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Football Festival 2018

IUYFC held their annual football tournament on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th May, and what a fantastic event it was.

180 teams entered with 8 players per team making a total of 1400 approx player's and including parents /supporter's a total of approximately 4500 people attended over the two days

The club do try and organise the tournament car parking as best we can, and with a few new improvements this time it worked better than in previous years.

IUYFC would like to thank ISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL for all their help over the years helping the club to grow and be more successful with such fantastic facilities.

IUYFC would also like to thank The Beeches for the use of the facilities over the two days and the staff who are always helpful and friendly.

Stephen Isaacson



Jorja Attends the Royal Wedding

I had a fantastic time at the royal wedding. I got to meet a lot of interesting reporters - American, French, Italian, German to name a few. The day itself was very long but as it was day I won't forget in a hurry. Megan looked stunning, and Harry just beamed with happiness. I chuckle that you could hear us all cheer in side the church, when they said "I will".

I got some great pictures and spoke to some really interesting people who also had been invited.

It truly is a day I will never forget.

Jorja Furze

The charity Steel Bones works to connect, support and inspire amputee families to overcome the trauma of amputation. We also provide the best advice and action plans they need to accomplish whatever they desire.

Steel Bones is completely voluntary and is a registered charity with number 1174189.



Steel Bones Fundraising Climb

The Joy-Staines family are about to undertake a massive fundraising challenge of climbing Mount Snowdon. Leigh is an amputee and they started the charity Steel Bones to help support other amputee families. Steel Bones is completely voluntary every penny goes to helping more amputee families. There's 55,000 new amputees each year so every penny counts massively!! They will be climbing with 22 other amputees including another villager Jorja Furze and her Father some are doing it on crutches!!

We would be most grateful for any pennies or pounds you can spare to help spur the group on. Teddy who is just 7 years old will be undertaking the challenge on behalf of his Daddy who is too unwell at the moment to participate so please help him raise as much as possible by clicking onto <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/emma-and-teddy-joy-staines> or Post any donations through 12 Kennedy Road. Thanks so much to you all!!



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Useful Information

Mobile Library

	Arrive	Depart
2nd Wednesday Church Street	12.15pm	1.00pm
3rd Thursday Mill Street	3.15pm	4.15pm
4th Wednesday Church St	9.45am	10.10am

Useful phone numbers

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Newmarket Hospital	01638 564000
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Minor Treatment Centre, Ely.....	01353 656675
NHS Direct (for advice).....	0845 4647
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Electricity Emergencies	0800 7838838
Gas Emergencies	0800 111999
Anglian Water Leaks	0800 771881
- 24 hour	0845 7145145
Social Services - office hours.....	0345 0455202
- out of hours emergency	01733 561370
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- Cruelty line.....	0300 1234 999
Citizens Advice Bureau	Ely 0845 130 6442
	Mildenhall 01638 712094
	Newmarket 01638 665999
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Parish Council Clerk: Richard Liddington	01638 781687
MP: Lucy Frazer.....	lucy.frazer.mp@parliament.uk

Dates for Your Diary

If there is anything you would like included here for future issues: contact Glenda Preece, T: 01638 780734 E: gjprece@aol.com.

REGULARS

Tuesdays: Coffee Morning at the Social Centre, 9am–noon

Bingo at the Bowls Club every Wednesday evening

Contact Doreen 780836

June

Mon 4th	Parish Council	The Beeches	7.15pm
Fri 8th	Book Club	The Beeches	2 pm
Thurs 14th	W.I. Summer Outing		
14th -16th	BioBlitz	Isleham Nature Reserve	
Fri 15th	Folk in the Fens	The Beeches	7.30pm
	Isle of Ely Arts Festival event		
Thurs 21st	Isleham Society	The Beeches	7.30pm

July

Mon 2nd	Parish Council	The Beeches	7.15pm
Sat 7th	ISLEHAM GALA		
Tues 10th	Informer deadline		
Thur 12th	W.I.	The Beeches	7.30pm
Fri 13th	Book Club	The Beeches	2pm
Thur 19th	Isleham Society	The Beeches	7.30pm
Tues 31st	Family Fun Day at The Beeches		

Village Notes

Isleham Tennis Club is back for the 2nd year. The season starts in May, with the nets up permanently between May and August. In the months where the nets are not up, members of the club are welcome to erect them, have a game and then pack them away. Get active and get into Tennis this year and join the club. The more players we get the easier it will be to find someone to play with! Membership fees are £30 per adult for the year and £20 for under 18's. If you sign up as a household where parents and children want to play then it's £50 for the year.

You will get an access code for the gate and members are allowed to invite guests to play with them on a non regular basis. Email Clint Grove islehamtennisclub@gmail.com to join now. Membership price is pro rata as of the date you apply.

Special Event

Vicarage Garden Party – The first of what I hope will become an ongoing tradition. Tea and cake in the Vicarage Garden, 24 Mildenhall Road, Fordham Sunday 29th July 2-6pm. Everyone welcome.
David Cleugh



Andrew I Myson

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NO JOB TOO SMALL

Notes from The Editor

What a wonderful start for the summer – beautiful weather, a royal wedding, a successful Football Festival, the Gala to look forward to, and a Parish Council Book Swap now installed in the old telephone box (kindly restored by Paul Chaplin) situated on the Causeway, for all your holiday reads.

Enjoy Isleham!



Isleham WI



On Thursday April 12th Susi Baker returned to take us on a 'Musical Journey through Egypt & the Middle East'. Susi equipped us with drums and cymbals to accompany the different rhythms, and some very brave

members did their best to emulate Susi's dance movements, which made us all laugh.

In May we welcomed Vanessa Mann who talked to us about her hobby collecting Edwardian post cards.

Vanessa explained how she traces the history of the cards she collects, often being able to discover the identity of the writers and recipients of the cards. It was a fascinating talk, and we were all very impressed by her perseverance.

We meet at 7.30pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month at The Beeches. If you are interested do come along, you will be very welcome

For further information contact Glenda Preece

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Fundraising for Dementia

1 in 3 people born today will die with Dementia.

I am taking part in the Prudential Ride London 100 miles. Starting at the Queen Elizabeth Stadium, following the same route as the 2012 Olympic cyclist, finishing on the Mall.

Dad, along with one of his sisters move to Isleham in the mid 1930s to be live with foster parents in Beck Road. When he left Isleham primary school he went to join the Royal Navy. After serving as a Submariner, Dad went on to serve on HMS London, taking part in the Yangtze incident.

If anyone would like to sponsor me, follow the links. Please guess a time you think it will take me to complete the 100 miles as I will give £30 to the person with the closest time!

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CLUB	CONTACT	DAY/DATE	TIME	PLACE
1st Isleham Beavers (boys & girls 6–8 yrs)	Emma Bucknall 07807 349754/Isleham.scouts@outlook.com	Tuesday	5.15-6.15pm	The Beeches
1st Isleham Cubs (boys & girls 8–10 yrs)	“	Tuesday	6.30–8.00pm	The Beeches
1st Isleham Scouts (boys & girls 10–14 yrs)	“	Tuesday	6.30–8.00pm	The Beeches
Board Games	Alison Young 01638 780351	Last Thursday	2.00–5.00pm	High St. Church
Book Club	Doreen Spiers 01638 780783	2nd Friday	2.00pm	The Beeches
Bowls Club	Sylvia Pinder 01638 720875			The Bowls Club
Bridge Get Together	Barry Lowe 01353 658358	Wednesday	10am-noon	The Beeches
Brownies	Bridget Clements 016353 624103	Thursday	6.00 – 7.15pm	High St. Church
Busy Bees	Pre-School 01638 781212	Wednesday	9.30 – 11.30am	The Beeches
Craft Club	Hazel Thompson 01638 780633	Tuesday	1.30 – 4pm	Limestone Centre
Fenland Amateur Dramatic Society (“FADS”)				
	Malcom Speirs 01638 780783	3 drama productions a year		The Beeches
Gala Committee	Lisa Alderson 07947642333	3rd Monday	7.30pm	The Beeches
Hour of Power	Jeff Pyne 07917 181982	Wednesday	6.30 - 7.30pm	The Beeches
		Saturday	9.00 - 10.00am	The Beeches
Isleham Society	Clive Patterson 01638 780669	3rd Thursday	7.30pm	The Beeches
Isleham United Youth FC	Jon Marks, by email at jonmarks1965@yahoo.co.uk or 07920843914.			
Isleham Tennis Club	Clint 079 4644 1351			
Isleham Cricket Club	Chairman - Adrian Sheldrick 07775 522765 1st Team Captain- James Tilbrook 07884 582730			
Kick Boxing	Mark Tomlinson 07938 423618	Wednesday	7.45pm - 9.30pm	The Beeches
Pilates	Jo Simcock-Simms 07974 653775	Monday	10.00 - 11.00am	The Beeches
		Wednesday	6.00 - 9.00pm	The Beeches
		Friday	12 - 1.00pm	The Beeches
Tania Fitness Powerhoops	Tania McQuilkin 07983 440187	Thursday	6.00-6.45pm	The Beeches
Tai Chi	Dave Cogan 01638 781705/ peaceful warrior teaching or mail.com	Wednesday	1.15 - 2.15pm	The Beeches
WI	Glenda Preece 01638 780734	2nd Thursday	7.30pm	The Beeches

- If you would like your club, society, organisation’s news and photos, or anything you (and the *Informer* team) think is of interest to the village to appear in the *Isleham Informer*, please contact any member of *Informer* staff - see page 3 for contact details. Please supply your article and photos by September 10th for our October issue. We also need the photographer’s name where necessary and details of photos for captions: please do ask subjects to give their permission to appear in the *Informer* - children should have parents’ permission.

The Lady Frances Peyton Almshouse Hospital Charity

Report of Chair 2017 / 18

The Charity owns and manages 4 Almshouses in Isleham together with various parcels of land which are let on Agricultural Tenancies. It is a Charitable Interest Organisation and our objects are to provide housing in Isleham for local people in need.

In this year there have been no vacancies at the Almshouses and our Agricultural Land is fully let. The Charity has given permission for Isleham Youth Football Club to use part of our land at Fordham Road to create a football pitch easing the pressure on the pitches at the Village Recreation Ground on a short term basis.

The Charity is in a good financial position with a level of reserves that are appropriate to maintain and improve our properties.

To ensure that our homes are properly maintained the Property Condition Survey completed last year has been implemented with the catch up repairs identified undertaken. This will secure these homes as an asset for future generations of our village.

There continues to be the need for additional good quality, well managed affordable rented housing in Isleham. The seemingly ever increasing price of local homes for sale and for rent privately has made it more difficult for local people to access these homes. The local housing needs remain real and the Charity is committed to help local people to be able to access affordable housing in the village.

To help address these needs the Charity's land at Station Road is included the District's Draft Local Plan for Development. It will use this land together with the adjacent site off Fordham Road to enable the development of new homes for local people and to grow the Charity's housing stock. To enable this external assistance has been engaged to prepare a detailed appraisal of the options available and to identify suitable partners for its delivery.

None of this would have been achieved without the support, effort and commitment of our Trustees. This year we said farewell to Paul Chaplin and Mike Banyard who resigned after working tirelessly for the Charity and thank them for their support and commitment over the years. We have been successful in appointing 4 new Trustees with a wide range of relevant and needed skills to help guide the Charity through a time of opportunity for improving housing conditions in the village.

Last but not least I would like to express my thanks to all of our Trustees, Beneficiaries and Contractors for their support throughout the year.


Richard Radcliffe

Soham Museum

Coffee Morning: 1st Saturday of every month, 10am – 12 noon at Soham Library. All welcome.

Soham Museum History Group presents Roy Williams talk: 'Zeppelins to Doodlebugs – part 1'. Thursday 5th July, 7.30pm at Berrycroft Methodist Church Hall, off Pratt Street, Soham. Admission: guests £2.50, members free.

Mary Burnside, Soham Museum



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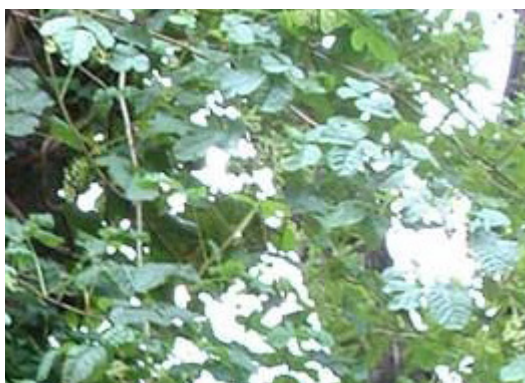
Ivy can strangle trees, and once it is in the tree canopy, it can block sunlight from the trees' leaves. Dense ivy cover deprives the tree's bark of normal contact with air and competes with the tree for nutrients and water. Ivy is a threat.

We are hoping to develop groups of volunteers into crews who can spare two and a half hours per month to cut back and kill the ivy on our trees. It is quite an easy job, and it will preserve our local trees for future generations to enjoy.

Please – help if you can. Just 2 ½ hours a month would make a huge difference. No skill is needed; we have all the tools and equipment needed and will show you how to do it.

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Bowls Club Report

The carpet bowls season concluded at the beginning of April. In the East Cambs league team A finished bottom of division one and will join team B in the second tier next winter.

In our club competitions, we played our own league on alternate Fridays from October thru to March, the final was won by Carol Doe, Catherine Storey & Andrew Human who beat Heather Munns, Joyce Hazelwood and Carol Wells



In the pairs competition, Ann Cant and Jeff Marsh beat Glenda Preece & Doreen Raven in the final.

At the end of April we started playing on the outdoor green and our first day was the Barry Clarke Memorial Cup. It was a



bitterly cold afternoon but at least the rain held off till we had concluded the proceedings. The winners were Colin Dunn, John French and Robert Burling

The Club are very grateful to Andrew, Alison, Celia and the extended family who catered for us and made the afternoon so enjoyable.

During the season we play at all levels of the game so there is something for everyone. We play in a ladies only league and men only league on a Tuesday/Thursday evening and in two mixed leagues (one in the afternoon, Monday or Fridays, the other on various evenings during the week). There are also competitions at all standards and also just the basic entry level bowls.

For further information you can contact either:

Secretary	Sylvia Pinder	01638 720875
Captain	Barry Grimwood	01638 781943
Chairman	Bob Cole	01638 662827
Committee	Rowley Wells	01638 780191
Doreen Raven		01638 780836

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	4.25pm-5.35pm	CHILDREN'S DRAMA CLASS
	6.00pm - 7.00pm	PILATES
	7.00pm - 8.00pm	PILATES
	8.00pm - 9.00pm	PILATES
TUESDAY	5.15pm - 6.15pm	BEAVERS
	6.30pm - 8.00pm	CUBS
	6.30pm - 8.00pm	SCOUTS
WEDNESDAYS	9.30am - 11.30am	BUSY BEE'S PLAY SESSION
	12noon - 1.00pm	PILATES
	1.15pm - 2.15pm	TAI CHI
	5.45pm-7.15pm	CHILDREN'S TEXTILE CLASSES
	7.15pm-8.45pm	ADULTS TEXTILE CLASSES
	6.30pm - 7.30pm	HOUR OF POWER
THURSDAYS	7.45pm - 9:15pm	KICK BOXING
	6.00pm - 6:45pm	POWER HOOPS
	5.25pm-6.25pm	CHILDREN'S DRAMA CLASS
	7.30pm - 10pm	WI MEETINGS: 2nd THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
	7.15pm for 7.30pm Start	ISLEHAM SOCIETY: 3rd THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
FRIDAYS	12noon - 1.00pm	PILATES
	2.00pm - 3.30pm	BOOK CLUB: 2nd FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
SATURDAYS	9.30am - 1.30pm	BREAKFAST ROLLS (Football season only)
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1. A Bird Feeder or Bird Scarer
2. A decorated garden tool

Fruit and Vegetable Category

1. Three potatoes
2. Three broad beans (in pods)
3. Three peas (in pods)
4. Three carrots
5. Three beetroot
6. Three spring onions
7. Three sticks of rhubarb
8. Six gooseberries
9. A container (basket, tray or box) of produce from my garden or allotment
10. A bowl of cherries
11. A bowl of soft fruit (single or mixed)

EGGS

1. Six matched hens eggs
 2. Six eggs from mixed poultry
- All must be free range (garden or allotment) and fresh

laid

Floral Category

If used, staging should be a maximum of 2'6" high... Accessories may be used but no artificial flowers or foliage permitted. Fresh foliage acceptable.

1. An arrangement to depict "The Spirit of Isleham"
2. A vase or bowl of flowers from your garden or allotment (foliage may be used)

The Isleham Gala Needs your Help!

To ensure we have a great and safe day we desperately need help - even if you can only help for an hour it will be gratefully appreciated.

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3. A vase of fresh mixed herbs
4. 3 or 5 stems of sweet peas single or mixed colours)
5. 3 or 5 pansies - single or mixed colours
6. A single rose
7. 3 or 5 roses - single or mixed colour

Miscellaneous Category (children may enter)

1. A garden photograph
2. An allotment photograph
3. A gardening tip

The Great Isleham Bake-Off

Breadmakers may be used

1. Six White rolls
2. Six Wholemeal rolls
3. A loaf of white bread
4. A loaf of wholemeal bread

Cakes

1. A Victoria Sponge
2. 4 scones - fruit; cheese or plain (please label)
3. Fruit Pie - (double crust plate pie)
4. A plate of shortbread
5. Devil's food cake (see recipe to right)

Jams, Pickles and Chutneys - A jar of....

1. Jam - fruit of choice
please label
2. Marmalade
3. Pickled onions or shallots
4. Tomato chutney
5. Mint Jelly
6. Redcurrant jelly

Arts & Crafts Section

Open to all ages including children. Entries from children to be clearly marked with age

1. A quilted item (please bring your own stand if you wish to exhibit a quilt)
2. A tapestry; embroidery or cross stitch item
3. An item created with yarn
4. A painting - any medium
5. A drawing - any medium
6. An item created in wood
7. An item modelled in clay; pottery; or other material.
8. Photographic Art
9. Handmade Jewellery
10. Hand or machine finished home made garment
11. An item of feltwork
12. Papercraft item
13. A arrangement of silk
(or artificial material) flowers, foliage, feathers, etc.
14. **Paint a Pebble - Pebbles no bigger than 8cm across.**

COMPETITIONS FOR CHILDREN

This category is open to children who will be under 16 on 31 August 2017. And will be judged in two sections, i.e. up to 12 years on specified date and 12 to 16.

ALL CHILDREN MAY ENTER INTO ADULT SECTIONS BUT CLEARLY MARK ENTRY WITH AGE.

Garden

1. Mixed flowers in a hand decorated container
2. A garden on a plate
3. A container of home grown cress

Other Creations

1. Pasta on a plate
2. A hedgehog potato
3. A crown for a king or queen
4. **Paint a Pebble Pebbles no bigger than 8cm across.**

Baking

1. Three decorated cup cakes

2. Three jam tarts
3. Gingerbread figures
4. Any type of bread product

RECIPE FOR DEVIL'S FOOD CAKE INGREDIENTS

90g plain chocolate, chopped; 115g unsalted butter; 90g dark muscovado sugar, 1 tablespoon golden syrup; 175g plain flour; 25g cocoa powder; , half teaspoon bicarbonate of soda; 2 large eggs beaten.

Chocolate Icing:

150ml whole milk; 100g golden caster sugar; , 60g plain chocolate chopped; 60g unsalted butter, at room temperature; half teaspoon real vanilla essence.

METHOD: You will also need two 18cm sandwich tins, greased and base-lined.

Put the chocolate, butter, sugar and syrup in heavy saucepan. Heat very Gently, stirring frequently until melted. Remove pan from the heat and Leave to cool.

Sift flour, cocoa and bicarbonate of soda into a large bowl and make a well in the centre. Pour in the melted chocolate mixture, stir gently, then add the eggs, vanilla essence and milk. Beat very gently with a wooden spoon until well mixed.

Now spoon the mixture into the prepared tins and spread evenly. Bake in a preheated oven at 170C (325F) Gas3, for 15-20 minutes until just firm to

the touch. Remove from the oven and let cool in the tins for 5 minutes,

then turn out and transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.

TO MAKE THE ICING: Put the milk and sugar in a saucepan and heat gently

stirring frequently until the sugar has dissolved, then boil rapidly for 1 minute

until syrupy. Remove the pan from the heat and stir in the chocolate. When

melted and smooth, stir in the butter and vanilla essence. Let cool, stirring

occasionally, then beat well until very thick.

Spread one-third of the icing onto one of the cakes. Set the second layer on top.

Spread the rest of the mixture evenly over the top and sides. Leave in a cool

spot (not refrigerator) until set. Store in an airtight container and eat within

5 days.

New Competitions for the Gala - Paint a Pebble

We have introduced a childrens and an adults new competition to paint a pebble. See both in the listings to the left.

Free entry. Entry form to be completed on the day. We would like to suggest that you may like to 'hide' your entry throughout the village afterwards adding to the 'Isleham Rocks' already hidden.

NOTES

Entries for all categories will be accepted from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon. Entries may not be removed from marquees until after 3.30 p.m. but must be taken No later than 4.45 p.m. It is appreciated that these timings may cause inconvenience but are to set to give all visitors the opportunity to view exhibits. **DISCLAIMER** – whilst every possible effort is made to avoid damage or removal of items by unauthorised persons, Gala Association cannot accept liability for loss or damage.

***Would last year's lucky winners
please return last years trophies
and Rose Bowl to The Beeches ASAP,
many thanks!***

Grand Prize Draw

1st Prize £100 cash

2nd Prizes - 2 Ladies/Gents Hampers

3rd Prizes - 2 Childrens Hampers

Local Pub Meal Vouchers

A night in a Yurt for up to 4 at Karma

Farm, Isleham

Many more prizes

Timetable(Provisional)

13.00 Parade - starting from East End

13.30 Judging of Floats

14.00 Announcement of float winners

14.15 Soham Fenland Majorettes

14.30 Fun Run - registrations close now

14.45 Preschool Races , then older children's races & Tug of War & any other races

15.30 Isleham School Band in The Beeches along with the Ukelele Band

15.50 Soham Fenland Majorettes

16.00 Start of Fun Run

16.00 Hour of Power demonstration

16.15 Last chance to buy Grand Draw Tickets

16.30 Grand Draw and collection of prizes

17.00 Gala closes

Other events continuing all afternoon .. -Dog Show -Pony Rides -Fun Fair -Craft Marquee -Skittles & Welly Wanging from Karma Farm -Wide Range of Stalls and attractions -Barbecue & Refreshments

Help Keep Our Village Safe

You can join or set up a local Neighbourhood and Home Watch. These are run entirely by the community, for the community, and volunteers work in their own time and to their own strengths.

COMMUNITY SPEED-WATCH

Community Speedwatch (CSW) is a national initiative where active members of local communities join with the support of the Police to monitor speeds of vehicles using speed detection devices. Vehicles exceeding the speed limit are referred to the Police with the aim of educating drivers to reduce their speeds. Volunteers receive appropriate training, and are supported by neighbourhood policing team staff.

If you would be interested in finding out more about either of these initiatives contact the Parish Clerk
01638 781687, email islehampc@gmail.com.



Isleham Society

What is the Isleham Society?

A group of friends interested in our village, its history, its traditions its preservation and its development.

We meet regularly throughout the year on the 3rd Thursday in the month at 7pm at The Beeches. There is always a guest speaker, and subjects range widely, often with special emphasis on topics of local or East Anglian interest. The Society also organises outings each summer.

Though primarily a group of Isleham residents, the Society welcomes members and visitors from all over. It will flourish as long as sufficient residents and friends of Isleham – young as well as old – continue to care about all aspects of our village, and become active members.

For our April meeting members visited Turners (Soham) at their enormous site on Fordham Road.

In 1930, brothers Wallace and Frank Turner

bought their first vehicle and began delivering loads from their father's farm in Soham, Cambridgeshire. Eighty years on and Turners has grown to be one of the largest haulage companies in the UK.

Members spent a very interesting evening touring round the site and learning about both the transporting and the packing business. We also spent a very short time in the storage facility, where the temperature is minus 25 degrees!

In May we welcomed Tim Young who gave a illustrated talk entitled "I've Got a Brand New Combine Harvester".

Tim took us through the development of agricultural equipment through the ages.



The Isleham Society

21 June 2018 - 7.15 for 7.30pm start

"Soham Museum"

A talk by Donna Martin



**JOIN US AT THE
'THE BEECHES' ALL WELCOME**

Followed by Refreshments
Cost for Non Members - £2

The Isleham Society

19 July 2018 - 7.15 for 7.30pm start

"Swifts"

A illustrated talk by
Judith Wakelam



**JOIN US AT THE
'THE BEECHES' ALL WELCOME**

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Joyce's Corner

Joyce Drayton, who sadly passed away recently, was a regular contributor to the Informer for many years. In her memory we have printed one of her poems, chosen by her daughter, Pauline.



"An Afternoon in the Garden"

At the first hint of summer I imagine great wealth
Days spent on a lounge sunning myself
Looking young, slim and sexy in a bikini
Sipping a cool drink, like a Martini.

The reality is really quite different of course
I've been young, slim, not sexy, quite the reverse.
And the lounge has been in the shed all year
So it smells of mould and is stained with beer.

The deck chairs are hardly fit to be seen
They've got several holes where the mice have been.
Spiders have webs all over the place
They're abseiling down the front of my face

A large swarm of bees you now can hear
So you rush inside 'till they disappear.
Gnats keep buzzing all round your hair
And the smell of a barbecue fills the air.

Ants try to make their way up your leg
And a gang of starlings have come to beg.
Wasps are attracted by a sweet soft drink
There's more hostile pests out there than you think

Now that the children are home from school
You get hit on the head with a stray tennis ball.
A fly commits suicide in your drink
Now dark clouds are forming, quick as a wink.

You try to relax, but it's very hard
With a chainsaw working in someone's yard.
The sun has gone in, and it's rather dark
Arms are all goosy and a bird leaves its mark.

A nice cup of tea would go down a treat
So you go back inside for a comfortable seat.
Next time instead of an insect fiesta
I'll stay indoors for my noon siesta.

Trundle - Isleham's Best Kept Secret

About forty people - including representatives from the three Isleham Churches, as well as other interested people from the surrounding area - met together at the pond in East Fen Road, at 3.00pm on Saturday the 5th of May 2018, to begin the seventh annual Spurgeon Trundle.

This trundle is a very leisurely walk along the path to Ferry Drove, to the site on the bank of the River Lark where there is a stone monument that marks the baptism on the 3rd of May 1850 of the Reverend Charles William Haddon Spurgeon.

He became a Baptist Minister, who in his lifetime is said to have preached to over ten million people, and he was highly influential among Christians of various denominations, gaining him the accolade of 'The Prince Of Preachers'.

This stone monument is known today as Isleham's best-kept secret. On that Sunday 168 years ago, Charles Spurgeon had walked all the way from Newmarket to Pound Lane Church here in Isleham, and from there another mile and a half along Ferry Drove, where he and some others were baptised by total immersion in the River Lark. After that, he walked back to Pound Lane Church, to change not only his clothes, but also to change his whole way of life - as a newly-baptised Christian.

In 1867, he started a charity organisation which is now called Spurgeon's, that operates globally. He also founded Spurgeon's College in London, where people train for the Christian Ministry.

Many of his sermons were transcribed even as he spoke, and were translated into many different languages during his lifetime. He produced powerful sermons of penetrating thought and precise exposition. His oratory skills held his listeners spellbound in the Metropolitan Tabernacle, which is a large independent Reformed Baptist Church in the London district of the Elephant and Castle. In 1861 it was the largest non-conformist Church of its day, and many Christians have discovered Spurgeon's messages to be among the best in Christian literature.

So that's why about forty of us trundled to Isleham's best-kept secret - the site of the baptism monument - on a wonderfully sunny Saturday afternoon in May, where a short act of worship was held by the river bank, to the puzzlement of a couple of swans and the occupants of a passing narrowboat. We thanked Mr Gary Aves for allowing us access to the monument, and also for cutting the grass around the site, even to the provision of some flowers placed by the stone.

Next year's trundle will be on Saturday the 4th of May 2019, meeting at the pond in East Fen Road at 3.00pm - so put this in your diaries while you think about it, and make a point of coming to join us, and let's have a hundred trundlers next year! Bring your friends and neighbours, and your dogs if you like! Trundlers of the world-unite!

Christopher Goodwins



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Swimming Pool Refurbishment Ready for the Summer

We were delighted and overwhelmed by local support for our school swimming pool which was in need of a costly new pool liner as we neared the start of the summer season 2018. In the end over £2700 was raised towards our £4000 costs which made the refurbishment possible in the Easter holidays so that the children could start swimming classes again at the end of April- just in time for the warmer weather. Our pool is now set for many more summers of use by the children of Isleham. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a wonderful resource within our school grounds, expertly maintained and overseen by the ISPA (parents of the school) and our caretaker Mr Patterson. We are also incredibly fortunate once again this season to have experienced coach Mrs



Wendy Read coaching the children's classes alongside Class Teachers. At a time when the nation's children's fitness levels, and ability to swim are of high focus, it is wonderful to be able to boast a high focus on fitness and swimming in particular at Isleham Primary, with several of our children swimming for local clubs in Newmarket, Ely and Mildenhall.



Our swimming pool - by Toby

Almost all of our children leave school able to swim well over 25 metres- the target set for 11-year old children to attain nationally. Thank you to everyone who gave so generously to our 'Gofundme' campaign so that the next generation of Isleham Primary school children can develop confidence and skill in the water, as those in previous years have done.

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1st Isleham Beavers

1st Isleham Beavers are a thriving colony with 30 members, we are currently taking names for those wishing to join beavers from September onwards so if you're interested please do get in touch with us.

In April we took 24 of our colony to Legoland where we had a fantastic day with other beavers from across Cambridgeshire. The children were a great display of the behaviour children in Isleham exhibit, they were polite, kind and quite. We had the largest group there and managed to keep together, going on all the rides we feasibly could.

May sees our District camp for all 3 sections joining with



other Newmarket groups, we have 16 beavers, 22 cubs, 11 scouts attending this event. The beavers have been working hard on their badges and are growing every week as youngsters. In June they will be doing a sponsored event to raise funds for children with cancer via the Mr Men and Little Miss marathon challenge. They will be completing

26 laps of the large hall in our weekly meeting, if you know a beaver why not sponsor them £1 or more to see how much we can raise for a cause so close to home for many many families. The whole group have made the switch from plastic woggles to leather woggles and the beavers used their woggles to make 'bedrooms' in our bug hotel.

Emma



The Isleham Gala Tug O War Teams Wanted!

If you would like to enter a team from your local pub, group, etc please Email lisa@laconsult.co.uk or call: 07947 642333

BioBlitz Visit Isleham Again



The Friends Of Isleham Nature Reserves are holding a Bioblitz over the weekend of 15th – 16th June. “BioBlitz” is a popular format for public participation in biological recording, where members of the public, school groups and volunteers work alongside experienced naturalists, ecologists and scientists to document as many species of organisms as possible on a given site.

We are trying to find out about and educate about the various animals and plants in our area and will be leading some walks and workshops over the weekend that you might like to join in with. At present we hope in the evening to run a Bat Walk with bat detectors, and set out mammal and moth traps on the Railway reserve.

Early the next morning we want to hold a Dawn Chorus bird walk, to identify visually and aurally the birds around at that time. We will also be inspecting the traps to see what animals have been caught, before releasing them again. We don't want to stress them by leaving them in the traps too long.

Later in the day we will have another bird walk at the Railway Reserve, and will be collecting and identifying butterflies and other insects. We will inspect the snake hides for any reptiles. A plant expert will also be on hand to help identify local plants.

The details are being finalised as we write and a detailed itinerary will be put out on the Isleham News and FINR Facebook pages, as well as posters around the village closer to the time. Come along with your children to see what is happening.



Make a Bird Box, Transform a Future Wanted: Section Assistant

Would you like the chance to camp, climb and make bird boxes while improving your CV? As a Section Assistant in the 1st Isleham Scout Group you will do all of this and more, using your current skills and learning new ones.

We now need a fun, committed person to support young people, helping run games and activities as part of weekly meetings. As part of a small team, you will be plan and deliver a safe and exciting programme for young people, helping them achieve badges and awards.

Enthusiasm, an empathy with young people and a sense of humour are a must. But we can teach you the rest. We'll support you all the way and ensure you get the training and support you need.

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CAN YOU INSPIRE?

Wanted: Group Scout Leader

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As Group Scout Leader you will manage and support the Scout Group and its leaders to ensure it runs effectively. You will ensure that Scouting within the Group develops in accordance with the rules and policies of The Scout Association. You will also make sure that everyone in the group is having fun, feels a part of the local Scouting family and gets to develop their skills.

We will provide full support and training, including experience and qualifications that can go straight on your CV. We can assure you that every week will bring new and interesting challenges that will help you reach your own potential. 1st Isleham is part of The Scout Association, offering fun, friendship and life changing adventure to over 450,000 young people across the UK.

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Isleham Parish Council

Chairman's Report

2017/18

The Chairman's Report is an opportunity to look back at what has gone on in the village over the past 12 months and what are the issues the Parish Council has faced and what it has done. I can only start in one way and that is to thank Derrick Beckett for many years our Chairman for his hard work and commitment to the Council. Fortunately he is still a member and his advice, knowledge and wisdom is of great benefit to us all.

Isleham is I consider a fantastic place to live with a long, interesting history and an attractive, safe and secure environment for us all to live and work. We benefit from all the Clubs, Societies, Churches and informal groups bringing us together and improving our village.

The Parish Council's responsibilities are to underpin village life for the benefit of us all. In the past 12 months: We have seen further improvements and greater use of the Recreation Ground with the completion of the Tractor Store, the setting up of a Tennis Club, and new trees. Not only does it look good it is incredibly well used for organised sports, informal play and leisure activities together with the multitude of village events including our Gala. My thanks go to the organisers for another fantastic day.

The Beeches continues to bring us together with its increasing range of activities and events on offer. It is difficult to single any one thing out but it is wonderful to see the plays doing so well and being enjoyed by so many. Again my thanks to all of you involved in running this wonderful venue.

You will have noticed and, I hope, modified your driving in response to the 2 speed warning signs now in the village, funded with the County Council.

We have more allotments in use. You too can have one these for the bargain price of £15 for 10 rod per year.

Our Cemetery has been maintained to its usual very high standards and this is a credit to Tim Wilding our Cemetery Keeper. The harvest from the Village Orchard was disappointing this year but I am ever hopeful for future bumper crops.

The Wash remains a special place for agriculture, flora and fauna and ourselves to enjoy its peace and openness and the amazing range of wildlife there.

We have seen a big increase in the number of proposals for our built environment coming forward. The Council commented on the 76 planning applications received from East Cambridgeshire and the proposals within the Draft Local Plan for the District including the proposal for 125 dwellings behind the Recreation Ground. I will come back to these issues later.

The Councils operating income was £112,199, 90% coming from the Precept levied and the remaining 10% in fees and charges. In addition the Council received income from the building of new homes in the village of £19,021 through the Community Infrastructure Levy which is available for improvements in the village.

The Precept for 2018/19 on the bills you have received shows an increase, higher than 1.5% agreed by the Council its meeting, of 4.8%. This is an error by the Parish Council. It is obviously an embarrassment and I apologise for the error. The impact of this is that an additional £4721 will be raised through the Precept. This is roughly £4.43 extra for each household which works out at roughly 8 pence per week for all of us. On realising

this mistake we explored the options of rebilling with a 1.5 % increase to rectify the matter. The costs of rebilling were in excess of £20,000 and the Council decided that this would not be cost effective and this extra income would be taken into account when setting the precept for 2019/20. Once again my apologies to you all for this.

The Reserves for the Council are £74,497 which includes just over £20,000 of monies from the Community Infrastructure Levy. This figure and the following ones are not yet finalised but I hope give you a feel for how the Council has spent its money.

- 20% Salaries
- 12% Administration
- 22% Recreation Ground which included the building of the Tractor Shed
- 3% Cemeteries
- 1% Allotments and the Wash
- 3% Beeches including Car Park and Grounds
- 1% Other
- 38% Loan repayments for the Beeches and the Skate Park

Let me return to new homes in the Village and the Planning system within which we operate. The Parish Council is a consultee on Planning Applications and we have seen a considerable increase in the number of applications for us to comment upon. These are often, as you would expect, matters of much discussion and Council wants to better influence proposals for development.

It is clear to me that we experienced too little house building for too many years and now it may seem that the new proposals will overwhelm our village.

Currently there are 50 homes under construction or approved for construction in the village. These together with other sites under consideration will change our village just as new building has always done in the past. Isleham, over time has grown, and retained its identity, its strong community feel and its uniqueness.

We are therefore exploring whether developing a Neighbourhood Plan for Isleham could offer our community a degree of influence over the future of our village. This we know is a process that requires a lot of commitment. The Council is interested in your views on this and the level of support there is within the village to contribute to its development.

Finally I would like to give thanks to all the volunteers in the village for all their efforts, so often unseen. To our staff for their commitment and efforts throughout the year and also to all of the 230 people who attended our meetings last year. It is your contributions that help the Council formulate what it can do to and improve our village.

Richard Radcliffe



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Isleham Parish Council Update



The Parish Council meets on the first Monday of every month at 7.15pm. Meetings are held in the main meeting room of The Beeches. Members of the public are invited to attend the meetings and 15 minutes are set aside each month for public question time. (No food or drink to be bought into the meeting room, please.)

Full copies of the agendas and minutes are available on the Parish Council website, the notice boards outside The Beeches and adjacent to the cenotaph and from the Parish Clerk, Richard Liddington: tel 01638 781687, email islehampc@gmail.com.

Allotment Matters

- There are still a number of plots available on both the Dunstall and Three Trees Allotment sites. The rent for a ten rod plot, which equates to 252m² is just £15 per annum! Please contact the Parish Clerk for details.

Highways Report:

- We are still seeking volunteers for the establishment of a Speed Watch team in the village. Details regarding this scheme can be found at <http://www.speedwatch.info/> Please contact the clerk at islehampc@gmail.com if you're interested in participating.

- I'm sure that you will have noticed that Cambridgeshire County Council have finally filled the potholes on East Fen Drove, Common Gate Drive and Temple Drove. Our thanks go to County Councillor Raynes for his support on this matter.

- County Councillor Raynes has also asked for clarification from Council Officers regarding the start date for work on Prickwillow Road, which we believe to have been rescheduled for a three week period in August.

- Parking outside the COOP remains a major concern, with drivers continuing to park either across the footpath or on the double yellow lines. This clearly causes danger to pedestrians and other drivers as well as damaging the pavement. Can we please ask all residents to ensure they use the designated parking spaces at the rear and immediately in front of the building?

- Similarly, can we politely ask residents NOT to park their vehicles on grass verges as this damages both the verges and footpaths?

- Residents may be interested in using the following links for the direct reporting of potholes & fly-tipping:
<https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk>
<https://www.eastcambs.gov.uk/waste/fly-tipping>

Police Matters

- I am sure that you will be aware that the village COOP was sadly subject to another ram raid last month. You may have also seen that arrests have been raised and that this will therefore hopefully bring this problem to a close.

Recreation Ground

- The Parish Council are pleased to offer for rent a small amount of storage space in the recently constructed tractor

shed, located behind the Beeches community centre. Please note that this offer is only available for non profit making community groups based in Isleham. Please contact the Parish Clerk for more details

- Can we please remind residents once again that dogs are not allowed on any part of the recreation ground?

Planning Applications*:

18/00328/FUL Erection of six foot fence at front of property. 2 Mill St Isleham. Mrs A Palmer.

Objection on the grounds that the proposed fencing is not in keeping with a house located in the very centre of the village and within a conservation area.

18/00347/FUL Change of use from B1 to B2. 4 Hall Barn Rd Isleham Uber Tuning Ltd.

Objection on the grounds that it would:

- Result in unacceptable noise levels to both other industrial units and more importantly to local residents.

- Set a precedent for the change of use and construction of other B1 industrial units on this and the adjacent site. (which is included in the latest Local Plan)

18/00363/OUM. Outline planning permission with all matters reserved except for access for the erection of up to 125 dwellings including affordable housing, land to be reserved for nursery use (Use Class D1) open space including an extension to the recreation ground, play areas, sustainability drainage features and associated infrastructure including foul sewerage pumping station. Land accessed between 2 and 4 Fordham Rd Isleham. Bloor Homes Eastern

Objection on the grounds:

- That concerns already submitted as part of the Local Plan, have not been addressed specifically that:

- o the size of the proposed development is too big for a village of our size and would adversely change the character of both our own and neighbouring villages

- o the infrastructure of our village will not cope with 125 additional houses and as such, this new development would have a significant, negative impact on the lives of local residents.

- That the Outline Planning application has the following concerns / anomalies:

- o We do not accept that there is capacity in both local schools & surgery.

- o We do not agree with the developer's statement that an additional 250 cars would be "imperceptible to other road users".
- o To ensure the safety of both residents and other vehicle users we continue to feel that the access of this site onto Fordham Rd should be via a roundabout.

- o We believe that there should also be a reduction in the legal speed limit to 50mph for a designated stretch of Fordham Road.

- o Assurance is sought that the long term maintenance of the roads, trees and communal facilities will remain with the developer.

- o We regard the need for at least 3 vehicles per dwelling to be included within any reserved matters.

- o Any footpath between the development and the new community / village centre must not go through the existing recreational pitches.

- o Clarity is also sought regarding the suggested purpose, access and parking arrangements for the proposed Early Years facility.

- o Houses adjacent to Fordham Road should be constructed off a 'service road'.

- o Changes need to be made to the road / bridge layout on Fordham Rd, adjacent to the nature reserve.

- o We do not feel that the proposed house types reflects the local market need and therefore expect increased numbers of smaller houses to be identified within the allocation.

- o We expect priority for all affordable housing to be given to

existing residents within the village.

o We deem the identified number of bungalows to be completely insufficient. We expect any properties bordering West St and Hall Barn roads to be bungalows.

o We expect a minimum 5m border between all new and existing developments, not just a part of it.

o We deem a maximum of 2 storeys (not 2.5 as indicated in the application) to be more than sufficient for this site.

o We do not believe that the applicants suggestion that there were not 'significant objections' to this development or that there was "support for the provision of new housing, to be accurate.

o We would ask that any development of the site be undertaken over the 20 year period of the local plan, rather than the max 5 years identified in the application.

Planning approvals

17/01249/RMM Application for reserved matters approval for the erection of 14 dwellings and new access pursuant to outline planning permission 16/00055/OUM Land adjacent to 8 Hall Barn Rd Isleham Cloughmore Homes Ltd.

17/02147/FUL Proposed detached two storey dwelling with internal garage. Site east of Appleyard Farm Houghtons Lane. Isleham. Mr & Mrs Beckett.

Planning Refusals:

Nil

Additional Planning Meetings: A reminder that the Parish Council now hold (where necessary) interim monthly meetings to consider planning applications. Such meeting will be advertised on Parish notice boards, the Parish website and the Isleham News Facebook page.

*It is important to note that Isleham Parish Council are only ever consultees on planning applications with the final decision for approval, refusal or conditions being made by ECDC

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County Councillor's Notes



Potholes!

The last winter has done immense damage to our local roads, and the county council has been working flat out to keep up. So far in 2018, the public have reported 8,500 potholes through the council's website, which is a massive 50 per cent more than were reported in the whole of last year. In addition to this, Cambridgeshire Highways inspectors

are out on the roads every day. In total, we have already fixed over 15,000 potholes across the county. All that hardcore will cost over £6 million this year.

While our local roads leave a lot to be desired, Isleham hasn't been left out. I was pleased to be able to get the whole run from East Fen Drove up to Temple Lane tackled, eventually. This was partly the result of a very unscientific survey in which my children counted 65 holes just in the first couple of hundred yards, but I am also grateful to the Parish Council for keeping the pressure on.

Another annoying consequence of the bad winter is that the promised work on Prickwillow Road has been delayed – again. I am now being told that the work will be done during three weeks in August. Hopefully, this new timetable will stick and we will finally get the improvements we have been waiting for. The County Council isn't just about roads, even if it often feels like it. A lot of work has been going into helping ensure people who need care at home don't get trapped in hospital. We have introduced new ways of buying care places on behalf of both the NHS and the council, and are hiring more care workers. This looks as if it is having some success in reducing the number of people waiting to leave hospital. We have also made changes to Cambridgeshire libraries service that will bring in more income. That allows us to keep all our libraries open, and to increase the books budget. The Libraries Minister recently visited and told me Cambridgeshire was giving an example other places should follow.

And since all this needs paying for, we are doing our best to give value for money to taxpayers. I have found myself leading a project to move the County Council out of Shire Hall, where we have been based for 80 years. Many people are understandably attached to our big old-fashioned Cambridge HQ. But, by moving out, we will be able to put staff who are delivering local services closer to the communities they serve – and we will be saving you £57 million.

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New Pioneer Partner

My name is Mel Takáč and I work for the diocese of Ely as a 'Pioneer Partner.' It is a strange job title, and in many ways a strange and unique role. The Church of England defines Pioneers as "people called by God who are the first to see and creatively respond to the Holy Spirit's initiatives with those outside the church..." In short, my role is to work with the local church to find new and improved ways of helping the local community. The church can often seem to be a daunting, irrelevant or uncomfortable place, and yet I believe that the Church, and God, can have a profound effect on people's lives, and I want to make sure that no-one feels forgotten or alone. So my placement is with the Three



Rivers Group of Churches – Fordham, Isleham, Chippenham, Snailwell and Kennett where I am hoping to be until Summer 2019. During this time I will be learning all that a Ministry role in the Church entails, and trying to use my skills and abilities to serve others in these parishes, while I discern my future vocation within the Church.

All of this has been a crazy journey for me, as less than four years ago I was absolutely not part of any church at all, and had no interest to do so thank you very much. (God has a sense of humour!) I actually trained in professional performing arts for four years and went on to have a career on stage and screen. I then went on to teach performing arts, fitness and sport in a variety of settings before God dramatically changed the course of my life. I have spent the last year as a Verger in St Edmundsbury Cathedral in Bury St. Edmunds where I live, before coming to start my placement here last November.

I have had an absolutely wonderful time here so far, and I am really excited for what the next year and a half will bring. If you feel I could help you or a group of people in any way, or if you have an idea, or if you feel that there is something missing in your local community, or if you just want to chat, then please do feel free to get in touch with me at the Church. I am around in the Parishes most days. Otherwise, please do come and get involved in our Church services, coffee mornings and many other events – absolutely everyone is very, very welcome.

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The Parish Clerk will be available: Monday 2pm - 6pm, Tuesday 10am - 2pm, Parish clerk available at all other times via email; islehampc@gmail.com

CHURCHES

St Andrew's Parish Church

All are welcome in this community of faith in Jesus Christ. St Andrew's is part of the Three Rivers Group of parishes, also including the parishes of Chippenham, Fordham, Kennett and Snailwell. Do join us for worship and fellowship.

Rector: David Cleugh, The Vicarage, 24 Mildenhall Road, Fordham, CB87 5NR 01638 723010 davidrcleugh@gmail.com
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Worship

Our main Sunday service is at 9.30 am with Junior Church meeting in the social centre. On the Third Sunday of the month we worship together at an All Age Communion Service.

Monday: 9.00am Morning Prayer at 7, The Close, Kennett

Tuesday 8.15am Morning Prayer Social Centre Isleham

Wednesday 8.15am Morning Prayer St Margaret's Church, Chippenham

7pm Compline St Peter's Church Snailwell

Thursday 8.30am Holy Communion (BCP) St Peter and St Mary Magdalene Church, Fordham

Friday 8.15am Morning Prayer St Peter and St Mary Magdalene Church, Fordham

6.30pm Choir Practice: St Andrew's Church (beginners welcome)

7.30pm Bell Practice: St Andrew's Church (beginners welcome)

Social: Coffee Morning every Tuesday 9am-12noon Social Centre: Tea, Coffee, Bacon sandwiches, village gossip, post office, - fun what more could you want?

Bell Ringers

Our team of bell ringers is looking to train new ringers as part of a national campaign to train ringers to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of World War One. Please contact Ruth (details above) if you are interested.

Pound Lane Free Church

We warmly invite anyone to join us on Sunday morning or evening as we worship together, or a Wednesday evening for prayer and bible study.

If you've never stepped into a church before and are curious or simply wish to come and look around and learn about the historical building - you're very welcome to come on a Thursday morning (10.00-11.30am) to enjoy tea, coffee, cake and a quick round of dominoes during our weekly "open doors" Coffee Morning. There is no charge or donation, children are welcome and with a regular attendance of 10-15 people

from the village, you're likely to recognise a face. During the morning a short (8 minute) presentation is given looking at something in the news from a Christian perspective.

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

Elder: Mr. Matthew Hall (01638 781805)

Please feel free to call or email the pastor for any further information.

Every Sunday:

Sunday worship: 11.00a.m. & 6.30p.m.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper:

1st Sunday following evening service

3rd Sunday following morning service

A Crèche is available for babies to 7 years 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 (3yrs. - Yr3): 10.00a.m. - 11.15a.m. (Mrs Sue Thompson 01638 780030)

All Stars (Yr.4 - Yr.6): 10.00a.m. - 11.00a.m. (Mrs Suzanne Hall 01638 781805)

Covies (Yr.7 - 18yrs.): 10.00a.m. - 11.00a.m. (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: 9.30-10.30a.m.

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Wednesday: Church Night: 7.40p.m. - 9.00p.m.

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Thursday: Coffee Morning: 10.00a.m. - 11.30a.m.

Turn up any time between 10 and 11.30 for free tea,

coffee and cakes. Chat with friends and make new

ones. Open to any age.

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Friday: Women's Meeting (Fortnightly) 10.30-11.45am (Sue Hall 01638 780636)

Fellowship Meeting (monthly): 12.00 - 2.00pm (Church office 01638 781343) For older folks - starts with a meal.

Saturday: Men's Fellowship (2nd Sat. of month): 8.00am

(Paul Rogerson 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: Phone: 01638 781343 (Church Office)

01638 780636 (Pastor's home)

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High Street Church

Summer Term at High Street

Nice to think that we might actually be able to call this the Summer term with some glimpses of warmer weather (despite writing this on a cold and blustery day)

We'd love to take this opportunity to invite you to some events happening this term.

Church Cafe on Saturday 9th June 10am-12pm

Absolutely everyone is welcome to pop in for tea or coffee, bacon rolls, croissants and homemade cakes. Come in, take a seat and kids can enjoy the craft table or play area. No charge but a donation if desired.

Men's Event at our New Church Site.

Acorns 6th July 9.30-11.30am

We have been really thrilled with the positive comments we've received about our Acorns group, Thank you. This will be our last session before the summer break so please join us for a 'Summer Spectacular'.

 <p>an opportunity for guys to have a look around the Ark Project....</p> 	 <p>.... enjoy a breakfast together....</p> 	 <p>.... and hear the story of Simon Pinchbeck</p> <p>'Copper turned Criminal turned Christian'</p>
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