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The Last Isleham Gala?



A dramatic event took place at the last meeting of the Gala Committee, when we met to review this year's Gala, which the Committee all agreed went very well: a lovely sunny day and activities throughout the afternoon.

At the end of the meeting five members from the twelve-strong Committee tendered their resignations. There had been no disagreements, no arguments – they just felt that the time had come to end their association with the Gala. **UNLESS THEIR PLACES ARE FILLED I CANNOT SEE HOW THE GALA CAN CONTINUE NEXT YEAR.**

We need to replace two people with access to a lorry or large trailer, as we go over to Littleport to collect and return the stripy stalls. We need a Treasurer, a Grand Draw

organiser, Vice-Chair and a Fun Run organiser, plus two or three more volunteers to relieve the pressure on other members.

I had said I was going to stand down as Chair last year, but stayed on to give stability as the Treasurer of many years left. I will stay until the AGM to see if we can get enough people to help.

If you want to see the Gala continue and would like to join our Committee, please let me know. Alternatively come to the AGM to be held at The Griffin at 8pm on Monday 17th October.

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VILLAGE NOTES

Isleham WI Open Meeting

Thursday 9th October at 8pm in the Village Hall
Flower Demonstration by Nicholas Godfrey-
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Cheese & Wine

Race Night

The BECKen Charity and the Cricket Club are holding a Race Night at The Rising Sun on 16th September from 8pm. Come and have a flutter on the Gee-Gees. BBQ, weather permitting.
All proceeds shared between BECKen and Isleham Cricket Club.

Chris Mahoney (BECKen Chairperson).



Join us for a monthly breakfast/coffee/latte/cappuccino group for fun, conversation & sharing our questions of life, faith and parenthood - all welcome!
Thursday 11th August from 9.15 (after the school run) @ La Hogue Café, Chippenham. (La Hogue has great play equipment, highchairs, children's menu etc.)
Thursday 8th September 7.30pm @ Prezzo, Newmarket
Babies and toddlers welcome.
For more info: Helen Banyard - 721616; Kate Peacock - 723960; www.threerivers.org.uk

Dates for Your Diary

Let us know if there is anything you would like included here for future issues.
Every Tuesday: Coffee Morning at the Social Centre 9.00-12.00

AUGUST

Monday 1st Isleham Parish Council 19.00 Village Hall
Thursday 11th WI 19.30 Village Hall
Sunday 28th Summer Sunday St Andrew's Church

SEPTEMBER

Monday 5th Isleham Parish Council 19.00 Village Hall
Friday 9th INFORMER DEADLINE
Friday 16th BECKen/Cricket Club 20.00 Rising Sun
Tuesday 20th Isleham Gardeners 19.30 Village Hall
Thursday 21st Isleham Society 19.30 Village Hall

INFORMATION

Thursday bus from Isleham to Ely Market

Circular route: 9:15am Limestone Close – Malting Lane – Beck Road – The Causeway – East Road – Sun Street – Church Street – West Street – Hall Barn Road – Fordham Road – arrive Ely 10:00am; Return 12:00 noon.
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|------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Church Street | 14:15 | 15:00 |
| Mill Street | 15:05 | 17:00 |
| 3rd Friday of the month: Church St | 09:30 | 10:10 |

Child Health Clinic

Soham Child and Family Team Child Health Clinic will be in Isleham Village Hall with the Tea & Toast group on the second and fourth Thursdays every month from 10-11am. For more information phone Naomi Greener on 01353 624411.

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Gas Emergencies 0800 371787
Water & Sewage Emergencies 0345 145145
Social Services - office hours 01733 561370
- out of hours emergency 01733 561370
Refuse Collection 01353 863864
RSPCA 0870 5555999
Citizens Advice Bureau Ely 0845 130 6442
Mildenhall 01638 712094
Newmarket 01638 665999
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Parish Council (Diane Bayliss: Clerk) . . . 01638 781687
Member of Parliament (Jim Paice) . . . 01954 211450

'Mr Isleham' hits a century!

Arthur Houghton's 100th birthday party at Kingfisher House, Newmarket on 11th July 2011. The people in the picture are (left to right): James (grandson), Alan Webber (son-in-law) Shirley and Kath (nieces), and Pat (daughter). His cake included pictures of Isleham.

There were members of his family, friends and residents from Kingfisher house present at his party.

He is the President of the Isleham Society and the author of a book entitled "Memories of Isleham"; its second edition was published in 1995.

Arthur and his late brother Bill discovered a 6,000 piece bronze hoard whilst ploughing in Isleham. They presented the hoard to the Moyse's Museum as a gift, and it is still displayed in the museum at Bury St Edmunds.

He started collecting old photos of the village many years ago, and he has entrusted "Arthur Houghton Collection" to the Isleham Society for safe keeping.



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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
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| Board Games | Alison Young | 01638 780351 | Last Thursday | 2–5pm Sept–June | High St. Church |
| Book Club | Deidre Deller | 01638 780544 | 2nd Friday | 2pm | Social Centre |
| Brownies | Caroline Zwierzchowska-Dod | 07766 336694 | Thursdays | 6–7.15pm | Village Hall |
| Busy Bees | Kelly Chawner | 01638 781098 | Tuesdays | 9.30–11.30am | Village Hall |
| Craft Club | Hazel Thompson | 01638 780633 | Tuesdays | 1.30–4pm | Social Centre |
| Cubs | Angela Dann | 01638 781947 | Tuesdays | 6.30–8pm | Village Hall |
| French Conversation | Francine (all levels) | francine@the waytofrance.com | Monday | 6–7.15pm | 1 Mill St |
| Gentle Armchair Exercise | Kathryn Kyte Lorraine Buchnall | 01638 780652 01638 780699 | Mondays | 2–3pm | High St. Church |
| Guides | Janine Taylor Caroline Hinit | islehamguides@ yahoo.co.uk | Tuesday | 6.30–8.30pm | Social Centre |
| Isleham Gardeners | Jenny Hodd | 01638 780729 | 3rd Tuesday | 7.30pm | Village Hall |
| Isleham Society | Vernon Place | 01638 780449 | 3rd Thursday | 7.30pm | Village Hall |
| Just Jhoom! Fitness | Hayley Crawford | 01638 721522 www.halohf.co.uk | Wednesdays from September | 6.30–7.30pm | Village Hall |
| Line Dancing | Andrew Palmer | 01354 696063 | Mondays | 7.45–9.15pm | Village Hall |
| Paper, Patch & Sew | Julie Porter Victoria Rattle | 01638 781390 01638 721128 | Saturday Bi-monthly | 10–4pm | High St. Church |
| Ruth Bendall School of Dance | Ruth Bendall | 01638 780260 | Wednesdays Saturdays | 4.30pm 9am | Village Hall Village Hall |
| Tea & Toast | Claire Freeman | 07827 234442 | Thursdays | 9.30–11.30am | Village Hall |
| WI | Glenda Preece | 01638 780734 | 2nd Thursday | 7.30pm | Village Hall |
| Yoga | Jill Bercovici | 01638 510801 | Thursdays (term-time only) | 9.15–10.15am | Bowls Club |
| Zumba Fitness | Michelle Jacobs | 07842 112190 | Fridays | 6.30–7.30pm | Village Hall |

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Baby Clinic Every Tuesday 9.30–11.30am. Weigh the baby and have tea and a chat with the Health Visitor about any worries or concerns.

Stay & Play Every Monday 9.30–11.00am at St Andrew's Extended School Unit. A free play session with lots of activities and fun. Just turn up!

Time Out Tuesdays For parents under 25 years. Every Tuesday 9.30–11.30am. Come along and make friends, have a chat and get support and information.

Isleham Tea & Toast Every Thursday at Isleham Village Hall, 9.15–11.30am. Pop along for some tea and toast, a play session for the under 5s and a chance to meet other mums.

Dig It A chance for you and your children to learn how to grow your own fruit and veg on a Soham allotment. Every Wednesday 9.30–11.30am. Meet at Soham Children's Centre. Ring to book a place.

For more information call us on 01353 727188

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Isleham Parish Council Annual Report



Chairman's Report June 2011

It has been another busy year for Isleham Parish Council.

Work on the new Community Centre has taken a great step forward as the majority of the funding is now in place. We intend to start work at the end of the summer and it is hoped that the Centre will be open for use by Gala Day 2012. Once again I am indebted to Philip Aspland for the countless hours he has invested in the project and to his team for all the hard work they continue to do as the project moves forward.

The Village Hall and Pavilion have been well used and have been maintained by David Green. A number of necessary repairs have been undertaken over the last 12 months to keep the Hall in reasonable working order. The Recreation Ground continues to be well used and as a Council we are trying to maintain it by spraying and fertilising it regularly and a vote of thanks to Ray Sheldrick was recorded for all his hard work for which he received the award of *Groundsman of the Year* by the Cambridgeshire Cricket Board.

The new All Weather Surface has been up and running since November and was officially opened by James Paice on Saturday 19th March.

Up to the beginning of January, Arthur Hurst had continued clearing up the litter from the play area and a vote of thanks was offered to him as he steps down from this role.

The cemetery continues to be well maintained by Mr Cox and once again a vote of thanks was recorded for his efforts.

Problems with footpaths verges and roadways are regularly reported to Cambridgeshire Highways who act as soon as they are able to effect repairs.

Although we have installed dog bins around the village there are still a number of dog owners who allow their pets to foul the footpaths and do not clear up after them; more bins are going to be installed in the new financial year, which hopefully will help to alleviate the problem.

The *Informer* continues to be published 6 times a year and this could not be done without a reliable team of volunteers producing and delivering so again I wish to thank them for all their hard work.

Work continues at the Nature Reserve on the Fordham Road; it is well used and a volunteer group continue to keep the site clean and maintained.

I wish to express my gratitude to the Councillors for all their hard work over the past year and support they have given to me and my thanks also go to Diane for all her hard work as the Clerk, taking the flack and keeping us all on the straight and narrow and for her dedication and service to the village.

Derrick Beckett

Some of the many activities taking place in Isleham on a regular basis:

Brownies; Guides; Cubs; WI; Isleham Society; Isleham Twinning Association; Zumba; Jhoom; Line Dancing; Angling Society; Book Club; Busy Bees; Isleham Gardeners; Football; Cricket; Craft Club; Paper, Patch & Sew; Board Games.

Isleham Parish Council Income and Expenditure

Account for Year Ended: 31st March 2011.

Operating Income

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Precept | £57,900 |
| Administration & Finance | £6,756 |
| Sale of Cemetery Land | £708,930 |
| Cemetery | £1,776 |
| Allotments & Wash | £1,882 |
| Parks & Open Spaces | £8,551 |
| Village Hall | £60,458 |
| Total Income | £846,253 |

Running Costs

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Administration & Finance | £35,761 |
| Cemetery | £11,978 |
| Allotments & Wash | £1,954 |
| Parks & Open Spaces | £16,130 |
| Village Hall | £84,878 |
| Section | £137,569 |
| Total Expenditure | £151,271 |

General Fund Analysis

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Opening Balance | £31,553 |
| Plus: Income for Year | £846,253 |
| | £877,806 |
| Less: Expenditure for Year | £151,271 |

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| | £726,535 |
| Transfers TO/FROM Reserves | £650,000 |

Closing Balance

£76,535

Parish Council agendas and minutes are available to view in PDF format on the website: www.isleham-village.co.uk. Information about the New Community Centre can be found at www.islehamca.co.uk.

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Isleham Gala 2011

This year's Gala took place on Saturday 2nd July, and we were again blessed with sunshine, which enabled the large crowd to enjoy a family day out.

The parade commenced at 1pm led by the Glen Moriston Pipe Band. They looked good in their Scottish kilts and their rousing performance put us in a party mood.

Our Gala Queen this year was 14-year-old Anna Thompson of Fen Bank. Her two attendant Princesses were five-year-old Izzy French of Limestone Close, and nine-year-old Eve White of Ellwood Close. All three girls looked delightful and carried out their duties superbly. Our thanks go to the PTA who carried out the selection process.

Four floats entered the parade. The winners were Isleham Under 5s, with Isleham Swimming Pool Association



soaking – the things people will do to cool down!

In the Electric Buggy race there was only one entrant, Roy Clarke, who was last year's winner. With no one to challenge him Ray just did a lap of honour.

Ruth Bendall's dancers entertained as did the Soham Fenland Majorettes.

We had three teams in the Tug-of War – The Hustlers beat

The Norwich and then pulled against last year's winners The Bears. In what is becoming a tradition The Bears once again took the prize. When will they be beaten?

Finally there were two impromptu aerobic displays by Zumba and Just Jhoom.

Refreshments in the Village Hall were provided by Newmarket and District Youth for Christ, and entertainment was by the Isleham School Band. There was also an art display by the school in the



second and the Cubs third; they were joined by the WI's float 'A Day at the Races'. There were also two walking groups; the Girl Guides, dressed as St Trinians, and Isleham Skateboard group. The Soham Fenland Majorettes brought up the rear with the Soham Fire Engine.

The competition marquee attracted a large number of entries in all categories with the mixed berry roulade being one of my favourites. There were a number of entries and the winner was Emma Jennings.

The Dog Show was well attended, and our thanks go to Jackie Palmer for organising the event. Thanks to all the owners for looking after their dogs on the field.

The Small Ring held the Baby Show, Master and Miss Isleham and the Fancy Dress. Thanks to the judges and to Vernon Place who sponsors the Baby Competition. The winners of Master and Miss Isleham were Chloe Howell and Isaac Bruyneel.

The Running and Cycle races took place before the pre-schoolers', children's and adults' races under the guidance of Mark Goldsack, Yet again some entrants took a

hall, sponsored by Pauline and Bryan Wynne,

All through the afternoon Dave Sennit, our announcer, did a splendid job.

The Gala Committee would like to thank the many local companies and individuals who donated their time and sponsorship to the Gala. The Gala would not take place without their continued support.





Thanks also to Mark Palmer, Andrew and Philip Human and John Sykes who helped set up and take down the field layout.

We do need extra help next year – come on The Bears – be there at 7am next year, it will help your training!

We would like to thank the Parish Council for the use of the field, the Hall and their financial support.

We do not aim to make a profit but to provide local groups with an opportunity to promote themselves and raise funds. We broke even this year.

Photographs on the day were taken by Vernon Place, and a comprehensive display can be seen in the Post Office window, where orders can be placed.

A draw prize won by Gill Millar is unclaimed as we had an incorrect mobile number. Please contact me.

I hope everybody who attended the Gala had an enjoyable day. We appreciate your support.

Fred Preece (Chair)

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Gala Results

Marquee Competitions

Children

4 Strawberry Shortcakes
Pizza

Vegetable Dressed
as a Bride

Country Garden on a Plate

Arrangement in
Decorated Jam Jar

Home baking

6 White Bread Rolls

Loaf of Bread

4 Cheese Scones

Rich Onion Tart

Mixed Berry Roulade

1st Scarlet Newsome
1st Taylor Bird
2nd Connor Bird
3rd Hannah Jones
1st Annabelle Riley
2nd Hannah Jones
3rd Jenny Goldsmith
1st Ben Goldsmith
2nd Lottie White
1st Annabelle Riley
2nd Martha Bowker
3rd Thomas

1st Lisa Milne
2nd Sheila Roberts
3rd Hayley Davies
1st Richard Haw
2nd Emily Radcliffe
3rd Richard Radcliffe
1st Lewis Wright
2nd Lynn Bird
3rd Sheila Roberts
1st Hayley Davies
2nd Sandra Lee
3rd Janice Pope
1st Emma Jennings
2nd Glenda Preece
3rd Elaine Riley

Emma Jennings

Section 'Best in Show'

Flower Arranging

"Zara & Mike" Arrangement

1st Radcliffe family
2nd Janice Pope
3rd Elaine Riley



Photo by Ed Mayall

Vase of Flowers

Vase of Mixed Herbs

6 Stems of Sweet Peas

5 Roses

1st Eve Graham
2nd Glenda Preece
3rd Imogen Leeson
1st Glenda Preece
2nd Janice Pope
3rd Radcliffe family
1st Eve Graham
2nd Ethan Leeson
1st Clive Hall
2nd Glenda Preece
3rd Janice Pope

Eve Graham

Section 'Best in Show'

Open: Best Bird Scarer

1st Daniel & Myah Coulson
 2nd Radcliffe family
 3rd Arthur (Dunstall)

Fruit & Vegetables

4 Potatoes

1st Clive Hall
 2nd Chris Maxfield
 3rd Ray Graham

4 Broad Beans

1st A Lesson
 2nd Clive Hall
 3rd Miss P Dorey

4 Beetroot

1st Clive Hall
 2nd Russell Milne

4 Carrots

1st Russell Milne
 2nd Clive Hall

Basket of Produce

1st Clive Winter
 2nd Vickey & Andrew Hall
 3rd Clive Hall

4 Sticks of Rhubarb

1st Jane Brown
 2nd Clive Hall

Bowl of Soft Fruit

1st Clive Hall

Section 'Best in Show' Clive Winter**Art Competition**

Pre-School

1st Connie Shepherd
 2nd Emma Acheson
 3rd Elizabeth Okasinski
 Commended Elizabeth King
 Esme Rose Leeson

Reception

1st Archie Casburn
 2nd Hannah Jones
 3rd Mya Davies

Year 1

1st Alex Goodchild
 2nd Anna Palmer
 3rd= Eleanor Stamp-Dod
 3rd= Mitchell Brame

Year 2

1st Isobel Bedford
 2nd Ruth Taylor
 3rd = George Wells, Taylor Bird

Year 3

1st Ben Ruddock
 2nd Ryan Hewitt
 3rd Ollie French

Year 4

1st Connor Forder
 2nd Eve White
 3rd Bella Cafferelli

Year 5

1st Victoria Beckett
 2nd Lewis Pegler
 3rd Evie Luker

Year 6

1st James Dray
 2nd Thomas French
 3rd= Harry Taylor
 3rd= Bryony Ellis

Races**Running**

Boys under 10

1st Joseph Pettit
 2nd Aaron Wright
 3rd Joseph Boneham

Girls under 10

1st Dotti Reaves
 2nd Shauna Pilmer
 3rd Chloe Hensby

Boys under 16

1st Liam Markwell
 2nd Joe Tofts
 3rd Rown Talor

Girls under 16

1st Jordanne Sillitoe
 2nd Sunge Sabwelera
 3rd Emily Hall

Cycling

Boys under 16

1st Callum Luker
 2nd Gavin Dunbavin
 3rd James Harvey



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Girls under 16

1st Lydia Smith
2nd Sophie Beckwith
3rd Heather Fleming

Fun Run

Boys under 12

1st Charlie Cummins
2nd Jack Cummins
3rd Oliver Goodchild
1st Rose Porter
2nd Imogen Leeson
3rd Shannon Turner
1st Oliver Morton
2nd Lewis Moore
3rd Nigel Hensby

Girls under 12

Boys over 12

Water Race

1st Joseph Bell
2nd Liam Markwell
3rd Jason Musora
1st Roy Clarke

Buggy Race

Wheelbarrow Races

Under 16s

1st Florence Burn & Romy Philo
2nd Ben Jeacock & Esme Bone
1st Hazel & Xavin Taylor
2nd Tracy Patterson & Luke Fretwell
3rd Tim & Robynne George

Adults



Tug-of-War

1st The Bears
2nd The Hustlers

Wet-sponge race

Girls 5-7

1st= Mya Davies
1st= Chelsea Cross
3rd Molly Harvey

Boys 5-7

1st Theo Mulhall
2nd Luke Scally
3rd Ben Brooks

Girls 8-11

1st Maddy Froment
2nd Evie Jakes
3rd Jordanne Sillitoe

Boys 8-11 Race 1

1st Joseph Pettit
2nd Ben Barlow
3rd Charlie Cummins

Boys 8-11 Race 2

1st Jacob Robinson
2nd Travis Parr
3rd Louis Christie

Pre-School

1st Finley Froment
2nd Kyle Markwell
3rd Max Timmins

Pre-School Running Race

Girls

1st Myah Coulson
2nd Honor Creasy
3rd Chloe Barnes
1st Finley Froment
2nd Joe Dunbavin
3rd Kyle Markwell

Boys



Children's Fancy Dress
Pre-School

- 1st Elizabeth Okasinski
Pink Princess
- 2nd Harriet Flynn
Pink Princess
- 3rd Poppy Downey
Snow White

5-7 years

- 1st Elysia Bishop
Bride
- 2nd Eleanor Stamp-Dod
Cat
- 3rd Mya Davies
Dorothy

8-10 years

- 1st Oliver Hoskin
Lord Snooty the First
- 2nd Joe Smith
Dennis the Menace
- 3rd Dotti Reaves
Moody Margaret

11 years and over

- 1st Lorraine Cheeseman
Minnie the Minx

Mini Miss Isleham

- 1st Chloe Howell
- 2nd Viktoria Vosseller
- 3rd Harriet Flynn

Mini Mr Isleham

- 1st Isaac Bruyneel
- 2nd Kyle Markwell
- 3rd Toby Jones

Baby Show

- 1st Autumn-Eve King
- 2nd Taya Rolph
- 3rd Ayla Clements

Isleham Dog Show

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Best Puppy | Ruby |
| Veteran | George |
| Crossbreed | Zaniba |
| Pedigree | Scamp |
| Short Coat | Simi |
| Long/Rough Coat | Max |
| Rescue | Becky |
| Waggy Tail | Bella |
| Fancy Dress | Abby |
| Mr & Mrs Isleham | AppleJack & Bella |
| Best Trick | Ebony |
| Prettiest Bitch | Pepper |
| Handsomest Dog | Bentley |
| Judge Would Like to Take Home | Rouge |
| Best in Show | Scamp/Bentley |

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This year's Gala Day really didn't let us down, and The Friends of Isleham Nature Reserves would just like to say a BIG THANK YOU for all of you who came and visited our stall.

This year, there were many who wanted to know more of what we get up to and put your names down on our mailing list. Also for the first time we had a Prize Draw where we were giving people the chance to win an array of prizes, which included a day pass at the rare breeds farm at the Lavender Farm near Hunstanton and a day of bird watching with our very own Alastair Burn. In total we raised £81.

As a group, we also had plans for different events for the rest of the summer, these include joining in with the Big Butterfly Count on 6th July and a Family Fun Day on 23rd July, more about these in the next edition. We are also joining together with the Wildlife Trust to organise a Bat Night in September for the Cubs and Guides in the village. So as you can see there is lots going on.

If you feel like you would like to join us then please do feel free to contact the Warden Andrew on 07903 092899 or go to our blog friendsofislehamnr.blogspot.com or facebook page *friends of isleham nature reserves*. Once again thank you for your support.

Andrew Garbett

The Isleham Society

Meetings that should have happened by now:

19th July – We are visiting the Mildenhall Air Base for a guided tour and a buffet lunch.

21st July – Ian Ellwood will be the speaker at the village hall to give an illustrated talk on "The Development

Soham Rural Welfare Association

Minibus Timetable

Staploe Medical Centre bus now operated by Ely Soham Dial-a-Ride on a Monday and Friday.

| | Time | Pick-up point |
|--------|-------|---------------------------------|
| MONDAY | 12:03 | Station Road |
| | | Post Office |
| | | Waterside/Sun Street junction |
| | | East Road/Causeway junction |
| | | The Bus Shelter, Causeway |
| FRIDAY | | Malting Lane |
| | | Dr Dixey's house, 6 Mill Street |
| | 12:11 | West Street/Hall Barn Road |
| | 12:30 | Arrive at the Medical Centre |
| | 13:15 | Leaves Medical Centre |
| | 11:45 | Station Road |
| | | Post Office |
| | | Waterside/Sun Street junction |
| | | East Road/Causeway junction |
| | | The Bus Shelter, Causeway |
| | | Malting Lane |
| | | Dr Dixey's house, 6 Mill Street |
| | 11:51 | West Street/Hall Barn Road |
| | 12:20 | Arrive at the Medical Centre |
| | 13:30 | Leaves Medical Centre |

The minibus service is provided for those patients without transport who would not otherwise be able to get to the Medical Centre. There is no charge for using the bus. However, voluntary contributions are appreciated to help with the running costs and a box is kept on the desk at the Medical Centre for this purpose.

Patients are requested to see their own doctor except in the case of an urgent need.

and Growth of David S. Smith Packaging" (formerly Tillotsons Corrugated Cases and St Regis at Burwell); the meeting starts at 7.45 for 8pm.

No meeting in August.

Future meetings:

14th September – A Guided tour of the Donarbon Waste Management Site near Waterbeach; details will be advertised nearer the time.

20th October – A welcome return visit of Trevor Burlingham – "With a camera around Breckland".

NB. You don't have to be a member to attend our meetings: all visitors are welcome!

Vernon Place

Isleham Primary School

During Book Week in early June, Year Two went to the recreation ground to listen to stories about the Fens. After the visit we wrote some poems based on what we heard and saw, as we travelled through the village. The pictures (from top to bottom)are by Tia, Su-Lin, Ethan and Aaliyah, .



Here we are
The aeroplane soaring in the
wind,
here we are.
Cars are zooming,
here we are.
People laughing,
here we are.
Grandmas chatting,
here we are.

Luke

Here we are
Trees shaking,
here we are.
Children chatting, talking,
playing, singing,
here we are.
Sun burning, shining, hot in the sky,
here we are.



Poppy



Here we are
Aeroplanes soaring
overhead,
here we are.
Sun fizzing and burning,
here we are.
Birds soaring swiftly,
here we are.
Grass swaying softly,
here we are.
Trees bristling and brushing,
here we are
Wind charging in my face,
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The ICA Gala Festival 2011 began on Thursday 30th June with a total of 17 acts performing at the first 'Isleham's Got Talent!' evening. No judges and no red buzzers meant the show flowed from start to finish and the courage of those young (and not so young!) people singing, dancing and performing before an audience of more than 200 people was a pleasure to behold. Entrants included: Tarryn Richardson, Louis Christie, Lydia Edwards and Georgia Heavens, Molly Day and Theobe Miller, Leah Markwell, Courtney Toon and Eliza Kolopski, Doreen Spiers, Michaela Farr, Sarah Bailey, Dorigen Bell, Bianca O'Ryan, Kiri, Jane Edwards and Mark Drury, Ian MacLay, Isleham Brownies, and Isleham School of Dance with performances from the Juniors, Intermediates

and Adults. A wonderful evening enjoyed by all, with true talent on display. Thanks to everyone who performed and to all those who came to watch.

On Friday night we had more than 160 diners at our Summer Ball. Gents were handsomely suited and booted, ladies stunning in dresses worthy of the red carpet, all ready to enjoy a night of luxury and fun. The four-course meal was delicious, the fabulous band 'The Other Commitments' had everyone grooving on



the dance floor, and more than £3,600 was raised on this night alone by the Grand Auction, Charity Casino and Heads & Tails game. Word is getting round and demand for tickets next year is sure to be even greater.

Finally, after a wonderful, sunny Gala afternoon on the Rec on Saturday, we had our ICA Family Fun Night, tickets for which were completely sold out. The many children of all ages were hugely amused by a local family of circus entertainers, showing their skills and encouraging the children to take part. They were followed by two great local bands, *The Misspents* and *Meta4*, who had children and adults alike filling the dance floor. It was a glorious summers evening with many children playing freely on the rec, and with burgers, hotdogs and doughnuts available and a full bar, to see so many families enjoying themselves both in and out of the marquee all evening long was a pleasure.

Events like these are all in support of the Isleham Community Association; if we already had our new Centre and hadn't had the cost of the marquee and other equipment then there would have been close to another £10,000 raised. The support of all those who attended the three events shows the desire and support for the new Community Centre. Thanks must go to all committee members, supporters and many kind volunteers who did their bit to help make the 2011 ICA Gala Festival a resounding success. We look forward to seeing you all next year!

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Well we finally got a drop of rain so I hope you're all enjoying the fruits of your labour, whether it be produce from your allotment or the colours and scents of your garden.

Many thanks to all who supported our stall at the Gala; we raised about £120, which will go towards paying guest speakers in the coming months.

Our next open meeting is on the 20th September when we will be having a quiz night with possibly cheese and wine, more information to follow nearer the date.

I wish you all a happy and productive summer and hope to see more of you in the autumn when we will have an introductory offer for new members.

Phil Adelphus



restaurant, an Indian meal and pub meals, to name but a few, by their various hosts.

Sunday morning came round all too soon, but we managed to fit in various visits before our farewell lunch at the Bowls Club. From the sublime service at King's College to the more prosaic Open Day at Prickwillow Pumping Station, a pleasant morning was spent by all.

A typically British Sunday lunch was served at the Bowls Club, with musical accompaniment, a raffle and speeches, after which the coach left in time for the Channel crossing.

There are so many people to thank who helped us show the village and surrounding district at its best. We were so thankful to Bridget (Cooper) whose language skills were tested to her bilingual extent at the National Stud. The 'finer' details of horse-husbandry would not have been her vocabulary of choice, but we felt better with her help. Michelle from Isleham School has added a much-needed injection of youth to proceedings and nothing seemed too much trouble for her. Her guests had the time of their lives, by all accounts.

Not least we thank our French friends. They are wonderful guests, ready for anything, showing interest and good humour at all times. Laughter (and there was plenty of that) breaks down all language barriers. We look forward to their return in two years' time, after our next visit to them.

À votre retour, Nesles!

Gill Styman

Isleham Twinning Association

Once again there was a successful exchange between our two villages. This time it was the turn of Nesles to visit us over a weekend in mid-May.

The time of arrival on the Friday evening was rather flexible, so it was tricky to welcome them *en masse*, but The Griffin did us proud by providing us with cottage pies of giant proportions, which were enjoyed, accompanied by drinks from the bar, and followed by desserts served in our own homes.

Saturday morning saw us descend on the National Stud for a group visit. We were taken round by coach with a lively guide, and introduced to another world where the birth of a foal means so much more than just that. Vast sums of money were mentioned – more than most of us could even imagine.

After the National Stud we were free to take our guests wherever we wanted. Some went to Ickworth House, some to the "Weird and Wonderful Wood" exhibition at Haughley Park to mention just two. In the evening the guests were treated to home-cooking, Italian

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The gardens incorporate many interesting and colourful companion plants and shrubs, and were a delight to walk around.

After the tour we had an enjoyable meal, though by now some of our members were rather chilly!

The following week many of our members enjoyed a strawberry cream tea at 94 The Causeway. Again it rained, but this did not stop us having a very pleasant afternoon.

In June we joined in the Gala celebrations with our float "A Day at the Races".

At our July meeting President Janice Pope welcomed Cheryl Brightly from Newmarket who gave a talk on "The History of Chocolate". Discovered by the Aztecs, it became popular in England during the reign of Charles I, when many chocolate houses served the very affluent.

Cheryl passed around hot chocolate containing spices, chocolate creams and truffles, of which we all had a sample. As she spoke, Cheryl was demonstrating the art of making truffles and the chocolate creams. Members were tempted into buying lots of chocolate goodies during the evening.

If you would like to join the WI or simply come to a meeting to see what it is like, please do come along. We meet on the second Thursday of each month in the Village Hall, 7.30 for 7.45pm, and new members are always welcome.

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Parish Council News

The following are the abbreviated and incomplete versions of the IPC minutes for the May and June 2011 meetings. Full minutes are available from the IPC and on the Isleham Village Website at www.isleham-village.co.uk/pcminutes.html.

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 16TH MAY.

Present Cllrs Beckett, Baines, Earl, Chapman, R. Thompson, H. Thompson, Wilkes, 5 parishioners
Cllr Beckett was elected Chairman and Councillor Baines Vice-Chairman

Apologies Cllrs Neal, Malkin, C. Cllrs Powley, Palmer.

PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

Only 9 places have been filled on the PC at the recent elections. Notices will be posted announcing the two remaining vacancies. Co-options will take place on 6th June.

OPEN FORUM

Mr Sheldrick reported that a number of metal stakes were left on the Rec following the football festival. Also the soil tank had been left open over the weekend. Working party/charity appointments were set up, and these can be viewed in the full minutes.

VILLAGE HALL REPORT

Ruth Bendall will be closing her dance school on 16th July, and is hoping to re-open in September 2012. Hayley Crawford has been given permission to place a banner on the railings at the front of the play area, to advertise her classes.

RECREATION GROUND

A number of unauthorised entries have been made on to the MUGA either by pushing the release button from outside or by climbing over the top.

The clerk will write to the Cricket Club asking them to notify visitors that dogs are not allowed on the recreation ground.

The Play Area Report states that the centre upright post on the big swings needs replacing. The clerk will contact Palmers to see if it can be welded.

It was agreed that the quote from Willimots for moving the cricket square be approved.

ICA REPORT

The architect and quantity surveyor are continuing to prepare documents for tender, which will hopefully be ready by 22nd July.

The PC will be advertising in the national press for companies to express a notice of interest. They will be sent a questionnaire to ascertain basic information about their companies.

Four companies will be invited to tender.

HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATHS

The kerb outside no 34 Beck Road is to be raised. An inspection of the footpath outside the Co-Op has been made and the work is to be costed up; however, there is no assurance of funding to have this work carried out. The matter of yellow lines for Pound Lane will be brought back to the next meeting for consideration.

It was agreed that a stone memorial bench be erected on the Pound for Professor Audus.

A letter will be sent to Anglian Water asking for the water pump outside 23 Sun Street be repaired.

Clerk will contact CC Highways Dept to enquire about an additional streetlight in Little London.

The PC will object on the grounds that the Police Authority will not be enforcing regulations regarding parking on double yellow lines in Isleham.

ALLOTMENTS

A notice has been erected on the Dunstall Allotments advertising allotments to rent.

Mr and Mrs Daykin were given permission to erect a shed and non-glass greenhouse.

PLANNING MATTERS

Single storey rear extension, new porch and replacement garage and wood store at 8 West Street for Mr and Mrs Flynn – no objection.

APPROVALS

Replacement of existing bungalow with a two storey dwelling at 10 East Fen Road for Mr Bruyneel.

Erection of dwelling at Chalk Farm Temple Road, Isleham for Mr & Mrs Parmenter.

Proposed 4 bedroom detached 1½ storey dwelling – to replace existing derelict 2 bedroom semi-detached dwellings and conversion of existing clunch outbuilding to new garage at 44 East Fen Road for Mr Mayes.

Barn Conversion at 18 Little London for Mr T. Drayton.

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 6TH JUNE

Present Cllrs Beckett, Baines, Chaplin, Neal, H. Thompson, Wilkes, R. Thompson, Malkin, Clerk D. Bayliss, 7 parishioners

The broken manhole cover behind the Pavilion will be repaired.

It was agreed that the cost of hiring the MUGA with and without lights will remain the same in order that the cost of lighting in the winter is offset.

COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCIL

The County Council; has begun a new session with Nick Clarke as the new leader. John Powley is the new Chairman of the Council.

HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATHS

Repairs to the footpath between the Co-Op and Priory Gardens will be carried out.

Possibility of yellow lines on Pound Lane will not be pursued because of cost. The clerk will contact Highways Dept to see if the yellow lines outside the Co-Op can be repainted.

The Parish Plan working party will look into properly signposting the village footpaths.

CORRESPONDENCE

Bloor homes will erect a 6ft fence along the boundary between the housing development and the cemetery.

PLANNING MATTERS

Approvals Proposed 2 storey extension at 28 Mill Street. ■



Open Farm Sunday

Discover Life on Britain's Farms

We opened our Farm Gates for the fifth year on Sunday 12th June 2011 at Fenrose Farm, Isleham for Open Farm Sunday – a national, annual event where over 400 farms open on the same day. Despite the rain, 550 visitors donned their wellingtons and waterproofs to have a walk round a family run farm to see the pigs, cows and calves, ponies and poultry. As well as the animals, our visitors hopped on the tractor and trailer rides along Isleham Washes, through our Hereford Cattle and were able to hop off on the return journey to pond dip with two Natural England Representatives.

Back at the farm, a Teleporter and Tennis Ball competition was held



in the farm yard. This was won by Jonny Fuller who normally runs the Open Farm Sunday event at his farm, 'Spinney Abbey', Wicken, but had a break this year and decided to have a stroll around ours instead. He placed the tennis ball on the cone in 27 seconds. Guess the Weight of the Pig was won by 4-year-old Penny Pearce from Isleham, who guessed 65kg (the pig weighed 66kg) and her father, Patrick, won the raffle. The one other competition was Guess the Name of the Pig – the first person picked out of the hat with the correct name was Mr D Markwell, also from Isleham – the pig's name is Percy.

Our visitors enjoyed homemade cakes very kindly made by friends and family and burgers, sausages and hog roast from the BBQ – all our own produce.

We would like to thank ALL our helpers – we wouldn't be able to run such a successful day without their help.

We hope everyone enjoyed their day and look forward to seeing you all again on Sunday 17th June 2012.

Roseanna Thompson



Does anyone know this man? It is believed that he has never been photographed before.



MOST (1) photos by Vernon Place

Three Rivers Group St Andrew's Parish Church

Regular Church Services

Sundays: The main service is at 9.30 am. Junior Church is in the Social Centre, and in church the third Sunday of each month for All Age Worship.

Midweek services

Monday–Wednesday: 9am Morning Prayer, Fordham

Thursday, Friday: 8.15am Morning Prayer, Fordham

Monday: 3.30pm Evening Prayer, Kennett (in school during term time)

Tuesday: 4.30pm Evening Prayer, Limestone Close (Last Tuesday of the month, Holy Communion)

Wednesday: Evening Prayer 4.15pm Snailwell, Holy Communion 5.30pm Chippenham

Weekly Activities

Tuesday: 9am–12 noon: Coffee Morning in Social Centre

Friday: Choir Practice 6.30pm in church. All welcome. Contact Mark Liversidge 01638 781696. Bell ringing practice 7.30pm – beginners welcome! Contact Ruth Ogden, the Tower Captain, for more information

Sundays@6

Our Youth group meets twice a month at the Old Vicarage in Isleham; we hope that many other young people will join us. Details from Rev'd Kate or Rev'd Mike.

Priests The Rev'd Mike Banyard 01638 721616 banyardmg1@yahoo.co.uk. The Rev'd Kate Peacock 01638 723960 kate.peacock@btopenworld.com

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For more information about the Group and St Andrew's please visit our website at www.islehamchurch.org.uk ■

High Street Church

THE ARK PROJECT

The High St Church New Building - Update

July sees us moving on to our land on Beck Road. We will start by erecting a security fence around the site. This will be followed by the commencement of the ground works and then Phase One of the green oak frame will then start to be erected.

Many of you came along and had a look at one of the roof trusses that we put together at the Gala Day. We hope you found this informative. We look forward to all that lies ahead.

SUNDAY SERVICES: All are welcome to our Sunday services throughout the year.

Morning worship: 10.30am All ages are very welcome from the very young to the very old. The children have their own activities.

Evening fellowship: 6.30pm A less formal service usually with opportunity for individual sharing. Come and hear about God's goodness! Tea, coffee and good conversation are available after both the morning and evening services.

On Sunday mornings the following children's facilities are available:

Crèche is available for babies and tots up to 3 years old: the crèche workers are very experienced and provide a safe, fun playtime for the little ones.

Junior Church, for those who are aged 3 to 7, is a fun-filled session with singing, crafts, drama and stories. The older Junior Church meet at the Village Hall. This is for children who are 7 to 11 years old (that's the noise you've heard from the Village Hall on a Sunday morning!). Their morning starts from 10am with a craft, followed by a wide range of activities encouraging the children to discover the Christian faith for themselves. We would love to see some new faces and visitors would be made very welcome!

Impact is the name for the 11 to 14 year olds and on a Sunday morning they receive teaching that is relevant to pre-teens/teenagers. On a Friday night this group meets socially and they all have a lot of laughs!

OTHER WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Our midweek care structure called **High Street Life** gives a whole range of fresh initiatives to care, support and be involved in the local community. It includes: a quilting group, papercraft group, Life groups, plus Men's and Ladies' groups; a Media and Creative Arts group using modern technology to convey the message of hope; a Healthy Living group; practical DIY advice and much more. Are you new to the village? High Street Life is more than just Church on Sunday so why not contact us, we'd love to get to know you and tell you what makes us tick.

Alpha (the relevance of the gospel in today's world) and the Marriage Course (designed to help strengthen marriages) will also continue to run from time to time.

Are you interested in how to stay active in later life? If so, we are running an exercise class for the more mature on Monday afternoons at 2pm at the Chapel. Our **Rendezvous** group – for the more mature among us – meets every Tuesday afternoon at 3pm. Around 60 to 70 of us enjoy this time together each week but new faces are always welcome.

Luncheon Club is for those of retirement age and happens once a month on the second Wednesday from 12–2pm. An excellent meal for just £2 not to mention the great company! For further details of

any of the above, please contact Kathryn of 01638 780652 of the Church Office.

Little Lambs is our parent/carer and toddler group which runs term time Fridays from 9.15–11.15am. Parents/carers can relax with a coffee while the children play. Each week we have a craft activity, juice time and end the morning with singing. All welcome!

So whether it's on a Sunday or midweek, we would love to see you. Why not come along, give us a call or take a look at what we do on www.highst.org.uk. If you would like to know more then please contact our church office on 01638 780985. ■

Pound Lane Free Church

Pastor: Dave Hall (01638 781343 or 01638 780636, email pastor@plfc.org.uk)

Elder: Mr Michael Gee (01638 552805)

Every Sunday:

Sunday worship: 11am and 6.30pm.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper:

1st Sunday following evening service

3rd Sunday following morning service

A Crèche is available for babies to Year 3 during the morning service.

Refreshments are served after the evening services, except the first Sunday of the month.

Fellowship Lunches are served after the morning service on the third Sunday of the month.

Kingdom Kids (3 years–Year 3): 10–11.15am (Mrs Janice Gee 01638 781343)

All Stars (Years 4–6): 10–11.15am (Mr John Martin 01638 737212)

Covies (Year 7–early 20s): 9.30–10.30am (Mr Steve Neale 01638 780717).

There is a hearing loop installed and signing for the deaf is available as well as Braille songbooks. We have a comprehensive Child Protection Policy and a CRB check has been carried out on all children's and young people's workers.

Monday:

Music Mayhem: 9.30–10.30am.

(Mrs Sue Thompson 01638 781343 Preschool children during school term only)

A fun time for your pre-school children – action songs, musical instruments and the ever-popular "Sockeroo". Followed by refreshments and a time to relax with friends whilst the children play. New members always welcome.

All Stars Fun Night: 7.00–8.15pm.

Wednesday:

Fellowship: 2.15–3.15pm.

(Mrs Sandra Rampley 01353 624733)

This caters for the more mature. They enjoy meeting together for a Bible talk, spiritual songs and prayer. Various fun evenings and meals are also organised during the year. New members are always welcome.

Church Night: 7.40–9pm.

Bible study, prayer and fellowship; for mid-teens upwards.

Thursday:

Coffee Morning: 10–11.30am.

Turn up any time between 10 and 11.30 for free tea, coffee and cakes. Chat with friends and make new friends. Open to any age. Includes an 8 minute "In the News this Week" slot in the middle.

Covies Club Night: 7–9pm.

Friday (fortnightly in members' homes):

Women's Meeting 10.30–11.45am (Sue Hall 01638 780636).

Christianity Explored courses are run regularly – please ask for dates of next course.

For further information on any of the above, or if you would like to speak to Pastor Dave:

Phone: 01638 781343 (Church Office)

01638 780636 (Pastor's Home)

Email: pastor@plfc.org.uk

secretary@plfc.org.uk

Web site: www.plfc.org.uk & www.isleham.com

You are warmly invited to join us on Sunday 18th September as we celebrate our Lord's provision for us in our **Harvest Thanksgiving Family Service** at 10.30am the service will be approximately one hour, followed by refreshments. A crèche will be available for very young children.

Then on Monday 19th September the Harvest produce will be auctioned – all proceeds going to missionary work. Come and join us.

18–30s this is a new group for all those aged between 18 and 30 years. It's held each week, meeting in homes and once a month going out for a social event e.g. bowling or the cinema. If you are in this age range, would enjoy finding out more about the Christian life and would enjoy meeting other people of your age, why not come along and give it a try? Details from Alison or Suzi on 01638 781343.

If you have any spare time on a Thursday morning between 10.00am and 11.30am why not come along to the **plfc Coffee Morning**? We enjoy a good chat with friends both old and new, a cup of tea or coffee and a selection of sweet and savoury items to tempt our taste buds! A topical news item is looked at from a Christian perspective in the eight minute "In the News" slot then some of the gentlemen enjoy a game of dominoes. We'd love to see you and you will be sure of a very warm welcome.

Our pre-school group Music Mayhem meets from 9.30–10.30am and will be restarting after the summer break on Monday 12th September. Anyone is welcome to come along, the sessions are free and are held in the hall of the church extension. We have a 30 minute singing time, including the M.M. "Hello" song, some action songs, musical instrument songs, parachute songs, Sockeroo the sock puppet makes an appearance and helps us choose a song and we finish with the M.M. "goodbye song". Each child receives his or her own Sockeroo sock puppet on the first birthday they are with us. From 10.00–10.30a.m. We have a play time for the children and refreshments. One of the highlights of our year is always the Christmas Nativity with the children coming dressed as angels or shepherds and the story of the birth of Jesus is told in words and pictures. ■

Bowls Report

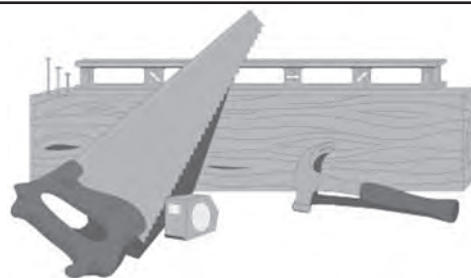
It has been a much quieter year for the club following our duties for the County President last season. At the start of the new outdoor season, we were able to unveil our new viewing area, which is an area behind glass that enhances the comfort of anyone watching those battling against the elements the great British weather can throw at us.

On the green, there has not been too much success to 'shout about' in the competitions, but in the league matches, we have won some and lost some. Currently we lie sixth out of 14 in the Ely & District Men's League. We have struggled in the Ladies' League but the last 2 wins of 5-0 have improved position. In the fourth division of the Cambs & District 'roving cot' league, we are currently battling well for a second successive promotion, having just passed the mid-point of the season close behind the leaders in fourth place.

One of our young ladies, Rebecca Blyth is playing in the Bowls Cambridgeshire under 25's final, to be held at the Newmarket Avenue Bowls Club later in July. She then proceeds to the national finals at Leamington Spa in August.

Barry Grimwood, Club Captain

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