, Kew Gardens

Our trip to Kew is now taking shape. The cost per person will be £25 reduced to £23 for over 60's. (Association Members) Others can join the Association when booking. (£2 or £1 concessions.) This will include transport from the Village College and entry to Kew. Reservations can be made with Quin (264410)

FORMER OLYMPIC SWIMMER CHRISTINE JARVIS- ILMAN IS COMING TO COMBERTON.

Ultimate Aquatics, which she runs, is offering improvers' courses in the village college pool during the summer holidays.

There are two weeks of courses, from Monday July 25-Friday July 29 and from Monday August 22-Friday August 26. There will be two sessions, starting at 10.00am and 11.00am each week.

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Mrs Ilman is also happy to run stroke improver classes for adults if there is sufficient interest.

Although this is Ultimate Aquatics' first venture at Comberton, Mrs Ilman, who competed for Great Britain at the 1972 and 1976 Games and held the British and Commonwealth 100m breaststroke record in 1976, is no stranger to the pool. She officially opened it in the early Seventies!

To book or for further information, contact Mrs Ilman by e-mail: olympian7276@yahoo.co.uk, with details including name/age/address/telephone number and swimming ability, or call her on Cambridge (01223) 356311.

TREES ON THE RECREATION GROUND EXTENSION

Six trees were planted in February. These were well grown specimens purchased by the council and private donations from residents. Owing to the dry weather, the trees have been showing drought stress and the tree warden has been taking water to them to prevent them from dying. It has been difficult to get enough water across the field and a local farmer kindly lent a large water tanker so that the trees could be watered.

After a few days children were seen playing with the outlet tap and wasting the water. In an attempt to reduce this waste a chain and padlock were placed around the tap and outlet pipe. Despite this, the tap has been opened and ALL the water wasted between the 13th and 15th of May. One of the tyres on the water trailer has also been vandalised. It is depressing to have to report vandalism of this type when some local residents have made significant efforts to keep these trees alive.



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The first event will be an Open Day on Saturday 18 June which will give everyone the chance to see just how far we have come on our journey. In addition to the normal Saturday shop opening, we will be conducting tours of the private accommodation block to show people just what life in the Community is like. We will also have a display showing the history and development of Emmaus in the UK and its plans for the future. Music throughout the main part of the day plus a selection of stalls promoting either activities or people connected with Emmaus will complete the programme for the day.

The second event will be a One Day Half Price Solidarity Sale with a truly International flavour on Saturday 16th July. People may remember that last year we held a one day sale and invited other Emmaus communities from the UK to join us. This year we hope to go one better and to include communities from Europe as well, which would be another first for the Community! The charity, which provides home and work for previously homeless people and those wanting to live in a community environment is hoping that people involved over the years will join in the celebrations by coming to at least one, but preferably both of these exciting events this summer! For those of you who have not yet visited us, we would encourage you to come and see what you are missing. For those people who have supported us over the last twenty years we would like to say a huge thank you!

More information will be available on our posters, our website

www.emmauscambbridge.org or at the shop so please come and join us at the Community on Green End, Landbeach, Cambridge CB25 9FD from 9am to 5pm. Call us on 01223 863657 or email info@emmauscambbridge.org if you would like more information.

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For those of a (slightly) energetic mind, there will be opportunities to try out Tai Chi, Yoga and aerobics, while there are also sessions in singing, painting, and creative collage, not to mention a guided tour of the abbey and museum, and a farm walk. Tips on beauty products will also be available. Sessions are led by professional demonstrators and are aimed at total beginners.

The cost is £25, to include a choice of 4 sessions, buffet lunch and afternoon tea, and free refreshments throughout the day.

Tickets, bookable in advance, can be purchased from Chris Leuchars, Education Officer, at Denny Abbey and Farmland Museum, Ely Road, Waterbeach, Cambs, CB25 9PQ; Tel: 01223 860988, email: education@farmlandmuseum.org.uk

For further information and photo opportunities contact Corrina Bower on 01223 860988 or email info@farmlandmuseum.org.uk



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Many of us receive junk mail through the post, with the vast majority going straight in the recycling bin. However for some it can be tempting to try your luck on a 'prize draw' letter that comes through the letterbox.

The cost of this temptation can be seen in figures released from the Office of Fair Trading which shows that last year, 1 in 25 people lost money to a scam, be it bogus prize draws, foreign lotteries, miracle health cures or money transfer scams. Seven per cent of those lost £4000 or more and those are only the ones that were reported.

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If you are in any doubt or think you may have responded to a scam, speak to friends, family or Consumer Direct for advice. Consumer Direct provides advice on behalf of Trading Standards and can be contacted on 0845 4040506. Most of the scams we come across have affected older residents, many of whom experience loneliness. If you are over 60 and could do with having someone visit you for a chat on a regular basis, or perhaps you know someone who would benefit from this, then Age UK (Age Concern and Help the Aged combined) may be able to help you. They offer a voluntary visiting scheme for residents across the County, and you can ring to find out more on 0845 5213481. You can register with the Mailing Preference Service which is free. It won't cut out all scams but it should significantly reduce the amount of marketing mail you receive. Their phone number is 0845 7034599, you can register online at www.mpsonline.org.uk or you can write to Mailing Preference Service, Freepost 29 LON20771, London, W1E 0ZT.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD PROFILE UPDATE CAMBOURNE NEIGHBOURHOOD

**This is a summary of the report pertaining to Comberton.
Comberton Panel**

1. Emerging Issues

Comberton Area Neighbourhood trends

Total crime across the Neighbourhood has increased to 139 offences from 124 in the previous period. Increases were seen in Burglary, other offences and Pedal Cycle theft.

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) incident levels have increased from 111 in the previous period to 143 in the latest 3 month period.

Comberton Ward (*Comberton*)

Crime

- Total crime in Comberton has increased to 13 offences reported during the last three month period. This is still comparably low and is consistent with the same period last year.
- Two pedal cycles were reported stolen in April on South Street and Green End.
- Also in April, 2 shed burglaries were reported in which a number of power tools and other equipment were stolen from a property on Church Lane and 2 off-road motorcycles were stolen from a property on Bush Close.
- In addition to this, there was a burglary offence in March targeting a storage shed on the recreation ground, whereby offender(s) have knocked out a number of bricks to gain entry. Nothing was believed to be stolen. A similar offence was reported in Hardwick which targeted metal. It is likely this is linked to the Hardwick offences.
- A further 2 offences reported in April relate to vehicles found with a window smashed. These offences appear to have occurred on the same

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ASB

- Over the three month period, there were only 12 ASB incidents reported.
- A couple of incidents on Swaynes Lane in Comberton report youths riding up and down the road on a mini-moto without helmets on.
- A further 6 incidents reported over the 3 month period appear to relate to a neighbour dispute on Westlands regarding a parking issue.

Comberton Area

<i>Feb 11 – Apr 11</i>
<i>Nov 10 – Jan 11</i>
<i>Feb 10 – Apr 10</i>

Dwelling Burglary	Other Burglary	Violent Crime	Robbery	Theft of Vehicle	Theft from Vehicle	Theft From Shop	Criminal Damage	Other Crime	Total Crime
6	20	31	1	2	3	4	23	39	139
13	12	30	0	2	16	0	13	36	124
16	30	24	0	2	8	6	42	52	183

GARDEN CHALLENGES

What do you do when you move into a new house with a garden that has been utterly neglected and become woodland at the end? The questions put to me were: should the uncontrolled woodland be retained? Should it be slimmed down? Or should it be removed altogether? How can woodland be incorporated in a small garden?

Planning and planting

For me, trees make a garden, so I would be reluctant to take a slash and burn approach. Trees add vertical structure and so provide a backdrop, in this case, at the end of the garden. Thinning out weak specimens seems sensible to provide space for small woodland planting schemes. The question then is how to plan the planting? Woodland areas invite you to walk through and appreciate the habitat. Careful mapping of trees onto squared paper for a scale plan is very useful for considering alternative plans. Woodland paths need to meander and to have patches of light coming through the canopy to enable a variety of plants to thrive. Spring flowering plants are most likely to be successful owing to their flowering season coinciding with deciduous trees being bare of leaves. Areas adjacent to the wooded area can also be drawn into the woodland planting scheme, so that the planting looks to be a natural part of the garden. Small drifts of snowdrops can provide effective early colour; these can be fol-

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lowed by primroses and later bluebells. Cyclamen at the boundary entrance from the garden can provide late summer and autumn colour.

Management

Woodland areas within a garden have to be managed. This work needs to be appreciated and factored in at the start of planning the garden. Each tree should be identified and its expected height estimated from handbooks of trees. Potential giants are not good for a small garden, so should be considered for elimination. If soil conditions permit, shrubs such as azaleas and rhododendrons are a useful idea for late spring or early summer colour.

Margins of woodland

This strip between the woodland area and the garden proper, is vital for merging the boundary and making it look natural. With natural woodland, there is often an area of shrubby material that softens the transition from flat land to wood. A similar effect can be achieved in the garden by using larger shrubs at the edge and tapering away towards the centre of the boundary like a shallow V-shape. This entices the onlooker to move into the woodland. In front of the shrubs it is useful to have large perennials that diminish in size down to the lawn or hard surface. This softening with different planting makes the rest of the garden an integral part of the woodland.

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SUMMER LAWN CARE

Mowing

Mow regularly at the summer height this month. To remove stems that develop this time of year, rake lawn prior to mowing to present them for cutting, otherwise they can remain prostrate in the lawn.

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- Patio/Driveway Weed Control

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THE CHALLENGE MAY RESULT & WINNER

The answers were of course all football teams and the PC, 1 & 2 referred to the Premiership, Championship, Leagues One & Two respectively. The full list was:-

Leyton Orient(1) Leicester (C) Newcastle(P) Aston Villa(P) West Ham(P)
Scunthorpe(C) Doncaster(C) Hartlepool(1) Rochdale(1) Aldershot(2)
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Winner: Dorothy Morison. The Valley

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Dust off your reference books, switch on the computer. Here's one, as Max Miller would have said.....

Each of the three clues in each group below lead to a common word. What are the missing links?

..... (1) Designer of Pembroke College Camb. 1663. (2) Beau Geste
(3) Troglodytes.

..... (1) Ouida's *Enfant De L'Armee* (Under Two Flags) (2) A Passing
Cloud was one. (3) A card once found in Passing Cloud?

..... (1) Lord Bigod of Bungay wrote of his in a poem. Camden's
Britannia 1607. (2)? Terabil was in Launceston according to Arturian Legend.
(3) AKA Rook.

..... (1) Aragorn (as Strider) was introduced to Frodo as one of these.
(2) Clayton Moore. (3) Park Officer.

..... (1) Alberich guarded this for the Nibelungs. (2) Surname of mem-
ber of the Crazy Gang. (3) But a thing which that shineth as the ? . Chaucer's
Canon's Yeoman's Tale.

..... (1) Fifty thousand horse and foot going to ? Bay ! Kipling.
(2) High ? where Dons eat. (3) A mountain.

..... (1) Money Eton boys once collected on Montem. (2) ? Of Wisdom
(*Sal Alembroth*). (3) Being kissed by a man who didn't wax his moustache was
like eating an egg without ? . Kipling. *The Gadsbys*. Poor Dear Mamma.

..... (1) Dead Sea ? (2) A computer company. (3) A goodly ? rotten at
the heart .Merchant of Venice.

..... (1) A Bristol aircraft. (2) A spaniel. (3) A palace.

..... (1) Standard size of notepaper. (2) A watch chain. (3) An East Afri-
can Lake.

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