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Every Tuesday		Comberton Café at the Village Hall
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Every Tuesday	2.00pm	Slow 'n' Low in Village Hall
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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
1st 2nd and 4th Monday Evenings at 7		n Carpet Bowls at Village Hall.
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4th Thursday of each month2.30pm		Service & Social at Village Hall
Tuesdays	10.00-11.00am	Sign and Cuddles at Comberton Baptist
-		Church

!st Wednesday of each month 10.30am Reading Group at the Library

		SEPTEMBER
28th Sept	7.45pm	Cambs Variety at Robert James Hall
28th Sept	10.30-12.00	Friendship Group Coffee Morning in V. Hall OCTOBER
3rd Oct	7.30pm	Life and Evolution at Comberton Baptist Church
9th Oct	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting at Village Hall
10th Oct	2.30pm	Friendship Group AGM at Village Hall
10th Oct	7.30pm	Mind and Consciousness Comb Baptist Church
11th Oct		Playground Project Open Meeting at Village Hall
11thOct	12-2.00pm	Crafty Cafe at Village Hall
16th Oct	7.30pm	Film at the Village Hall
18th Oct	7.00pm	Bingo at Village Hall
19th Oct	2-4pm	Jumble Sale at Meridian School
19th Oct		Casino Night at Village Hall
21st Oct		Comberton Winemakers AGM at Village Hall
25th Oct	12-2.00pm	Crafty Cafe at Village Hall NOVEMBER
27th - 30th Nov		Barton Drama Group at Barton Village Hall DECEMBER
31st Dec	8.00pm	New Years Eve Ceilidh at Village Hall

A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

This issue of Contact is shorter than usual for several regular contributors did not contribute this month. Never mind, perhaps they will send more copy next month. If any groups want to share their news with the village and do not do so regularly please don't hang back. All news is interesting to our readers. I may not be able to answer any emails for a while for I am going to have a knee replacement and will be hospitalised for a week. Ah, the joys of getting older. Still I am promised it will be worth it. Please be patient and I will be back in action as soon as possible.

COMBERTON CINEMA At the Village Hall

Wednesday 16th October





Starring Daniel Day-Lewis and Sally Field

Tickets £3.50 on the door

Doors open 7.30, Film starts 7.45

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12-2pm

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Note the new day and time!

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It will be very informal, bring along a current project or just future ideas from card making to knitting, cake decorating to crochet.

All ages welcome

If you are interested but can't make it on the day please contact us

Bella 07942 478 847 or Tracy 01223 262445

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UPDATE

Thank you for supprting our fundraising events this year.

Quiz night raised: £720 Envelope drop raised: £3000

The total so far is: £16 133



COMBERTON PLAYGROUND PROJECT

Next Open Meeting: 11th October in the village hall.

Please support our next event: Casino Night, Sat 19th October, in the hall.

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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

from the Clerk

The Parish Council met on 12 September 2013

Proposed development on land adjoining Birdlines Manor Farm, South Street

The Parish Council does not support this proposal for the following reasons -

- 1. The site is outside the Village Framework and within the Green Belt.
- 2. The rural nature of South St leading to the ancient Causeway to the Church is highly valued by parishioners and this development would be very detrimental to the open green aspect of this area. (The "newly refurbished housing scheme" described as being to the north of the site is actually 2 barn conversions not visible from the road)
- 3. The council strongly contests your argument that it is "a logical infill plot between the main part of the Village and the Parish Church". The church has always been separate from the Village and this is an important historical feature with its access up the cobbled Causeway.
- 4. The site adjoins the important listed building of Birdlines Manor Farm.
- 5. The road to the south of the site regularly floods from Tit Brook.

The Council also questions the acceptability of the proposal being put forward as a submission to SCDC's Local Plan as it goes to the Inspector. This follows a 2 year Consultation process when parishioners have had the opportunity to express their views on the Village Framework and the various proposals for development sites in the Green Belt.

South Cambs District Council's Local Plan 2011-2031: Publication of Proposed Submission Local Plan

The Parish Council's first draft is available on the website www.comberton.org. uk and residents views on this are invited. The Parish Council will approve its submission at its next meeting. Residents are encouraged to respond to this important consultation to the District Council before 5pm on 14th October. http://www.scambs.gov.uk/localplan

Recreation ground

The Parish Councils await the outcome of its grant application with Sport England for £50,000 towards the project to install drainage and prepare pitches on the recreation ground land extension.

A deep steam clean is being arranged for the pavilion.

A new keyless entry system will be installed shortly at the pavilion.

Parish Council Government Loan towards the new pitches on the recreation ground

The Parish Council will consider further at its next meeting the length of the proposed loan and the resulting repayments.

Minor improvements scheme

The County Council's officer has suggested that the Parish Council should consider an alternative scheme to the proposed raised platforms. They are in the process of estimating how much it would cost to extend the footpath on the



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north side of the road westwards (this is their initiative, they feel it would give a crossing point with better visibility). A Zebra crossing was discussed - this would cost an additional £5k (~£20k total) plus some ongoing maintenance contribution. There is the question on which side of the junction it could be sited. A pinch point was discussed to slow the traffic however, it was observed that the parked cars between Harbour Av and Woottens Close were performing this function). To have a 20mph limit, the average speed of the traffic must already be under 24mph (otherwise it will be ignored anyway and the Police haven't the resources to enforce it). The Parish Council's Transport working Group will be considering this further and will make a recommendation to a future meeting if the original proposal is changed.

Cambs County Council's consultation on gritting routes

The Parish Council will urge the County Council to include Green End in its gritting schedule.

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 contact the Clerk for an application form. Applications are invited by 4th December. Grant applicants will be informed in April or May 2014 if they have been successful.

Vacancy on the Council

The Parish Council still has one vacancy. If you are interesting in joining the Council please contact the Clerk or speak to any of the Council's members. For an application form please contact the Clerk. Don't be put off by the thought of an application form it only requires basic info to check that the applicant qualifies; which 99% of residents over 18 years of age would and also an opportunity for the applicant to introduce themselves to the Council.

Parish Council contact details

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Miss Amanda Bacon (Chairman) Arial View, 92B Swaynes Lane 264711 Email parishclerk@comberton.org.uk Tel: 01954 210241 Fax: 0870 705 2759 Mr Peter Crosslev 59 Barons Way 262517 Mr Richard Elleray 30 Green End 262433 Mr Hywel Griffiths (Vice-Chairman) 18 Barrons Way 263390 Mr Andrew Hollick 263089 73 Swaynes Lane Dr Janet McCabe 3 Westcroft 263387 Mr Simon Moffat 86 Swaynes Lane Mr Ben Pemberton 35 West Street 262445 Mrs Iill Preston 45 Long Road 263077 Mr Tim Scott Moat House, 65 Green End 263434

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The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 9th October 2013 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 might be tabled for fuller discussion at the next or a future meeting.

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Mrs Mary Jenkins, 80 West Street, Tel 263751

Please contact Mike Booker about arrangements for Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings and the readings of Banns of marriage.

Summer services and events in October

Sunday 6th 8.00am Holy Communion (Prayer Book)

9.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 13th 9.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 20th 8.00am Holy Communion (Prayer Book)

9.30am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Confirmation Service at Papworth Church

Thursday 24th 2.30pm Thursday Service and Social, in the Village Hall

Sunday 27th 9.30am All-Age worship

Tuesday 29th 8.00pm Suffering - Can we make sense of it? Talk and

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8.00 am

9.30 am (Children's)

10.45 am (Sung)

12.15 pm (Polish)

5.00 pm (Folk)

6.15 pm (Latin)

Further details of these and all other services for October 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



NEWS FROM THE MERIDIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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We have been back at school just over a week but already it feels as though we have never been away. There are some changes, though. The children are bigger (it's astonishing how much a child can grow in the space of a summer holiday) and the staff have much more energy, of course, but there are some more obvious changes which are worth mentioning.

Our very active and committed PTA asked me early last year what we really needed. At that point the play equipment in the KS2 (junior) playground was definitely approaching the end of its life. It was a sort of 'trim trail' which children moved along, stepping, jumping and swinging. The PTA proceeded to raise lots of money and looked at a variety of options. As a result, during the summer a lovely new 'trim trail' with an exciting range of activities was installed. It cost about £5000 – no small amount – and I am very grateful to them for funding it. The children love it!

We have also had some new carpets and flooring fitted over the summer. As a result The Lee Building (which some of you may remember) is looking very spruce. Likewise the staffroom – and believe me it needed it! I think there were years of accumulated coffee stains on that carpet.

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We have also had some work done lifting and replacing stone slabs, to avoid trip hazards, and I'm grateful to our Site Manager for fencing off the decking area with attractive wooden posts and rope, so that children can no longer take a short cut across it (tempting, but slippery at times).

One of the biggest changes the children have noticed, however, is the school lunches. Last year we went to tender and changed companies and we are delighted with the new meals provided by Lunchtime UK and our excellent kitchen staff. Just reading the menus is enough to make your mouth water. There is soup every day, beautifully presented fresh fruit, and joints of meat are cooked whole before being carved. The company prides itself on the freshness and local provenance of its food and, very importantly, the children may eat as much as they like. We have several regularly going up for seconds! Our kitchen is also cooking for Coton Primary School and hot food in specially heated containers whizzes its way over there at the end of every morning. We are holding tasting sessions for parents shortly so that they can get an idea of what is on offer for their children. The company have made it clear to me that they will not be putting on special 'event food' for these sessions. The parents will experience exactly the same food which is offered to the children. As teachers we know how important it is for a child's learning that she/he is well fed and hydrated. I believe that our new provision will really support us in achieving that for all our children.

Glennis Virgo Headteacher

ST. MARY'S CHURCH FÊTE

We were blessed with a beautiful sunny afternoon for the fête on August Bank Holiday Monday. The weather made a huge contribution to such a happy time, with so many people from this and other villages, chatting to friends, listening to the band, having fun at the sideshows, enjoying tea and delicious cakes and browsing the stalls in and around the church.

A big thank you to everyone who supported the event and helped in any way to make the fête such a success. The net total raised was £2490.32.

Penny Cook

COMBERTON WI REPORT

Our speaker in September was Comberton vicar, Mike Booker, who gave a very interesting account of his visit to New Zealand last Christmas. Mike had exchanged jobs temporarily with a colleague in Christchurch and took over his

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duties. As such, he was at the heart of the community and thoroughly enjoyed meeting people and getting to know the area. The talk was illustrated by striking photos of New Zealand landscapes, some made famous by recent Tolkien films. However, Mike's visit followed the huge earthquakes in Christchurch in September 2010 and February 2011 and he was able to see the devastation and disruption wrought by the quakes. Much of the centre of Christchurch is still cordoned off and buildings are slowly being made safe again. The city's activities have moved to the suburbs, although there is an attempt to reclaim the centre with a "mall" constructed of brightly painted metal shipping crates. The cathedral was badly damaged and has been temporarily replaced by a cardboard cathedral. However there are plans to build an exciting new cathedral.

COMBERTON FRIENDSHIP CLUB

We met on Thursday 12th Sept. at 2.30pm for our Annual HARVEST FESTIVAL. It was very well attended and what a wonderful array of produce there was. Once again our members had made a great effort. It was a fun afternoon, everyone trying to outbid each other for the different produce. The day before, Wednesday 11th Sept. there was an outing to Sheringham. The weather wasn't great but we all had a very enjoyable time. Our coffee morning will be held on Saturday 28th Sept. in the Village Hall at 10.30am. to 12 noon. Proceeds to charity.

The next meeting on Thursday 10th Oct. at 2.30pm is the Annual General Meeting and there will be a stall plus a raffle.

COMBERTON ALLOTMENTS & GARDENS ASSOCIATION

Comberton Show PreliminaryReport

A year ago I congratulated you after our Jubilee Show for staging the largest number of entries in the Show for 16 years, so amazingly this year you add another 13% to that total which must make 2013 the biggest show ever!

We had 715 entries (632 last year) from 122 exhibitors (98 last year) including 127 entries from under 16's; additionally 210 paintings were entered from the Meridian School and the Comberton Playgroup.

Every area of the Show, the Cookery, Winemaking, Children's and Adults' Handicraft, Painting and Drawing, Photography, Vegetables, Fruit and Flowers, was well supported; the photography classes had a stunning 110 entries (73 last year), stretching the space available to display them to its limits.

Glennis Virgo, headteacher at Meridian School presented the prizes and we thank her for her time and for permission to use the school for the show.

Also a big thank you to the exhibitors, judges, committee and visitors who contributed to making the show even bigger and better than last year!

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New Short Tennis Club

From Friday 27th September 2013 Comberton Tennis Club and Comberton Table Tennis Club are joining forces to set up weekly indoor Short Tennis sessions for adults (over 16 years). Short Tennis uses smaller racquets and foam balls and is played on a smaller court. Short Tennis is great fun and can be played in any weather. We will play on Friday evenings from 5pm-6pm in the Sports Hall at CVC. If you are interested in booking a place or finding out more please contact Mel Collins (01223 262458). If we can attract 20 players on 4 courts every week the cost will be just over £1 per person per hour.

COMBERTON LIBRARY REPORT SEPTEMBER 2013

Well done to the 36 children who completed the Summer Reading challenge at Comberton Library and thanks to their parents who supported them. On Saturday 14th September Councillor Stephen Frost presented certificates to the children who had read 6 books over the holidays. Parents and children were also able to admire the Creepy House Collage produced by children on 29th August with children's book illustrator Marion Lindsay which will remain on display for a few weeks.

The Reading Group meets in Comberton Library on the first Wednesday of each month at 10.30. The next book will be The Stranger's Child by Alan Hollinghurst.

WI-FI is now available in Comberton Library. To use it, you need to: select 'CCC_Public' network from your available wireless networks list and once connected, open your browser and register your details to access the internet.

Suzan Griffiths Chair FOCAL

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL 2013

Owing to the fact that we have no organiser for the appeal there will be no house-to-house collection again this year. However the organiser for Hardwick and Caldecote will place poppies in the following outlets:

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From this I assume that they work on a group rather than individual basis, which could explain why they were talking to the PC i.e. with the aim of getting a number of the inhabitants of Comberton to support an initiative? There are clearly costs associated with recycling through them Steve

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on behalf of Comberton Parish Council

Our latest Press Release is as follows: (although I think we'll need to program another date?)...

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BACK COVER

These Corrections Were Received Too Late To Put In The Back Cover. 'JustGiving', which appears on the back cover poster should read 'MyDonate'. The link to the correct site is: https://mydonate.bt.com/charities/combertonplaygroundproject.

We also need to correct the dress code, which should be 'cocktail (black tie optional)', and to ask people to bring their own glasses and tableware for their own drinks and snacks.

Thank you for your help. Delia

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OCTOBER BULLETIN FROM CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

WINTER is coming, and Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service is encouraging all residents to sweep their chimneys before the cold sets in.

Our top tips to enjoy an open fire safely:

- Have the chimney swept at least once a year, or more frequently if you burn wood.
- Do not bank fires too high and remember to let them burn down well before you retire to bed.
- Check the hearth, floor and furnishings near the fire for hot sparks or embers before you go to bed.
- Use a fire or spark guard to prevent accidental fires and make sure that it has the kite mark or conforms to a relevant British/European safety standard.
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- Avoid burning resinous woods as soot builds up quickly
- Buy only suitable fuels.
- Do not overload the grate or appliance.

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PRESS RELEASE

Police HQ, Hinchingbrooke

Golf club raid

A SAFE containing cash was stolen by burglars who broke into a golf club.

The break-in happened at Bourn Golf Club, in Toft Road, Bourn, at about 10pm on Sunday (August 25). The intruders, two men, are believed to have used a cream Mini Clubman with a black roof which left in the direction of Bourn. Officers are keeping an open mind over whether the incident is linked to a burglary at Kingsway Golf Centre in Cambridge Road, Melbourn, on Monday (August 19) in which thousands of pounds worth of golf equipment was stolen.

Detective Constable Andy Bates, who is investigating, said: "I would urge anyone with information about these incidents to come forward. I would also ask residents to remain vigilant, report anything suspicious and keep an eye out for the stolen safe, which may have been discarded."

Anyone with information should contact DC Bates at Cambourne Police Station on 101, or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on $0800\ 555111$.

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New Deputy Chief Constable "passionate" about policing

Cambridgeshire police's new Deputy Chief Constable has said he will not shrink from the difficult issues facing the force in coming years.

Alec Wood, 48, formerly Temporary Deputy Chief Constable for Lincolnshire Police, became deputy to Chief Constable Simon Parr today (August 27).

Mr Wood, who replaces John Feavyour, said, unlike many other forces, the constabulary had identified a clear way of dealing with funding cuts but, like his predecessor, he would be open about the challenges.

He said: "The fundamental purpose of policing is to deliver the best possible service to the public to keep them safe and protect the most vulnerable. I am passionate about the service we provide and my role as DCC is to enable the force to provide that service in the most efficient and effective way it can. I want to be as visible as I can be to as many people as possible. I will get across the county and meet, listen to and talk to as many people as I can to get the best possible understanding of the issues we face. Like John Feavyour, I will always be honest and open about the position the force is in and if there are difficult messages to give people, I will not shrink away from giving them."

Mr Wood said the force's drive to save time and money by making the best use of currently available technology would be vital to meeting the financial challenges it faces.

"We need to do business differently while preserving the front line", he said. "The force's programme to find technological solutions has been properly thought out and I will be looking for ways to support its delivery, making sure it continues to head in the right direction. I do not see many other forces with similar funding issues identifying such a clear and transformational way of solving the funding problem and that makes Cambridgeshire Constabulary different."

Mr Wood, who is married with two grown-up children, a daughter and son, was born in Lincoln but his parents quickly moved to Buckden, where they lived for a time before moving to Wyton where he attended Houghton and Wyton Primary School.

His main police service has been in Lincolnshire. He joined Lincolnshire Police in 1986 and served in both uniform and CID roles. He was a senior investigating officer for a number of years and also the head of crime, during which time he oversaw a number of complex murder and serious crime investigations.

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Mr Wood is the ACPO lead for Behavioural Science. He has an MA in Criminology.

He said: "I have joined a force where I think I can make a difference and where I believe in the leadership which is being provided by the Chief Constable and the rest of the chief officer team. I lived in Cambridgeshire until I was nearly 12 so it has a sense of home and it is still an important county to me. There are many similarities between Lincolnshire and Cambridgeshire, with a mix of cities and more rural areas, which mean my skills and experience will be well suited to delivering policing in this county."

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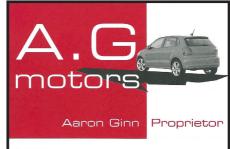
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