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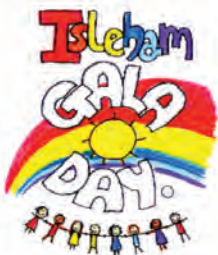
## Gala 2013 – A Major Success



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Clockwise from top left: Gala  
Queen Megan Forder, Gala  
Princes Conner Forder and  
Archie Casburn, and Gala  
Princess Amy Casburn; Kim  
Cruikshank with 'Minty' Best  
Cross-breed in the Dog Show;  
Ruth Bendall Dancers; The  
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## St Andrew's Church

### Social Centre Bank Holiday Fair

Saturday 24th August 10am - 5pm

Sunday 25th August 11am - 5pm

Refreshments, Tombola, Preserves, Boules,

Grand Draw - takes place at 4pm on Sunday 25th

All welcome

St Andrew's Church

Quiz Night

Saturday 14th September

Details to follow

## Freckenham Flower Festival

"Consider the Flowers"... Words of Jesus

St. Andrew's Church, Freckenham

Saturday 14th - Sunday 15th September

1pm - 5pm

Songs of Praise 5pm Sunday

## Dates for Your Diary

Let us know if there is anything you would like included here for future issues.

**Every Tuesday** Coffee Morning Social Centre 09.00-12.00

### August

Thursday 1st Mobile Library Church St 14.15-15.00  
Mill Street 15.05-17.00

Saturday 3rd Isleham Gardeners 14.00-16.00  
Cream Teas, Social Centre

Sunday 4th Car Wash, Priory Green 10.00-13.00

Monday 5th Isleham Parish Council 19.15

Thursday 8th WI Limestone 19.30

Friday 9th Book Club Social Centre 14.00

Saturday 10th Strawberry Teas, Social Centre 10.00-13.00

Friday 21st Mobile Library Church St 9.30-10.05

### St Andrew's Summer Bank Holiday Fair

Saturday 24th 10.00-17.00

Sunday 25th 10.00-17.00

### September

Sunday 1st Car Wash, Priory 10.00-13.00

Monday 2nd Isleham Parish Council 19.15

Thursday 5th Mobile Library Church St 14.15-15.00  
Mill Street 15.05-17.00

Monday 9th **INFORMER DEADLINE**

Thursday 12th WI 19.30

Friday 13th Book Club Social Centre 14.00

Saturday 14th St Andrew's Quiz

Tuesday 17th Isleham Gardeners 19.30

Thursday 19th Isleham Society 19.30

Friday 20th Mobile Library Church St 09.30-10.05

## 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 12.00noon. Fares: Adult Bus Pass Holders £2.75 return, Adults £5.50 return.

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Mill Street	15.05	17.00
3rd Friday of the month: Church St	09.30	10.10

### Useful phone numbers

Emergency for Police, Fire, Ambulance.....	999
Police (Non-emergency).....	101
Accident & Casualty (Addenbrooke's).....	01223 217118
Addenbrooke's Hospital (Cambridge).....	01223 245151
Newmarket Hospital .....	01638 564000
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- Appointments .....	01353 624121
- Prescriptions & Dispensary .....	01353 727695
- Enquiries, Home Visits, Emergencies.....	01353 624123
Minor Treatment Centre, Ely.....	01353 656675
NHS Direct (for advice) .....	0845 4647
GP Out-Of-Hours .....	0330 1239131
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Gas Emergencies .....	0800 111999
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- out of hours emergency .....	01733 561370
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## Isleham Project 2000

In 1999 the first meeting of the ISLEHAM 2000 PROJECT committee took place. Its aim was to identify and action a suitable project to mark the Millennium.

Maureen Aves put forward a suggestion to produce a photographic record of Isleham Village at the turn of the century. After considering other suggestions it was agreed that the production of a hard cover book of photographs of all aspects of Isleham village life was the most suitable and enduring.

Vernon Place, our local professional photographer, kindly donated his time and expertise photographing roads, lanes, buildings old and new, shops, pubs, farms, businesses, activity groups, clubs, Isleham PC School 1999 class groups, the Gala and other interesting activities and views.

Paul Chaplin (Wednesday Press Ltd) offered very helpful advice, and printed the resulting books, which have been for sale since December 1999.

The £4579.15 profit from the book sales has been passed to Isleham PC School for the purchase of an outdoor seated storytelling area, path and hedging (2003) and more recently for educational books of their choice. The final accounts for the Isleham 2000 Project are currently being audited.

The Isleham 2000 books were available at Isleham Gala on 6th July on St Andrew's Church stand at £2.50, with any further profits benefiting the upkeep of the Church. Any remaining books can be purchased from Angela Wells: 01638 780583.

The Isleham Project 2000 members were:

Peggy Diver  
Maureen Aves  
Julie Bond (nee Hall)  
Marion Scott  
Vernon Place,

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Book Club	Doreen Spiers	01638 780783	2nd Friday	2pm	Social Centre
Brownies	Bridget Clements	01353 624103	Thursdays	6–7.15pm	High St. Church
Craft Club	Hazel Thompson	01638 780633	Tuesdays	1.30–4pm	Limestone Centre
Cubs	Angela Dann	01638 781947	Tuesdays	6.15–7.45pm	Chippenham Village Hall
French Conversation (all levels)	Francine	francine@the waytofrance.com	Monday	6–7.15pm	1 Mill St
Isleham Gardeners	Jenny Hodd	01638 780729	3rd Tuesday	7.30pm	Isleham Marina
Isleham Society	Vernon Place	01638 780449	3rd Thursday	7.30pm	Limestone Centre
Paper, Patch & Sew	Victoria Rattle Julie Porter	01638 781301 01638 781390	Saturday Bi-monthly	10–4pm	High St Church
UFOs (Crafting)	Suzanne Hall	01638781805	1st Friday / Wednesday	7-9pm 9.30-11.30am	Pound Lane Free Church
WI	Glenda Preece	01638 780734	2nd Thursday	7.30pm	Limestone Centre

## Sure Start Children's Centres

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**Well Baby Clinic** Tuesdays 9.15–11.15am. Weigh your baby and have tea and a chat with the Health Visitor about any of your concerns.

**Time Out Tuesdays** For parents under 25 years. Every Tuesday 9.45–11.30am. Come along and make friends and get support.

**Fordham Tea & Toast** Every Thursday at Fordham Victoria Hall, 9.30–11.30am. Play session for the under 5s and a chance to meet other parents and carers. Just turn up!

**Sensory Saturdays** A free play session for families of children with additional needs of any age. First and third Saturday of the month, 2–3.30pm at Soham Children's Centre.

**Call or email Soham Children's Centre to book your place.**

For more information call us on 01353 727188

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We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and expect all staff to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) check. Closing date 3.30 p.m. Tuesday 22nd August 2013.

The Governing Body is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.



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The Centre Manager will be a principal key holder for the centre and must be willing to respond to call-outs and to frequently work unsociable hours to supervise events. Full Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) clearance checks will be carried out prior to appointment.

Informal enquiries can be made to: Diane Bayliss, at islehampc@btinternetcom or call her on 01638 781687.

It is expected that interviews will take place during the week commencing 2nd September 2013.

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## **Parish Councillors address list**

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Vanessa Bruyneel-Smith	115 The Causeway, Isleham CB7 5ST Tel: 01638 781708
Paul Chaplin	Jay Jay Lodge, Waterside, Isleham CB7 5SH Tel: 01638 781745
Jeannette Malkin	17 Little London, Isleham CB7 5SE Tel: 01638 780283
Bob Mitchell	10 Sparkes Close, Isleham CB7 5RR Tel: 01638 780707
Lionel Neal	104 Beck Road, Isleham CB7 5QP Tel: 01638 780066
Clive Patterson	21 West Street, Isleham CB7 5SD Tel: 01638 780669
Richard Radcliffe	45 Sun Street, Isleham CB7 5RU Tel: 01638 780831
Hazel Thompson	9 Limestone Close, Isleham CB7 5RP Tel: 01638 780633
Pauline Wilkes	6 Limestone Close, Isleham CB7 5RP Tel: 01638 780640
Diane Bayliss (Parish Clerk)	37 Croft Road, Isleham CB7 5QR Tel: 01638 781687 islehampc@btinternet.com www.isleham-village.co.uk



**D**id you know Isleham has a village pond? Tony Weston is the ponds guru for Friends of Isleham Nature Reserves and, with Avi Stacey and the help of grants



from The Wildlife Trusts of Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire, has been renovating the pond beside East Fen Road. It is developing well. Below Tony reflects on his experiences with his own ponds this year:

"June and July seem to be the time that nature renews itself. As always it has elements of tooth and claw. This year was no exception in my ponds.

"The 2011 battle was fought in the pond water between about 20 *Dytiscus* (Great Diving) beetles that had flown in and the tadpoles before I could affect a rescue... This was no contest; all 30 lots of frogspawn came to nothing as the tadpoles got devoured. The next year saw an invasion of dragonfly larva in my newt pond. I did a little rebalancing of the odds and ended up with a good hatch of efts (baby newts).

"This year has been no less a problem. My deep fishpond had a clean out and a haircut to get it ready for hot summer days. In the bottom, the liner had been breached by willow root from my corkscrew willow, fortunately the mud in the bottom sealed the holes. The willow is no more, it has been weed killed. Next, a grass snake was hunting fish in the pond. Sorry fish, but this time the snake gets precedence."

As a result of his spring-clean and May's Shubunkin goldfish spawning, Tony has several hundred fry. If anyone wants to try tank-rearing fry some give Tony a call on 01638 780692. He also has available a few types of pond plant and some large lilies.

Among other wildlife news from the Friends of Isleham Nature Reserves, we should mention the avocets that have been on Isleham Wash since early spring and the common terns that are now feeding their chicks on the artificial island Avi and Tony built and then fixed in the Wash over the winter. As we approach autumn, waders will be using the Wash as a place to feed up on their southward migration – green sandpipers are regular, but it's worthwhile looking out for a range of other species.

We held a successful open day on 22nd June for other "Friends" groups (all volunteers responsible for managing other Local Nature Reserves in Cambridgeshire) – as always we are very grateful to St Andrews Church for the use of the social centre for such events. We had a useful exchange of ideas with the other groups about our management of the railway reserve, and were able to show them some of the wildlife we are seeking to protect, such as the odd, pale yellow broomrape plants, which parasitise the knapweed plants growing on the reserve.

Other events to look out for are Children's Fun Day on 27th July at the Railway Reserve (from 12.00–3.00pm) in association with Soham Children's Centre. All welcome – bring a picnic lunch and we will provide butterfly nets, collecting equipment and we will help children identify what they catch; there will be arts and crafts as well.

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Later in summer we will hold a bat evening – date and venue to be determined – again all welcome.

If you'd like to know more about the Friends of Isleham Nature Reserves, please contact Alastair Burn (01638 780553), or Andrew Garbutt (07903 092899).

You can also find us on Facebook. Search for 'Friends of Isleham Nature Reserves'

Finally, if there are any local birdwatchers who would like to share bird watching trips, please give Tony Weston a ring (see Tony's number above).

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*The Parish Council normally meets on the first Monday of every month at 7.15pm. Until the New Community Centre opens the meetings will be held in the LIMESTONE COMMUNITY CENTRE. Members of the public are invited to attend the meetings and 15 minutes is set aside each month for public question time. Full copies of the minutes are available on the Website, the Notice Board and from the Parish Clerk Tel: 01638 781687 islehampc@btinternet.com*



- Cllr Derrick Beckett has been elected Chairman of the Parish Council for the forthcoming year

## Police Matters

- New Contact No for Police – 101.
- Inspector Paul Ormerod attended the June meeting of the Council and gave an update on crime in Isleham over the last year.

## Recreation Ground Report

- The Football Pitch has been levelled by Bury Turfcare.
- A new rotary mower has been purchased to replace the gang mowers. It is hoped that the gang mower will be sold to offset some of the cost.
- Two Copper Beech trees have been ordered for the recreation ground to be delivered in October/November.

## Play Area

- A quotation from Monster Play to install a new play area has been approved by the Council. A consultation will be undertaken with the school children as part of the grant seeking process.

## ICA Report

- The village hall has now been demolished and the play area removed. The pavilion is due to be demolished the first week in October.
- Work on the Centre continues to progress on schedule.

## Cemetery & Churchyard Matters

- The Cemetery continues to be maintained to a high standard by Mr Wilding. The graves are being re-seeded and watered regularly.

## Financial Matters

- The Council have drawn down the Public Works Loan to pay for work on the new community centre. The first payment will be made in December 2013.
- Finance Working Party meetings will be held monthly for the duration of the building project.
- The Parish Council Insurance Policy has been renewed with Zurich.
- The Dunstall Apprentice Grant will remain the same for the forthcoming year; Please contact the Clerk for more information about the grant.

## Planning Matters

- Planning Applications have been considered for 39 Mill Street, 47 Beck Road, 14 East Road, land adjacent to 15

The Pits, 106 Beck Road and 51 Hall Barn Road. The proposals for 39 Mill Street and 47 Beck Road were both withdrawn.

- The Kick-wall has been erected on the recreation ground – a decision on surfacing will be made when the new play area is installed.

## Highways Matters

- The bid for a zebra crossing under the Jointly Funded Minor Highways Improvement Scheme was successful and the work has been approved by the Parish Council and will be carried out in the next few months.
- A request has been made to County Highways to extend the yellow lines in Malting Lane. The council has been informed that there is no funding for such a scheme so third party funding would need to be found.
- An application has been made to ECDC to remove the three Turkish Hazel trees adjacent to the Chinese Restaurant; these will be replaced with two trees nearer to the Priory.
- The Council will write to ECDC regarding the public waste bins, which are not being emptied regularly.
- If your street light is not working please contact the Parish Clerk with the light number, she will then report it to the County Council

## Dog Fouling

- PLEASE REMEMBER TO CLEAR UP AFTER YOUR DOG!
- A number of dog bins have been installed around the village although there are still a number of incidents of dog fouling. The dog warden can be contacted on 01353 665555 or you can file a report on the website [www.eastcambs.gov.uk](http://www.eastcambs.gov.uk)

## Allotment Matters

- There are still a number of plots available on the Dunstall Allotment site. Please contact the Parish Clerk for details.

The Parish Council continues to support the Ely/Soham Dial-a-Ride Bus Service to Ely on a Thursday morning and the Fenland Elite Youth Bus, which visits The Priory on a Thursday evening (term time only).

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# A Big Thank You

## From the Gala Association Committee

The sun shone and the crowds came out and everyone had a lovely time.

A lot of very hard work for several months ahead goes into organising the day and although a lot of people are involved, the biggest THANK YOU must surely go to the volunteers who

*Photos by Vernon Place:*

*Above: The WI's Suffragette Parade; Left: Mildenhall Cycle Club organised cycle races; Opposite page, clockwise: Pre-School Egg & Spoon Race; Gala Queen and Prince, Megan and Connor Forder; "Miss & Mr Isleham": Noreen Brighty with Becky & Victoria Rattle with Hector.*

just turn up on the morning around 8am to get the field set up. This involves getting equipment from store; driving in support stakes; erecting stripy stalls and marquees; setting out No Parking cones; putting black rubbish bags onto stakes; etc., etc., etc. By 11am the field is transformed, but long before this, the people hiring stalls and pitches have started to arrive, all wanting to know where they will be.

Another big THANK YOU goes to the organisations that join the Parade with floats, both large and small – some creating Walking Floats. The Glen Moriston Pipe Band, of course, and the Majorettes and indeed everyone else who plays an important part: marshals at the head and rear of the Parade and around the route, to make sure that everything 'stays together' and that all participants are safe. There has been disappointment and

criticism expressed in recent years at the lack of participants in the Parade and this is an opportunity to explain that one of the reasons is the lack of tractors and trailers (or other suitable vehicles) available on loan; another is the lack of volunteers to help plan and execute ideas. Perhaps now is the time when local Organisations – and there are many – to think about getting together to enter joint floats.

The Competition Marquees were once again bursting with entries and on arrival the Judges (who all live away from the Village) stood and expressed their amazement at the array of exhibits. The Craft Marquee had fewer entries this year but all were of a very high quality. Crafters please take note.

There are so many individuals and companies to thank that to try to mention them all here would be to risk omission but they will receive personal







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Photos by Vernon Place:

Clockwise from left: Glenmoriston Pipe Band leading parade; Tug of War winners 'The Limestone Cowboys'; Best Dog in Show - Mick Burton with Golden Retriever, Bentley; Soham Fenland Majorettes.

letters and these include our Sponsors who provide generous donations and the many Companies and Individuals who donate prizes for the Grand Draw

FINALLY, the change of location this year created many comments, which, with very few exceptions, were favourable. The Gala Committee are aware that the shorter run for the Races was an issue for older children and this will be corrected next year.

Whatever your views on Gala Day we would be grateful to hear them and if you would like to attend the AGM, it is at The Griffin on Monday 21st October 2013. It



is not necessary to join the Committee (although you would be welcome) but ideas and comments are always welcome. It is also possible that you could be involved in planning and organizing the day without the need to attend Committee Meetings. If meetings are not your thing, just get in touch with any Committee Member who will be pleased to keep you in touch with how you can help. Setting up on the mornings of Gala has been mentioned but sometimes it is forgotten that what goes up must come down and the end of the day is hard when is everyone is tired – particularly if they have been working stalls or pitches, etc., throughout the day as well. YOUR HELP would be most welcome then – it only takes a couple hours – or perhaps just one if there are enough helpers!

We look forward to seeing you all next year.

Margaret Davis



## Gala Competition Results

The Gala Committee apologise for any omissions or misspellings in the following, which are due to circumstances beyond our control.

### Isleham Gala Grand Draw

1st Dave Sennett      2nd Lynette Gray      3rd Linda ???

### Races

#### Pre-school

<b>Running</b>	1st	Jack Scrivener		
	2nd	Damol Colin	3rd	Chloe Barnes
<b>Egg &amp; Spoon</b>	1st	Grace Neal		
	2nd	Ashley Murfitt		
<b>Bean bag race</b>	1st	Ashley Murfitt		
	2nd	Colin Myson	3rd	Jack Scrivener

#### Under 10

<b>Running</b>	Boys	1st	Ben Brooks		
		2nd	Max Timms	3rd	Ben Wilson
	Girls	1st	Mya Davies		
		2nd	Tia Baxter	3rd	Rhianna Higson



## Under 16

### Running

Boys	1st	Jack Quince
	2nd	Alex Higson
	3rd	Ethan Leeson
Girls	1st	Grace Morris
	2nd	Hannah Paling
	3rd	Chloe Boneham

## Silly Race

### Girls 5-7 years

1st	Mya Davies
2nd	Mari Holien
3rd	Kendal Escritt
4th	Sydney Escritt

### Boys 5-7 years

1st	Charlie Boneham
2nd	Dylan Hermance
3rd	Joe Dunbavin

### Girls 8-10 years

1st	Ella Cummins
2nd	Grace Morris
3rd	Chloe Boneham

### Boys 8-10 years

1st	Ben Brooks
2nd	Ben Wilson
3rd	Jacob Robinson



### 1. A piece of homemade quilting, tapestry, embroidery, knitting, crochet

1st	I Dunbain
2nd	Mrs Summers
3rd	Julie White

### 2. A painting or drawing (any medium)

1st	Tim Washtell
2nd	Lynn Clarke
3rd	Clare Butler

### 3. A piece of woodwork or modelling

1st	Mackinnon (Best in Show)
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2nd Mackinnon

3rd Mackinnon

### 4. Photographic Art

1st	Z Leeson
2nd	Poppy Downey
3rd	Lynn Clark

### 5. Hand made jewellery

1st	Louise Webber
2nd	Louise Webber
3rd	Clare Blackburn

## Arts & Crafts Section

# Competition tent

## Isleham Pre-School

### Down at Our Allotment

1st	Sunflowers	Imogen Smith
2nd	Strawberry	Summer Townsend Smith
3rd	Marigolds & Broadbeans	Jack Daykin

### Caught My Eye

Allotment Plan	Harvey Norman Timmins
Allotment Shed	Isaac Bruyneel
Sunflower and Me	Anna Bornshin Smith

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#### 6. Hand or machine finished garment

1st Louise Webber (Best in Show)

#### 7. Item of feltwork

1st Liz Burford

2nd Mackinnon

3rd Mackinnon

#### Floral Section

##### 1. Arrangement "50 years of Dr Who"

1st Alison Washtell

2nd Elaine Riley

##### 2. Vase/bowl of flowers

1st Wendy Davies

2nd Elaine Riley

3rd Eve Graham

##### 3. Vase of mixed fresh herbs

1st Miss P.Dorey

2nd Glenda Preece

3rd Julie White

##### 4. Bouquet of mixed herbs

1st Lottie White

2nd Cara Guest

3rd Adam Guest

##### 5. 3 or 5 stems of sweet peas

1st Ethan Leeson

2nd Glenda Preece

3rd Jan Lewis

##### 6. 3 or 5 pansies

1st Eve Graham

##### 7. A single rose

1st Wayne Bailey

2nd Eve Graham

3rd Glenda Preece

##### 8. 3 or 5 roses

1st Eve Graham

2nd H. Hall

3rd Glenda Preece

#### Fruit and Vegetables

##### 1. 4 potatoes

1st Clive Hall  
2nd Clive Hall  
3rd Lina Teixeira  
**2. 4 broad beans**

1st Clive Hall  
2nd A. Leeson  
3rd Haley Davies

**3. 4 carrots**  
1st Hayley Davies  
2nd Clive Hall  
3rd Mackinnon

**4. 4 beetroot**  
1st Clive Hall  
2nd Wendy Davies

**5. 4 sticks of rhubarb**  
1st Glenda Preece  
2nd Clive Hall  
3rd Jane Brown

**6. Container of produce**  
1st Chris Maxfield  
2nd Jan Lewis  
3rd Clive Hall

**7. Bowl of soft fruit**  
1st Clive Hall  
2nd Julie White  
3rd Glenda Preece

**8. 6 matched hens' eggs**  
1st Imogen Leeson  
2nd Mr. Summers  
3rd Chris Maxfield

**9. 6 eggs from mixed poultry**  
1st Marianne Corbin  
2nd Lina Teixeira  
3rd Mr Summers

#### Home Baking

**1. White/wholemeal rolls**  
1st. Kathy Carver  
2nd Sheila Turner  
3rd Sheila Roberts

**2. Loaf of white bread**  
1st Jacko Fanshawe  
2nd Will Taylor  
3rd Richard Radcliffe

**3. Loaf of wholemeal bread**  
1st Jacko Fanshawe  
2nd Sheila Roberts

**4. Loaf of soda bread**  
1st Sheila Roberts  
**5. Four scones**  
1st Julie White  
2nd Hannah White  
3rd Lewis Wright

**6. Two pastry pasties**  
1st Sandra Lee  
2nd No name

**7. Summer pudding**  
1st Elaine Riley (Best in Show)  
2nd Glenda Preece  
3rd Kathy Carver

*Photos by Vernon Place:*

*Above: The two-part float from the Swimming Pool Association; left: Best Mixed Veg. Gavin Sadler (Judge, left) and Chris Maxfield (Chairman of Isleham Gardening Club) the prizewinner; right: Isleham Community Skate Park's stall;*





## 8. Madeira Cake

- 1st Kathy Carver  
2nd Elaine Riley  
3rd Sally

## Jams, pickles and chutneys

### 1. Jam

- 1st Kim Downey  
2nd Jan Lewis  
3rd Louise Webber

### 2. Marmalade

- 1st Jacko Fanshawe  
2nd Marianne Corbin  
3rd Julie White

### 3. Pickles & Shallots

- 1st H. Hall

### 4. Mixed pickles

- 1st H. Hall  
2nd Jan Lewis  
3rd Liz Moate

### 5. Beetroot

- 1st H. Hall

### 6. Chutney

- 1st no name  
2nd Jan Lewis  
3rd Marian Raddison

### 7. Redcurrant jelly

- 1st Julie White.

### 8. Onion marmalade

- 1st ???

- 2nd Sheila Roberts

### 9. Beetroot chutney

- 1st Sheila Roberts

## Other children's' competitions

### 1. Dr Who character

- 1st Finn Robinson  
2nd Jacob Robinson

### 2. Unusual shaped veg

- 1st Mya Davies

### 3. Dressed clothes peg

- 1st Ellis Bowers

### 4. Painting

- 1st Martha Bowker

### 5. Decorated container

- 1st Adam Guest



- 2nd Mya Davies

- 3rd Cara Guest

## Baking

### 1. Butterfly buns

- 1st Ann Robinson  
2nd Maya Davies  
3rd Lottie White

### 2. Brownies

- 1st Ellis Bowers  
2nd Eve White

### 4. Sausage rolls

- 1st Poppy Downey

### 5. Decorated cup cakes

- 1st Shannon Roberts  
2nd Ethan Leeson  
3rd Katie Grainger

## School Competitions

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the competition. Each entry has received a rosette and the winner of each age group receives a gift voucher.

## Art

### Reception

- 1st Toby Jones

### Year 1

- 1st Faith Dilley  
1st Georgia Dilley

### Year 2

- 1st Mya Davies  
2nd Carla ???  
3rd Ruby Bond

### Year 3

- 1st Patrick Bond  
2nd Hayden Brame

### Year 4: no entries

### Year 5

- 1st Fenella Maxwell  
2nd Kim Cruickshank

### Year 6

- 1st Imogen Leeson  
2nd Bethany Buchan

## Writing

### Reception

- 1st Amy Cole  
2nd Macy Dunbavin

### Year 1

- 1st Penny ???  
2nd Georgia Dilley  
2nd Faith Dilley  
3rd Elliot Holder

### Year 2

- 1st Carla ???  
2nd Mya Davies  
3rd Hannah Cole

### Year 3

- 1st Jorja Furze  
2nd Entry taken away from Gala – no name  
3rd Hayden ???

### Year 4

- 1st Ruth Taylor

### Year 5

- 1st Fenella Maxwell  
2nd Paul Carroll  
2nd Tom Bucknall  
3rd Kim Cruickshank

### Year 6

- 1st Zoe Binns  
2nd Macy Dunbavin  
2nd Imogen Leeson







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• SEPTEMBER •

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Friday, Saturday: 12 noon to Close

Sunday 12 noon to 10.30pm





# The Isleham Society

**16th May** *Royal Newmarket and Palace House*

The Director of the Racing Museum of Newmarket, Christopher Garibaldi, gave an illustrated talk on the history of horse racing in Newmarket and how the Royal family were involved in its development and of Newmarket itself. He then talked of plans, which are now well under way, for the development of the Palace House Racing Museum. He must rank as one of the best speakers we have ever had, his exposition of the subject was superb and gave rise to many questions from the interested and appreciative audience.

**20th June** We visited Kings Lynn for a guided 2 hour walk around *Historic Lynn*. This walk shows the development of the Town, its power and wealth from 1100 to the present day. A quote in one of the guide books to the town says "Nine hundred years of maritime trading history are preserved in the historic core of King's Lynn. Fine houses, medieval churches and guildhalls, secret courtyards and hidden alleys remain to be discovered with the King's Lynn Town Guides". We split into two parties, enabling us to ask questions and talk with our excellent guides as we toured the old part of the town. The additional advantage of having a guide was they took us to areas that we would otherwise have missed. After the tour we were had lunch and brief look into the modern shopping centre before returning home. A worthwhile visit, especially with a guide for the first visit. We have links with Lynn, our coal and other goods came through the port and were transported by our bargemen up the River Lark to 'Coal Yard Drove' – now named East Fen Road. Our carriers then took it by horse and cart into Isleham and the surrounding villages.

**18th July** *Suffragettes* – An illustrated talk by Mary Dicken: No meeting in August.

**19th September** A coach visit to *Greene King Brewery*. Coach leaves at 1.15pm returns at 4.15pm.

**17th October** Mike Petty: An illustrated talk on *Pickwick Cambridge*.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors to any of our meetings. The cost for non members is £2

NB. Future meetings will be at Limestone Close until further notice.

*Vernon Place, Chairman of The Isleham Society*

## Isleham Gardeners

Well the summer is here at last and after such a cold late spring you would think we gardeners would be happy. Well, I am afraid that is not the case for some of us. The strong winds we had in May and June dried the ground to such an extent that the water table is very low and root vegetables are struggling to find any moisture. However, I can only speak about the allotments on Waterside; it may be that Dunston and Three Trees are coping better; I hope so.

Even though conditions haven't been perfect Isleham Gardeners members still managed to put up a good show at the Gala with Jan Lewis being well placed in the jam and pickles section and Julie White from Waterside allotments also doing well. Clive and Helen Hall won their usual crop of rosettes for fruit and vegetables, as well as in the jams and preserves category, and

I was very pleased to win best in show for a box of vegetables. I hereby throw down the gauntlet to all budding gardeners to get involved and come and beat me next year.

Speaking of the Gala, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who supported the Isleham Gardeners stall. With your help we raised in excess of £200. I would also like to thank Scottsdales of Fordham and Mr Fothergill's Seeds for their contribution to our tombola. We have all got our fingers crossed that the good weather will favour us for our cream tea afternoon on 3rd August.

Our next open meeting is on 17th September to be held in the Riverside Island Marina club house when we will be having a Curry Night with a quiz and the usual raffle. Entry will be £10 per head, bring your own drink.

Here's hoping we get some nice gentle rain overnight and warm sunny days to swell the crops and make your lawns green (bliss).

Wishing you all good gardening,

*Philadelphus*

## Burwell Reunion

We are looking for ex-pupils of St Marys and St Andrews schools in Burwell as we are having a reunion on 16th October 1-30 to 4-30 at The Gardener Memorial Hall Burwell.

Tickets are £10 each with refreshments provided. This is the third reunion we have organised, but there are still a lot of pupils we cannot find, did you or anybody you know go to these schools. Name tags are provided and partners are welcome.

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*Barbara Turner*

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**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 3–7 years, is a fun-filled session with singing, crafts, drama and stories. The older Junior Church meet at the School. This is for children who are 7–11 years old. Their morning starts at 10am and offers 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 for the 11–14 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 which is just what is needed after a busy week at school!

### OTHER WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Our midweek care structure called **High Street Life** gives a whole range of fresh initiatives to care, support and involvement in the local community. It includes: Life groups, plus Men's and Ladies' groups; Bible Studies; a Media and Creative Arts group using modern technology to convey the message of hope; a Quilting group, Papercraft group and much more.

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 £3.00 not to mention the great company! Why not come and eat with us? Please contact Kathryn via 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!

Over the summer we will run a short holiday club for primary school aged children who are in Years 1–6 on 28th August and a week of activities for the over 50s group from 20th to 22nd August.

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.

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](http://www.highst.org.uk)? Please contact our church office on 01638 780985.

If you are interested in finding out more about our new Church building on Beck Road, visit [arkproject.org.uk](http://arkproject.org.uk) ■

## Pound Lane Free Church

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

**Elder:** David Brown (01638 780410)

**Sunday: Sunday worship:** 11am and 6.30pm.

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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 (Sue Thompson 01638 780030)

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

**Covies** (Year 7–18 years): 9.30–10.30am (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.

(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.

**Tuesday: 18–30s:** 2pm.

(Suzanne Hall 01638 781805) Meeting in homes with monthly social events.

**Wednesday: Fellowship (fortnightly)** 2.15–3.15pm.

(Church 01638 781343) Meeting on alternate Wednesdays and catering for the more mature in age. They enjoy meeting together for a Bible talk, spiritual songs and prayer. Various fun events and meals are also organized during the year. New members are always welcome.

**UFOs** (third Wednesday of month) 9.30–11.30am (Suzanne Hall 01638 781805).

**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 11.30am for free tea, coffee and cakes. Chat with friends and make new friends. Open to any age. Includes an eight minute "In the News this Week" slot in the middle.



**Covies Club Night:** 7–9pm

**Friday: Women's Meeting** (fortnightly) 10.30–11.45am (Sue Hall 01638 780636).

**UFOs** (first Friday of month): 7–9pm (01638 781343).

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:

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**Sunday 15th September** at 10.30am is our Harvest Thanksgiving Family Service; we warmly invite you to join with us for a joyful celebration of our great God's goodness to us over another year. The church will be decorated with flowers, fruit and vegetables as a symbol of that goodness to us in material things. Join with us to worship Him for this and the indescribable gift of His one and only beloved Son.

Can we take this opportunity to thank those who have joined with us for the **UFOs** (UnFinished Objects!) Crafting group, meeting on the first Friday and third Wednesday of the month. We'd love to meet with more of you! Bring along a project to work on – it doesn't matter what it is- we've had paper-crafters, patch-workers, rug makers, crocheters, knitters, bead workers, cross-stitchers and applique workers. Or just turn up to learn a new skill – crafters love to pass on their knowledge!

We'll make you a cuppa and enjoy sharing with you. We watch a part of the DVD *Who is this Jesus?* during our refreshment break, which has been enjoyed by those who've attended. ■

## Three Rivers Group St Andrew's Parish Church

**Welcome** to St Andrew's, the Parish Church here in Isleham. All are welcome in this community of faith in Jesus Christ. St Andrew's is part of the Three Rivers Group, including the villages of Chippenham, Fordham, Kennett, Snailwell & Isleham. Do join us for worship and fellowship on Sundays and during the week.



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### WORSHIP

**Sundays.** The main service is at 9.30 am. Junior Church meets in the Social Centre. On the third Sunday of every month we worship together at an All Age Holy Communion service.

### Midweek.

**Monday:** 9.15 Morning Prayer at 7 The Close, Kennett

**Tuesday:** 8.15 Morning Prayer, Social Centre Isleham

**Wednesday:** 8.15 Morning Prayer, Chippenham  
4.15 Evening Prayer Snailwell

**Thursday:** 8.15 Morning Prayer, Fordham

**Friday:** 8.30 Holy Communion (BCP) Fordham

**Tuesday Coffee Morning** 9am – 12 noon Social Centre

### Fridays

6.30 pm Choir practice. All welcome. Contact Mark Liversidge 01638 781696

7.30 pm Bell Ringing, beginners especially welcome. Contact Ruth Ogden 01638 780646

**Sundays @ 7** Our Youth Group meets twice a month, alternating between Soham and Isleham, (usually in the Social Centre). Details from Rev'd Becca or Mike

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# Isleham Community Centre



## Now looking forward

Summer has finally arrived and with it, we have seen two major steps in the build. During May, the old playground was removed and over about 10 days we witnessed the end of an era, as the old Village Hall was demolished. Whilst tinged with sadness at seeing the demolition of a building that has served the village well, it was good to see another step in the build completed and it now gives a better feel of the overall site. I'm sure many people have happy memories of events held in the old hall and, with that in mind, if anyone has pictures of past events, in the old hall or on the recreation ground please forward them so that they can be scanned for inclusion on our Facebook page, the village website and with a bit of work the creation of an album to be held in the new centre.

Once again apologies to all the parents and children who would have used the old equipment but, as you may have seen, removal at this stage was essential. A supplier has been decided upon for the new playground and provisional design plans were displayed on our Gala Day stall. These plans will be followed up with the supplier doing a consultation with the primary school children, where the children will have a say on the equipment to be installed, this should have either taken place before or if not directly after the summer holidays. The new design will incorporate a few refurbished newer pieces from the old playground. Work on installation will commence in the new year as we have to demolish the old pavilion and wait until the builders have cleared the site, we will be giving further updates as the project progresses.

With the weather being good during June and July, work has moved on at a good rate. At our monthly site meeting held in June progress was reported at being at 41% completion. This was only slightly behind the planned point, and with the speedy demolition and internal block-work going at a good pace I can see most of the delay being recovered. Decisions have now been made by the team on the internal colour schemes and many of the finer details of the internal build.

The hand over of the finished building from CJ Murfitts is still on track for the 15th November.

Saturday 6th July saw fantastic weather for the Gala Day, at which we had a stall to show the progress and the plans of the new centre, but mainly to introduce our "Sponsor a Shrub" scheme. Anyone is able to sponsor a shrub, tree or hedge for the landscaping of the site, all sponsors names will be in a book to be held in the centre once completed. You can still sponsor plants at the following rates: Hedges £3, Shrubs £5 and trees £25 contact Clive on 01638 780669.

Our congratulations go to the Gala Day team who, despite the awkward conditions of no hall and the continuing building works, organised a great event.

With all the hard work going on in the background, we are now able to advertise the booking rates. The estimated room capacities, are available on the website and will be reviewed to ensure we meet all legal requirements when the building is handed over. Also you will find in this edition of the *Informer*, an advert for the centre manager, a key role in the running of the centre.

## Hall Hires / Meeting Rooms

Prices are per hour unless stated otherwise and are valid until 31/12/14. Prices are for Isleham residents only – for others please enquire or visit the website.

### Booking Rates for Isleham Community Centre

	Start time	End time	Main hall	Main room	Small room
Mon-Fri	09:00	18:00	£9.00	£6.00	£5.00
Mon-Thu	18:00	23:00	£15.00	£8.00	£7.00
Friday	18:00	00:00	£20.00	£10.00	£8.00
Mon-Fri All day	09:00	00:00	£150.00	£100.00	£85.00
Sat & Sun	09:00	18:00	£12.00	£8.00	£7.00
Sat	18:00	00:00	£20.00	£8.00	£7.00
Sun	18:00	23:00	£10.00	£5.00	£4.00
Sat All day	09:00	00:00	£210.00	£110.00	£100.00
Sun All day	09:00	00:00	£140.00	£80.00	£60.00

All figures shown within the following plan exclude VAT, which will be applied where applicable at the prevailing rates. All bookings must include set-up times. Full payment must be made prior to use. All prices exclude the use of projector or screen (£5 per booking).

There is a permanent Cafe/Bar on the premises available for periods agreed at time of booking.

**Deposits:** 25% cash or card deposit at time of booking. 50% deposit for exclusive centre booking (no other rooms will be booked to other users; excludes changing rooms).

**Cancellation Charge:** 7 days' notice 100% of deposit retained, 3 weeks' notice 50% of deposit retained

**Seasonal Bookings:** There is a surcharge for seasonal bookings, available on application: Bank Holidays, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 26th, 27th and 31st December, and 1st January. No bookings taken for 25th December.

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Open weekend 16th and 17th November 2013 Specials (dates to be confirmed). Special discounts available for bookings taken over the open weekend.

- Bookings can be made via Open Days, Parish Clerk & the Village Website
- Availability of rooms can be checked on the village website

If you run or belong to a local organisation that will be using the Centre when completed and you want to have an input into the Centre's facilities, or even if you just want to help please contact either Mark Goldsack 01638 780350, or the Parish Clerk 01638 781687 for an informal, no obligations discussion.

Please continue to watch this space, Facebook or the village website [www.isleham-village.co.uk](http://www.isleham-village.co.uk) for details of fund raising etc. Photographs are being uploaded on a regular basis, to give everyone a view of the progress on site.

Fingers are crossed for continuing good weather for a couple of months at least.

*Clive Patterson for the Parish Council/  
ICA Management Committee*



# Lost & Found Items

The following were left abandoned and unloved on the Recreation Ground after the Gala. If you now regret your hasty decision in parting with your chattels, please get in touch with Ed Poloka (eksspolo@btinternet.com).

- 1 Jumper – George, White, 100% cotton.
- 1 Child's hat – H & M, Blue & White, Northern Apparel Portland.
- 1 Batman Baseball cap, Black, with a Batman Logo on the front.
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The Parish Council would like to know whether this is something that would be welcome and supported in Isleham, if so please telephone the Parish Clerk.

*Mrs Diane Bayliss on 01638 781687*

## Bowls Report

**W**e have now passed the mid-point of the season, the evenings are starting to draw in and the autumn leaf fall looms ahead.

The teams have performed well in their respective divisions. In the Ely and District leagues, the men are situated half way in the table but the ladies are in second place and can still push for the title. In the Cambridge and District league we have climbed up to Division 3 and are holding our own in mid table, safe from relegation. We now need to build on this success and push for promotion in 2014.

We have had good success in the national competitions with Michael Bartlett, Barry Clarke and Barry Grimwood winning 3 matches before losing out in the Cambridgeshire county semi final by 2 shots (sadly to a Fordham team) therefore just missing out reaching the national finals at Worthing.

But in the fours championship, a team comprising of Shane Dunbavin, John Foreman, Darren Dunbavin and Barry Grimwood went one step further and beat a team from Christchurch on an extra end tie break to qualify for a date at Worthing in August. This is a major achievement for the club as we will represent Cambridgeshire in the English National Championship and will be playing a Wiltshire team in the first round. However, before that is the chance to become county champions when we play a team from Sawston in the county final at St Neots.

The club has also hosted a top ladies county match between Norfolk & Leicestershire; both counties praised the facilities we have and the welcome they received whilst in Isleham. The bowling green surface is testament to the hard work put in by the Greens committee under the leadership of Barry Clarke and Robert Burling.

*Barry Grimwood, Club Captain*

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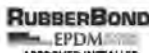
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