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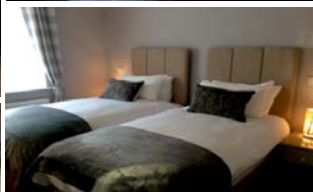
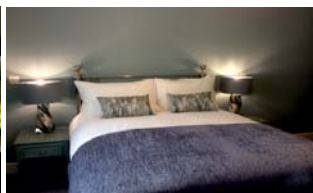
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Community Association



Beach News

It started in 1972 when Waterbeach School, under headteacher Roger Kilsby, was designated by the County Council as a 'Community' school. This meant, among other things, that there were responsibilities to the local community by way of making available various school facilities that could be utilised by local groups after school hours, and the Waterbeach Community Association was formed to enable the requirements of the various affiliated groups to be identified and addressed where possible.

One of the first ideas put forward by Roger Kilsby was using school facilities to produce a village magazine to let the village know what was going on and the first edition of Beach News was produced in November 1972. Various changes have taken place, but nearly 46 years later it is still going strong and currently delivered free of charge to over 2700 homes in Waterbeach, Landbeach and Chittering.

It has always been a genuine 'community' project involving many different people who, with varied skills and gladly giving up many hours of their precious time, have contributed to the success of the magazine over the years.

Mark and Pam Clack took on the production task in 2002 and have done so ever since. Unfortunately, due to ill health they are no longer able to continue and we therefore need to find volunteers to take over the production of Beach News if it is to remain part of our community life.

A good working knowledge of word processing and/or desk top publishing software is required and plenty of spare time! It currently takes Mark and

Pam over 30 hours to produce each issue. Plus, a further 6 hours is spent organising and distributing the printed magazines to a group of volunteer deliverers.

If anyone feels they are able to help in any way please contact Jacqui Rabbett on 01223 860993 or wcachair@waterbeach.org) to discuss further.

Feast Day 2018

After a lapse during the war years the Waterbeach Feast, complete with parade was revived in 1971. As part of its role to organise and support local events the newly formed Waterbeach Community Association took on the organisation of the Feast in 1972 and this year we celebrated its 46th year. The Feast still attracts substantial crowds of current and returning families and friends.

Feast Day 2018 started with a flypast of World War II planes - a Lancaster, Spitfire and Hurricane, still such a splendid sight as seen on the front cover.

This year the Feast theme was 'Something beginning with L.....' We saw liquorice allsorts, London, lunchtime, Lego and luscious cakes just to name a few.

The Parade passed through the streets led by Barry Nice and his steam engine. The



parade collection was in aid of Cancer Research UK, a charity very close to our hearts this year. The collection raised £581.30 - a very big thank you to everyone who donated.

The winners of the parade competition were as follows: Infant: Waterbeach



Rainbows for Liquorice Allsorts, Juniors: WASPS for London, Adult: Shire of Flintheath SCA, Friends and Family: Hall Farm Riding Stables for Lumberjacks and of course Tony Shipp was awarded a trophy for his excellent entry as a lion!

The winners of the best decorated stalls were: Junior: Waterbeach Brownies and

Guides for Lego and Adult: Waterbeach Wives Group for Luscious Cakes.

The trophies were presented to the winners by Mark and Pam Clack, patrons of the Waterbeach Community Association, and vital members of the Feast team. On behalf of everybody in the village I want to say a huge thank you to them for years of



dedicated work to Waterbeach. It is with extreme sadness that we say goodbye to them, sending our heartfelt wishes to you both and your family, I cannot express how much you will be missed.



We were entertained in the arena by Waterbeach Brass, Waterbeach Rainbows dancing round the May-pole, Rose Ellwood Ballet Dancers Waterbeach School Singers led by Sarah Page, Samarapanja Classica Arts and Natyanjalia Dance school, Shire of

Flintheath SCA medieval re-enactments and on the Gault fun was had with Pendragon Circus Skills.

The stalls around the Green included tombola's, jewellery, homemade cakes, plants, raffles, games, books, and to eat there was pizza, German sausages, hot dogs, burgers, tea and coffee and a sit down in the in the PTA café. Local information stalls and of course the fairground rides entertained us all.

And last but not least I want to thank everyone for their help with the Feast, those who turned up on the day to help set up and clear away, the people who responded to Facebook pleas, the people who organised the raffle, everyone who donated prizes. And most importantly to all of you for your continued support of Feast Day every single year.



Jacqui Rabbett

Waterbeach Scout Group



We have had a very productive start to the year with activities including cooking, knots, rifle shooting and not forgetting our 'can-cakes'! We have a program mapped out for the next quarter and aim to be outdoors as much as possible enjoying what we hope will be lovely weather.

However, we like variety and trying something new so we are appealing for anyone who has an unusual or interesting job/hobby/pet to get in touch if you would have a Tuesday evening to spare to come and share this with the Scouts.

We meet at the Scout Hut (in the school grounds) from 7-9pm. Similarly, if you have any time to spare and would like to get involved with Scouting, having fun and inspiring kids, please let us know as we welcome any help available to assist us in delivering a varied and interested program. This could be a regular commitment, if like most of our leaders you are a child that has never really grown up, or just being available to come down once a month when the need arises.

Helpers must be over 18 and complete a DBS check with the Scout Association. Our contact email is waterbeachscouts@gmail.com or alternatively contact William Moon on 01223 440259.

Military Heritage Museum

Become a Friend of the Museum

The Museum relies on volunteers to help, but it also relies on contributions from visitors who come to see the Museum of the RAF and Royal Engineers, about people who served on the Airfield and in the Barracks. The Museum display is continually being added to by donations from various parts of the UK and Europe.

Sometimes there is a need to pay for some artefacts to be transported or to be collected and we need to pay for annual insurance and running costs.

As a method of assisting with our finances, would you like to become a 'Friend of the Museum', by making an annual monetary contribution to the Museum?

What would you get in return? Being on our email list (if you wish), we would let you know when new purchases have been made and also you would be made aware of events at the Museum which you may wish to attend. You would also be helping an important and appreciated Museum to thrive.

Please pick up a form from the Museum, complete it before either giving it to a member of the Museum or post to the above address. Cheques should be made payable to Waterbeach Military Heritage Museum. Thank you.

Community Playgroup



Our children and staff had a fantastic time at Feast this year with our Loch Ness Monster theme – we had some inquisitive tourists tracking our big, beautiful green (and very well behaved) Nessie through the streets of Waterbeach. Thank you to everyone who supported our Nessie-themed stall too – we managed to raise £300 to buy new resources for the Playgroup.

With Nessie safely back in Loch Ness, the children have turned their attention to smaller beasties as our Forest School group went on a minibeast hunt this week and managed to find some spiders, some beetles and lots and lots of woodlice under the leaves and logs in the woods. Back at the Playhouse we are all eagerly waiting for this year's caterpillars to turn into butterflies. We have been thinking about insect life-cycles and enjoying the Hungry Caterpillar and the Crunchy Munchy Caterpillar at story time.

As the weather is finally getting warmer there is lots to see and do in the garden. The children have been enjoying playing with bubbles, painting outside and some fabulous imaginative play exploring the sounds and sensations that come with the changing seasons.



We are also starting to prepare for next year, working closely with the local Primary schools to support our children who are going up to school in September and we are looking forward to some exciting activities for the Autumn Term with those children who are staying with us and those who will be joining us.

We are open from 9am to 3pm daily during term time. We take children from their 2nd birthday. 15 hours government

funding is available to all 3 and 4 year olds and to qualifying 2 year olds and 3. Hours funding is available to qualifying 3 and 4 year olds. We are situated in the primary school grounds in the centre of Waterbeach. Supporting our play-based learning, we offer weekly Forest School sessions, regular visits to Waterbeach Library and the school gym and optional French lessons (from October 2018). Please look at our website and diary at www.waterbeachplaygroup.org.uk to find out more.

We are now taking bookings for Autumn 2018. If you would like to come and see what we do, please call Jacqui Woods on 01223 440769 (term time) or email us at info@waterbeachplaygroup.org.uk for a Prospectus and application form.

WASPS



The children are enjoying the Summer Term at WASPS so far, they have been busy building tents inside, lots of fun has been had with the new table tennis set and the children are particularly enjoying the outside play space and making the most of it in the warmer weather! The children have been playing outside with gloop, exploring the digging area and gardening using recycled materials.

Working party - Along with the Community Playgroup (with whom we share premises) we had an outdoor working party at the end of March, we had a really good turnout of helpers and managed to tidy up our outdoor area. Sweeping, leaf blowing and cutting back took place. A huge thank you to all of our helpers! We hope to hold future working parties to help keep on top of and improve our outside space further.

Easter and Half Term Holiday Club - The children have been busy at our two most recent Holiday Clubs. At Easter they took part in a competition to see who could make the longest loom band, cooked, took part in arts and crafts, played on the Wii and also loved our film and popcorn afternoon! At our Half Term club, the children contributed their own activity ideas, they chose to take part in science based activities, experienced tie dying t-shirts, cooking, decorating wooden snakes and again had fun playing on the Wii!

Feast - What an exciting time we had at Waterbeach Feast on Saturday 9th June! Our theme was London. We enjoyed taking part and walked in the parade dressed up in our costumes, including iconic London buildings and monuments such as Big Ben, a London Bus, Wembley Stadium and The London Eye to name a few. Also some members of the Royal family could be spotted too, along with tourists, a marathon runner and Paddington Bear! Everyone looked fantastic! The judges must have thought so too, as WASPS won the junior category for the parade, well done everyone! A huge thank you to all who helped out with our Feast efforts for the parade and our stall on the Green. If you helped with preparations, costumes, donated to our hampers, set up/cleared away, supervised the stall, walked in the parade or purchased raffle tickets, we really appreciate it. It was great fun and we are already looking forward to taking part again next year! We raised £165 on our stall. Congratulations to the winners of our hampers and grid game, winners were drawn on the day and notified.

Staff Changes - We have recently had a few changes to our staff team at WASPS, at the end of the Spring Term we said farewell to Wayne, our After School Club, Finance and Administration Co-ordinator. Wayne worked at WASPS in various roles for over 15 years, we are grateful to him for his commitment and contribution to the club over this time and wish him all the

best for the future. We welcomed Flor to the Team in March, Flor is the new overall WASPS Manager, she has already settled in well to the club bringing new ideas and creativity! Hopefully you will get to meet her soon, if you haven't done so already. Zoe continues as Breakfast Club Co-ordinator. We also said goodbye to Tom (Playworker) and wish him well with his move to Bury St. Edmunds and welcomed Cally (Playworker) who has settled in well to working at both the Breakfast Club and After School Club every day.

Summer Holiday Club - We are currently planning our Summer Holiday Club, the club will run from Wed 25th July to Tues 14th August and INSET days, Tues 4th and Wed 5th September (8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.). Bookings will be opened on 25th June, if you are interested in booking your child/children a place, please get in touch (details below) your family needs to be registered with WASPS to book a place. Look out for our activity timetable coming soon!

Holiday Club - The club is open to 4-11 year olds, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. for a full day. We also offer flexible booking with half day sessions and bookings for a minimum of 2 hours. Half day sessions can also be extended on an hourly basis and a sibling discount is available. Snacks and drinks are provided throughout the day, but a packed lunch is required from home please. Bookings must be made in advance and families must be registered with WASPS.

Breakfast Club - runs from 7:45 a.m. – 8:50 a.m. and **After School Club** runs until 6 p.m. on all school days. Our term time clubs are currently quite busy with limited availability. Please inquire to book a place.

Contact us: For more information, please visit our website: www.waterbeach-wasps.org.uk or telephone 01223 861140 during opening hours. Outside of opening times, please leave a message and a member of the team will return your call when convenient. If you would like to book a time to call in and meet the team prior to making a booking, let us know.

Girlguiding

Science in the Sunshine: A fun & inspiring science event for Girlguiding members aged 5-14.

In March this year, on what felt like the first day of spring, 240 Rainbows, Brownies & Guides from Girlguiding Cam Division gathered for an afternoon of "science in the sunshine" in Waterbeach. With 50 different science activities to try, 70 adult volunteers and a regional grant from the Royal Society of Biology, the day was enjoyed by girls and volunteers alike. Girlguiding member Holli Bielby organised the event for Rainbows, Brownies and Guides in Waterbeach and the surrounding villages, taking inspiration

from a day spent volunteering at the Royal Society's "Big Biology Day" in Cambridge last year.

The queue for making ice cream in a bag was out the door; sugar water density columns, pH paintings and chromatography flowers were created by girls of all ages; and the current slime obsession meant that exploring the properties of a non-newtonian fluid – cornflour slime – was an activity that many made a bee-line for. We just won't mention the mess in the playground afterwards...



As well as having loads of fun taking part, volunteers were on hand at every station to explain the science behind the activities.

Rainbows particularly loved exploring the Nature Garden; hunting hidden butterflies and identifying trees by their leaves or fruits; the "Science of Bubbles" was high on their list too!

Brownies were perhaps equally fascinated and grossed-out by "owl puke", as they dissected the contents of an owl pellet; learned how to use a micropipette and tested their senses in the physiology zone.

Guides tackled some of the more advanced activities on offer - extracting DNA from bananas, preparing onion cell microscope slides and dissecting daffodils.



If you are interested in finding out more about Girlguiding for yourself or your daughter, please go to: <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved/> We are actively looking for leaders to open an additional Brownie unit in Waterbeach!

Beach Bowls Club

In the early months of the year although we were not able to play bowls on our green, members of Beach Bowls Club maintained their interest in the game in the village by enjoying a meal together in a local hostelry and making plans for the new season. At the beginning of the year one never knows how kind or not the weather conditions will be. Therefore, the season began with the hope that it would be warm enough to enjoy playing. Despite the cold and wet in the late winter and early spring the groundsman was able to do what was necessary to prepare the green for the new season. Play began during the last week of April and the first event was when club members competed for the Henry Burling Trophy. This is a competition held in memory of a club member. This was an enjoyable evening and after some close games the winner was Chris Rushmer. As usual an Open Afternoon was arranged, but regrettably the weather was so cold even the most intrepid of members decided not to play. The first league match took place in early May, which happily ended with a win. Subsequently games have taken place regularly in both the Pairs and Triples Leagues as well as competitions. Further ones will follow in a packed programme. Details of forthcoming matches are displayed on the gate to the green and spectators are welcome to watch the play.

We are just about to commence our club Pairs Competition. A record number of players have entered. This follows hard on the heels of a couple of games from last year's contest which could not be completed because of holidays and the weather. The final was closely fought which resulted in a win for Chris Rushmer and Malcolm Levitt over Bob Dougherty and Ken White.

Anyone wanting any information about the club please contact Terry Pauley on 01223 860600 or Chris Rushmer on 01223 861354. New members will be welcome.

Jazzercise

Jazzercise is a pulse-pounding, beat-pumping fitness program that gets you results...fast. It's a calorie-torching, hip swivelling dance party with a hot playlist to distract you from the burn.

Waterbeach School

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Thursday - 6.45pm Dancemixx

Saturday mornings - 9am

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Great feeling to be part of a fitness program

You can bring a 11-17 year old to class for £4 (no first class free) *Bev Tumber*

Community Land Trust



The housing crisis continues to be in the news a lot, and continues to affect our village, with local people being priced out of the market. With affordable housing being the top priority of the newly elected South Cambs District Council, our efforts to set up a Community Land Trust seem to have come at the right time, and community-led alternatives to speculative housebuilding are gaining national interest.

It has been a busy couple of months for the Waterbeach CLT. We now have a Steering Group consisting of 8 local people with a wide range of expertise who are really keen to make progress. The CLT is a non-profit community-led organisation which aims to provide affordable housing and community facilities for local people. A key part of the CLT is engagement with the local community which we have been starting to undertake.

Since our last update we have visited the successful neighbouring CLT at Stretham and Wilburton to see what they have achieved there with their 75 home project with co-working space and a surgery. We held a scoping event and several meetings with CLT East (our technical advisor) to outline our aims and progress with setting up the CLT. We have also started a programme of community engagement, we had a successful stand at the Waterbeach Feast and have now signed up 50 new members. We will continue to tell people what we are trying to achieve and are having a public launch event at 7.30pm Thursday 19th July at Waterbeach Baptist Chapel. We hope to see lots of you there to find out what we have been doing and sign up as members, please do come and find out more.

The CLT is membership based and being a member gives you a say in how the CLT is run and what we are trying to achieve. Anyone who has a local connection to Waterbeach (lives, works or has family here) can join. It only costs £1 and you can sign up at www.waterbeachclt.co.uk/signup or come and join us at one of our events.

On the formal set up side, we have applied for start-up funding from South Cambs District Council, we hope to hear very shortly whether we have been successful. This grant will cover the costs of setting up the CLT as a legal entity and other setup costs.

We are also starting the process of looking for projects we might undertake, where we might look to build affordable houses and what facilities we might include or areas of the village we might help to improve. If you have any ideas, we really want to hear from you.

Our emerging values for the CLT are:

“Building a vibrant community for the future, where everyone can live, work and play.”

- Affordable housing for local people
- Encouraging better work-life balance
- Creating great leisure facilities
- Supporting environmentally sustainable infrastructure
- Inclusive community-led development

We want to hear what these things mean to you so that we can start to include them in our brief for projects.

If you want to find out more, please have a look at the website, www.waterbeachclt.co.uk or come to the Public Launch 7.30pm Thursday 19th July at Waterbeach Baptist Chapel. We look forward to seeing you.

Ian Bracey and Waterbeach CLT Steering Group - info@waterbeachclt.co.uk

Waterbeach WI



We continue to celebrate our Centenary Year with some interesting speakers. In April Elaine McGregor from the Nordoff Robbins Charity told us about the music therapy work she does with children and adults of all ages who have communication difficulties. It was very moving to see a film of people with, for example, Alzheimer's Disease who were unable to speak but were enjoying singing along with Elaine and children with concentration issues focussed on and joining in with the playing of music.

The May meeting began with a debate on 'Mental Health Matters' introduced by Amanda Langford from the Blue Smile charity. Our members voted unanimously to support the National Federation's resolution to provide more resources for mental health - a resolution subsequently confirmed at the National Conference in Cardiff.

Thank you to the Community Association and to local residents who supported us on Feast Day. An afternoon tea for members' families and former members was held in June, and July sees our combined 100 year celebrations at Anglesey Abbey with Lode and Bottisham WIs with a concert and supper.

Our next meeting is 'A Puppet's Tale' on 12th July telling the story of Angela Collins' journey to becoming a puppeteer. We have a Members' Barbecue on August 9th and on September 13th Lucy Lewis will give a talk entitled 'A Woman's Life in the Army'. Please feel free to join us as a visitor on any second Thursday of the month at St John's Church Room at 7.30pm. Alternatively, contact Sheila Lynn on 01223 860948 or 07713148643 for more details.

Waterbeach Theatre Company

2018 sees the 40th Anniversary of the formation of the society and our plans for an exciting year of internal and public celebration are well under way which we hope you can share with us.



Our new enterprise of an Information Evening in January was well attended and we welcomed several new people who came along to find out more about the society.

On 15 April WTC celebrated 40 years with an afternoon tea party for current



members and long standing patrons of the society. Over 80 people enjoyed tea, sandwiches and cakes, together with a slice of wonderful birthday cake and a glass of bubbly to celebrate past and future successes. David Adamson, a founder member who, owing to a prior commitment could not be with us on the day sent the following message:-

"How wonderful- 40 years of fantastic productions, tens of thousands of attendances and so much pleasure and fun generated - and loads of prizes too - all since that notice was put in the (then?) Post Office reading 'If you'd be interested in forming a drama club in the village please come along to 2 Pieces Lane on Thursday etc'. Seven, including three 6th-form girls, turned up and so was born the Waterbeach Players for our first production, 'Night Must Fall'; the third, 'Private Eye and Public Ear' came second in the Cambridge Drama festival. I remember fondly the 25th and 30th celebrations so I send my congratulations and best wishes for the next 40 years!"

So from a little acorn a mighty oak has grown.

Regular patrons will know that WTC has always encouraged and fully supported new writing and 2018 is no exception. In January the society started the year with *Aladdin*, a pantomime specifically written for them by Chris Shinn and Julie Petrucci, followed by two new plays which were entered into one-act drama festivals. *The Hiram J Haffenbacker Show*, written by member David Morris and *The Lost Archer* written by member Tim Boden.

Both plays performed to great acclaim receiving several nominations and

winning a total of seven trophies. WTC is very proud of the fact that one of our young actresses 15 year old Emily Rutherford "did the double" by winning the Best Actress Under 18 award at both the Sawston and Cambridge festivals in the role of Gemma in *The Lost Archer*, a role specifically written for her by the playwright.

In November the society is producing a full length play *Snails for Starters*, written by Kattreya Scheurer Smith. Kattreya joined the society when she was six years old and now in her twenties has over the last few years written award winning one-act plays. *Snails for Starters* is Kattreya's first full length play and Waterbeach Theatre



Company look forward to watching the transfer of her script from page to stage. So, watch out for the Snails between 7 and 10 November.

Tickets, as always will be available from Chris on 01223 880023 or book your own seats online www.ticketsource.co.uk/wcp (there is a small per transaction fee for online bookings)

We have a wonderful new website designed and managed by Webmaster Mark Easterfield which is well worth a visit. Do have a look. www.wtconline.org.uk

If you are interested in becoming a member you can be sure of a warm welcome. You may not wish to be on stage but there happens to be 101 other jobs which need to happen to get a show up and running so if you can weld a paintbrush or hammer in a nail, wash out brushes or make a cup of tea there is a place for you. Contact our secretary Julie on julie.petrucci@btinternet.com

Family Tree

The Denson family: I am researching my family tree and this has led me to Waterbeach. I believe that I found my great, great, great grandfathers' headstone, Jonathan Denson 1842, at St. John's Church. My great grandfather, Josiah Denson, was born in the village.

If anyone can help me with any information I would be very grateful. Perhaps you know of a long-lost cousin! Please email me at phill.denson@gmail.com

Happy Folks Club

As we swing into summer, I thought it time to reflect on the club's progress. I learned the club was formed in the early 1970s and the membership reached over 70 then. When I joined in 2003, the membership was 27. Our chairman Alice Coxall ran the club for over 20 years and had built up a strong guest following for club outings. When I took over it was clear that we needed a new direction to attract new members. We went to new places and the membership grew. I was so lucky to get a secretary in Carole Holdsworth who organised our trips brilliantly. Then we got a new treasurer in Paul Munnery who looks after the club's money as if it were his own!

So, we go into summer with renewed optimism, our membership is 66 and our trips to various new places well attended by our members. Summer trips include, horse drawn canal trip in Berkshire, trip to Springfield shopping outlet, Moreton-in-the-Marsh Cotswold market, plus a few seaside trips. We also all enjoyed Feast Day and may have seen you if you visited our stall!

We meet in the Beach Social Club on Friday afternoons at 2pm. If your free then we would love to see you.



Summer at the Beach

Summer at the Beach 2018 would like to welcome everyone to our third year of arts events at the historical Waterbeach Barracks site. This year as well as the usual exhibition of painting, ceramics, photography, millinery and sculpture we have the added attractions of a comedy night, a repair cafe, book swaps, film screening and talks by writers and artists [to name but a few]. We also have the 'Pop Up Café' [probably the best cafe in Cambridgeshire] in residence for three weekends and our very own one day music event organised by the fantastic Beach Sessions.

In line with our belief that culture is for everyone all the activities are offered free of charge and on a drop-in basis. So please come along this July and see what's available. Details of the program, times dates and locations can be found on our website at www.summeratthebeach.co.uk and on our 'A Day at the Beach' Facebook page.

Information about participating artists can be found on the Cambridge Open Studios website www.camopenstudios.co.uk/open-studios/964

The exhibition will be open on the weekends of July 7th, 8th, 14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd from 11am – 6pm and will be signposted from the Barracks main entrance.

Waterbeach Past

We are always looking for interesting articles for inclusion in Beach News and we have recently been sent an item recalling some of the shops, local businesses and other buildings in Waterbeach from years ago. This is Part I and we will continue to publish more over the next few editions.

"I was born in a property called Vine Cottage which stood in the High Street on the northern corner of Cattells Lane. This building was demolished to make way for two modern houses. I've been thinking about the village when I was young and where the different landmarks were, so below is a walk through the village giving as much information as I can recall. I hope it will revive memories for older villagers and be of interest to our newer residents."

Robert Wilson

130 Cambridge Road

House accommodated WAAF officers and the field adjoining had Nissen huts where WAAFs lived.

93 Cambridge Road

Home of the District Nurse – Nurse Sutton.

66 Cambridge Road

Sidney Craft had a shoe repair shop in a shed beside his house.

48 Cambridge Road

Home of Waterbeach's ARP Warden – Mr. Charlie Sutton. There was an air raid siren in the garden which was activated when air raids were imminent.

16 Cambridge Road

The infants' school. My teachers were Miss Handley and Miss Kerry. It is now a private residence.

12 Cambridge Road

This was the surgery run by Dr. Hartley. Before this, the surgery was at Lode House (on the corner of Lode Avenue) run by Dr. Robson.

Site of 8 Cambridge Rd

Next to the surgery was a little cottage occupied by Mr. Brooks, who ran a newsagent's shop from the premises. Cottage no longer there.

Corner of Cambridge Rd and Greenside

A brick-built building which served as the Headquarters of the Home Guard. The building is no longer there.



This area known as Towns End later became known as Chapel Street leading on to Cambridge Road



Chapel Street / Cambridge Road - 2018



Waterbeach Green early 1900s



1 Greenside
3 Greenside

Mr. Baxter's market garden.
Percy Bull's general store. Later became Mullocks', then Gibson's and is now Darling Van Rental.



Gibson's - 1987



2018

5 Greenside
9 Greenside

Arthur Hayes' market garden. Now the new chemist.
The parochial school for juniors with a playground and school allotments to the rear. Now a guest house.



Previously the Parochial Junior School – photo from 1986



Now 'The Old School House' Bed & Breakfast - 2018

23 Greenside

Waddelow's grocery store. Later became the Co-Op. Now offices and flats.



Co-op - Closed in 1989



Greenside - 2018

25 Greenside

Sanders' bakehouse. If you took your Sunday roast and Yorkshire pudding mix, the staff would cook them ready for collection at lunch time.

*Entrance to
Vicarage Close*

The old vicarage was sited here and fetes were held in the grounds.



Old Vicarage, Greenside/High Street - 1974



*Garden at the rear of the old Vicarage –
The large red wood tree on the right still stands today*



Old Church Room - 1984



Site of old Church room, now entrance to Vicarage Close

To be continued in a future edition of Beach News. We have tried to gather some photos/pictures but if you have any from earlier times that we could use please let us know. We would scan any photos and then of course return them. If you are able to help please Tel: 01223 476601, email: beachnews@waterbeach.org or send to Beach News, 5 Spurgeons Avenue, Waterbeach, Cambridge CB25 9NU.

Beaches Community Car Scheme

Beaches Community Car Scheme provides lifts for residents of Waterbeach, Landbeach, Horningsea and Milton who are not able to get to medical appointments and other activities or places by any other means. Priority has to be given to medical appointments, though we will help with other journeys when we can. The scheme is run by a team of volunteers and is an essential service for many residents in our villages

BCCS is administered by a small team of coordinators who do two week shifts arranging drivers for the people who request lifts. We would like to recruit a few more coordinators who may or may not want to drive as well. We are also looking for more drivers. We have an excellent team who give very willingly of their time but sometimes, if a lot of people need a car at around the same time, or a lot of drivers are not available for some reason, it can be very difficult to find drivers for all of them. It feels awful telling someone that we can't drive them to an important appointment.

Volunteer drivers need to have permission from their insurers which is generally given with no problems and also need to undergo a DBS check, is administered through the County Council, at no cost to the volunteer. They are paid a mileage allowance.

Coordinators use the scheme's phone to receive and make calls and need to have access to a computer and be familiar with a simple Excel spreadsheet.

The scheme provides an essential service for people who are no longer able to get to places on their own. For the volunteers it is a lovely way of getting to know residents of our villages, many of whom have wonderful stories to tell. For drivers it is a very flexible form of volunteering as they don't need to commit to a particular day or particular amount of time each week. They are free to say yes or no when asked if they can do a journey. It can also be very rewarding for coordinators, with sometimes quite intensive two week shifts but peace in between. It is good way of getting to know drivers and passengers without leaving the comfort of home.

Getting to places without their own transport or the necessary mobility to be able to walk or use public transport is a real problem for some of our older residents. If you could spare even a little time (it may only be for one local journey every few weeks) PLEASE think about joining us. Ring 07807875878 and leave a message; the coordinator on duty will come back to you.

Toddler Playgroup



The last term and a half have been busy and fun packed and have certainly flown by! The children have taken part in a wide variety of activities, from arts and crafts to outdoor fun! At the beginning of the year the children enjoyed learning all about Chinese New Year; they tasted a range of Chinese foods, performed a Chinese Dragon Dance outside and even had a go at writing some Chinese characters! Mums loved the beautiful Mother's Day cards that the children made at playgroup and admired some very impressive artwork. The children made some delicious chocolate Easter cakes at the end of term, a lovely treat! During the summer term the children have been playing outside and having lots of fun in the playgroup's new sandpit. The children also planted sunflower seeds to take home and have been busy growing vegetables at the setting.

The staff and children also worked hard to prepare for the Waterbeach Feast parade. Our Rising 5s looked fantastic as Lifesavers and walked beautifully. Our Rising 5s start school in September and have enjoyed a variety of events at school to help prepare them for this next stage. We wish them all well for the future.



At the end of term we will be holding our annual Family Fun Day for all of the Playgroup, always a most enjoyable day out!

As always, the Committee have been busy fundraising. The Auction of Promises, which took place in March, was a huge success and a great time was had by all! May saw the third Waterbeach Running Festival, which was a fantastic event and raised an amazing amount of money for the playgroup. Over seven hundred people entered the Running Festival, making it the biggest yet! At the end of May, WTP held a cake stall at the Waterbeach Colts Football Tournament and our cakes proved to be very popular! Massive thanks to everyone who volunteered at these events and to all who supported us, it really is very much appreciated.

If you wish to find out more about Waterbeach Toddler Playgroup then please visit our website www.waterbeachtoddlerplaygroup.org.uk or contact our Play Leader Wayne Badcock by email waterbeachtoddlerplaygroup@outlook.com or by 'phone 07808 357729.

Memories of Waterbeach

An article received from Roger Collins, a former pupil of Waterbeach School.

I originally moved to Waterbeach in November 1954 with my parents, as my father was an RAF Aircrew Officer and was posted to RAF Waterbeach, having spent 6 months in Australia on Atom bomb trials. We moved into a newly constructed Married Quarter in which we happily remained for the



Christmas Nativity Play 1956. I am in the back standing second from left with head band and white undergarment

following four years whilst my father was the OIC of the airfield's air traffic control. I settled into the life quickly and was enrolled as a pupil at Waterbeach Primary School. Miss H M Hatley was the Headmistress and during my years at the school I was taught by three excellent teachers Miss O'Toole, Mr Doggett and Mr Marsh. As a result of

their efforts I was lucky enough to pass my 11+ exam and earned a place at Cambridge High School for Boys where I started in September 1957. A few years ago, as a small 'thank' you to Waterbeach School I funded an upgrade of the play area which included a wooden pirate ship named the 'Jolly Roger'

Whilst at the school I made some good friends, one of whom David Cooper, I have remained in touch for some 60 years. David until his retirement owned the village barber's shop and his parents the general store/shop on the village green. In the mid 1950s when skiffle music was popular along with other school pupils we formed a skiffle group called 'C. Shore and the Pebbles'. We practised at the rear of their shop and for two summers in 1956 and 1957 we were engaged to play at the village fete. In those days the Boy Scouts, the Cubs and Guides had use of a building located to the right of the entrance to the school and was well attended and very popular. After meetings we all proceeded along to the fish and chip shop opposite to the entrance to the airfield at the corner of the High Street and Bannold Road - a good meeting place.

One of my other friends from school and in the same class as me was 'Shaggy Sheep' Chacksfield the son of Air Vice Marshall Sir Bernard

Chacksfield who was the Station Commander of RAF Waterbeach. Almost half the pupils in those days were from RAF families. Because of this connection the school were lucky enough to have a few high profile visitors in the mid 1950s. The first such visitor was Brigadier John Hunt in 1955. He was the leader of the 1953 Everest Expedition when Hillary and Tenzing successfully reached the summit that year. He spent a day at the school imparting his experiences with the pupils and staff.

Also in summer of 1955 the next well known visitors to the school were Roger Bannister and Chris Chataway the two world famous athletes. They attended Waterbeach Primary School sports day to assist and award the prizes to the successful participants. I was particularly proud as that day I received a medal for winning the high jump competition from Roger Bannister. He was the first person to run the mile in under four minutes. His time was of three minutes 59.4 seconds was set at Iffley Road sports ground on 6 May 1954 and his friend Christopher Chataway helped with the record by pacing him. Sadly he passed away in March 2018 aged 88.

The next notable visitor, in September 1957, was Alan Villiers, the Captain of the Mayflower II a replica 17th century wooden sailing ship constructed in 1955/1956 in Brixham Devon. The original ship was celebrated for taking the Pilgrim fathers to the New World. On April 20 1957 the replica set sail from Plymouth for New York where it arrived on the 1 July 1957 and Alan Villiers and entire crew were greeted with a ticker tape welcome. Alan Villiers visited the school in September 1957 upon his return from the USA. He addressed the whole school with slide shows and other items from the ship and presented every pupil with an old halfpenny as on the reverse was an image of the 'Golden Hind' similar to the 'Mayflower'

Turning to life on the airfield it was an exciting time. With my friends from the Married Quarters and the village, as kids we were regular visitors to disused aircraft like the Anson located in a remote part of the airfield half way up Bannold Drove. In the mid 1950s security was lacking and we sneaked under the perimeter fence to access the aircraft and other disused aviation items - it was called the 'bomb dump'. I recall at one time all the bushes and trees in Bannold Drove being covered with strips of metal foil placed there by the local kids. These were massive reels of foil dropped out of RAF aircraft in WWII called 'windows' and used to fool enemy radar. After our visit there we proceeded to the River Cam by the Bottisham Lode pumping station and weir where we launched a marvellous raft we constructed out of planks and large oil drums we had 'requisitioned' from the 'bomb dump'. It was a common sight in the mid 1950s seeing the raft being pulled up and down Bannold Road by us kids on our bikes. On many occasions the local policeman stopped us to see what we were up to but with a smile and a wink

sent us on our way. Another enjoyable experience at the time was 'train spotting', watching a considerable amount of mainly steam trains passing through Waterbeach Station. In those days there was a sizeable railway station with full facilities including waiting rooms with coal fire (good in winter), ticket office, signal box and manually operated level crossing. One of the most exciting large events in the 1950s was the annual RAF Battle of Britain air show when the majority of the airfield was open to the public. I had my first flight in 1956 when Marshalls of Cambridge used one of their De Havilland Rapides for 30 minute flights between Waterbeach and Cambridge for a princely sum of ten shillings. It must have got into my blood as in 1972 I started a Charter Airline at Southend airport with six former RAF Dakota and Devon aircraft. I went onto dealing with former military establishments later in life and coincidentally when the Army vacated Waterbeach Barracks in 2012/2013 the engineers were relocated to RAF Kinloss in Scotland. In 2010 we had acquired 321 former Officers and NCO married quarters on Southside Estate where several former Waterbeach residents now live.

I visit Waterbeach when time permits, as since 2001 I have lived in the south of Norway. My memories are all good ones and my last visit was in February this year.

Roger Collins

Gardening Club

In our last two talks before our summer break we were entertained and inspired by Simon White, retail manager of Peter Beales Roses, and Janet Buist, a local expert on salvias. Both gave an illustrated talk and brought plants for sale - always popular with our members.



We enjoyed running our 'Lovely Lavender' stall on Feast Day and are very grateful to those who put in so much hard work to give our community such a great day out. It was good to meet so many regular customers and to make contact with people who have moved into our village recently. We hope that many will be inspired to join us when our programme of talks resumes in September.

Over the summer our attention turns to our social events. We have two outings and our Summer Barbecue to look forward to.

Plans are now well-advanced for our new-look Annual Village Show which we are running in conjunction with the WI. The show will be held at the church and church room - a new venue for us - on Saturday 8th September. Schedules and details of how to enter the fruit, vegetables, domestic, art, photography and children's classes are now available and we hope that many of you will have a go and will join us for a fun-filled afternoon in September. Details are available from wandgc@outlook.com.

Beach Social Club

Those of you who have been to or passed by the club recently will have noticed a lot of activity about the building. We have had the roof recovered and all the doors and windows along the front have been replaced. The outside of the building has been repainted and we are about to start on the internal refurbishment of the bar and lounge.

We had a Valentines dance with 'Skadust' and a Karaoke with 'Stardust'. March and April saw the 'Legionaires' and the 'Spacehoppers', May and June we had afternoon tea for the Royal wedding and the money raised went to our charities Waterbeach School and Alzheimer's. In June we had a Hawaiian party; Johnny Dee and of course the Waterbeach Feast where our stall raised £576 for our charities. Many thanks to all who visited our stall and to those who generously donated the prizes and of course thanks to the members of our Committee who manned the stall. That means that the total so far is £1714.39 with about 11 weeks to go to our annual Harvest Festival Charity Auction.

Future Entertainment

1st September: Skadust

8th September: Harvest Festival Charity Auction all money collected goes to our charities. Please donate something that we can sell and come along for the evening and bid for the goods on sale.

29th September: Back In Time; 60's, 70's, 80's music. This is also presentation night when our two charities are given the money that we have collected over the year. At the AGM we will pick two more.

Keep up to date with our Facebook page and notices around the village and in the club.

The club function room is available for hire to members of 12 months or more, for parties/meetings etc, at very reasonable rates. We may also be able to accommodate local groups and organisations on an occasional or regular basis, daytime or evenings. The Surgery PPG uses the club for open meetings to give information covering various aspects of social care and St John's Church also use the lounge for talks on a variety of subjects.

Bingo sessions continue to be popular every Monday evening from 7-9 with cash prizes and a Jackpot flyer. Everyone is welcome to join us for these sessions provided they are 18+

New members are always welcome. Call in to collect an application form and have a look at our facilities, which include pool table and Snooker/Darts/Crib teams. Large screen TV with Sky and BT Sport. There is a beer garden at the rear where you can take the kids and enjoy the lowest cost drinks in the area (probably).

Apart from our usual well stocked bar, we always have two real ales that we change weekly for other brands plus a specialist Gin and a Pimms bar.

Friends of Worts Meadow

Spring and summer this year have been busy for FOWM, with work party days and various recording events. Nature Reserves are places where wildlife has priority over human activities, but they need management if they are to remain suitable habitats for the species and communities you are trying to conserve. This is certainly true for Worts Meadow LNR. As well as a host of relatively common (but nevertheless important) species of wildlife, the reserve is home to (at least) two protected species; Great Crested Newts (GCNs) and Water

Voles. GCNs are found in various habitats but for breeding they need relatively clean, shallow ponds, preferably a series of them. Worts Meadow has a deep, natural field pond and a moat (thought to delineate an old manor house) in the meadows (grazed by



cattle) plus three other shallow ponds created in recent years in and adjacent to Bourne Wood (cattle are excluded). We are now devoting considerable effort to keep the latter ponds free from encroaching bramble, thistle and dogwood scrub. It's amazing how quickly these grow, hence the work parties to clear them. It seems to be working because an amphibian walk in early April, led by Froglife, revealed plenty of GCNs. Water voles need suitable waterside banks in which to make their breeding burrows and plenty of lush fringing vegetation to eat. We had sightings in 2016 both in the field pond and the moat and have seen evidence of them this year (characteristic cut sweet rush and wet outlines on small, tethered platforms put out for them). But both these ponds have rampant growths of brambles around them, some areas of which we plan to clear.

By the time this edition comes out in early July we will be about to embark on our most ambitious recording activity so far. This will be a Bioblitz with the aim of recording all the plants and animals we can over a 24hr period from the evening of Friday 13th July through Saturday 14th July. Expert helpers and volunteers will be on hand to lead the various activities, including moth trapping, bird dawn chorus walk, pond dipping, tree leaves, butterflies and bees. If you read this in time, do join us!

Details of the Bioblitz, our work parties and other events are posted on our Facebook page, emailed to FOWM members, listed on the Landbeach Village calendar (www.landbeach.org.uk/calendar) and via posters.

Friends of Worts Meadow (FOWM) is a constituted group of volunteers who help with the practical management of Worts Meadow Local Nature Reserve. It is free to join. Our open events provide the chance to learn about and enjoy the wildlife of the site and help with recording. For more information contact Frances Dipper on 01223 861836, frances.dipper@sustenergy.co.uk or see our Facebook page 'Friends of Worts Meadow'.

History of Waterbeach Feast cont.

The Summer edition of Beach News 2017 (No. 251) contained an article about the history of Waterbeach Feast and in particular the parade.

'21st May 1939 saw the 47th and last parade for the benefit of Addenbrookes Hospital as the Feast lapsed during the Second World War and the years that followed.'

The parade was revived in 1971, but we did not have any information about the years in between. We are now grateful to have received an email from a former resident, now residing in the USA, with her memories of those missing years.

"I read with interest the history of the Waterbeach Feast and was pleased to learn more of the story however I wondered why there was no mention of the Feast during the 1940's into the '60's.

When I was growing up in Waterbeach the one village event that caused the most excitement was the arrival of the lorries loaded with what would become the colourful rides and stalls that filled the green. There was no parade at that time.

The Feast always fell on the week of Whitsunday, the last week of May and was greeted by us children with joy and anticipation. There was always a merry-go-round for the little children, a Jollity Farm for the more adventurous and a favourite, the Dodgems down the centre of the green and around the edges were Swingboats, coconut shies, arcade games, dart games, shooting gallery and much more. To add to the ambiance of the music and lights was the smell of onions cooking for the tasty hotdogs, the allure of candy floss, toffee apples and sticks of rock.

Once a year during Feast week my Grandmother, Ellen Whiterod would make lots of fromerty, a wheaty custard full of dried fruit and eagerly enjoyed by our family topped with brown sugar.

After the fair had packed up and left we children could be found searching for dropped pennies that may have fallen through the floor of the Jollity Farm."

Hazel Dickfoss (nee Whiterod) - Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, U.S.A.

Farmland Museum



On April 16th the Farmland Museum celebrated 21 years of a very successful working partnership with English Heritage with a reception attended by HRH the Princess Royal. It was a lovely afternoon and after all the months of rain it was gloriously sunny. Many old friends and supporters came including Mike and Lorna Delanoy who started the original Farmland Museum at Haddenham 49 years ago. Her Royal Highness spoke to almost all the guests about 80 in all and seemed very interested in both the Abbey and the Museum.

After the excitement and hard work of preparing for that event we settled back into a more normal routine. Special events still to come this summer include the annual Children's Archaeology Day on 26th July. Children are also well catered for with the Family Activity afternoons on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons during school holidays. The programme this year is:

Wed 1 & Thurs 2 August - Our Feathered Friends

Bird related craft activities and a trail.

Wed 8 & Thurs 9 August - It's a Bug's Life!

Make a bug! Go on a bug safari and much more!

Wed 15 & Thurs 16 August - Egyptians at Denny

The Knights Templers visited Egypt hence some Egyptian themed crafts and a family trail.

Wed 22 & Thurs 23 August - Scarecrows, Country Crafts & Maypole Dancing

Come and 'have a go' at a variety of crafts, make a scarecrow and do some dancing!

Wed 29 & Thurs 30 Aug - Dragons at Denny!

Dragon related crafts and much more.

Despite being less than a minute's drive from the A10, The Museum and Abbey site is a peaceful and seemingly isolated spot and still captures something of the remote atmosphere of the countryside as it was for so many years before the region changed so dramatically. It is lovely place to go to just sit and relax on a sunny afternoon.

The Museum and Denny Abbey are open from Tuesday to Sunday 11.00 am to 5.00pm and on Bank Holiday Mondays until October 28th. The Docky Box tea room will be open for sandwiches, cakes and drinks at weekends and on event and Family Activity days.

More details can be found on the web site

<http://www.dennyfarmlandmuseum.org.uk/>

We look forward to seeing you. Well behaved dogs on leads are welcome.



Tithe Barn Trust

As a small charity run entirely by volunteers, we have to say a MASSIVE thank you to all of our volunteers who make the Tithe Barn Trust. Tithe Barn Trust is a small charity and volunteer not-for profit group committed to saving the Tithe Barn, in Landbeach, for everyone to enjoy.

Over the last few months alone, volunteers have welcomed local pre-schoolers to the Tithe Barn, written grant applications, cleaned the barn and even performed Shakespeare and a Concert at the barn. The energy and enthusiasm continues to grow as the project gathers momentum. If you would like to get involved and be a part of



saving this special building, then get in touch. We're currently recruiting Events Volunteers to help us set up and run events and public open days. If you have a welcoming and approachable manner with a can-do attitude, then get in touch. You will have the chance to make a real difference to a friendly and supportive charity at a time of significant development. To find out more contact Gemma O'Shea on 07986 717958 or email tithebarntrust@gmail.com

The Tithe Barn Trust believes the medieval Tithe barn, with thatched roof, brick threshing floor and timber granary, to be unique to Cambridgeshire and even of national significance. It is one of the few Tithe Barns in the country still standing next to its medieval rectory. Over 90% of Tithe Barns in the UK have been converted and their historic features are being lost forever. Sadly, the Landbeach Tithe Barn is in a poor condition and deteriorating.

You can help our restoration quest by sponsoring a sheaf at <https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/mypage/TitheBarnTrust>

Tithe Barn Events

Saturday 14th July, 2pm - The East Anglian Barn – lecture

Join Ken Bonham, barn expert and enthusiast, as he explores the timber-framed, aisled barns of south-east England, their construction, distribution and relationship to the aisled barns of the Low Countries. Plus listen to the Fen Edge Archaeology Group talk about their geophysical survey of the land surrounding the Landbeach Tithe Barn.

Saturday 28th July, 1pm-4.30pm - Summer fruit & veg competition

Enter your prize winning summer fruit and veg. Categories include Best Ugly Veg. Suitable for all ages.

Sunday 26th August, 1pm-4pm - Holiday Fun

Storytelling, I-Spy, dressing up and traditional games for all the family.

Sunday 9th September, 1pm-5pm - Heritage Open Day

Find out more about timber frame repairs, have a go at threshing wheat, grinding grain to flour, or make your own corn dolly.

Free admission to all of our events, but donations welcome towards the restoration of the Tithe Barn. Thank you for your support.

Visit www.tithebarntrust.org.uk to find out more about the Tithe Barn Trust and our events.

How to find the Tithe Barn - Gate entrance is opposite No 2 Waterbeach Road, Landbeach, Cambridge, CB25 9FA. Walk along the uneven grassed track. Free road parking or no.9 stagecoach bus stops near Cockfen Lane.

Wag Your Tails!

The Village Fun Dog Show is back again for the 4th year. Always a cracking day of paw-tastic family fun, trophies and rosettes galore, and all in aid of some great local charities.

Sunday 5th August on the Rec'. Classes: 11am to 4pm (entries from 10am).

By popular request, this year there will again be two rings to keep things moving quickly and give everyone more chances of ribbons and prizes. So, whether you have a pooch that can do one trick or a



bundle, a jumpy-uppy crazy puppy or a laid back know it all old faithful, a matching pair of handsome hounds or the oddest pair in the village, they are all welcome to come and enjoy a day dedicated to woofs. You don't even have to have a dog to enjoy the day.

Hog roast, stalls, refreshments, fun activities, scurry, raffle, and prizes galore.

All in the aid of raising money for Waterbeach Colts U5s, Retired Greyhound Trust and Poplar Farm Rescue Kennels.

For more information visit our face book page (Waterbeach Fun Dog Show) or contact Wendy on 01733 702524 or Jude on 01223 441599

Cambridge Open Studios



Cambridge Open Studios has announced the 2018 dates for its month-long summer art event, which will feature an exciting range of exhibitions by 350 artists at 221 locations in the city and surrounding areas.



Artists will open their doors to the public over four weekends in July. Among the huge range of specialisms will be: fine art, photography, pottery, glass making, sculpture, illustration, textiles, jewellery and furniture making, and more besides.

The weekends are: July 7/8, 14/15, 21/22 and 28/29. Studios are open to visit between 11am and 6pm. However, as not all artists will exhibit every weekend it is important to check the website, or refer to the famous yellow guide. These guides will be widely available in local outlets including libraries, tourist information sites, galleries and selected shops.

Getting around - New for 2018 is a partnership between Cambridge Open Studios and OFO bikes. The partnership came about to help visitors hop between studios in central Cambridge without any traffic and parking problems using the handy bicycles for hire.

With a code printed in the COS yellow guidebook, visitors will be able to claim five free one hour OFO bike rides – just the ticket for travelling between city centre locations.

There's an app for that - Cambridge Open Studios now has an app to help visitors find exactly what they are looking for and plan their days out. You can search by the artist's name, medium (painting, pottery, glass etc.), and location. There's also a button that suggests studios to visit nearby. So it's easy to find exactly the kinds of work you want to see and to work out a route around a particular area. The app will be available to download by mid-June for Apple and Android.

This year there are 87 venues to visit in central Cambridge and Grantchester and a further 134 venues in the wider Cambridgeshire area – including a large cluster of studios in Ely.

Marion Curtis, board member of Cambridge Open Studios, said: "This is a fantastic opportunity for members of the public to see artists at work, discuss their inspirations and techniques, and to browse, purchase or even commission their work.

"It's wonderful that this year we have the ingenious phone app that allows

visitors to find any workshops to suit their tastes and location. It couldn't be easier to make a day of visiting a selection of studios. And now you don't even have to bring the car to see city centre venues because our visitors can use the OFO bikes for free.

"As always, visitors are guaranteed a warm and friendly welcome at all the studios - and no pressure whatsoever to buy anything. All Cambridge Open Studios are completely free to visitors of all ages."

Find out more online - The studios are spread throughout the whole region, not just in the city centre. As usual, the distinctive yellow COS flags will be out to identify participating studios.

In the months leading up to the open studio event, many artists will be running workshops, courses and exhibitions. Members of the public can keep up to date on their activities via the COS website (www.camopenstudios.co.uk) or by following them on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram using @CamOpenStudios, where they can also follow specific artists.

Fen Edge Archaeology Group

Are you interested in the past? Would you like to learn more about archaeology and heritage? Would you like the chance to join a dig or other archaeological exploration? If so, do come along to a Fen Edge Archaeology Group event. We organise talks, fieldwork, village walks and visits to museums and excavations. Although our focus is on the villages of Landbeach, Waterbeach, Cottenham, Rampton and Willingham our members come from a wider area. Everyone is welcome, whatever your experience or knowledge of archaeology. We



have recently worked with the Landbeach Tithe Barn Trust using geophysics to survey the land around the barn. You will be welcome to join us on Saturday 14th July, 2pm at the Landbeach Tithe Barn, when Ken Bonham, barn expert and enthusiast, will talk about the timber-framed, aisled barns of south-east England and FEAG members will talk about our geophysical survey. The event will be free with donations welcome.

For more information, visit our websites: <https://feagblog.wordpress.com> and www.feag.co.uk, or our Facebook page. If you have any questions: email vicki.harley@care4free.net or feaginfo@gmail.com

It Starts With You

Our local Healthwatch in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough are launching their 'It Starts With You' campaign to encourage more people to share their experiences of using local health and care service.

The campaign will run from July to September 2018 and will tell the stories of local people who are helping to improve the services we all use.

Last year, Jason, who is deaf told us about visiting A&E and not getting a British Sign language Interpreter for over 7 hours even though he had a serious lung condition. Thanks to Jason and other people who shared their experience, we are challenging the local NHS to do better for disabled people.

Have you got a story to share? Tell us about your experiences and ideas to help services understand what works, what doesn't and what you want from care in the future.

No matter how big or small the issue, tell us about it. If it matters to you then it's very likely it matters to someone else.

Sharing your opinions with Healthwatch is quick and easy and could make a big difference. Tell us what you think and help make care better for you, your family and community.

Volunteer as a Community Listener and help us find out what people who live locally think about their health and care services. You will get training, support and out of pocket expenses.

Call our free Information Service if you have a question about local health or care services and need some help with what to do next.

Healthwatch Cambridgeshire and Healthwatch Peterborough work together as one organisation. You can contact us on:

Call us on 0330 355 1285 or text 0752 0635 176

www.healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk www.healthwatchpeterborough.co.uk

Patients Participation Group

Waterbeach Patient Participation Group invites you to a hands on resuscitation practice on Wednesday 18th July at Beach Social Club between 1.15pm and 2.30pm. Have you ever wondered how to use the village defibrillators in an emergency? This is your opportunity to find out. If you have any questions about this event, please phone Viv Cooper on 01223 574050.

What's On

July 2018

- 7th & 8th Summer at the Beach and Pop Up Café (see page 14), Waterbeach Barracks, 11am - 6pm
7th & 8th Military Heritage Museum Open, Waterbeach Barracks, 11am - 4pm
7th & 8th Cambridge Open Studios (see www.camopenstudios.co.uk for location details), 11am-6pm
Thurs 12th 'A Puppets Tale' (Waterbeach WI) St. John's Church Room, 7.30pm
Fri 13th BioBlitz plant and animal recording (Friends of Worts Meadow), Landbeach Village Hall car park, meet 8.30pm
Sat 14th BioBlitz plant and animal recording (Friends of Worts Meadow), Meet Information Point in Worts Meadow or Landbeach Village Hall car park. Events from 7am – 2.30pm
14th & 15th Summer at the Beach and Pop Up Café (see page 14), Waterbeach Barracks, 11am - 6pm
14th & 15th Military Heritage Museum Open, Waterbeach Barracks, 11am - 4pm
14th & 15th Cambridge Open Studios (see www.camopenstudios.co.uk for location details), 11am-6pm
Sat 14th The East Anglian Barn lecture plus Fen Edge Archaeology Group Event (Tithe Barn), Landbeach, 2pm
Wed 18th Resuscitation Practice (Patient Participation Group) Beach Social Club, between 1.15pm and 2.30pm
Thurs 19th Public Launch (Waterbeach Community Land Trust) Baptist Chapel, 7.30pm
21st & 22nd Summer at the Beach and Pop Up Café (see page 14), Waterbeach Barracks, 11am - 6pm
21st & 22nd Military Heritage Museum Open, Waterbeach Barracks, 11am - 4pm
21st & 22nd Cambridge Open Studios (see www.camopenstudios.co.uk for location details), 11am-6pm
Thurs 26th Children's Archaeology Day (Farmland Museum) 11am - 4pm
Sat 28th Summer Fruit & Veg Competition (Tithe Barn), Landbeach, 1pm - 4.30pm
28th & 29th Cambridge Open Studios (see www.camopenstudios.co.uk for location details), 11am-6pm

August 2018

- Wed 1st Military Heritage Museum Open, Waterbeach Barracks, 10am - 4pm
1st & 2nd Family Activity Afternoon 'Our Feathered Friends' (Farmland Museum) 12 noon - 4pm
Sun 5th Waterbeach Fun Dog Show – Recreation Ground, 10am - 4pm
Sun 5th Military Heritage Museum Open, Waterbeach Barracks, 10am - 4pm
8th & 9th Family Activity Afternoon 'It's a Bug's Life!' (Farmland Museum) 12 noon - 4pm
Thurs 9th Members' Barbecue (Waterbeach WI) St. John's Church Room, 7.30pm
15th & 16th Family Activity Afternoon 'Egyptians At Denny' (Farmland Museum) 12 noon - 4pm
22nd & 23rd Family Activity Afternoon 'Scarecrows, Country Crafts & Maypole Dancing' (Farmland Museum) 12 noon – 4pm
Sun 26th Holiday Fun (Tithe Barn), Landbeach, 1pm - 4pm
29th & 30th Family Activity Afternoon 'Dragons at Denny!' (Farmland Museum) 12 noon - 4pm
Fri 31st Copy deadline for Autumn edition of Beach News

September 2018

- Sat 1st Skadust (Beach Social Club)
Sun 2nd Military Heritage Museum Open, Waterbeach Barracks, 10am - 4pm
Wed 5th Military Heritage Museum Open, Waterbeach Barracks, 10am - 4pm
Sat 8th Harvest Festival Charity Auction (Beach Social Club)
Sat 8th Annual Village Show (Gardening Club & WI) St. John's Church, 2.30pm - 4.00pm
Sun 9th Heritage Open Day (Tithe Barn), Landbeach, 1pm - 5pm
Thurs 13th A Woman's Life in the Army (Waterbeach WI) St. John's Church Room, 7.30pm
Sat 22nd Beach News Autumn edition published
Sat 29th Back in Time; 60's, 70's 80's music (Beach Social Club)

Send your events in October, November & December 2018 for inclusion in the Autumn edition of Beach News to beachnews@waterbeach.org by 31st August 2018.

Waterbeach Community Association reserves the right to omit events at its discretion and without notice. To the best of our knowledge, the information contained herein is accurate and reliable as of the date of publication; however, we do not assume any liability whatsoever for the accuracy and completeness of the above information.

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Waterbeach Barracks and Airfield

52.2656° N, 0.1291° E

The former barracks and airfield at Waterbeach offer a range of community facilities for local groups including:

- Sports Hall
- Studio area
- Tennis Courts
- Squash courts
- Community rooms

Military Heritage Museum

Open from 11am to 4pm on the first Wednesday and Sunday of each month, March to October, and by appointment with Adrian Wright (01223 861846).

Find out more

Urban&Civic hold regular events to keep you informed and give you the opportunity to shape the future development of this special place. If you or your local group would like to find out more, meet us for a coffee and have a tour of the site, contact Rebecca Britton on 07739 339 889 or email us: rbritton@urbanandcivic.com



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