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Waterbeach School

COMMUNITY ROOM

The Community Room has been renovated and redecorated during July. The room is home to Waterbeach Independent Lending Library and the Library will re-opened on Friday, 20 July. It will be back to normal hours from now on.



Waterbeach Brass

SUMMER EVENTS

Waterbeach Brass invites you all to a 'Picnic on the Green' on Waterbeach Green at 3p.m. on Sunday 22 July (weather permitting).

Bring friends, family and a picnic. There will be a Silver Collection.

Booking the Band

If you would like the band to play at an event, then please contact our band secretary, Jim Pringle on Cambridge 368952. It's best to give at least a couple of months notice. Most of our members have full time jobs during the week, so we prefer to play weekend events.

Forthcoming Engagements

Our Summer / Autumn events continue as follows:

Sunday 22nd July Picnic on the Green, 3pm Waterbeach Green.

Sunday 2nd Sept Ely Riverside, 2.30pm.

Saturday 15th Sept Beach Club Harvest Festival and Auction

Waterbeach Community Association

LOOKING BACK...

TO THE FEAST... what a lovely day we had! It must be one of the few sunny days of this year. Sunshine on Waterbeach! Thank you to everyone

who made the day such a success. Thank you to all our organisations and affiliated groups who put in so much hard work to make the stalls and floats look so wonderful!

Our theme this year was "Something beginning with A" and we had Australia, Antarctic, Astronauts, Abba and Addenbrookes A&E to mention a few.



The Joan Fanning Shield for the best decorated infant float went to the Astronauts of Waterbeach Community Playgroup. The junior float winner was 'Australia' by Waterbeach Rainbows, the adult category was won by Tony Shipp with his decorated bicycle and the Friends and Family award went to the Johnson family. The Best Decorated Stall was won by the Young Wives with their Apple Cafe.

We also had competitions for all those budding young artists out there. The colouring competition had three age groups and the winners were Alexander Boyd-Bench, Nerys Morgan and Abigail Rabbett. The Year 4/5 children from Waterbeach School had a leaflet competition and this was won by Maeve Whelan, Laura Hawes, Alex Cole, Cameron Coxall, Caitlin Fish and Hannah Worman.



Congratulations to all our winners and a big thank you to the judges, Colonel Brent from 39 Engineer Regiment and Mark Davenport from Donarbon.

Many people have said it was the best Feast for several years – but we always think every Feast is the best! Next year will be even better – and less than11 months away.

FLY PAST ... Many thanks to Mr Clive Hill and his mother who arranged the fly-past during Feast afternoon – a Lancaster - from 154 Squadron Open Day.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION AGM

This will take place in the newly renovated and redecorated Community Room on Monday, 24 September at 7.30pm. There will be small celebration to mark the reopening of the building prior to the Community Association meeting. Representatives from all affiliated organisations are welcome to attend.

CHARITY BALL ... our first Waterbeach Summer Charity Ball in aid of Asthma UK- what a wonderful success. A huge marquee on the Recreation ground was decorated and swagged, beautifully lit and looked absolutely fabulous! Great food, live band, casino and a thoroughly entertaining and enjoyable evening.





Lots of friends and neighbours came along to dance the night away. Why not look on the website **www.beachnews.org** and see the 'official' and 'unofficial' photos.



Very many thanks to Mark and Pam Clack, and Deborah Watts who took on all the organisation (and there was a lot!) and worked so hard to make the evening such a 'night to remember'. Please will you do it again next year?





Summer School

COTTENHAM VILLAGE COLLEGE - 30TH JULY TO 3RD AUGUST

The Cottenham Village College Summer School, which started 12 years ago, has established itself as first choice for a convivial and friendly atmosphere, value for money, great food and a constantly changing list of courses with the best experienced tutors. There are 30 different courses including Upholstery, Painting Landscapes in Watercolour, Tai Chi, Bridge, Holiday Spanish and Knitting. Courses last 5, 4 or 3 days, so there is something to suit everyone.

Come and join us, along with other people, for a week where learning is simply a pleasure.

Courses run from 10am – 4pm each day with a two-course buffet lunch, coffee and tea, and free entry to the swimming pool at the end of every session included in the course fee. (Not included: Course materials, minibus travel, entry fees).

All facilities are accessible to the disabled.

The full brochure is available from Cottenham Village College (01954 288751) or visit the website www.cottenhamonline.com



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Waterbeach Jazzercise

HAVE FUN AND KEEP FIT

Both Regular and Junior Jazzercisers are having fun whilst keeping fit and active this Summer.

The Waterbeach Feast was a great day and all who took part in the display on the Green had a fantastic time. You can see us on www.youtube.com search for "Waterbeach Dancing Ladies" for regular and "Waterbeach Feast

2007" for juniors.

I would like to say a big big thankyou to all who took part in the Feast and I am so proud to be a Jazzercise Instructor with fantastic students in this area.

There will be two junior Jazzercise sessions in the summer holidays, the dates are:



- Monday 30th July 10am to 12 noon
- Monday 6th August 10am to 12 noon

There are only 20 places available per session and the fee is £6 per session. Please contact Bev Tumber on 01223 861656 to book a place. (For kids aged 5-11 years)



We want to remind the Juniors that it's fun to be active! We will be having a lot of fun with bats and balls, skipping ropes and hula hoops and of course will be moving to some of the latest sounds.

Look forward to seeing you in class.

Feast Balloon Race

UP, UP AND AWAY

The Community Association organised a Balloon Race again this year at the Feast. We sold approximately 450 balloons and released them on Feast Day from the arena on the Green. Up, up and away they went, but in a completely different direction to previous years. We were very interested to see where the tickets would be found and we didn't have to wait long. The first ticket was returned the following Tuesday from Great Shelford. The next few days saw a steady stream of returned tickets from Royston, Bedford and Northampton, but unfortunately none from overseas this year. The closing date for returning tickets was 30th June and by this time we had received thirty one. We checked the map and the one that had travelled the furthest came back from Long Itchington, Warwickshire. This ticket belonged to Fiona Simons of Payton Way, Waterbeach and she wins the £100 cash prize. Below are the names of all the people whose tickets were returned.

This is the main fund raising event of the Community Association to raise funds for the Feast, Christmas lights, tree and carols on the Green and the 60Plus party. Thank you to everyone who supported the Balloon Race and we hope you all enjoyed watching the red and yellow balloons fly off into the sky.

Ticket No.	Name	Ticket No.	Name
0013	Fiona Simons	0598	Michelle Bullivant
0173	Mr C Pritchard	0619	Mrs Beckitt
0179	S. Page	0645	Lin Broughton
0272	Ms C Messenger	0736	Steven Johnson
0294	Sam Jones	0741	Mrs Al Stow
0301	Wendy Tinkler	0752	Greg Johnson
0313	George West	0909	Brenda Read
0399	Mr P Gillson	0968	Mrs K Cupit
0400	Dr L Sharp	0989	Sarah Page-Croft
0421	Adam Sanders	1318	Caroline Ward
0432	Eileen Camish	1330	Shanice Flitton
0461	Paul Barry	1362	Harry Winter
0517	Emily Maxwell	1370	Scott Button
0541	Thomas Bridger	1378	Phil Hancey
0567	Barbara Atkins	1459	Lyra Whyte
0589	Peter Johnson		

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Waterbeach United Charities

UNITED CHARITIES & WATERBEACH TURBARY

Waterbeach United Charities provide financial support or pays for services that help to alleviate individuals who are "in need or distress". They also provide assistance for apprentices or students who are studying.

Student Grant Applications/Apprenticeships

Grants for students are only considered once a year, in September. Students wishing to make an application for a Student Grant/Apprenticeship Grant towards books/tools etc are asked to submit their application before the *end of August 2007*. All applications will then be considered together at a meeting to be held by the Trustees in early September. Applications in writing can now be obtained from the address below. An acknowledgement will then be sent and an application form forwarded to the applicant.

We also continue to provide electric wheelchairs for those in need. If you would like to be considered please let us know.

If you think we could help, and to find out whether you are eligible for assistance, whether it be loaning equipment to you, or providing financial support, please contact:

VACANCY FOR A TRUSTEE

A vacancy has arisen for a trustee for the two Charities. This involves attending about six meetings a year and deciding on grant applications made by village residents for students grants, distress grants, heating grants and mobility scooters. If you feel you would like to be considered and would like more information please contact the Secretary.

All personal applications are confidential.

The Secretary
Waterbeach United Charities
25 Payton Way
Waterbeach
Cambridge CB5 9NS

How will the Plan be prepared?

Members of the steering group talk to both groups and individuals to find out what matters and what needs to change

- ✔ Prepare a questionnaire based on the above
- ✓ Encourage EVERYONE in the village to fill in and return the questionnaire

NOW - Questionnaire data being input.

Analyse the results and plan actions based on them

Test out the vision for the future and the action plan to make sure it makes sense

Prepare the plan and communicate it to everyone (Open Evening event)

Website: www.waterbeachparishplan.org.uk

The Waterbeach Parish Plan website is there to help communicate information about the Plan as it emerges. It contains further information about the Plan itself, contact details and links. There are also examples of Parish Plans from local villages, which show just how much the community can influence planning. Why not take a look?

All Saints Church Landbeach



FUTURE EVENTS FOR HEATING & IMPROVEMENT FUND

The following events will be held at the All Saints Church in Landbeach, unless otherwise stated, in aid of the heating and improvements fund.

August 11th & 12th Arts, Craft and Flower Displays, 10:30am to 4pm

Refreshments, selected crafts for sale.

September 15th Concert, A Quartet, 7:30pm

David Bass - Violin, Graham Bush - Violin Michael Bass - Cello, Sandra Woods - Piano Refreshments available. Tickets £5 on the door.

October 5th "Its Your Chance" Valuations of your collectables etc.

By staff of Cheffins. In the Village Hall at 7:30pm

Admission £5

Waterbeach And Chittering Parish Plan

WE HAVE AN EXCITING PROJECT IN THE MAKING

Thank you to everybody who has completed and returned the Parish Plan questionnaire! It's clear that many people feel very passionate about the things they value within the village and many feel equally as passionate about the things they would like to see changed. Thanks also to the willing band of volunteers who helped by distributing and collecting the questionnaires – without your help we could have not completed this mammoth task.

The questionnaires are currently being sent for data-input, once the results have been returned the Parish Plan committee will analyse them and produce an Action Plan based on the results. It promises to be a busy summer for the Parish Plan committee!

We are delighted that we have been successful in securing funding to run a project called 'Inside Stories' along side the Parish Plan consultation.

Inside Stories is a powerful consultation tool which uses the new art form of Digital Storytelling. Pioneered by the BBC, it uses new technologies to combine the ancient art of storytelling with current film making techniques. A team of trainers will work with a group of young people, aged 11-18, to create short films that tell a story. The young people will be taught how to write scripts and narrate them over a series of images to produce a short film that is recorded to DVD.

Inside Stories will allow the young people to share their opinions about important subjects in an interesting, creative format, which others respond to sympathetically. It will also give them the opportunity to learn new skills in film editing, photography, sound recording and creative writing.

At the end of the project the film will be screened to the public at a special community event linked to the Parish Plan. It will also form part of an archive of life in Waterbeach in 2007.

Dates and times to run this project are still awaiting confirmation and will depend on the availability of young people. We envisage splitting the groups into two, possibly by age or interest. The Inside Stories team will run a 2 hour session for one group, followed by a 2 hour session for the other group. The sessions are anticipated to run over 6-8 weeks, say 4-6pm for one group and 6-8pm for the other group.

If you, or a young member of your family would like to be involved in this exciting film project please contact Suzy Kay on (01223) 502620 (please do not ring until after 1st August- when I shall have more information) or email at anytime to: suzy.kay@btinternet.com

Gardening Club

SUMMER NEWS

Our Feast Day plant stall did particularly well this year, thanks to all the people who supplied the plants and those who supported us by buying. In fact praise and thanks are due to the Feast organisers and their helpers who made the whole joyful occasion possible. How they produced such marvellous weather for the day we will never know!

We hope that the "Sunflower Children" - did you see them with their pretty flower-painted faces? – are nurturing their seeds into beautiful flowers (or giant marrows) for the Annual Show. Don't forget that it is on Saturday, September 1st, this year. Entries are welcome from members and non-members and there is ample scope for a multitude of talents, from vegetable and flower growing to baking, flower arranging, photography and sewing. Even if you cannot put in an entry, come along in the afternoon to view the exhibition and have a cup of tea with your friends.

We were privileged in June to spend an evening enjoying the grounds of Gretton Court, Girton prior to its opening under the National Gardens Scheme and are now looking forward to our annual outing which this year takes us to East Ruston Old Vicarage. Then on Friday, 10th August we will be holding a barbecue when prospective new members can come along to find out about the Club. For more details please phone 860948.

After that full and very varied summer programme we go into September with the re-start of our monthly evening meetings which take place in St John's Church room. If you are thinking about joining the club or just like the sound of a particular topic do come and join us.

The Annual Village Gardening Club Show will again be held in the School Hall, but this year has been moved back to a Saturday. Plese let me know if this is better for you. We look foward to seeing some new and old faces on the day with the tables overflowing with entries.

September 1st Annual Village Gardening Club Show

September Organic Gardening by Mark Elkin, West Anglia College of

Agriculture & Horticulture

October Flower Arranging demonstration by our own members Ann

Rice, Brenda Read & Maureen Ling

November Cambridge Botanic Garden by Prof. J.S. Parker, Director

December Christmas Social

Waterbeach School PTA

WE NEED YOU!

Bored of watching Eastenders or Coronation Street? Got the kids to bed and nothing to do? Want to get out of the house from time to time? Want to get involved with some fun ideas for the school? Maybe you're looking for WCPS PTA...

We need some new volunteers – as you can see these numbers speak for themselves:

Population of Waterbeach – 5256 Number of children at Waterbeach School – 366 Number of parents on the School PTA Committee - 8

People often think that being 'on a committee' means you have to go to endless, long, regular meetings – that is not the case at all with WCPS PTA! Our meetings are light-hearted sessions where we share ideas to raise money for the school. It's not just a natter and a laugh – we are business-like and organised – most of the time! There are 7-8 meetings a year, from 8:00 – 9:30. If you can't attend some meetings, that's fine as ideas and messages are circulated by email or phone, and everyone is made to feel involved and welcome.

Here are examples of some of the events we organised in 2006-07:

- Car Boot Sales
- Nearly New Toy Sales
- Christmas and Summer Fayres
- Christmas Panto
- Quiz Night
- Fashion Show Kids on the Catwalk
- Feast Stall and Parade
- Christmas, Summer and Easter Discos

We have also organised other events in the past such as a Murder Mystery Night, Family Disco and Karaoke Night. Some of the events are run by us, and some are organised by others who we pay to come and run the event. If you have an idea – come along and share it!

However, it is becoming increasingly difficult to keep organising events with only 8 of us on the committee. We do also have a group of 'friends of the PTA' who sometimes help out at events, but we need more people, with more ideas, to help raise funds.

Neighbourhood Watch

FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES CHARITABLE FUNDRAISING

The police have informed us that a team of professional fundraisers will be in our region carrying out a fundraising campaign on behalf of Wood Green Animal Shelter, Leonard Cheshire, Dogs Trust and other UK registered charities.

Their method of collecting is done by trained volunteers who visit the public in their homes, at no time do they collect cash, but sign the subscriber up to long-term committed gifts via direct debit.

The fundraisers wear photographic ID badges with unique ID numbers. They also operate a freephone helpline -0800 018 9961- so that members of the public can ensure that it is one of their fundraisers on your doorstep.

E-COPS

Your local Neighbourhood Policing Teams would like to inform you what is happening in your area. E-Cops will give them the opportunity to do just that and for you to have the opportunity to contact them.

To register on line just complete the on line registration at www.cambs.police.uk/signup/ecops/

When you sign up you will receive an e-mail confirming that you have joined E-Cops. From then on you will be sent regular e-mails from your local Police Officer. You will be able to respond to these e-mails with information and feedback.

Contacting the police - In an emergency

Members of the public are asked to phone 999 only in an emergency. What do you regard as an emergency?

An emergency is an incident, which requires an IMMEDIATE police response e.g.

- Where there is danger to life
- · Where there is a risk of serious injury
- Where a crime is in progress or is about to happen
- Where an offender is still at the scene or has just left

Contacting the police - Non-emergencies

What number should you ring if it is not an emergency? The police force main central switchboard number. 0845 456 456 4

District County News

A MESSAGE FROM JAMES HOCKNEY

It is a real privilege to be your local District Councillor and I will always do my level best to help. Since my last report in the Beach News there have been a number of developments to update you on as detailed below.

Waterbeach Road Safety News

As I have reported before in the Beach News, the funding for road safety improvements on the High Street was under threat of being taken away by the Highways Department. They felt that the original proposal for a pedestrian crossing would not have adequate demand and the subsequent idea of traffic island being generally unpopular. Since then the Highways department has been lobbied by Cllr Johnson, Williamson and myself, in addition to the Parish Council and local residents. Since then the funding has been confirmed, proving that working together there is much we can achieve. The next step will be to find a suitable scheme.

Landbeach Road Safety Petition

On June 18th the Landbeach Road Safety petition was presented to the Traffic Management Area Joint Committee. The petition called for an access only weight limit to stop heavy goods vehicles rat running through the village, like Waterbeach already has in place. In addition it is clear that there is a need for interactive flashing speed signs for Landbeach as well. Thank you to all the residents that have supported the campaign and signed the petition.

Milton Country Park

The campaign to save Milton Country Park took one step forward with South Cambridgeshire District Council drawing up a shortlist of three potential organisations to take over the running of Milton Country Park. The three organisations are; The National Trust, Cambridge Sports Lakes Trust and the Cambridge Preservation Society. The District Council has committed itself to making a substantial one-off donation to the organisation that takes over the running of the Country. Hopefully by the time of going to press we may know which of the three charities can provide the best long term solution to protect the park. Many of you have contacted me regarding this issue and I have worked hard with the Leader and Portfolio Holder of the District Council to press for the best possible outcome.

If there are any issues that you are concerned about then please contact me. Tel:01223-861419. E-Mail: cllr.hockney@scambs.gov.uk

However, it is becoming increasingly difficult to keep organising events with only 8 of us on the committee. We do also have a group of 'friends of the PTA' who sometimes help out at events, but we need more people, with more ideas, to help raise funds.

It's very worthwhile: we have helped the school recently to raise money for:

- Improved playground equipment
- Interactive Whiteboards
- An annual Year 6 trip to the theatre
- Picnic tables and area in KS2 quiet area
- Fencing to create an attractive nature dell
- New music system for the school gym
- Resources such as books, classroom reading rugs and sports equipment

We are looking for people of any age. Many of us work and have children at the school, but you don't necessarily need to have children of primary school age; maybe your children are at secondary school, or will be coming to the school in the future – all you need is some enthusiasm and a willingness to get involved!

If you would like to play your part, however much or little as you can, then please let us know.

You can find out more on the PTA section of the school website on www.waterbeach.cambs.sch.uk or talk to any of us on the PTA committee or please call Karen Graves on: 01223-861690

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AGM - 20th September

Our AGM is planned for the 20th September, with Cheese & Biscuits at 7:30 pm for an 8:00 pm start, so if you would like to join us please come along.

Bags2School - 26th September

What is this I hear you cry! Parents of children at the School will already be familiar with Bags2School. It is an organisation that pays us to take away good quality clothes, bedding, shoes etc. They will pay us £200 per tonne, which is an excellent way of gaining extra income for the PTA. If you have any of the above please bring it to school, if you can, in black bags at 9 am on 26th September. Alternatively please ring the School office the week before the event and we will collect it for you.

Waterbeach Community Players

NEWS UPDATE

We are sad to report the death of Bernardine Orrock, a long-standing member of the drama group. Bernardine joined the Players 25 years ago: she was a vibrant and charismatic person as well as a fine actress and we will all miss her.

On a more positive note our murder mystery production in May was well received. The ladies from the Post Office turned out to be spot on with their detective work the night they came. Congratulations to all the winners throughout the run. We are now 'resting' over the summer although several members of the group can't stop themselves treading the boards. Iain Renfrew as (Fred Beanstock) and Michael Husband (Tuppy) will be appearing in *Hobson's Choice* at the ADC Theatre, Park Street from 10 – 14 July and in direct competition with them starring in *The King and I* at the Corn Exchange the same week are James Dowson (playing the King) Kattreya Smith (playing one of his many wives) and Stephen Smith (as the Prime Minister).

Our next production is Alan Aykbourn's comedy *Roleplay* directed by Mark Easterfield. The cast includes Chris Shinn, Jane Stewart, Rosie Wilson, David Morris, Iain Renfrew, Christine Easterfield and new member Angela Newman. Performance dates: Wednesday 7th to Saturday 10th November 2007. Meanwhile, during the summer break, our tame panto writers will be finalising the script for *Mother Goose* our 2008 pantomime which takes place from 17 – 19 January. More news on this and our November production next time. The number for advance bookings for all WCP shows 01223 570109.

Swimming Pool

SEASON TICKETS AVAILABLE

Did you know that swimming pool facilities are available within 39 Engineer Regiments Barracks, Waterbeach? The open air swimming pool is now open and accepting civilian memberships. We already have a number of civilian memberships and are keen to offer the facilities to as wide an audience as possible. Only Season Tickets are available (who can then bring guests if required) due to security reasons. Full details are available from the Guard Room or by calling me, Captain Andy Jennings on 01223 204542.

WAY Project - Youth Club

DO YOU EVER SHOP ONLINE? PLEASE HELP US...

Easyfundraising is a fantastic new website where you can raise funds for the WAY Project (Waterbeach Youth Club) – simply by shopping online! Over 400 well known retailers are featured including NEXT, Amazon, John Lewis, M&S, HMV, Debenhams and many more. All you have to do is use the links provided on the easyfundraising site whenever you shop online and, at no extra cost to you, we'll receive a free donation of up to 15% from every purchase that you make.

You still shop as normal and the scheme doesn't cost anything extra. Many participating retailers even offer additional discounts and money saving eVouchers when you shop using easyfundraising.

If you shop online anyway why not try out this easy way to raise extra funds for the WAY Project. It's completely FREE and if you register before 15 JULY you could win £250 AMAZON VOUCHERS.

Every penny helps us to provide vital support to young people living in our community. Just access the website at www.easyfundraising.org.uk
Then click on 'find a cause' – you will find us under 'WAY Project'. Many thanks.

For further information about how you can support this vital youth project please call Suzy on (01223) 502620 or email suzy.kay@btinternet.com

Volunteer Driver Scheme

JIM WADE - AN UNSUNG HERO

For some years now Mr James (Jim) Wade of Cambridge Road, Waterbeach has organised a service to ferry folk in and around the village to various doctor and hospital appointments, barely covering the cost of his expenses. Mr Wade will be "retiring" at the end of this month and I am sure many local people would wish to join in thanking Mr Wade for all his efforts. Many people are most appreciative of the time and effort put into this project and for his kindness to them.

Mr Wade's departure will leave a hugh void. I am sure he would find great satisfaction in learning that his work were to continue and be more than willing to advise a willing would be replacement.