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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

REGULAR DATES

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| 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 College | |
| 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 | n month 8.00pm | Comberton Antiquarian Society at V. H. | |
| 4th Thursday of each | ch month2.30pm | Service & Social at Village Hall | |
| Tuesdays | 10.00-11.00am | Sign and Cuddles at Comberton Baptist | |
| | | Church | |

NOVEMBER 2012

| 6th Nov | 3.30pm | Comberton Village Help Scheme at Village Hall |
|----------|--------------|--|
| 6th Nov | 7.45pm | Comberton WI Meeting at Village Hall |
| 8th Nov | 2.00pm | Comberton Friendship Club at Village Hall |
| 13th Nov | 7.30pm | Fashion Show at Melbourn |
| 13th Nov | 14th Nov | 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting at Village Hall |
| 16th Nov | 7.00pm | Bingo at Village Hall |
| 18th Nov | - | Comberton Market at Meridian School |
| 21st Nov | 7.30pm | Film at Village Hall |
| 21st Nov | 11.00 - 4.00 | Festive Autumn Fair at Anstey Hall |
| 24th Nov | | St Mary's Christmas Coffee Morning at Village Hall |
| 25th Nov | 10.30 -1.05 | Big Hearted at Comberton Leisure Centre |
| 30th Nov | 12.30pm | Comberton Luncheon Club at Blue Lion Hardwick |
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DECEMBER 2012

| 1st Dec | 10.30am | Comberton Village Hall Christmas Fair at Village Hall |
|--------------|---------|---|
| 7th Dec | 6.30pm | Christmas Lights at Nursery School |
| 7th, 8th, 9t | th Dec | Comberton Players Pantomime Alice in Wonderland |
| 16th Dec | | Comberton Market at Meridian School |

A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

I have received an offer of help with your magazine. Terry, our treasurer, has taken over, not only the selection of the advertisements, but also the setting of them. This is a great help because I often spend many hours in fine tuning them. To have that ready and done is massively time saving.

May I remind you in advance that we no longer have a combined Dec/Jan issue of Contact. There will be a December issue and a January/February one. So please think ahead and plan what you want included in these issues. At long last the Contact team is planning to get together and put faces to the emails and 'phone calls. You may be surprised to know that the team is 30+ in strength and all willing volunteers. Without them no Contact would drop through your door each month.

COMBERTON CINEMA

At the Village Hall

Wednesday 21st November

Ewan McGregor Emily Blunt

Salmon Fishing in the Yemen



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Tickets £3.50 on the door Doors open 7.30, Film starts 7.45

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All are welcome.

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compertor village Hall Saturday 1st December 10.30 a.m. CHRISTMAS FAYRE cards & sifts & stalls coffee and mince pies bran tub



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Comberton Village Help Scheme

Everyone is welcome at our AGM at 3.30pm on Tuesday 6th November

Venue: The Meeting Room, Comberton Village Hall

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In aid of Meridian School

November 18th, December 16th

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Beavers - Combertonbeavers@hotmail.co.uk

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Christmas Lights at the Crossroads

Friday 7th December

6.30pm

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Festive Autumn Fair

Wednesday, 21st November

11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Anstey Hall, Maris Lane Trumpington, Cambridge CB2 9LN



This event promises to be an exciting pre-Christmas shopping experience. There will be over 40 gift stalls, a Food Hall, Luxury Hamper and Star Prize Draws, delicious home made cakes and preserves, Christmas cards and gifts, clothing, jewellery, prints, ceramics, home accessories, antiques, and many more... The choir of St Faith's Independent School will be performing during the event.

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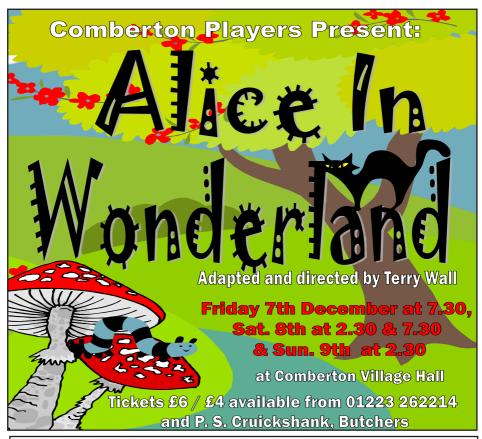
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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

from the Clerk

The Parish Council met on 10th October 2013

Comberton Parish Council's October meeting to be filmed

A Japanese film company attended the meeting to film for a production of educational material for the Open University of Japan

Election of Vice-Chairman

Cllr Hywel Griffiths was elected.

Vacancies on the Council

The Parish Council has been told that it may now co-opt to fill the two vacancies

You should consider standing for election and becoming a Parish Councillor if:

You Want To Do More for Your Community

You Want To Spend Your Time Productively

You Want to be Involved in Setting the Budget

You Can Think, Listen and Act Locally

Effort required:

TIME - As with most things, the more you put in, the more you (and your community) will get out.

The Council employs a Clerk to support the Council in its work both at meetings and also between meetings.

Comberton Parish Council meets each month on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

All members are encouraged to take on an area of responsibility to help share the workload and to ensure that the Council maximises its efficiency. The Council has one committee (Planning) and several working groups which offer members a chance to use their skills and knowledge for maximum benefit or to review a matter in more depth before a decision is reached. Sometimes these Committees or Working Groups will meet in between the meetings of the full Parish Council.

COST - Being a Councillor should cost you little. There is usually cover for subsistence and travel allowances if your duties take you out of your local Council's area. These allowances will be within a maximum laid down by the Government. If you are interested in joining the Council or in its work please contact the Clerk.

Flower beds at the Crossroads

The contract for maintenance of the flower beds has been extended as the beds are looking really nice and well tended.

Paths for Communities proposed cycle route

A Coton resident attended the meeting and urged the Parish Council to support an application for funding under the Paths for Communities scheme for a proposed cycle route from Comberton to Coton. The Parish Council was keen to see if the old Whitwell Way could be re-opened and it offered its

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support for the project. The Council's Transport Working Group was tasked with the project and will be liaising with the Parish Councils in both Barton and Coton and also with the County Council.

Recreation Ground proposed cycle racks

An application has been made to the County Council for some free cycle racks. The Parish Council hopes to hear shortly if it has been successful.

Tennis Courts work

Work will start soon to repair the tennis court fencing and gate and also minor repairs to the surfacing and also line marking.

Comberton Housing Needs Survey

Cambridgeshire ACRE in partnership with the District Council and the Parish Council will be conducting a new housing needs survey so that residents can tell us what affordable or social housing is required in the village. A letter and a questionnaire will be delivered to all homes soon. Please take the time to complete it. Your views are important.

County Council Bus Services Consultation

The County Council will soon be consulting with residents on the local bus service. Again please take time to complete the survey. Details of how to respond and where to send it will be on the letter.

Other not discussed at the meeting

Donations and grants

Each year the Parish Council is able to support village groups and clubs which in the opinion of the Council is in the interests of the area and its inhabitants. If your Group, Club or Society would like to be considered for a grant please write to the Clerk explaining why the grant is required, how much you are asking for and enclosing a copy of your accounts by 4 December. Grant applicants will be informed in April or May 2012 if they have been successful.

Winter Gritting Volunteers Required

Cambridgeshire County Council is providing free training, equipment and insurance for parishes to run volunteer schemes to grit footpaths and cycleways not covered by the County Council's gritters.

There is more information about the scheme on the County Council website at: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/winter/Volunteerforwintergritting.htm

If you are interested in joining in, talk to your parish clerk, who has details of this year's training sessions for volunteers.

Parish Council contact details

Mrs Gail Stoehr, Clerk to Comberton Parish Council, Clerk to Comberton Parish Council

30 West Drive, Highfields Caldecote, Cambridge, CB23 7NY

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| Mr Andrew Hollick | 73 Swaynes Lane | 263089 |
| Dr Janet McCabe | 3 Westcroft | 263387 |
| Mr Simon Moffat | 86 Swaynes Lane | |
| Mr Ben Pemberton | 35 West Street | 262445 |
| Mrs Jill Preston | 45 Long Road | 263077 |
| Mr Tim Scott | Moat House, 65 Green End | 263434 |
| Miss Chris Westgarth | 85 Barton Road | 263242 |

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 14th November 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.

Planning applications

The Parish Council has a Planning Committee which meets once or twice a month depending on the timing of the planning applications received. The Committee is delegated to consider and respond on all planning applications on the Parish Council's behalf. Large applications or applications for multiple dwellings are still considered by the Parish Council. All Planning Committee meetings are open to the public in the same way as Council meetings are. The agenda for the meetings are posted on the village notice board in South Street. For information on any application or to make a representation please contact Cllr Janet McCabe.

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Churchwardens Mrs Debbie Spencer, Tel 264287 Mrs Mary Jenkins, 80 West Street, Tel 263751

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Sunday 4th 8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Holy Communion: How can I know

what God is saying to me?

Wednesday 7th 8.00pm Christianity and other faiths. An

evening with Dr Mike Higton

Sunday 11th 10.15am (note change of time) Remembrance

Sunday Service.

Sunday 18th 8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Holy Communion: How can we have

hope for the future?

Thursday 22nd 2.30pm Thursday Service and Social, in the

Village Hall

Friday 23rd-Sunday 25th Art Exhibition in St Mary's

Saturday 24th 10.30-12.00 Christmas Coffee Morning, in the

Village Hall

Sunday 25th November 10.30am Joint Churches' Service at Comberton

Leisure

COMBERTON COMMUNITY ADVENT CALENDAR

Advent is the time in the Christian year for preparing for Christmas and the celebration of Jesus's birth. Advent calendars can be helpful in this process, plus an enjoyable way to mark down the days of December leading up to Christmas Day.

St Mary's Church is working with a group of local artists to produce the first ever **Comberton Advent Calendar**. Different artists in the area are taking one day in December to produce a piece of artwork related to Advent. These will be gathered at St Mary's and each one will be revealed on the appropriate day, with the calendar growing with each new unveiling. The church will be open during daylight hours so that the calendar can be viewed each morning that a new window is opened.

Daily photographs will also be added to my Facebook page, which you will be able to view if you contact me on Facebook via Lordsbridge Curate.

I hope the **Comberton Advent Calendar** will be a great way to brighten up December and to help guide us through Advent to Christmas, so do join in!

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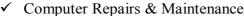
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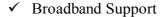
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I mentioned last month that we were having a Dahlicious Dress-up Day and I thought I must tell you how it went. The background to the event is as follows: Roald Dahl's widow set up a charity in 1991 (shortly after his death) which is now known as the Marvellous Children's Charity. It raises money for specialist nurses, care and equipment for children with rare neurological and blood conditions. Each year on 28 September schools are invited to hold a Dahlicious Dress-up Day in support of the charity. As two of our classes are currently learning about Roald Dahl and his books as their curriculum theme, this seemed a great event to become involved in.

Children are invited to dress up as their favourite Roald Dahl character and donate £1 each to the charity. We gave parents plenty of notice, as we know that it is usually they who do all the work! If children were not too keen on the dressing-up idea, they were asked to wear 'yummy yellow' (Roald Dahl's favourite colour) instead. Staff decided that they too would like to be involved so we were excited to see exactly which characters would turn up at school on that Friday!

The response was overwhelming. The school was full of Oompa-Loompas, Big Friendly Giants, Fantastic Mr Foxes, Willy Wonkas and many other easily recognisable characters. In fact we had two Willy Wonkas just on the staff! We had a wonderful assembly with a big parade as each class went up in turn to show off their costumes. There were two small prizes, one for the best home-made costume among the younger children, and one for the older children. I gave my Senior Staff the unenviable task of choosing – and I'm not sure they've forgiven me yet, because it was such a difficult job. We had a great day and, even more importantly, we raised in excess of £150 for Roald Dahl's charity.

On the same day we were very fortunate to be presented with 12 baby evergreen trees. One of our parents works for a timber company which is part of a scheme to plant dozens of tress in schools across the country. He came in to talk to our oldest children about trees, forestry and the environment and then, with the help of a couple of Oompa-Loompas and other Dahl characters, planted the trees in the far corner of the school field. It would be lovely if they are still there long after the rest of us are gone.

Oh, in case you are wondering, yes, I did dress up. Who else could I be but...Miss Trunchbull?

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COMBERTON AND CAMBOURNE VILLAGE COLLEGES:

A note from the executive principal

Looking back over a long period of time, what memories are the strongest? What events have had a real impact on our lives? We all have our various answers to these questions, some unique and some significantly in common. Throughout a career in teaching that now spans beyond a quarter of a century, I am confident to be able to say that one memory that will last and last strongly and positively will have come from events at the beginning of this term. After a very great deal of organisation, we were able to take nearly 700 students to watch the Paralympics Athletics in the Olympic Park. The sun shone, but it was the occasion that really lit up the three days on which the visits took place. The performances of the athletes were both inspiring and almost defied belief. To perform at such incredibly high levels while having to overcome significant physical or mental challenges to do so was truly something to behold. We were, and will remain, inspired. More recently, former Comberton student, Harriet Lee, visited us with her bronze Paralympic medal. She achieved this in one of the final swimming events at the Paralympics and was happy to share her experience with staff and students alike. She spoke at length to all of our Year 11 students about this and her reflections on her education and life from the perspective of a Paralympian medallist. Again, it was uplifting and inspiring and is sure to have a lasting impact on students at the school.

All this is a powerful reminder that true and lasting education needs to go outside of the classroom. Excellence in the classroom is the bedrock of the education that we provide. However, it must be more than that. Positive experiences outside of the classroom can have a remarkable impact on young people that can truly lead to their lives developing in ways that no national curriculum could prescribe. The Olympics and the Paralympics are perhaps some of the very best examples of this that might exist. I am pleased to report that our recent joint Open Evening for Cambourne and Comberton Village Colleges went extremely well. Over 1000 visitors came to hear about both of the schools and how to secure a place at one of them. Feedback was incredibly positive and we are greatly looking forward to working with our new cohorts of pupils that will enter the two Village Colleges in September 2013. Stephen Munday

COMBERTON VILLAGE COLLEGE

THERE is still time to get involved in two fund-raising events at Comberton Village College this term.

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Some stalls are still available at the Comberton Christmas Bazaar, which takes place on December 1 (11.—2.00pm). Booking forms are available on the Comberton website www.combertonvc.org or at the college reception. And even if you don't want to run a stall, why not come along and get into the Christmas spirit at this community event. For more information please contact Judy Czylok by e-mailing her to publicity@comberton.cambs.sch.uk
a hew arts festival for South Cambridgeshire called EMERGE will take place throughout February and March 2013. If any local drama, music, dance or other arts groups would like to be included in EMERGE publicity they can contact Richard Brown rbown@comberton.cambs.sch.uk for more details. A fuller list of events is detailed below and more information can be found on our websites, www.combertonvc.org or www.combertonleisure.com

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We look forward to hearing from you!

SOME THINGS DO NOT MIX

We have passed through the season of mellow fruitfulness and have arrived at that moment again when we engage in the happy task of setting fire to things and, if possible, people, an effigy of Guy Fawkes.

The Wikipedia entry for Guy Fawkes Night reminds us that it "originates from the Gunpowder Plot of 1605, a failed conspiracy by a group of provincial English Catholics to assassinate the Protestant King James I of England and replace him with a Catholic head of state. In the immediate aftermath of the arrest of Guy Fawkes, caught guarding a cache of explosives placed beneath the House of Lords, James's Council allowed the public to celebrate the king's survival with bonfires, so long as they were 'without any danger or disorder', making 1605 the first year the plot's failure was celebrated."

Not a few ditties have been composed to celebrate this, such as this masterpiece, recorded in 1742:

"Don't you Remember, The Fifth of November,

'Twas Gunpowder Treason Day, I let off my gun,

And made 'em all run. And Stole all their Bonfire away. "

In our day, Bonfire Night should serve as a reminder that religion should never, ever, be used as a reason for violence. While what we believe and why may lead us to formulate political viewpoints and rightly inspire us to promote the formulation of just and better laws, it is not a justification for doing harm to others – such a position must be a betrayal of any religion



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worthy of the name.

Around the world today, members of religious minorities (mostly Christian) are physically attacked and denied fair treatment under the law in at least a quarter of the world's countries. If lighting fires and setting off fireworks on the 5th of November became a reminder to all that the world that justice comes not through violence but through the diligent application of just laws, then that would be fine thing.

Have a safe Guy Fawkes Night, and God bless you, Graham

Comberton Baptist Church.

Sunday services at 10:30 am, except on the 25th November, when we meet for the annual Joint Service with all of the churches in the area at CB3.

COMBERTON WI

Our speaker at our October meeting was a return visit from local beekeeper Stephen Poyser. We had previously learnt about the inspiring business of bees forming hives and collecting nectar. This talk focused on the production of honey and associated by-products. The skill of the beekeeper is key to the success but weather conditions play theirpart. This year's poor weather means that queen bees had died and their hives had dwindled. Once the bees have collected their nectar it has to be converted to homey. It is collected in the bee's first stomach, then regurgitated and passed back and forth amongst the bees to reduce the moisture to the required 20%. Once it reaches this stage, the bees seal it in wax and it will last for ever in this state. The beekeeper carefully extracts the honey, leaving some to feed the bees over the winter. After being filtered, it can be stored in jars. To sell commercially the labelling has to give a 'best before date' which is a nonsense with honey. After the talk, members were able to buy some of Stephen's honey and candles, beeswax cream and polish.

Date for diary:

November 13th at 7.45 in the Village Hall 'Artistry in Cocoa with Cheryl Brighty.

COMBERTON FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club met on Thursday 11^{th} October. It was our AGM coupled with a raffle and a bring and buy stall. All of the committee members were re-elected for another year. Sue Allin and Rex Webb will still carry on as chairlady and chairman. Unfortunately our treasurer Jenny Brown is retiring her post but is staying on as a committee member (Well done Jenny for the years you have handled the cash and kept the books in good order). Anew treasurer has been elected – Sally Maynard. We all wish her the best and a big thank you for stepping in. The raffle and bring and buy sale raised £75. The money will go towards the Christmas Lunch subsidy. The Friendship Club Coffee Morning held in the Village Hall on Saturday 6^{th} October raised £350

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Dates for your diary:

Saturday 1st December – Village Hall Christmas Fair – Friendship Club to run the Bring and Buy Stall.

Wednesday 12th December – invite to the Village College by the Sixth Form students for refreshments and a raffle.

Next meeting Thursday 8th November starting at 2.00pm.

COMBERTON ALLOTMENTS & GARDENS ASSOCIATION

Comberton Show Trophy Winners

Once again, a big thank you to the exhibitors, judges, committee and visitors who contributed to making the Jubilee Show the biggest for 16 years. The Show is our main event of the year and does require a significant effort to stage by our small committee; we are always looking for new committee members but would also welcome anybody prepared to help with the annual events but who does not want a committee commitment. If you feel able to do so please let myself or a committee member know or come along and see us at the AGM.

The full list of Trophy winners is as follows:-

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Comberton Reading Group meets in the Library on the first Wednesday each month at 10.30am. The book for November is The Help by Kathryn Stockett. For more information, speak to staff at Comberton library or contact the reading group librarian brenda.mead@cambridgeshire.gov.uk Suzan Griffiths Chair FOCAL http://friendsofcombertonlibrary.wordpress.com/

RUTH IANTHE CHAPMAN

It is with great sadness that I report the death of my wife and soulmate. We have lived in Comberton for 53 years and in that time my wife was involved with many village activities. Her main involvement was with the original Cambridge Cancer Research Campaign (now Cancer Research UK). Her next love was the allotment and garden association, being at various times committee member and winner at the flower show. Ruth was an allotment holder at the church and tended the church garden for many years. The village help scheme and Herringland Charity were appreciative of her support quietly in the background.

What may not be generally known is Ruth was on the founding committee of the Milton Children's Hospice and I well remember taking her to a bleak looking building (the original house) on a foggy and frosty night for meetings in Milton.

Ruth suffered much illness in the last few years but rarely complained, and always mentioned the returning soldiers being injured or killed in the prime of life as being far worse. Ward EAU 4 at Addenbrooke's was exemplary throughout. To all who have sent so many cards of comfort – I thank you so much.

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I should like to thank everyone who helped at and supported our Coffee morning at Orchard House on 28thseptember. I am delighted to say we raised £1040 which was a record. Gill Redman



BLUE SMILE NEARLY NEW SALE

Blue Smile would like to hold a "Nearly New" sale in February 2013. We would like to include in this sale good quality women's clothing, jewellery, ski wear, scarves, hats, handbags, belts, baby and children's clothing, children's ski wear, men's overcoats, anoraks, dinner suits and dress shirts.

All clothing etc should be clean and in near-perfect condition. No shoes or bric-a-brac please.

The sale will take place in Horningsea in February 2013 (address to be notified later). Tea, coffee and cakes will be available.

Drop-off points for items will be available in Thriplow, Royston, Barrington, Haslingfield, Newmarket and Swaffam Bulbeck.

So please remember **Blue Smile** this autumn when sorting out your wardrobe. Please telephone Janet Lloyd, 01223 872223 for further information.

Blue Smile is a Cambridgeshire Charity that supports disadvantaged and vulnerable children through arts-based therapeutic support in schools. Research shows that this early specialist intervention really helps children avoid long term mental health problems. It can quite simply be life-changing.

THE HERRINGLAND CHARITY



To celebrate the Queen's Jubilee Year, the Trustees of The Herringland Charity decided to purchase a wooden bench, as a lasting memorial. This has now been installed on the corner of Harbour Avenue and Barton Road, and has been formally handed over to the Parish Council.

The exact origins of the Charity are obscure, but it is thought to date from the early 18th century, when a field on the east side of The Drift was left to the village by a benefactor. Income from the rent from this land was for the purchase of a barrel of herrings from Lowestoft to be distributed to the 'settled poor of the parish' in Lent. This is commemorated by the village sign by the pond. These days, the objects of the charity are much wider!!. The photograph shows the formal handover to Amanda Bacon, Chairman of the Parish Council.

Peter Mitton

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Much of the support is being generated through the fantastic efforts of more than 80 Broadband Champions, who are busy promoting the campaign locally through leaflets, posters, events, and community websites. Many parish councils and local councillors are also backing the campaign because good broadband connections are vital for our businesses and communities to thrive, particularly in rural areas, with benefits for health and education too. So, why not do your bit so that more people can benefit from better broadband?

To find out more, visit www.connectingcambridgeshire.co.uk, email contact@connectingcambridgeshire.co.uk or call 0345 045 5200

FRIENDS OF THE ROSIE

During 2012 we are selling raffle tickets at £1 each for an exquisite hand-embroidered double bed quilt worth £2,000 to be drawn at our AGM in 2013. You can buy tickets online through our website as well as from our Tea Bar, on the wards and our many stalls (see below). How about buying a potentially winning ticket for your friends and relatives instead of sending out Christmas cards?

If you have any spare polyester toy stuffing, ribbons or yarn we are in urgent need of your donation.

Follow us on the Rosie in Stitches facebook page.

Stall dates for the Autumn

Community Market

Church Centre, Bar Hill Saturday 3rd November 10.30am until 4pm Saturday 1st December 10.30am until 2pm

Addenbrooke's Outpatients

Thursday 29th November 10am until 4pm With our large display of toys and clothes for babies and children

We have items for sale in our eBay Charity Store Rosieinstitches2010, also hart4334 and 1234_orridge are also selling items to benefit the Rosie.

There are links to affiliate stores on our website where we will get a donation.

"In the current financial climate we know that every penny counts so we're not asking people to donate, just to shop online as they normally would this Christmas. But instead of going directly the retailer website, if they go via easyfundraising.org.uk first, their gift purchases will turn into donation for us.

"Almost all of us shop online these days so what could be easier than raising funds simply doing your Christmas shopping online?"

Featuring over 2000 of the UK's most popular retailers including Amazon, M&S, Argos, Boden, Tesco and many more, easyfundraising has already raised helped UK causes raise almost £4 million.

To support Friends of the Rosie Hospital, Cambridge, England, visit http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/forh and follow the instructions You can raise funds by using the Easyfundraising search site at http://forh.easysearch.org.uk

If you can improve our website, organise the three large stalls per year at Addenbrooke's Outpatients, provide transport for our volunteers or display a small selection of our wares please contact a member of the committee, details are given on our website.

Thank you for all your support.



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PRESS RELEASE

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Attempt burglars sentenced

TWO MEN who tried to break into a shop wearing balaclavas have been sentenced. James Sexton, 34 and Mark Haldon, 23 were chased by a member of the public after he saw them trying to break into the Co-op in Cottenham in the early hours of Wednesday, June 20. Sexton, of Walton Avenue, Blyth, and Haldon, of Maple Street, Ashington, Northumberland, had thrown a paving slab at the window of the shop but it did not break. They then tried to force

the window open with a spade before being chased off by the man who had witnessed it. Officers arrived and searched the area. A police dog tracked Sexton to New Street where he was found hiding in a back garden. A set of car keys were found on Sexton and the vehicle nearby. Inside were ID

A set of car keys were found on Sexton and the vehicle nearby. Inside were ID documents relating to Haldon who was later found in the area of the attempted burglary and arrested.

At Cambridge Crown Court on Friday (September 28) Sexton who pleaded guilty to attempted burglary in June was jailed for 14 months while Haldon who pleaded guilty to attempted burglary in August received 10 months imprisonment suspended for 18 months and 150 hours unpaid work. The member of the public received a Judge's commendation and a £250 reward. Detective Constable Jennie Scott said: "These men tried to break into the shop but failed thanks to the quick-witted member of public who chased them away and called us. "Thanks to the good search by officers at the scene and the CCTV from the shop we were able to catch them quickly and bring them to justice."

Note to editors:

A picture of Sexton is available via the force website.

The man who chased them away is not willing to speak to the media.

Burglar disturbed during break-in

POLICE are appealing for information after a burglar was disturbed during a break-in in Bassingbourn. The homeowner came downstairs to find the offender in the living room at about 7am on Friday (October 12).

The burglar dropped a computer screen and ran off down the garden and out the gate. Nothing was missing from the home. The offender was described as white, in his teens, small build and was wearing a blue hooded top, a dark cap and black gloves.

Constable Andy Bates, investigating, said: "This burglary happened first thing in the morning and the offender is likely to have been seen as he made off.

"I would urge anyone who recognises the description to call police."

Anyone with any information should call DC Bates on 101 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

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the personality, being the unconscious mass of primitive energies from which come instincts for the gratification of basic desires for food, sex and the superego.

(Thought I would throw in an easy one to finish off!!!!!!!!!)

Entries to Costcutter, Doctor's Surgery or Library by 14th JANUARY please. The prize, £5, kindly donated by Nanya and Vijay is to be spent in store.

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