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Day	Time	What	Where
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Monday	9.30am - 11am	Messy Play (term time only)	CP
Monday	9.45am - 11am	Comberton Walkers	BC
Monday	3.40pm - 5.35pm	Children's Street Dance Classes	MS
Monday	6pm - 7pm	Tang Soo Do Junior 6-11	MS
Monday	7pm - 9pm	Tang Soo Do	MS
1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	7pm - 9pm	Carpet Bowls	VH
3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	7pm - 9pm	Comberton Winemakers	VH
Tuesday	10.30am - 12 noon	Cafe	VH
Tuesday	1.30pm - 4pm	Fabric and Yarns	BC
Tuesday	6.45pm - 7.30pm	ChaSamba Adult Fitness	MS
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	8pm (Except Aug)	Comberton WI	VH
4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	8pm - 9:30pm	Comberton Antiquarian Society	VH
Wednesday	10am - 11:30am	Comberton Baby & Toddler Group	VH
Wednesday	2pm - 3:30pm (term time only)	Bumps & Babes	BC
Wednesday	5.30pm-6.30pm	Pilates Class - book via <a href="http://www.faybpilates.co.uk">www.faybpilates.co.uk</a>	MS
Wednesday	6.45pm-7.45pm	U15 Football Club	CVC
Wednesday	7pm - 9pm	Tang Soo Do	MS
Thursday	9.30am - 11am	Messy Play (term time only)	CP
Thursday	5.45pm-6.45pm	U8 Football Club	CVC
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday	2.30pm	Comberton Friendship	VH
4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday (not Dec & Aug)	2.30pm - 4pm	Oasis Teas	VH
3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday	7pm (7:30pm start)	Bingo Party	VH

VH = Village Hall

CVC = Comberton Village College

BC = Baptist Church

MS = Meridian School

CP = Comberton Playgroup



## Parish Council

Meetings are normally held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

We welcome public attendance and the agendas and minutes can be found at <https://comberton-pc.gov.uk/decisions-meetings/agendas-and-minutes>

## Wheelie Bin Collection Dates

Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Blue/Green
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Black
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Blue/Green
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Black
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	Blue/Green
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	Black
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	Blue/Green
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Black
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> August	Blue/Green
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Black



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## From the Editor

I would like to thank the Comberton Co-Op for taking on the sponsorship of the puzzle page in the Comberton Contact. Also, a big thank you to Costcutter for generously providing the prize for so many years.

Comberton Parish Council are looking for a grounds person to join the team. This is a great part time role, to take ownership of the football pitches and cricket field, and to lead on keeping the recreation grass short and tidy and working with our Village Handyperson.

Salary:	£12 per hour
Contract Type:	Part time, permanent
Hours:	3-4 Hours a week April through October 4 hours a month Nov-March

Expressions of interest/application letters detailing experience (or CV) should be emailed to the Clerk by Sunday 7th July at 12pm. Interviews will be held on the evening of Monday 8th July

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## Comberton Village Website

Regular updates are available at [www.comberton.org](http://www.comberton.org)

## Local Government Contacts

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# Village Help Scheme

## Volunteer Drivers Schedule

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12 August 2024	Barbara Mitton	01223 262073
19 August 2024	Gill Redman	01223 262246
26 August 2024	Gill Redman	01223 262246
02 September 2024	Joan Wells	01223 262746

### **Please Note**

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For more information please contact

Mrs Gill Redman on 01223 262246

Mrs Barbara Mitton on 01223 262073



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# The Parish Church of St Mary, Comberton

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**Tuesday 29th Aug  
at  
Comberton Baptist  
Church**



**Oasis Holiday Club  
A Grand Day out  
in Wild Places!**



## Activities

Every Wednesday at 11am - **Men's Shed** at Madingley Hall

Thursday 25th July at 2.30pm - **Oasis Teas** in the Village Hall



## Regular Services in St Mary's Church Building

Sun 7th July at 9.30am - **Holy Communion**

Sun 14th July at 8.00am - **BCP Holy Communion**

9.30am - **Holy Communion**

Sun 21st July at 9.30am - **Morning Worship**

Sun 28th July at 8.00am - **BCP Holy Communion**

9.30am - **Holy Communion**



## On-line Services

Zoom Church: Sunday at 11am - ID: **8231 1473 640**

Tuesday Morning Prayer on Zoom at 9.30am - ID: **495 061 1016**

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## Quiet Prayer

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## On-line Giving

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**Bank Holiday  
Monday  
at 2.00pm  
around the Church**



**St Mary's  
Church Fete**



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# July Challenge

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Your task in the new era, 2024 AC(After Costcutter) is simply to complete the following by adding the name of the person playing the role referred to in the movie concerned. Take care in that the star of the film is on occasion not the answer. Also note that in a couple of instances more than one name is required as a consequence of remakes (1x2 and 1x3 ):-

The man from Laramie .....	The man with the Golden Gun .....
The Third Man .....	The man who fell to earth .....
The man who shot Liberty Valance .....	Rain Man .....
The man in the iron mask .....	The Wicker Man .....
Cinderella Man .....	Bicentennial Man .....
The man in the grey flannel suit .....	Last man standing .....
The Elephant Man .....	The man who would be king .....
Our man in Havana .....	The man of La Mancha .....
Demolition Man .....	End as a Man .....
A Man for all Seasons .....	Pretty woman .....**
A Man called Horse .....	The man with the golden arm .....

\*\* Any of two answers accepted.

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Greetings Neighbours,

Meridian Primary School has enjoyed a fantastic few weeks after the Bank Holiday and Half Term, with some enriching learning experiences taking place off-site.

### ***Exciting Sports Event with Paralympic Hero Sean Rose on Thursday 23rd May***

We hosted an exciting sports event featuring special guest Sean Rose, a GB Paralympic skier and adventurer! All our children participated in a fun fitness circuit led by Sean himself and Ian Miller, professional footballer. This was a fantastic opportunity for them to get active, discover the joy of sports, and be inspired by a true champion and a professional athlete. Sean also shared his incredible journey, showcasing resilience and determination.

### ***"The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" Performance on Thursday 6th June***

M&M Theatrical Productions visited our school for a captivating stage adaptation of the classic children's book, "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz." Special effects, pyrotechnics, and audience interaction wowed our staff and children. Year 5 even peeked behind the curtain with a stagecraft workshop, exploring story development, character building, set design, costumes, special effects, sound, and lighting and acting!

### ***Great Success for Meridian Summer Fete on Saturday 8th June***

Meridian Summer Fete was a roaring success! Huge thanks to everyone who made it a fun-filled day for the whole community. Delicious treats, bouncy fun, games, raffles, BBQ, and smiles all around! We raised a fantastic £2,730!

### ***A Week of Exciting Science Exploration!***

Our STEM week on 10th-14th June was a whirlwind of exploration and discovery in both Science and Design and Technology! All our honed their observation skills by examining objects closely and discussing their findings with classmates in a fun "Zoom-In, Zoom-Out" activity. Additionally, captivating stories about scientists and STEM topics ignited children's curiosity. The entire school was mesmerised by Scientist Olly's interactive presentation during a captivating Whole School Assembly. Engaging experiments brought scientific concepts to life with explosions and optical illusions. All children participated in a 3D Modelling and Printing Workshop, learning valuable skills and creating their own models. EYFS explored the wonder of seed dispersal in a STEM activity. Year 1 and 2 embarked on a trip to the Cambridge University Botanic Garden, where they examined various plant specimens and explored greenhouses. Year 3 put their design and technology skills to the test, building "Pneumatic Monsters" while learning about strengthening materials. Year 4 enjoyed a mini bee hunt and explored optical illusions through card production. Year 5 students delved into the fascinating world of owls by dissecting owl pellets in a workshop led by a Museum of Zoology volunteer. Year 6 journeyed to the Galapagos Islands through a captivating workshop exploring Charles Darwin's discoveries. We extend a heartfelt thank you to all the staff and parent volunteers who contributed to this incredible STEM Week.

### ***NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Programme on Tuesday 11th June***

Years 2, 5 and 6 learned online safety through the NSPCC's Speak Out Stay Safe programme. The Schools Coordinator from the NSPCC educated our children about online safety and how to protect themselves from potential online risks. The programme helps children recognise abuse and empowers them to speak out to a trusted adult or Childline.

### ***New Parent EYFS 2024/2025 Meeting on Thursday 13th June***

On Thursday 13th June, our EYFS Lead had the pleasure of meeting our new EYFS parents for the 2024/2025 school year. The event provided a warm welcome and informative introduction to our school community. Parents enjoyed food tasting and pre-loved uniform sale. We look forward to a wonderful year together!

Kind regards

Mrs Carole Etchie      and      Everyone  
Headteacher                      at Meridian

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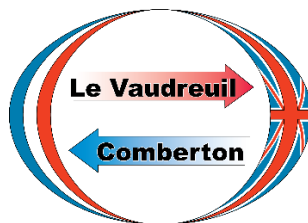
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On the Saturday, host families from Comberton and surrounding villages took their French guests to visit local sites. We had a wonderful opportunity to have a private tour of Dr Meredith Belbin's "walk through life" garden in Barton, where we were treated to refreshments in a delightful setting. We also thank him for his generous donation to help fund the anniversary.

The evening saw more fun when we came together for a ceilidh and a bring-and-share supper in the hall of Meridian School. There was energetic dancing and much socialising amongst guests and local members, making new friends and renewing friendships made during visits over several years.

On Sunday we met for a special anniversary lunch at Anstey Hall in Trumpington before the French group headed home. We are most grateful to John De Bruyne of Anstey Hall, who gave us the opportunity to hold our event in this quirky but beautiful setting and for taking the time to talk to us about the history of his family and the Hall itself.

It was a truly successful weekend and great to see new faces joining us - young and old, keeping the twinning alive.

Our next visit to France is planned for the weekend of the 20-22<sup>nd</sup> September. Speaking French is not vital! We welcome new members, so for more information, see <http://CombertonTwinning.org.uk>. Or contact Glynis Ellis, tel 262214, email [secretary@combertontwinning.org.uk](mailto:secretary@combertontwinning.org.uk).



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# Comberton Parish Council

## Bulletin - July 2024



A couple of pages from the June bulletin got missing. Apologies for that oversight. All the missing information is included this month.

The Parish Council is embarking on a campaign to resolve sewage issues in the village. We will come and meet residents in the worst affected parts of the village, and collate any information, evidence and correspondence with the water company that residents may have.



Please fill in the online survey at <https://tinyurl.com/4sud93xh> and email the clerk with evidence of issues to help us build a case.



If you run a village group that is interested in doing a bit of a clean up, we have 20 litter pickers that can be borrowed. The 1st Comberton Cubs did a great job of Watts

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## Parish Council Bulletin (continued)



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Barton Road near Woottens Close will be closed by UK Power Networks 24/7 for 5 days in early August. Bus route 18 will be diverted to Green End, Branch Road and Long Road with the bus stop near the Primary School temporarily closed. Visit the Whippet website for information.



East West Rail will hold two statutory consultations over the next few months, of which we do not have the details at the time of printing. Please keep a eye on the Parish Council website or visit [eastwestrail.co.uk](http://eastwestrail.co.uk) and <https://cambridgeapproaches.org/> for information.



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## Parish Council Bulletin (continued)

We held the annual Parish Council meeting on 8th May. We were delighted to hear from two community groups that the Parish Council supports.

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COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB

On Thursday afternoons, from 4-6pm, during term-time, Comberton Baptist Church hosts EDGE Community Youth Club - for all young people (Year 7-13) in and around Comberton. EDGE is run by a team of Youth Workers, supported by volunteers. We heard how the number of attendees has grown steadily recently to about 60 per week. We are delighted to support EDGE with a grant every year and extremely thankful for their work.

The Comberton Nature Recovery Group talked about their work in the St Mary's churchyard to increase biodiversity and their plans to improve and increase biodiversity corridors in the village.



The next phase of their project will consist of an assessment of the local habitats and a comparison with existing records. We thank the group for their essential work to preserve biodiversity at a time of high pressures on land, fragmentation of habitats, and climate change.

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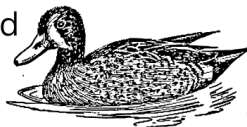
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## Parish Council Bulletin (continued)

Extensive works took place at the pond last year. The island will not be reinstated because it was home to rats that were attacking the ducks, it was reducing the pond depth so increasing the risk of the pond drying out in summer, and the plants on the island were drinking a lot of pond water. We now have many ducks (a resident counted 48), and we do not think they need any additional shelter. Please remember foods like bread and crackers have no nutritional value to ducks, can cause malnutrition and painful deformities. You can feed ducks cracked corn, oats, rice, birdseed, frozen peas, chopped lettuce, or sliced grapes.



The Parish Council is aware of the Notice of Landowner Deposit placed near the path that connects Green End to the Recreation Ground. This notice relates to the land adjacent to the path and not the path itself, plus the area of land forming the retirement village planning application. A map of the area can be viewed online. This notice is a standard procedure that landowners can undertake, to prevent a claim to a public right of way, under S.31(6) of the Highways Act 1980.

*Cllr Claire Michel, Vice-chair*

The Parish Council meets on the 2nd Wed of each month at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall. Residents can attend the full meeting and the first 15 min are reserved for their comments

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## **Autumn Show: Saturday 14th September in the Meridian School**

By the time the next issue of Contact comes through your door the Autumn Show will be almost upon us. We will continue with the same format as the last three years with free entry for all exhibits and the option to submit your entry by email. There will be no monetary prizes just certificates and trophies for the winners and runners up. The schedule giving full details of classes and the entry rules will be distributed to all houses in Comberton in early August.

**Photography Classes:** We have looked into our archives and revived some previous subjects that we think may inspire you; so whilst you are out and about this summer think about taking some appropriate pictures and, as always, we encourage a broad interpretation of the subjects.

The subjects for adults are '*Weather*' or '*Wild Life in the Garden*' or '*Falling Water*' and the subject for the Childrens' class is '*My Favourite Animal*'.

**Best Kept Allotment:** Don't forget all you South Street plot holders that the competition this year will be judged on your site only; we anticipate this will take place during July.

Robin Worship (CA&GA secretary) [robin.worship7@gmail.com](mailto:robin.worship7@gmail.com)

## **Comberton WI**

At our May meeting we had a lively discussion about our Resolution - 'Dental Health Matters'. Following this we had lots of fun with a Beetle Drive.

The speaker at our June meeting was Matt Nelson speaking about 'A Community Response to Homelessness'. Matt spoke from the heart as he was once homeless. He gave a very interesting talk about the homeless charity he has helped to build up - It Takes a City - based in Cambridge and the homeless people they help.

Our July meeting will be Make do and Mend with Amanda Sutherland.

Our meetings start at 8pm and are held in Comberton Village Hall on the second Tuesday of each month except in August when we have an outing. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

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**Coming Up!**

**Saturday July 13<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August** start signing up for the **Summer Reading Challenge**, Marvellous Makers. Plus, SRC Treasure Hunt in the library.

**Mobile Library** will be outside Comberton Library from 10.30am – 1pm on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July**. Come, browse, and see what a mobile library looks like.

Green! Big! Outdoor Games! **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July**. Outside the library between 3pm – 5pm.

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July** at 11.00am – 12.30pm CD Clock and Fan making. Free Event.

Drop-in and enjoy board games on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August**, 3 – 5pm. Free event!

Marvellous Makers, Creative Arts – **Summer Reading Challenge** free event. **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August** at 10.30am – 12.30pm.

Celebrating Summer Reading Awards Ceremony, **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September** at 4-5pm with refreshments.

**Weekly activities**

**Knit and Natter** group continue to meet in Comberton Library, 10.30am – 11.30am. July dates: 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. August dates: 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. September dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Then every other Monday onwards. Newcomers are warmly welcome.

Come sing along and have fun, **Rhymetime**, 10.30am – 11.00am (except during the school holidays) for children between 0 to 4 years of age. July dates: 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. September dates: 9th and 23rd. Then every other week. Also, come and join the **First Steps Library Club**, aged 0 – 4 years. Free event.

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# Comberton Village Hall Lettings Charges

	Private Individuals		Community Groups *		Community Commercial	
	Comberton Residents	Non-Residents	Affiliated	Non-Affiliated	Local/Non-Franchised	Non-Local/Franchised
<b>SESSION</b>	Main Hall		Main Hall		Main Hall	
Daytime	£25	£35	£20	£30	£40	£45
Evenings (except Saturday)	£40	£50	£20 *	£30 *	£40	£50
Saturday eve.	£70	£85	£20 *	£30 *	£145 *	£165
	Meeting Room		Meeting Room		Meeting Room	
All sessions	£17.50	£22.50	£17.50	£22.50	£30	£32.50
	Community Room		Community Room		Community Room	
All sessions	£15	£20	£15	£20	£25	£27.50

Unless otherwise stated, charges are per session. Sessions are 9am to 1pm, 2pm to 5:30pm and 6pm to 10:30pm (midnight on Fri/Sat/Sun).

A refundable deposit of £50 is required at the time of booking.

Prices for commercial lettings and weddings are available on request.

\*Additional information for groups:

- Affiliated Community groups holding evening group social or fundraising events will be charged the residents evening rates. Non-affiliated groups holding similar events will be charged the non-residents evening rates. **Local/Non-franchised Community Commercial lettings can be reduced from £145 to £70 at the discretion of the Trustees, if the event is for a suitable charity. Groups should write to the Lettings Secretary with their request, including information on the charity, and this will be considered by the Trustees.**
- Groups working with children and/or vulnerable adults will need to have child protection and vulnerable adult policies & procedures in place
- Annual affiliation fee of £10 is due on 1<sup>st</sup> January.

More information, including hall availability, can be found at [www.combertonvillagehall.org](http://www.combertonvillagehall.org)

To make a booking contact the Village Hall Administrator, Janice Sutton at [combertonvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:combertonvillagehall@gmail.com) or on 07435 324408 (9am to 9pm). Please note that this is a part-time role carried out around my job. If I am unable to answer your call please leave a message and i will phone you back, or send me an email.

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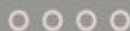
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### Comberton Crusaders Football Club Volunteers Needed

Comberton Crusaders is a community club and its focus is on giving children the opportunity to play a sport they love and develop their technical, physical, tactical and social skills.

The club has the below vacancies on the committee:

Welfare Officer - point of contact for any welfare concerns

Website Administrator - adhoc updates to the website

Social Media Secretary - manage and update facebook page

Vice Chairman - support for Chairman

Club Secretary (shadow role until end of 2024-25 season)

We are also looking for players for our **U9Girls** team and our **U17Boys** team.

And have you ever considered becoming a coach or referee?

If you would like to be involved with the club and would like to find out more information about any of these roles please contact Sam Nash on [clubsecretaryccfc@aol.com](mailto:clubsecretaryccfc@aol.com)