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Community Association



Feast - June 12th

Feast is fast approaching and we hope you are all proceeding well with your preparations for floats and stalls. This year's theme is "Something beginning with D...." – we're hoping to see many floats, walking groups and individuals to make a spectacular and colourful parade. Please remember to send in your Parade Entry form by 1st June, a copy can be found on our website www.watebeach.org We need to remind you that any vehicle in the parade must be road legal and appropriately insured by the owner.

We would like to encourage spectators on the parade route to join in by cheering, clapping and waving. Bring your whistles, rattles and hooters and let's all make it a lively parade.

There will be a varied programme of events in the arena including a performance by Waterbeach Brass, some hands on science from 'Mad Science', a colourful performance by Cambourne Bloco and demonstrations from the Army and the Waterbeach Troop Army Cadets.

This year we have decided to return to holding a Feast Raffle to raise funds for the Feast. We have many prizes including an adult cycle, children's cycle, a Center Parcs voucher and many more. Tickets are available through Community Association member groups and will be on sale in the Community Association tent on Feast Day. Please support the Feast by buying some tickets and you never know you may win a prize!

In the last edition of Beach News we included the Feast Photo Competition entry form and the closing date for entries was 21st May. We have decided to extend the date to Monday 7th June to allow all our young photographers to take advantage of the half term holiday, and get those cameras clicking away on 'Something beginning with D....' Let's see some dogs, daisies,

diggers and anything else you can find. The competition is open to all ages and divided into 4 categories - Under 5 yrs, 5-11yrs, 12-17yrs and 18 yrs and over. An entry form is available on www.waterbeach.org or leave a message on 01223 476601 and we will get a form to you.

Please note that the roads around the village will be congested on Feast Day and we ask that you please be careful and try to avoid driving through the village between 2 – 3pm. Thank you.

Collection

After much discussion at the Community Association meetings, it was decided that this year's collection at the Feast should be used to support local clubs and groups and to assist those wishing to form new groups. Details of how to apply will appear in the Autumn edition of Beach News.

60 Plus Afternoon Tea

Following the success of the 60 *Plus* Lunch Party in January, we have once again joined with Waterbeach Primary School to offer an afternoon of entertainment. All residents of Waterbeach, Landbeach and Chittering aged 60 plus, are invited into the school on Wednesday 30th June. The entertainment of singing and dancing will be provided by the children from Years 3 and 4. Unfortunately this time we cannot provide lunch for our guests, but the afternoon will be rounded off with tea and cakes.

Please note that as the party will be held during a normal school day there will be no admission before 1.30pm and entrance will be via High Street only, as the back gate on Way Lane will be locked.

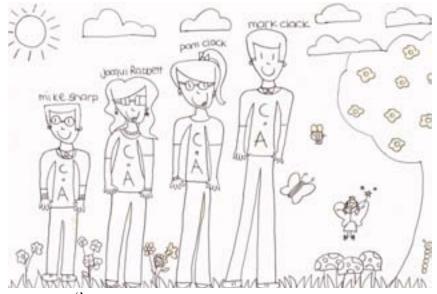
You will find your invitation and place confirmation form on page 24. This needs to be returned by Monday 14th June 2010.

Date for your diary

Waterbeach Community Association AGM is on Monday 13th September 2010 in the Community Building, Waterbeach School at 7.30pm.

And finally.....

We recently received this picture from one of our younger readers, showing some of the Feast Committee. We hadn't got room to include it on the children's page this time, but thought we would share it with you here. It made us smile and I wish we all looked so young and slim!!



Waterbeach Barracks

Royal Air Force Station Waterbeach was built for No 3 Group Bomber Command, between 1940 and 1941 on farmland and orchards between Denny Abbey and Waterbeach village. It was one of 29 wartime airfields in the county.



Three concrete runways between 1200 and 1460 metres long with a perimeter taxiway and hardstandings were built, plus two J-type Hangars. Later the runways were extended so the longest was 1850 metres (2,023 yards) long – this runway still exists today. During the winter of 1941 a B1-type hangar and three T2-type hangars were added. The hangars and other buildings built for the airfield still exist and have been adapted for use by the Royal Engineers.

RAF Waterbeach officially opened on 1 January 1941 with 440 personnel on site. However on 3 February 1941 a German Dornier Do17Z dropped nine bombs along the face of the western J-type hangar and damaged the runway. Despite this 99 Squadron arrived at Waterbeach from Newmarket in March 1941, and started bombing operations over Germany and occupied territory using Wellington Mark 1 and Mark 2. During WW2 the following aircraft were based at Waterbeach:

March 1941 to February 1942 - Wellington October 1941 to November 1943 - Stirling November 1943 to August 1945 - Lancaster

Operational losses from RAF Waterbeach during WW2 were 122 bombers (33 Wellingtons, 8 Stirlings and 81 Lancasters).

Two rooms in Waterbeach Barracks Museum are devoted to the RAF in WW2. Much of the material has been donated by former members of 514 Squadron (Lancasters) who still have their annual reunion at Waterbeach Barracks (12 June 2010). During the reunion a Lancaster flies over Waterbeach in tribute.

Next issue – RAF Waterbeach – Peacetime use.

Swimming Pool

The pool is undergoing urgent repair and it is hoped to be able to get the work completed ready for the pool to be re-opened mid June 2010.

Golf Club

The golf club is open to all members of the local community. Further details can be obtained on: Cambridge 441199.

Museum

You are welcome to visit the Museum. Should you wish to do so please call at the Guardroom who will arrange entry.

Waterbeach School



Swimming Pool News

I am writing to give you an update on the tremendous amount of activity that has been going on in our pool area since our last article in 2009.

During the spring 2009 the works started to refurbish the pool. Not only have we completed the planned refurbishment of the pool, but as with all projects a couple of unforeseen problems arose, the boiler was condemned and had to be replaced and then pool did not seem to be filtering efficiently. After further inspection the problem was found to be a broken filter which was replaced. Thankfully the overwhelming support from you all for our project continues and the funds for these extras were available. The swimming season got off to a start as planned after May half term. The children were over the moon with the changes made and although they were disappointed that the old changing rooms were still standing, they understood that this part of the project was going to take some time to complete.





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Once the swimming season finished we turned our attention to the changing rooms and the governors and committee have been working tirelessly to ensure the changing rooms are completed in time for the swimming season this year. The new changing cabin has been erected over the Easter holidays and work is continuing as I write. The digger even unearthed the mosaic heron which used to be the base of the old footbath. This has been lifted and made a feature in the paved area.

As I have mentioned before your support for our project has been overwhelming we have received many individual donations from parents, carers and organisations and support from the school staff, governors and the parish council and we would like to send a massive THANK YOU TO YOU ALL. We would particularly like to thank Mr and Mrs Attle and their family for their continuing involvement and support. Jools and Dan at the White Horse who are always happy to help, which is invaluable. Jasmine

Seamarks (year 5) who completed a fantastic sponsored swim for us. All the ladies at Jazzercise who helped us with one of our first fundraising events. Everyone at Histon Football club (especially Liz and Howard Cradock) for raising the profile of the People's Millions campaign and providing us with match tickets. The Waterbeach Young Wives, who chose us as their local charity from 2008-2009. Gina Clarke, Sarah Bearpark and Mayumi & Jon Geater for raising money when they successfully completed the 2009 London to Cambridge Bike ride. The committee and members at Beach Social Club who voted us one of their charities for 2009, especially the family of the club's president Mr Tom Shipp who asked for donations to the club charities when he sadly passed away. And the family of Mr James Simpkins who collected donations for our project in lieu of floral tributes when Mr Simpkins also sadly passed away.

Finally a big thank you to all the children at Waterbeach School whose excitement and hard work during the swimming season and enthusiasm for our project has made it all worthwhile.

Although the project is now drawing to a close we hope to hold occasional events to enable us to assist the school in any maintenance issues in the future. Once all the works are complete the swimming pool will open for the school children early June for use until the summer holidays. We also very much hope the pool will be available to local community groups for hire. If your group would be interested in hiring our pool please contact the School Office 01223 718988 to register your interest.

For more information on the project please contact Ali Fish on 07734902399 or leave a message at the school office.

Waterbeach Scout Group (



Firstly we must apologise for the delay in saying thank you for all the generous donations received, when we accompanied Santa around the village just before Christmas last year. Mr Richer, who represents the Friends of the Princess of Wales Hospital, came along to Guides to receive a cheque for some of the money raised. The charity raise funds to buy equipment needed for the hospital.

Earlier this year we received a Lottery Funded Award to the value of £4,127. This was used to replace all the old outside doors with new UPVC units and replace the cladding at either end of the Hut.

We have also done work in the kitchen and replaced all the units. New electrical equipment, e.g. cooker, kettle, urn etc. was purchased from a £865 grant received from Grass Roots.

Waterbeach WI



We meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7.30pm in St. John's Church Room. We welcome any new members to

Women's Institute

our friendly group. We have interesting speakers and lively discussions, after which we have refreshments and a social time.

The County Committee arranges meetings at its headquarters with various themes, often including visiting speakers. It also arranges outings to

places of interest. As an institute, we also arrange various activities - meals out and visits. There is an enthusiastic darts team which has matches against other institutes, and a walking group is being arranged for the more energetic of our members.

This year for the Feast, we are having a "Desirable Designs." stall. This involves accessories to dress up an outfit e.g. scarves, gloves and hats.

June 10th - we have a visit to the home of Lucy Boston, the authoress, at Hemingford Grey

July - the speaker will be Barry Kaufman-Wright with an interesting talk about Gerald Durrell and the Jersey Zoo.

August 12th - there will be a topical talk by Eleanor Witter entitled "Bees, Beekeeping and the Gardener"

For more information, please contact Jane Gibb on 721194

Waterbeach Colts Football Club

On Saturday 17th July 2010 Waterbeach Colts have arranged a Fun Run for anyone to take part. The course is two miles long and starts and finishes at the Primary School. The starting time is 10.30am and runners are encouraged to register in advance. However, there is an opportunity to register on the day between 9.00am and 10.00am. The cost of entry is £3.00 per child, £5.00 per adult or £10.00 per family (two adults, two children).

The run is aimed at the players of Waterbeach Colts Football teams and their families, but all are welcome. Prizes will be given in various categories including fastest family. Ice creams and refreshments are available at the school and the run promises to be a great village event. If you feel you could stretch your legs over the course, please get in contact. If you would like to get involved but don't fancy the run, volunteers are always welcome.

To register for the Fun Run or to find out more, please contact:

Martin Kay 01223 502620 (martin.kay9@btinternet.com)

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Toddler Playgroup

This term the children have been enjoying the spring sunshine, racing around the outside play area on their bikes and trikes, and building dens in the home corner.





The walls and windows in the playgroup are filled with wonderful artwork, ranging from Spring Flowers to Yoda! They have been looking at *Staying Safe* – learning about potential hazards at home and outdoors; *All About Me* – where all the children have chosen a special thing to put in a "Me" box, we've seen everything in it from Iggle Piggle to Trains; and *Chinese New Year* – they had lots of fun creating this wonderful dragon for their display.

Our team is led by Wayne Badcock, assisted by Lesley Moxon and Tricia Palmer; Ceri Hill and Gina Clark have also joined us this year, and the team

between them have clocked up 40 years of service at Waterbeach Toddler Playgroup. Sessions for September are filling up fast, so please do come and see us soon if you would like a place for your child.

Waterbeach Toddler Playgroup has been running for over 20 years, and we are based down Burgess Road (off Way Lane). Children are welcome from aged 2 ½ to 4 (pre-school year). We offer specialised pre-school sessions on a Monday and Wednesday afternoon from 12.00 till 3.00pm, with sessions for the younger age group (2 ½ - 3 ½) from 9.00 till 11.30am on Monday and Wednesday mornings. On Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings we hold mixed sessions, which are open to both age groups, from 9.00am till 12.00pm (with optional lunch sessions from 12.00 till 1.00pm at a Thanks to Nursery Funding money from the small extra charge). government, our fees are free to parents from the term after your child is Committee members, staff, and parents are always happy to talk about their experiences of the playgroup, and our door is always open to parents wanting to have a look around, just turn up during one of the session times listed above. Alternatively you can contact Wayne Badcock on 07808357729 or wayne@waterbeachtoddlerplaygroup.org.uk.

Landbeach Event Committee

The Landbeach Event Committee has had a very busy year. We have organised three very successful fund raising events; Bangers & Mash, a Music Quiz and a 70/80's Disco, with a Michael Jackson Theme. These events were organised to raise much needed funds towards our main event, this year being our third 'Party in the Park' on July 17th. We have a fun filled evening of entertainment for all the family. The evenings line up is as follows: Children's entertainment, Just Puppets, Face Painting, Bouncy Castles; Salsa Dancers; Cambridge Festival Players, performing songs from popular musicals; Sway, a six piece band playing hits from the 60's to 00's; Abba Queens, Abba Tribute band; Fire Performers; Carwash, tribute band to the 70's; all included in the ticket price!

If you would like more information please do not hesitate to contact either, Maggie 01223 860384, or Anne 01223 861553

Are you able to help us by sponsoring Party in the Park? If so please contact one of the numbers above by the end of June. Why not advertise your local business in our programme which will be handed out to approx 800 people on the evening!

Children's Centre

It is proposed that a new Children's Centre is created at Waterbeach School to cover the areas of Milton and Waterbeach. The purpose of the Centre is to provide a contact point for parents of children aged 0-11, holding numerous events throughout the year for the whole family to attend. The Centre will have staff on hand that can lend an ear or signpost users to help and advice if required. The Children's Centre staff have been running some pilot sessions in the Community Room which have proved successful.

It is planned that the new Children's Centre will be located in the two classrooms at the front of the school. To replace these it is proposed that a new two classroom extension is built at the rear of the premises, next to the current ICT suite.

A planning application for the proposed works will be submitted in April 2010 and, providing permission is granted, construction work is due to start in September 2010. It is proposed the work will be carried out in two phases with an overall completion date of June 2011.

A display board will be erected in the school foyer, outlining the proposals and all comments are welcome.

Library Facilities

You can use your Cambridgeshire Libraries ticket (or join) at Waterbeach Independent Lending Library, on the Waterbeach School site. It is open on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays - see our display advertisement for details.

Tight budgetary constraints at Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) are certain to lead to further reductions in the budgets for libraries, meaning reduced support for Library Access Points such as Waterbeach. Likely consequences are a reduction in the frequency of mobile library visits and a reduction in the number of books provided to LAPS by CCC in the rotating "LAP" stock. However, the more we all use the library, borrow books, and encourage friends, family and neighbours to join, use the computers etc, the more Waterbeach can justify continuing support from CCC. It also makes supporting our fund raising activities even more important, thereby helping provide funds for services that were formerly provided by CCC.

We thank Alan Shipp for allowing us to sell books at the Hyacinth days, raising over £45. Our next fundraising activity will be a book stall at the Feast – donations of books would be most welcome (please deliver to the library).

Waterbeach Parish Council has kindly provided funds to enable us to order the books to support this year's summer reading challenge, the theme of which is "Space Hop". Further details will be available at the library in July.

The mobile libraries are an extension of the ordinary library service - free to join and use and open to everyone. Two routes have stops in our villages, with the following forthcoming visits:

Alternate Thursdays (June 10, 24; July 8, 22; Aug 5, 19; Sept 2, 16, 30): Waterbeach – The Green 16:30 – 17:30

Alternate Thursdays (June 3, 17; July 1, 15, 29; Aug 12, 26; Sept 9, 23):

Landbeach - 9 High Street 12:00 - 12:50;

Waterbeach - Denson Close 14:00 - 14:25

Waterbeach - Chapel Close 14:30 - 14:55

Waterbeach - Buchanan Centre 15:00 - 16:00

For further dates visit http://hipweb.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/mobiles/

The Farmland Museum

2010 is proving to be an exciting and eventful year for The Farmland Museum, your local museum located just off the A10 on the way to Ely. The summer months continue to bring a jam-packed programming of family events and children's activity days – from Scarecrow making to Painting on the Grass; to our ever popular Farm and Country Fair to the Medieval re-enactment day! And of course that's not forgetting our calendar of temporary exhibitions including the successful touring exhibition: 'Fenland Stories' highlighting traditional Fenland tales and modern myths all told from the magnificent Whispering Willow. The exhibition opens at the Museum on the 14th July- running to 19th August (normal admission and opening times apply).

The Farmland Museum also run a series of pre-bookable art workshops for adults led by inspirational artists, giving you the chance to learn new skills from traditional craft techniques such as basket making, and plant-dyeing. The courses run right through to October 2010.

Here's a sneaky peak at just some of what's in store. For full listings visit the Farmland Museum website at www.dennyfarmlandmuseum.org.uk *Main Event Days:*

Sunday 30th and Monday 31st May, 10.30am-5pm - Farm and Country Fair. A mini festival of maypole dancing, Madrigal singing, eel net making demonstrations, heavy horses, pole lathing, real ale stall and much, much more!

Sunday July 18th, 10.30am-5pm - 'Myths and Legends, Stories and Music from the Fens'. To celebrate the opening of the Fenland Stories Exhibition, explore the mysterious world of Fenland boggarts and old wives lore. Featuring traditional story telling for all ages, music and dancing.

Event Admission Prices: Adults £5, Concessions £4, Children over 5 £3

Children's Activity Days: Drop-in Thursday sessions which are run by the education department aimed at children who are 4+ and accompanied by an adult. 12pm-4pm. Adults £4, Concessions £3, Children over 5 £3. No need to book.

June 3rd - Scarecrow Making

July 29th - Make a Fenland Monster. Visit the spooky story tree and make bogles and boggarts, puppets and slithery silvery eels.



August 5th - Collage Creations. Watery Worlds – recreate our Medieval fishponds using a colourful array of materials.

August 12th - Moving Pictures. Make zoetropes, flick books and more to bring your colourful drawings to life.

August 19th - Cow Day. Come and paint our cows, create a cow decoration, see butter and cheese being made in the dairy.

August 26th - Painting on Grass "All things Bright and Beautiful – come and add some colour to the garden shapes of foliage, flowers and creatures. Prepare to get messy!

September 2nd - Clay Day!

Adult Art Workshops: Prior Booking Required. To book, please telephone Laura Pearson on 01223 860988 or email info@farmlandmuseum.org.uk September 4th/5th, 10am-4pm - Adult Art Weekend Workshop.

The workshops will be led by Ann Biggs, local wildlife artist and experienced tutor, and are suitable for adults of both beginner and more advanced level. Full use will be made of the Museum and Abbey sites and collections for sessions of sketching and painting.

Please bring your own materials. Tea and coffee will be provided, but please bring a packed lunch. Cost: £17 for any one day, £27 for both days.

August 15th, September 12th, 10-5pm - Plant Dyeing Workshops

Jenny Dean has been researching and using natural plant dyes for over 25 years. She has written widely on the subject and her books include "The Craft of Natural Dyeing" and "Wild Colour". She was featured in a Radio 4 programme with Kaffe Fasset and her work has been the focus of several magazine articles. She regularly teaches and lectures on natural dyeing at the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, Cambridge University Botanic Garden and for the Royal Horticultural Society.

On this course, students will discover some of the sources of rich, glowing dye colours to be found in the plant world. Participants will learn how to apply natural dye colours to textile fibres, using a variety of materials and techniques. By the end of the day, each student will have a personal set of sample cards for future reference and the knowledge to further explore this fascinating ancient craft.

The course is suitable for all levels, including beginners. £49 including materials.

September 26th, 10.30-5pm

For further information and photo opportunities contact Corrina Bower on 01223 860988 or email info@farmlandmuseum.org.uk

Gardening Club

In the Spring of 1985 a small group of Waterbeach gardening folk were encouraged by the Postie, Richard Guy and his wife Pauline, to form a Gardening Club.



Among the founder members were Francis Badcock, Monica Buttress, Brenda Read, Norah Moody, John Runham, Lee Steele and Chris Allen. A set of management rules were drawn up and the prime objective defined: 'To promote the interests of all members in their gardening activities and to take joint action for the benefit of members'. Initially membership was confined to Waterbeach villagers but by 1988 the remit had been extended to include Chittering, Landbeach and Horningsea. Pauline Guy, the Secretary, arranged a series of meetings and the first Annual Show was held. Richard Guy convinced several local businesses to donate trophies and cups were presented to the class winners-the 'Waterbeach and District Gardening Club' was up and running.

Local village businesses made a major contribution to the early success of the Club. Brian Cox of Lowlands Nurseries on Waterbeach Fen was not only a good plantsman, but was generous in his support of the Club Stand at the Feast with many and various plants for sale, and is remembered by the Lowlands Nurseries Cup (Most points in Flower Arrangement classes). Over the years many other donors are associated with trophies: Ridgeons, Hudson Windows, Transcore Transformers, Bannold Supplies, R.J.Searle, Regency Gallery and our most recent donor Oakington Garden Centre. The senior trophy for 'Most points in Show' is the Donarbon Championship Cup. Cups donated by individuals include the A.P.Abrahams Cup, the Shirley Howe Memorial Trophy, and the Jean Clarke-Kentley Rose Bowl. The Royal Horticultural Society has instituted several awards and this year the Club will be awarding the RHS Grenfell Medal (Most points in flower arranging classes). Apart from trophies local suppliers have offered members trade discounts on composts, tools, plants and other garden sundries- in the early years by Lew Leland, the village ironmonger and by Ansells Nursery in Horningsea. Today the Oakington Garden Centre give members a special rate and Donarbon is a most important supporter of the Club and acts as sponsor for the Annual Show. The number of classes for exhibitors has risen to 110 and covers all aspects of fruit, vegetables, flowers, cooking and crafting, for both adults and children.

The evolution of the Club as a contributor to life in the village is shown not only by the substantial contemporary membership attending meetings but also by the members and guests going on the summer day and evening visits to outstanding gardens. In recent years the club has visited Beth Chatto's Garden, Bressingham Gardens, Ruston Old Vicarage, Grimethorpe Castle, the Royal Botanic gardens at Kew, RHS Gardens at Wisley, East Ruston and Chartwell. Evening visits by groups of members often depend on the good offices of Head Gardeners. Cambridge College gardens at Trinity, Robinson, Clare, Newnham and this summer Madingley Hall. Richard Ayres, of Anglesey Abbey and Kirtling Towers is a good friend of the Club and has taken us to their gardens and to those of smaller gardens at Lode.

The monthly Thursday evening meetings in St. John's Church Hall, holds the membership together during the Autumn, Winter and Spring. Speakers have included serious amateur and professional gardeners, wild-life experts, garden historians, specialists from Botanic Gardens, academic botanists and the members of the BBC Gardeners Question Time. It was their Bob Flowerdew who, still chatting at 11.00 pm, encouraged the Club to include 'Class 110 Potatoes in a Bucket' in the schedule. The evenings are well attended and as the Director of the Cambridge Botanic Garden said 'I enjoy coming here...you can feel the buzz'. However it is not all 'feet in the soil stuff' and three social events, the Christmas Social, the New Year Dinner and the Summer Barbecue form part of the programme.

A new development for the Club is our cooperation with the RHS Gardening in Schools Project, in which members can and are involved in advising and helping schools with gardening projects, The Waterbeach School is presently developing the site for flower, vegetable and fruit growing and if funds become available to establish an orchard in association with the East of England Apples and Orchards Project. The pupils at the school have been invited to design a poster to celebrate the Club's 25th Anniversary. Entries from each year will be judged, the winning posters will be exhibited on the Club Stand at the Feast and Certificates of Merit awarded. The overall winning design will feature as the Club Poster and the winner will be presented with their prize at the Feast. (Note: Final Date for entries Friday 28th May which will be collected from the School)

Future events:

Saturday 12th June 'Feast Day'

Thursday 17th June 'Members visit to Madingley Hall'.

Saturday 17th July 'Summer outing. Venue to be announced.

Saturday 4th September 'Annual Show'

IQ Cambridge Nature Reserve

IQ Cambridge is a business park maintained by SEGRO with thirty-two a acre nature reserve located off the A10, two miles from Waterbeach. This beautiful park includes habitat fenland



wildlife and migrating birds with lakes, paths, trails and a bird hide. There is also a café on site selling the Starbucks brand, open Monday-Friday, 7.30am-3pm. IQ Cambridge is a quiet oasis on your door step and open for the public to explore. Leaflets are available for download on our website – www.ig-cambridge.com

If you require any further information then please don't hesitate to contact Karen Fogarty on 01223 471052 during office hours.

Waterbeach Cultural Collective

Public Meeting at Waterbeach School Hall 21 June, 7-9pm.

Come and meet the five artists who have been short-listed as an artist for Waterbeach and have your say in which we choose. All five will give short presentations on their work and we will also talk about a new voluntary group within village, the Waterbeach Cultural Collective, who will be working with the chosen artist. We will be looking for an artist who can demonstrate a commitment to working within communities and who will respond creatively to the creativity already within the village. Please join us.

Keep up to date on progress on our FACEBOOK page: Waterbeach Cultural Collective

Beach Social Club

St Georges Day Sausage Competition

This year this popular competition was won by Cambridge Quality Meats of Arbury Road, Cambridge. This is the 2nd year they have won, so they must be doing something right! The other entrants were, Gawthroups, Bent & Cornwall, Wallers, Rayments & Beaumonts. A big thank you to them, as their entry into the competition is 2.2lb of sausages, which are judged, then cooked and sold as sausage & mash to raise money for our supported charities. This year they are East Anglian Air Ambulance & Waterbeach Toddler Playgroup, so remember when supporting out club functions, you are raising money for these worthy causes. Also we had a raffle with donated prizes from businesses around the village, and The Jaguars a local group provided the entertainment, free of charge, we raised £247.00.

Darts

The boys done us proud again by winning the Cambridge Club Darts League, well done lads, keep up the good work.

The ladies of the W.I. have now started playing darts in the club and have won one & lost one match so far, nice to see some new faces.

Bowls

The season is upon us again, for a nice game of bowls! We are lucky that the Waterbeach Bowls club are members of our club and wish them good luck for the coming season.

World Cup Football

All of the England matches will be shown in the club on the big screen, there will be offers on drink, and there will be food available. If you are not a member, temporary membership can be purchased to cover the period 11th June – 11th July for the sum of £2.00, if you want full membership after this time, the £2.00 will be deducted from the cost, which is £15 for the first year & £8 per year thereafter. Call in the club and collect a membership form preferably before 11th June. Other matches will be shown.

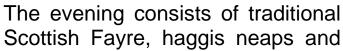
Waterbeach Watering Hole Olympics 6th June - 12th June

The Olympics are a competition between the Watering holes of the village, if you would like to take part, there is still room for more team members, the events are rounders, pool, darts, quiz, cake baking, dancing, relay race, tug of war and of course drinking. Visit The Beach Social Club, White Horse or The Sun for more info. May the best hole win!!

Burns Night Supper

Myself and a group of friends get together to organise a 'Burns Night' supper. We have been doing this for a number of years and each year we

have had to find a larger venue as more friends want to join us. The last few years we have decided to try and raise a little money for local charities. Previously we have sent a small amount to the Local Hospice, but when we moved to the School Hall last year for a larger venue, as it is becoming so popular, we decided to donate all our proceeds to them.





tatties, everyone brings their own beverages, we all don a small piece of tartan, or in some cases the whole regalia. We ceilidh to the local 'Fen Blo' band who get us all up dancing even though we have no idea how to! They are excellent in 'calling' the moves. This year we hired the services of Martin Jones, Waterbeach's local bagpiper to pipe the haggis in. We have small tombola prizes donated which this year helped to raise £501.00. All in all it is a great night out for family and friends.

Waterbeach PTA

Hello again from Waterbeach PTA. We're having a great year so far, lots of fun and lots of fundraising – we're up to over £5,000 now, so well on the way to our target of £10,000 for the year. Thank you for all your help with this.

We have three things to tell you about this month.

Book Swaps - Every Friday at the Black Bean Café at the White Horse in Waterbeach from 9am -12.00. Bring along any books you've finished and pick up something that looks interesting. We'll have a donations pot, and any money raised will be used to buy books for the school.

Bee Week in May - At the end of the school's Bee Week - Friday 28th May – we shall be selling cakes and biscuits (with a honey/bee theme!) at our café.

This is open to the whole community, so why not pop along that afternoon from 2.30pm to see what the children have done for the week.

If you have any Bee Week suggestions – please contact Fiona Johnstone on FJohnstone@waterbeach.cambs.sch.uk

Summer Fair – Saturday 3rd July. We are keeping the Bee Theme – and will have a wide variety of Bee games for the children to play! Also a BBQ, ice-cream van, bouncy castle, climbing wall, displays from some of the children's activity groups, and a jewellery fair. Come along in the afternoon and have some fun.

We really look forward to seeing you at one or more of these events – remember, you don't have to have children at the school to support the PTA.

And don't forget – you can help us for free when you shop!

Do you shop online? Try going through the shopping portal at www.easyfundraising.org.uk – you can shop at many popular retailers such as Amazon, M&S and Tesco, AND raise money for us at the same time! Don't forget to register yourself on the site as a supporter of Waterbeach School PTA – thank you.

If you have any fundraising ideas that you would like to share, or if you would like to volunteer some of your time by joining the PTA committee or by helping at school fundraising events, please contact the PTA Chair, Cressi Downing on cressi@thebookanalyst.co.uk – all help is very welcome!

Cottenham Summer School

2nd - 6th August 2010

Come and have fun and learn a new skill on one of our summer school courses. This is our 16th year of running the Summer School and courses run for 1 to 5 days, in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere with very experienced tutors. Included in the cost is a 2 course lunch and tea/coffee. We have varied the courses this year to include Bee Keeping, Dragonflies, Mexican Cooking, and Calligraphy along with many other arts and craft subjects. We are confident that you will find the courses challenging and inspiring and we still have some places on the following:

Mexican Cookery	Silver Jewellery	Upholstery	Batik	Calligraphy
Flower Arranging	Dress making	Feldenkrais	Knitting	Drawing
Indian Head Massage	Bridge	Belly Dancing	Walking	Dragonflies
Botanical Illustration	Bee Keeping	Harmonica	T'ai Chi	Music Workshop

To view a brochure, please visit our website: www.cvcweb.net (click on Community Education), or phone/email us for more information.

Tel: 01954 288751 ext 1742 or email: community@cvcweb.net

Waterbeach United Charities (Reg No 201528)

Student and Apprenticeship Grants

Waterbeach United Charities invite applications from individual students who might benefit from some help with their studies. We consider grants for equipment for students undertaking vocational training, tools, clothing, books etc; or grants for students who may appreciate help with the costs of books. We also consider applications for help with travel costs.

Students Grants are only awarded once a year, in September and applications need to be made by 1 September 2010. No applications will be considered after this date. The trustees will consider all applications at a meeting in early September. If you think we may be able to help please complete an application form, obtainable by writing to the address below. We will acknowledge your letter and send you an application form.

General Grants

In general terms Waterbeach United Charities provide financial support for local residents of all ages and who may be "in need or distress".

Electric Wheelchairs

Waterbeach United Charities also continue to provide electric wheelchairs for those people who find it difficult to get about so if you would like to be considered please get in touch at the address below.

Sometimes short term help can make a real difference, if you are unsure if we would be able to help please ask.

All personal applications are confidential.

Mrs S E Wilkin, The Secretary, Waterbeach United Charities 25 Payton Way, Waterbeach, Cambridge, CB25 9NS

Wanted! Local Musicians

Local musicians and groups are being invited to perform at the most widespread UK Cultural Olympiad event. The Bandstand Marathon is taking place at over 400 bandstands and open spaces in the UK, including the Queen's bandstand at Blenheim Palace.

In South Cambridgeshire, Milton Country Park will be hosting the Music in the Park event on Sunday 26 September. There will be an afternoon of music-making and performances around the park. If you are part of a music group who would like to perform you can book a slot on the programme. All genres and abilities welcome - the only requirement is that you must be able to play acoustically as there will be no amplification.

For more information Tel: 01954 288748 or email: amy@start-arts

Children's Page

Summer Word Search Puzzle

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid.

The words may be hidden in any direction.

Р	Υ	В	0	Α	T	М	Н	K	Q	R	В
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SEA SAND BUCKET SPADE SUN HAT
BOAT BALL PADDLE LOLLY TOWEL SHELL



Do you have something for the Children's Page? Please send in your stories, poems, pictures and comments. Email your article to beachnews@waterbeach.org or send to 5 Spurgeons Avenue, Waterbeach, Cambridge CB25 9NU.

LINK (Local Involvement Network)



Make a difference to health and social care services!

A network giving Cambridgeshire's residents a greater say in the future of health and social care services is looking for more volunteers.

Cambridgeshire Local Involvement Network-LINk-is an independent network made up of local people and organisations all working together to find out what people in the county think about their health and social care services and add to work with commissioners and providers to create lasting improvements.

Cambridgeshire LINk is open to everyone and helps services be more responsive to local needs. Over the last year LINk Active Participants have been working on groups including all the counties hospital trusts - Hinchingbrooke, Papworth and Addenbrookes - social care services, NHS Cambridgeshire (Primary Care Trust), Cambridgeshire Community Services & Other providers, Integrated Community Equipment Services, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Foundation Trust — Mental Health services - the East of England Ambulance Trust and a newly formed Carers Group.

By joining Cambridgeshire LINk you can help shape your own healthcare, your opinions are listened to and can impact the way local services are run... Want to know more?

If you are interested in joining or just wish to have your say on a particular service, contact Cambridgeshire LINk today! You can do this by phoning locall 0300 364 245 or 01480 465316, email office@cambridgeshirelink.org.uk, write to FREEPOST RRXK-BLAT-ZXKG, Cambridgeshire LINk, 5 Crown St, St Ives, Cambs, PE27 5EB or visit www.cambridgeshirelink.org.uk This is your chance to make the changes that will be of benefit to you and others!

St John's Wives

St John's Waterbeach Wives (previously known as Young Wives) meet at 8.00pm in St John's Church Room on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Newcomers are always welcome.

June 2nd Feast Preparations

June 16th The History of the use of Bees and their honey July 7th A talk and demonstration by a local beautician Ideas for future meeting please to Brenda Read Tel: 862270

Enquiries to Sheila Gill Tel: 861999

Salvation Army

Mammoth Charity Sale

On behalf of the Salvation Army I would like to say a huge thank you for your donations, your support and your help last year, which enabled us to raise £5400! As always, we like to tithe this figure and give 10% to another charity, which in 2009 was Sightsavers. This is a charity that supplies a drug to prevent river blindness, which is caused by black flies that bite the skin, transmitting parasitic worms which then spread the disease inside the victim's body, causing years of suffering. Eventually, they invade the eyes, causing irreversible blindness. Protection costs 5p per person per year! Our sight is priceless and precious and so we wanted to help people in poorer countries to keep theirs. For more information visit their web site at www.sightsavers.org.

It will soon be time for this years' annual sale which is proving to be aptly named `Mammoth!' The Salvation Army Mammoth Charity Sale at The Salvation Army Hall, 7 Station Road Tuesday 25th Saturday 29th May 2010.

Opening Times

Tuesday - Friday 9 am - 4pm

Wednesday 9am - 8pm for Late Night Shopping!

Saturday 9am - 1pm Closing Down Sale

The Hall will be open on Saturday 22nd May 2010 from 10am - 2 pm if you would like to bring your donations. We can collect on this day, please tel. 01223 571477 to arrange this. We would be grateful for donations of nearly new clothing, books, bric-a-brac, tools, bed and table linen, shoes, curtains, toys and furniture, post 1960's upholstered furniture must have the kite mark. You name it and we will try and sell it! The only things we cannot accept are Electrical goods.

Refreshments are available at the same times as above. Do come and have a browse and partake of our refreshments, we look forward to seeing you.

Wicken Fen

Construction commenced in early Spring on the Reach Lode crossing, a vital element of the 14.5 km multi-user public access route being created by the National Trust linking Wicken Fen to Anglesey Abbey and Bottisham. The new route is to be called the 'Lodes Way' reflecting that the route crosses several historic waterways, or Lodes, as they are known locally. The new

bridge over Reach Lode is set to open in September. Eventually it's hoped that the Lodes Way can be linked across to Waterbeach to significantly enhance access to the Vision lands from the West.

The Wicken Fen Visitor Centre has recently undergone refurbishment to upgrade visitor facilities and improve access onto the fen. Visitors and Trust volunteers recently helped construct a living willow play area for children between the Visitor Centre and Café. The structure designed by local weaver, Nadine Anderson, incorporates a maze of enclosed tunnels with portholes and an open play area. Parents will be able to enjoy a well earned cup of tea and cake whilst being able to keep a close eye on their children.

A big thank you to everyone who joined us for our community tree planting days at White Fen over the winter. We were delighted that pupils from our Guardianship School, Waterbeach Primary School, were also able to join us for a day's tree planting. We managed to plant over 1200 trees – further planting sessions are planned for next winter, but hopefully we can enjoy a long hot summer first.

A series of geocaches have recently been hidden to help visitors explore and discover Wicken Fen. For those not familiar with it, geocaching is a popular worldwide game using the Global Positioning System (GPS) to locate caches. Each cache contains a log book, as well as information on its location and a family-friendly activity to do. The co-ordinates of each cache can be found on www.geocaching.com. The caches are hidden near to public footpaths and are free to access at all times. If you are new to geocaching and would like to hire a GPS receiver or would like a demonstration to help you on your way, please contact Community Warden, Emma Shepherd at the Visitor Centre on 01353 720274.

Last year we introduced Stand-up paddleboarding to Wicken Fen which proved extremely popular. This summer we are running a series of three hour paddleboard safaris to explore the local waterways from Tuesday 1 June to Friday 4 June and Saturday 30 July, at 9am and 2pm. Safari's cost £50 which includes hire of board, buoyancy aid, instruction and a guide. Introductory one hour paddleboarding sessions (£15) will also run on Wednesdays throughout the summer. A minimum height requirement of 140cm is recommended, as anyone shorter may find it difficult to handle the paddle and could struggle physically with the paddling demands if the wind increases.

If paddleboarding is a little bit too energetic for your liking, boat trips in our traditional fen lighter will be running at weekends and Bank Holidays from 15

May – 26 September, Friday evenings from 25 June to 30 July and Thursdays during the school summer holidays.

The summer holidays will soon be upon us and we are planning an action packed programme to help keep your children amused during the long summer break – activities include a Wild Child Trail, Mud Glorious Mud, Dragons and Damsels, Wild Art, Den Building to the ever popular favourite Pond Dipping. Full details of all events can be found on our website www.wicken.org.uk or by calling the Visitor Centre on 01353 720274.

Food Waste

We all love food but sometimes we throw away food waste, this may be from meal preparations or leftovers.

All food waste can be placed in the green bin, including:

- Plate scrapings
- Meat and fish (uncooked and cooked)
- Fruit and vegetables

It is important that all food waste makes its way into the green bin rather than the black bin. When food waste is placed into the black bin it ends up in a landfill site where it rots and produces methane, a potent greenhouse gas. Food waste placed in the green bin is composted and turned into nutrient rich soil improver.

Some people do not want to place food waste straight into the green bin and prefer to place it in a bag or liner. In the past there has been confusion regarding the type of bag that can be used for food waste.

Residents with the best of intentions have purchased cornstarch/potato starch liners that state that they are biodegradable and 'compatible with local authority composting schemes'. However, cornstarch/potato starch liners do not breakdown during the composting process and cause contamination. We can only accept paper liners in the green bin as they do breakdown.

In response to residents asking which type of liner can be used and where they can buy them, we have teamed up with Healthy Planet Bags. Paper liners can now be purchased from:

- Rosemary Newsagents, Waterbeach
- www.southcambscaddyliners.co.uk
- Call 0208 736 0033.

You can also try before they buy and call 0208 736 0033 for a free sample.

60 *Plus* Afternoon Tea

BRINGING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER

INVITATION

You are invited to the Community Association 60 Plus Afternoon Tea on

Wednesday 30th June 2010

from 1.30pm until 4.00pm

at Waterbeach School Hall.

Guests will enjoy entertainment form the children in Years 3 and 4 who will perform 'The Creation of the Night Sun', based on a traditional Mexican story. The afternoon will be rounded off with tea and cakes.

This is all *free*, but we do ask you to return the slip below to book a place. Please return the slip below to Mark Clack, 5 Spurgeons Avenue, Waterbeach or to Jacqui Rabbett, 9 Providence Way, Waterbeach by *Monday 14th June 2010*. Regrettably we cannot provide transport, so please talk to your family and friends to arrange a lift.

If you will be in a wheel chair for the afternoon, please let us know so that we give you plenty of room.

Please note as it is a normal school day there will be no admission before 1.30pm

For further information Tel. 01223 860993	

60 PLUS AFTERNOON TEA- PLACE CONFIRMATION

Please reserve place(s) at the 60 <i>Plus</i> Afternoon Tea on 30th June 2010
Name(s) :
Contact Address
Telephone
Please tick if you will be in a wheelchair

Please return by Monday 14th June 2010

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

1ST WATERBEACH BROWNIES	Rowena Small - 01223 570850
1ST WATERBEACH GUIDES	Lorraine Warburton - 01223 575792
1ST WATERBEACH RAINBOWS	Diana Morgan - 01223 861398
32ND CAMBRIDGE (WATERBEACH) SCOUT GROUP	Bill Moon – 01223 440259
BEACH BOWLS CLUB	Tony Reuben - 01223 861001
BEACH SOCIAL CLUB	Richard Hall - 01223 860033
BUCHANAN CHILDREN'S CENTRE	Caroline Osborne - 01223 204435
CATS PROTECTION - CAMBRIDGE BRANCH	Information Line - 01223 441880
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CHAIRPERSON	Jacqui Rabbett - 01223 860993
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION SECRETARY	01223 860993
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION TREASURER	Mike Sharp - 01223 862969
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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION	Norman Foster - 01223 474622
ROYAL ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION	Brian Simm - 01487 832982
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH	Revd Lucy Cleland -01223 860353
ST.JOHN'S WIVES GROUP	Sheila Gill - 01223 861999
THE WAY PROJECT	Suzy Kay - 01223 502620
WASPS (WATERBEACH AFTER SCHOOL PLAY SCHEME)	Zoe Palmer - 01223 861140
WATERBEACH & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB	Peter Dixon - 01223 860280
WATERBEACH BAPTIST CHAPEL	Robin Giles - 01223 862494
WATERBEACH BRASS	David Pell - 01223 860396
WATERBEACH COLTS FOOTBALL CLUB	Lynne West - 01223 440942
WATERBEACH COMMUNITY PLAYERS	Julie Petrucci - 01223 880023
WATERBEACH COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP	Diana Morgan - 01223 861398
WATERBEACH CRICKET CLUB	Chris Nelson - 01223 863346

WATERBEACH DAY CENTRE FOR THE ELDERLY	William Bullivant - 01223 862506
WATERBEACH FOOTBALL CLUB	Tom Lawton - 01223 861025
WATERBEACH INDEPENDENT LENDING LIBRARY	Sarah Smart - 01223 440018
WATERBEACH SALVATION ARMY	Kevin Brown - 01223 506217
WATERBEACH SCHOOL P.T.A	Cressi Downing - 01223 511231
WATERBEACH TODDLER PLAYGROUP	Wayne Badcock - 07808 357729
WATERBEACH VILLAGE SOCIETY	David Craig - 01223 860684
WATERBEACH WI	Jane Gibb - 01223 721194

Other useful numbers:

BEACHES COMMUNITY CAR SERVICE	07807 875878
COUNTY COUNCILLOR	Michael Williamson - 01223 860899
DISTRICT COUNCILLOR	Peter Johnson - 01223 560918 or 07947 475549
DISTRICT COUNCILLOR	James Hockney - 01223 864891
DOCTORS SURGERY – WATERBEACH	01223 860387
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE - Non Emergence	cy Calls 01223 376217
LANDBEACH VILLAGE HALL	Mrs. Bullman - 01223 860692
PARISH COUNCIL	Sarah Smart - 01223 440018
PARISH PATHS GROUP	D. Armstrong - 01223 861586
POLICE - Non Emergency Calls	0345 456 4564
ST LAWRENCES CATHOLIC CHURCH	01223 704640
VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT	Janice Maltby - 01223 861191
WATERBEACH BARRACKS-STATION STA	FF OFFICER Dave Hornby - 01223 204406
WATERBEACH SCHOOL	01223 718988
WATERBEACH TURBARY CHARITY	Pam Gooding - 01223 861003
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