

Sawtry Christmas

Everyone is welcome to join our village celebrations:

Community Carol Service

Sawtry Village Academy
Fen Lane, Sawtry, PE28 5TQ

"No Room at the Inn"

On Sunday 9 December
Starting at 3.00pm

Followed by refreshments



Carol Singing

Followed by mulled wine & mince pies

At Greystones,
The Green, Sawtry, PE28 5ST

Monday 17 December
Starting at 6pm

Hosted by Sawtry Parish

For information call 01487 831771



TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

Did you know, the Sawtry Eye magazine was started back in 1988? That's 30 years of sharing and promoting local groups and events!

As the team explore our way forward, we need your help in understanding what our readers think about the magazine in its current form, what's useful and what is less so.

Do you love the magazine and read it cover-to-cover?

Do you keep it for reference?

Or do you just throw it unread into the recycling?



Please complete our short survey to help us plan for the future. There is a paper copy enclosed, or find the survey online at

<https://form.responster.com/kSd45k>

THANK YOU!

Winwick Christmas Fair

Santa's Getting Ready! Are You...?



Enjoy Some Christmas Cheer

Light Lunches · Mulled Wine · Mince Pies
· Christmas Decorations · Gifts ·
Soaps Made in Winwick
and lots more ...

Saturday 8th Dec - 10am til 4pm
Winwick Village Hall

Upton Christmas Fete

Saturday 8 December

from 10.00am - 12.30pm
in Upton Village Hall,

There will be stalls selling gifts,
cake stall, a raffle and tombola

Tea, coffee and hot refreshments will be served

Please join us and enjoy some festive spirit



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

in Aid of

Hill View Residential Home
Residents Comfort Fund

Saturday 8 December from 2pm

Entrance is 50p per person

with complimentary mince pie and cup of tea or coffee

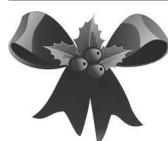
At Hill View, St Judith's Lane, Sawtry, PE28 5XE

For more information, contact 01487 831709

Everyone welcome

If you are moving house, please can you leave a recent copy of Sawtry Eye for the new occupiers - Thank you

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ADVERTISE YOUR COMMUNITY EVENT HERE

If you would like to have a date considered for inclusion please email the details along with a contact number to sawtryeye@caresco.org.uk with the subject 'Make a Date'.

We cannot include regular meetings/classes as space will not allow, but we would love to know about your special events.

When your organisation fixes dates, please let us know. No need to wait for the next deadline. If you don't have access to email, then put it in writing and drop it into the CARESCO Centre or phone us on 01487 832105 (answer phone outside office hours).

We reserve the right to decide which items to include.

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12 Noon on 18 January

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contact the CARESCO office



Thank You

A huge thank you to everyone who
brought tickets to the RAF Wyton
Area Voluntary Band concert.
What a fantastic evening we all had!

Thank you to everyone who
supported the raffle, to all the
helpers but especially thanks to
the Sawtry Junior Academy choir
and the RAF Wyton band.
You were all amazing!

Welcome...

Thank you to everyone who has responded so positively to our appeals for support for the Sawtry Eye. We are again asking for you to help us, this time by completing our survey, a paper copy of which is included in this issue and is available online. If you enjoy receiving the magazine, please let us know, if you don't like any or all of the content, again, let us know.

The Sawtry Eye is published by CARESCO to help and support the community in and around Sawtry, promoting groups and activities, sharing news and views and providing details of local businesses via the advertising section. We have been delivering copies free of charge for 30 years, with a current circulation of around 3000 and growing.

Going forward, we need to know how we can best serve the community's interests while keeping the magazine viable, so please let us have your ideas and suggestions.

From the Sawtry Eye team, we wish you and all you love a Happy Christmas and a wonderful 2019.

Liz - Co-Editor



Date for your diary:



Sawtry Community Sports Day
Saturday 13 July 2019



More details coming soon

Visit www.sawtrysport4all.com or email: sawtrysport4all@gmail.com

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The Sawtry Eye is delivered free of charge to every home within Conington, Glotton, the Giddings, Sawtry, Upton and Winwick. Should you live beyond these boundaries, we have a nominal cover price of £1.00 to help cover the costs to produce the magazine.

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SCHOOL TERM DATES

Autumn Term 2018

End of Term - 20 Dec

Spring Term 2019

Start of term - 3 January

Half term: 18 to 22 Feb

End of Term - 5 April



Summer Term 2019

Start of Term - 23 April

Half term: 27 to 31 May

End of Term - 24 July

Autumn Term 2019

Start of term 4 September

Half term: 21 - 25 October

End of term 18 December

NB Academies are responsible for setting their own holiday dates and so may not match those set by Cambridgeshire County Council. Schools have a number of training days available to take in addition at their discretion. Please contact your local school for more details.

Information taken from www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/education



**HDC REFUSE
COLLECTION**

LANDFILL WASTE (GREY)

(Week Beginning)

3, 17 & 31 December

14 & 28 January

GARDEN WASTE (GREEN) & RECYCLING (BLUE/GREEN)

(Week Beginning)

10 & 24 December

7 & 21 January

To find out your exact dates
or for more information visit
<http://www.huntsdc.gov.uk>



Your Kind of Music presents

'Stilton in Tune'

live keyboard charity events

At the Pavilion, High Street, Stilton, PE7 3RA

Sunday 16 December

Af pqr Qr_l `spw will play for us

There will not be an event in January but there will be a full monthly programme on the first Sunday of each month commencing in February.

Concerts start at 2.30pm [doors open 2pm]

£7.50 per person

For further details please contact

Tony Oliver on 01480 474282 or 07918 602600
or email tony.oliver5@btinternet.com

Come and join us for all
things musical and the
spoken word.



We meet on the
2nd and 4th Fridays
of the month, from 1.30 to 3pm
At the CARESCO Centre

Forthcoming dates:

14 December

11 & 25 January

There is a charge of £2.00 per session,
refreshments included



SAWTRY WI

Sawtry WI meets on the 1st Thursday of the month,
at 7.30pm (7pm as from January), in the WI Hall,
Gidding Road, PE28 5TS
(wheelchair access and hearing loop)

Charity Number 229016

6 December

'A Christmas Cracker' - Vic Botterill

3 January

'Beware of Sharks' - Keyth Rooney

Competition: 'And did those feet in ancient times' -
Old or ornamental footwear

7 February

Social Evening

Competition: 'And was the Holy Lamb' -
Anything to do with sheep

**Visitors and new Members always receive a warm welcome.
If you haven't tried the WI before, come along and meet us**

Regular features include:
Crafts, Books, Raffle and Refreshments

President Roz Rowland 01487 831793

Correspondence Secretary Rosemary Jubb 01487 830243

CAMBRIDGESHIRE HEARING HELP?

**Quarterly Hearing Help Service
for NHS hearing aid users**

Free batteries, hearing aid servicing
& advice on how to manage hearing loss

On Wednesday 2 January

From 3.00 - 4.00pm

At the CARESCO Centre

Off Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

Are you interested in volunteering?

We give full training including deaf awareness,
hearing aid maintenance and more. Volunteers
help at our sessions and visit people in their own
homes. Please get in touch if you are interested.

**Cambridgeshire Hearing Help CIO,
153 St Neots Road, Hardwick, Cambridge
CB23 7QJ - Tel 01223 416141**

www.cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk
Registered Charity No 1154071

Reverse Advent Calendar



How it works...

Grab a box



Pick up a leaflet from the CARESCO Centre or Charity Shop

Instead of taking a treat each day, add an item to the box

Involve all the family - Tell your friends!

Drop the box off at the CARESCO Centre on Wednesday 19 December between 9am & 12 noon or 5pm & 8pm

Christmas can be a difficult time for those managing on a tight budget. All donations received will be used by Sawtry Foodbank to support local people. Thank you for helping.

For more information contact 01487 832105



ON YOUR OWN FOR CHRISTMAS?

Do you know what you're going to be doing this Christmas?

Are you going to be on your own?

Would you prefer to be with other people to celebrate the festivities?

CARESCO will once again be hosting our Christmas Day Party for people in the Sawtry area who are going to be by themselves this year. Would you like to join in the fun? Space is limited, so early applications are recommended. Transport can be provided.



For more information and an application form, please get in touch with the CARESCO office on 01487 832105 or office@caresco.org.uk

ABBA TRIBUTE NIGHT

Saturday 26 January

7.30pm – Midnight

Sawtry Village Academy



Licensed Bar – 18+ Entertainment from a fantastic live band

Ticket only event - £15 each

CONTACTS FOR TICKETS:

Becky - beck0505@hotmail.co.uk

Emma - fundraising@caresco.org.uk

Tickets also available from CARESCO Shop and Salon 42

All Proceeds to go to CARESCO and Sawtry Youth Project



SAWTRY GARDENING CLUB

Come and join us to visit interesting places, swap ideas, tips, plants and seeds. It's relaxed and fun. We will be meeting on the 2nd Monday of the month, unless we have a visit or activity planned so always check date and venue.

NO DECEMBER MEETING

MONDAY 15 JANUARY
Plotting & Planning
17 Gidding Road at 7.30pm

SATURDAY 16 FEBRUARY
Visit to the Winter Gardens,
Anglesey Abbey (TBC)

Find us on Facebook under 'Sawtry Gardeners', email us at sawtrygardeningclub@outlook.com or telephone 07598 431308



SAWTRY STEPPERS MODERN LINE DANCE CLASSES

Mondays for Beginners

10.45am - 12.45pm

with added improvers section until 1.15pm

£5 (inc refreshments)

Old School Hall, 37 Green End Rd, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

Wednesdays Improvers / Intermediates

7.15 - 9.30pm ~ £4.50 per class

Glatton Village Hall, High Haden Rd, Glatton, PE28 5RU

Learn to line dance, no partner required and all ages welcome. We are a friendly class that dances to all types of modern and traditional music.

Contact Julie:

jcgillmore@sky.com

07939 070406

www.sawtrysteppers.co.uk



Line Dancing

BOOK STALL AND COFFEE MORNING

At Winwick Church

Saturday 8 December

10.00 till 11.30am



The Church is open for everyone to come along and enjoy a cup of coffee and cake and browse our extensive supply of second-hand books

Donations invited in exchange for the above

Proceeds to go to the Church

For more information please contact : Sue Fowler 01832 293215



1970s Party / Disco

Friday 1 February
At Sawtry Club
From 7.30pm



Period attire
welcomed

Tickets £5.00

Available from Pete
07484 693705

meredp59@hotmail.com

Or the CARESCO Shop or Office



THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SAWTRY & DISTRICT BRANCH PRIZE BINGO



Thursdays

6 December

Eyes down 7.30pm

All Welcome

Profits to Sawtry Branch

For more information, call 01487 834338



Craft Buddies



Bring along your projects or just
come to chat. No charge to attend,
drinks available to buy at the bar.

7.30 - 9.30pm every Tuesday

At Sawtry Club, Gidding Road, Sawtry

Just turn up, or for more info contact

Carolyn on 01487 832682

or email carolynwatts56@yahoo.co.uk



Chatterbox

DROP-IN SESSIONS FOR FAMILY CARERS

A friendly drop-in where you can get help.
Chat & relax over a cuppa. Guest speakers
& Carers Assessments.

Every 2nd & 4th Monday
between 2 - 4 pm

On 10 December
14 & 28 January

At The CARESCO Centre,
Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX



Befrienders

— It's Good to Talk

Befrienders are volunteers who offer friend-
ship and support through a weekly
chat & cuppa in your own home.

Call or email to find out more
We cover Sawtry and surrounding villages

For more information on any of these activities:

Call Miranda on 07751 798287

for a chat or email:

carers@caresco.org.uk

CARESCO office 01487 832105

GLATTON WI

We meet on 2nd Thursday of the Month
at 7.15pm in the Village Hall, Glatton

We start the evening with WI business
followed by an activity or talk then refreshments

Thursday 13 December

Christmas Party

Thursday 10 January

New Year's Dinner out

You are very welcome to join us

For more information see
the WI website at www.theWI.org.uk
or www.glatton.org.uk

Find us on Facebook 'Huntingdon & Peterborough WIs'



CARESCO CHARITY SHOP

Thank you to everyone who has supported
us during 2018, it has been an amazing year

We look forward to seeing you in 2019, raising money
for our local charity and enabling CARESCO to
provide care services and activities
for local people.

** Please note that we will close
4.00pm on Saturday 22 December
and reopen at
9.00am on Wednesday 2 January **



7 Greenways, Sawtry, 01487 208026

SAWTRY WI

In Aid of the WI Hall, Gidding Rd, PE28 5TS

BINGO

Friday 14 December, 11 January & 8 March

Everyone welcome - Eyes down 7.30pm

Rosemary Jubb - 01487 830243



Charity Number 229016



SAWTRY WI

WI Hall, Gidding Road, PE28 5TS
(wheelchair access and hearing loop)
Charity Number 229016

KNIT & KNATTER CRAFT GROUP

Every Wednesday afternoon, 2 - 4pm, in the WI Hall
£1.00 a session

Everyone welcome, call in or phone

Maureen on 01487 832841 for further details

PATCHWORK & QUILTING GROUP

Every Second Monday each month
11am - 3pm, in the WI Hall
£1.00 a session

Everyone (including beginners) welcome,
call in or phone Jacqueline on 07841 647345



SAWTRY WINEMAKERS

Calendar of Events

Wednesday 19 December
Christmas Party

With Upwood Ukuleles, raising money for MAGPAS

Wednesday 16 January

Rosé Wine Demonstration by Jenny and Babs

Sawtry Winemakers hold a monthly meeting at the Old School Hall every third Wednesday of each month. Our aim is to promote the making and enjoyment of homemade wines and beers, to share the results of our efforts and encourage new wine and beer makers.

We held our 48th Annual Show in 2018 at the Old School Hall, which was again well supported by the members with large entries in the nineteen classes. The Society has supported many charities and good causes during 2018 with donations being made to "Hearing Dogs for Deaf People", "CARESCO - Sawtry Eye", "The Feast Week Supper", "The Sawtry Carnival", "The British Legion", MAGPAS and "The RNLI". This could not be done without the goodwill and generosity of our members. You will be very welcome to come along to our meetings.

For more information call Eileen 01487 830020

SAWTRY WINEMAKERS

A recipe for you to try ...

For a light, crisp rosé-type of wine, you will need:

- 3 x 1 litres carton red grape juice
- 2 grapefruits
- 2lb sugar
- 2.5 pints water
- Yeast and nutrient

Dissolve the sugar in 2.5 pints of boiling water. Pour into demijohn when cool. Add 1 litre of grape juice plus the juice of the two grapefruits. Add yeast and nutrient.

A vigorous fermentation should follow. When fermentation quietens add another litre of grape juice and wait again until fermentation quietens before adding third litre of grape juice.

As fermentation quietens top up to neck of demijohn with cooled boiled water. Rack as necessary, topping up with grape juice as required.



SAWTRY WI

In Aid of the WI Hall,
Gidding Rd, PE28 5TS

CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA

Thursday 13 December
2.30 - 4pm
Tickets £4.50

Crafts, Books, Cakes & Raffle

Everyone welcome

Contact: Roz Rowland 01487 831793

Charity Number 229016

SEWING & CRAFT WORKSHOPS

Themes	Mondays
Festive Fun Refresh your skills, bring any festive project	3 December - 2pm - 5pm 17 December - 7pm - 10pm
Scrapbooking Absorbing and creative	4 February, 2pm - 5pm
Knitting & Crochet For beginners and improvers	4 March - 2pm - 5pm

A list of what to bring will be provided. A tutor will be present at all workshops to give help, support and guidance.

Workshop enquiries to Jacqui on 07841 647345, email j.svensson@btopenworld.com

Bookings & payments in advance only to CARESCO on 01487 832105, office@caresco.org.uk

£5 per workshop - proceeds to CARESCO

At the CARESCO Centre, Green End Road, Sawtry PE28 5UX



SAWTRY ALLOTMENTEERS

Well, another Autumn is upon us and what a good year we have had. The Summer was an absolute blinder and most of the allotments have had a productive season.

The village has allotments at St Judith's Field where there are some vacancies waiting for a new beginner, experienced Allotmenteer or keen gardener. You can contact Sawtry Parish Council for details of availability and come and join us in producing your very own fruit, vegetables and flowers. They really do taste better than supermarket supplied.

The Sawtry Allotmentees is a new group formed from the St Judith's Allotments and have recently held their first get together to discuss issues, plans for the Garden Plots and to assist each other by passing on information, tips and knowledge to each other.

Allotments assist us in giving us exercise to keep fit, they show us nature and the seasons at their best with wildlife and green surroundings and help us in our mental health and relaxation.

If you are a school, small group or simply a person in need of a hobby and interested in working an allotment, then come and join us and get ready for next Spring. We will be arranging another get together at the beginning of December for a chat and update and anyone interested in attending can contact us via Btrevorbrown@aol.com or through the Sawtry Parish Council office for information about vacant allotments, details and availability.

Trevor Brown



Sawtry Fireworks

On a pleasant Autumn evening around 1000 people attended the Sawtry Bonfire and Firework Display organised by Sawtry Sports & Leisure Association, on 4 November at Greenfield.



Sawtry Sports and Leisure Association would particularly like to thank Sawtry Parish Council for their support. Also thanks must go to the staff at Best One, Cooper's Garage, the CARESCO Shop and the Parish Council office for their help with ticket sales, to CARESCO Printshop for printing tickets and posters, Matt Lawman for building the bonfire and Dave Latham for overseeing the lighting of it, Kevin Medlock for music and public address services and Jayne Markwell and Jean Hardy for first aid cover. Thanks also to East Anglian Galvanising Ltd for making their car park available for use on the night and for sponsoring tickets and posters, also Agrii Ltd for the pallets for the bonfire.

Thank you to special guest Councillor Russell Gadsby for lighting the bonfire. The 50+ volunteers from Sawtry Colts Football Club, Sawtry Cricket Club, Sawtry Football Club, Sawtry Fishing Club, Falcon Cricket Club, St Ives Cycling Club and the committee and friends of Sawtry Sports and Leisure Association who helped set up during the day and worked during the evening deserve a special thankyou.

Mike Patchett

DRINKS QUIZ

WINNER

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent quiz sheet and congratulations to our winner, Tina Harwood.

We are currently selling the annual Lions quiz sheet which is available from the CARESCO Centre for £1.50.

Please keep an eye out for our future challenges!

CARESCO

GRATITUDE

Our thanks to those faithful contributors who have written items for the Eye in the past, but for whom for now we are unable to find space. Thank you for giving your time and effort to the magazine for the enjoyment of others.

The Sawtry Eye Team

STRICTLY DANCING

FRIDAY 9 NOVEMBER

After expenses, £506 was raised for Sawtry Feast Supper funds. Amazing! Thank you so much for your support - attending the Dance, donating raffle prizes, helping in any way.

Special thanks to David Whisker - any dates free in 2019, David?

Dick and Pam Tuplin.

**Merry
Christmas**



SAWTRY CHORALE

We are in the midst of our preparations for a busy Festive period and getting close to the culmination of all our efforts. We will be performing in Sawtry in our Christmas concert at **All Saints Church on Saturday 15 December** starting at 7.30pm.

We would love to welcome you where you will enjoy a mixed programme of Christmas choral pieces, well known carols, Christmas songs and solo performances from our members. Our concert will also feature a Christmas Cantata, "The Flower of Bethlehem" by Eric Thiman.

As always our concert will include a bit of festive cheer and raffle. Any profit from the concert will be shared between the Chorale and All Saints Church. Tickets are £10, available from to Church or Chorale members or by calling 01487 831435, children of Primary School age come free.

We are always looking for new members (particularly men), so if you would like to sing with us please contact 07745 618364 or come along to rehearsal - Wednesdays 7.45pm in the Methodist Church Hall in Sawtry. You don't need to read music, just like to sing.



SAWTRY VILLAGE ACADEMY NEWS



Sawtry Village
Academy

Year 7 have settled in well and are already making their mark in the world of sport with the Girls Football team becoming District U13 Football Champions and the Boys showing continued grit and determination to improve their game. Many students supported a very exciting and busy Open Evening in October. Early indications suggest that student intake for 2019 has increased for the third year running.

The Academy supported the Festival of Remembrance though the production of poppies made from recycled drinks bottles to be used as part of the Poppy Installation at the Parish Council. In addition, we held our own Service of Remembrance, which saw student Cadets parade with members of the Sawtry British Legion. A short service, was delivered to students and community members. The photos are now on our Facebook Page.

Fundraising for local charitable causes is underway and has so far raised £65.18 through our work during Black History Month with a further £41.64 through the sale of cakes for Sawtry Foodbank.

There was a 12 hour Musicathon on 17 November to raise funds to support the continued development of the stage and technical equipment. This has had a recent boost via a £1000 donation from Persimmon Homes, which will go towards a portable PA system.

Building work on the main field is well underway, progress can be seen via daily updates on the SVA website <https://www.sawtryva.org/new-build>. The old library is also having a make-over to become a new Post 16 centre from early 2019. A very happy Christmas from us all at SVA.

Please visit our Facebook page or website www.sawtryva.org to find more detailed information. You can also follow us on Twitter @Sawtryva.

Sarah Wilson, Principal

Fen Lane, Sawtry, Cambridgeshire, PE28 5TQ

T: 01487 830701; F: 01487 831679; Email enquiries@sawtrycc.org; or visit www.sawtryva.org



SAWTRY HISTORY THEN & NOW

Our ongoing series on stories from Sawtry's past

Prisoner of War Camp 59



The Prisoner of War camp is situated on Wood Walton Lane, Sawtry and was built by the Pioneer Corps in 1940. It originally housed Italian Prisoners until 1943 then held German Prisoners. The camp was extensive and accommodated from 700 - 900 prisoners at one time, with a large contingent of soldiers guarding them. Buildings included the Officers' Mess, Soldiers Billets, Canteen and Billiard Room, Foodstore and Guardroom, there was also a Post Office for the prisoners to send letters home every 6 months.

Many prisoners worked in and around the villages on farms, offices on the camp and ran the Post Office, a privileged position as they had their own house. One such prisoner, Peter Kaldenhoff, worked as a clerk in the accounts office and was given a testimonial by a Camp Officer stating that he had excelled himself being hard working, very intelligent, could type and carry out jobs without supervision, he also had a good knowledge of the English language. Another prisoner, Karl Kern, was transferred from Yorkshire to Sawtry for the offence of fraternisation. Here he met with another prisoner from his home town who was the mail orderly and was looking for a replacement as he was being repatriated back to Germany, Karl got the job. Part of his duties was to collect the mail and act as an interpreter. This position held lots of perks, trips to the kitchen for hot drinks and sometimes bacon and eggs, he even got extra blankets when it was cold. Jack, a British Lance Corporal, was assigned to work with him. Karl later married an English girl and ended up in America with his family.

There were many tragedies in the camp. One Italian named Silvio Stocco sadly died on 16 July 1943. He went missing which prompted a search thinking that he had escaped, but was sadly found in a drainage tank within the confines of the camp, the verdict was suicide. He was buried in the All Saints Churchyard. An agreement was made after the war by the Imperial War Graves Commission that the grave was maintained by the Church Council for the payment of 5 shillings per annum. This was done until 1957 when the Italian authorities decided to concentrate the remains of Italian Nationals in a Cemetery at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey.

In March 1948 at a rail crossing near Conington North signal box and in dense fog, ten minutes after sunrise a light engine travelling at about 20 mph collided with a Fordson covered lorry crossing the line. The lorry from the Huntingdon War Agricultural Executive Committee was destroyed. It was carrying ten German prisoners of war to their work on local farms. Three prisoners were killed outright and three others plus the driver later died in hospital. The remaining five were seriously injured.

In 1947 regulations were relaxed and those who were not receiving punishment could apply for a pass once a month and go outside the camp within a 5 mile radius.

The camp closed in late 1948 and in 1949 turned into social housing until 1952 / 3 after which it became a pumping station, connecting local airfields. Some original huts remain and are maintained by a maintenance group. Sawtry Archives has more information and other photos can be seen on Sawtry CCAN, search for 'Prisoner of War Camp'.

Sheila Tibbs & Alan Bottell

For more information and pictures, please visit the Sawtry Community Archive website at <http://sawtry.ccan.co.uk/>

SAWTRY & DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The support the Sawtry Community has given to the 2017 Poppy Appeal has been incredible. Everybody who attended the Thank You BBQ at The Greystones raised £846.87. We also raised £469.78 at Sawtry Carnival. There have been many events during the course of the year. A huge 'THANK YOU' to everybody who organised events to raise money for the Poppy Appeal. The final figure for the 2017 Appeal, which ended on 30 September, was £13,826.49. This is the most the Branch has ever raised.

It has been wonderful to see how the village has honoured the Sawtry Fallen during Remembrance fortnight. The displays have been very moving and so many people have taken a huge interest in the men of Sawtry who gave their lives in WW1. Your support for the Remembrance Day Parade means a great deal and also your understanding with various roads being closed.

There will be an announcement on Facebook when we have the figures for the latest Poppy Appeal. Again, your support is very much appreciated.

If you would like to become a Member of The Royal British Legion, and support the Sawtry Branch, you do not need to have been in the Armed Forces. The annual Membership is £17. You can join following this link <https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/membership>



**If you would like more information please email: Sawtry.Secretary@rbl.community
mobile: 07864 296519 or Carol Stobbs on 01487 834338
email: carolsonoma@gmail.com.**



SAWTRY SHOW 2019 SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER



Winter is on its way with lots of opportunities to get out and take photos, knit, sew and create ready for next year's Show. There will always be the good old faithful categories of knitting and crocheting, and any other craft can always be entered in the miscellaneous category. The fruit and veg sections are usually pretty much the same every year so you can get sowing in your gardens when the time is right.

Our next committee meeting to decide the individual classes is on 10 January. We would love to have new members with new ideas of how to get more of the community involved – especially the children in the village. If you are interested, email me at the address below for more details.

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

**Carolyn Watts, Show Chairman,
01487 832682, or email watts204@hotmail.com**



SAWTRY FOODBANK - FRIDAYS 3.30 TO 5.30PM

Feeding local people in crisis



Kindness is the greatest gift of all, share your Christmas with everyone

**** Please note: Until early December, we will also welcome donations of Christmas foods to make up hampers and enable those without to also celebrate. Please ensure that use by dates are well beyond the big day. ****

Sawtry Foodbank is open from 3.30 - 5.30pm on Fridays in the CARESCO Centre, for anyone in receipt of a voucher from one of our supporting agencies, or for donations of food.

For more information, please contact the CARESCO office on 01487 832105 or email the team on foodbank@caresco.org.uk.



Carnival Court 2019 Selection & Crowning Evening

Friday 22 March

At Sawtry Club from 7pm
Disco & Raffle - All are welcome

**For more information or an application/booking form please contact sawtrycommittee@gmail.com/
sawtrycarnivalcourt@gmail.com
or call 07799 062276**

Announcing the 2019 Carnival....

Saturday 8 June

12.00 - 5.00pm

*Parade, Rides, Stalls, Food/Drink,
Grand Prize Draw, Entertainment*

This year's theme.....



SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY

September's meeting was presented by The Roman Living History Group based in Sawtry. It was in two parts the first being the make up of the military. This covered the armour and the weapons that the 180,000 soldiers used in their daily lives. The structure of the legions was explained being based on a team of eight, just as our own army is today and the fact that a Century only contained 80 men! They were all honed into a fighting machine that defended with their left hand and fought with their right. The Romans were the first to give us in Britain one capital, Colchester and our area around the Nene valley was very prosperous.

The second part of the evening centred around religion and customs. The Romans gods were originally the Greek gods, but as they occupied other lands they made particular ones more Roman. They used a system of pairing existing gods with their own, gradually replacing the original. One of the most interesting points was how our wishing wells developed from gifts to a water god.

In October, we were treated to the *Life & Times of Thomas Dolby*, a Notable Sawtry Resident 1782 - 1836. This is the story of how a son of Sawtry, a descendent of a publican and a thatcher, rose to be a prominent author, bookseller and printer in London. He printed satirical cartoons and the works of Shakespeare from his shop, opened with a £40 loan from his employer. But hard times beckoned, after printing radical pamphlets he was charged with sedition and had to close the printing business. Thomas was eventually bankrupt and after losing his wife and daughter to illness, he died leaving his second wife. But he left us his memoir which describes the Sawtry of his childhood with details of the Abbey, the three parishes and their churches, a unique window on a passed world.

Future meetings

December *No meeting*
17 January either a screening of *Sawtry All Our Yesterdays* with Mark Windsor Hampton, or our own slide show of Old Sawtry pictures



The History Society meets on the third Thursday of the month in the WI Hall, Gidding Road, Sawtry at 7:30pm Visitors always welcome, entrance is £2.00 by donation.

The SHS Archive is open in the new library from 10:00am to 12:00 noon every Saturday.

For info call Chris Merton 01487 831441

SAWTRY YOUTH PROJECT

Hello! I am writing on behalf of the Sawtry Youth Project Youth Committee to let you know what we've been up to and let you know our plans for the future.

Firstly, we are pleased to announce that our Youth committee has recently reformed; we are very grateful to have SVA's Head Boy, Jake Smith, as our chairperson. Also on the committee is Scarlett Dornelly, Eleanor Gadsby, Billie Gardiner and Tia Buchanan (year 9) and Tilly Warren and Morgan Carter (year 11). We have a great team but any young person with will and commitment would be welcomed with open arms. If you think you'd be up to the job of raising the profile of young people in Sawtry, speak to Catherine Dornelly, the Youth Coordinator. Additionally, you can contact us through the SYP website.

Our litter picks have been going well, but if there's a litter hotspot you would like to make us aware of then please do let us know through the form on the website. We will happily be there as soon as possible in full Womble mode!

Once again, SYP will be proudly hosting the Sawtry Frost Fayre 2018, in association with SSBP and CARESCO. From 11am on 1 December there will be plenty of stalls run by local businesses at Sawtry Village Academy. There will also be a BBQ, raffle and SYP will once again be providing you with Santa's Grotto! Please join us.

Finally, the SYP adult committee are looking for a fundraising coordinator, for more information contact the SYP Senior Committee.

Morgan Carter, Youth Committee

Thanks again for the support you continue to give to this project. As always, if you would like to contact us you can do this via sawtry-youth-project.org or via our **Facebook page - 'Sawtry Youth Project'**



Wildlife Trust – Huntingdonshire Local Group

www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/

Christmas Miscellany

Wednesday 12 December starting at 7.30pm

A celebration of over 30 years of our Local Group, a fun quiz, plus wine and mince pies

Lazy Circles in the Sky – A Lifetime in Conservation

Wednesday 9 January starting at 7.30pm **Speaker:** Jim Stevenson, Senior Ranger

We meet at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB. Booking is not necessary. The entrance charge is £2.50 (accompanied children free). For more information please contact Tim on 01480 457795.

Everyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend.

Part of the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire

Registered Charity No: 1000412

WELLSIDE SURGERY NEWS



Flu Vaccination

Patients falling within the following at risk categories are entitled to the vaccination:

- Aged 65 or above (including those becoming age 65 by 31.03.19)
- Chronic neurological disease (such as Parkinson's or motor neurone disease, or learning disability)
- Chronic heart disease (such as heart failure)
- Chronic respiratory disease, such as severe asthma, COPD or bronchitis
- Diabetes
- Chronic liver disease
- Living in long-stay residential care homes or other long-stay care facilities
- Chronic renal disease at stage 3, 4 or 5
- Weakened immune system due to disease or treatment. Consideration will also be given to the immunisation of household contacts of these patients.
- Splenic dysfunction or asplenia
- All pregnant women (including those who become pregnant during the flu season)
- Morbidly obese (defined as BMI of 40 or above)
- In receipt of a carer's allowance, or who are the main carer for an older or disabled person whose welfare may be at risk if the carer falls ill. Also patients employed as carers in a care home or working in the community.

If you have not had your vaccination yet please call our Reception Team on 01487 830340 to make an appointment.

Online Appointments

Our reception team have reported a number of instances whereby someone has used their online appointment login to book an appointment for someone other than themselves – eg. a parent using their account to book an appointment, then arriving at the surgery and advising that the appointment is actually for their child. The system is not designed to be used in this way, and doing this causes administrative issues at the point of arrival. Please can I remind patients that they should only be using their online accounts to book appointments for themselves, not others. If you are making an appointment on behalf of someone else, please call our reception team.

Christmas and New Year Opening Times

During this period, please submit your repeat prescription requests in plenty of time and remember to allow two working days for your request to be processed.

Monday 24 December	Open as usual	Saturday 29 December	Closed
Tuesday 25 December	Closed	Sunday 30 December	Closed
Wednesday 26 December	Closed	Monday 31 December	Open as usual
Thursday 27 December	Open as usual	Tuesday 1 January	Closed
Friday 28 December	Open as usual	Wednesday 2 January	Open as usual

On behalf of us all here at Wellside Surgery, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our patients, and their friends and families, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs Claire Wright, Practice Manager, Wellside Surgery, Sawtry, Tel: 01487 830340

DOING ANYTHING ON SUNDAY?

Peterborough Conservation Volunteers work on local nature reserves, where you can help us with practical conservation work – scrub clearing, hay-raking, hedge-laying, and similar jobs. We provide tools, gloves, and hot drinks: you provide suitable clothes, boots/wellies, and (wo)manpower. You'll need transport to the sites, but we can often arrange lifts or car shares.



Here's the current programme, all jobs start at 10:00am:

Date	Site	Date	Site
02/12/2018	Fletton Fields Ponds: scrub-cutting	06/01/2019	Archers Wood: hedge-laying
09/12/2018	Monks Wood: glade maintenance	13/01/2019	Archers Wood: hedge-laying
16/12/2018	Old Sulehay: hedge-laying	20/01/2019	Hampton NR: scallop cutting
23/12/2018	Old Sulehay: hedge-laying	27/01/2019	Hampton NR: scallop cutting
30/12/2018	Castor Hanglands: scrub-cutting	03/02/2019	Holywell Ponds: scrub-cutting

Please visit our website (<http://www.p-c-v.co.uk>), or e-mail us at info@p-c-v.co.uk for more information. Note that kids are welcome, but require adult supervision.

NEWS FROM SAWTRY LIBRARY



Christmas Crafts Day

Get festive by making some Christmas Crafts at Sawtry Library on Saturday 8 December from 10.00am - 12.00pm, 50p per child. Also there be the chance to buy a craft pack to take home with you to keep the children busy before Christmas! Craft packs will cost £1.50 each.

Christmas Story Time

Join in with some Christmas stories and songs on Saturday 22 December from 10.00 - 11.30am and make some festive crafts afterwards. Tickets available from Sawtry library and cost £1 per child.

Reindeer Hunt

From 8 December until 12 January you can join in the great Reindeer Hunt. Buy a sheet from the library for £1 and go and try to find all of the reindeer hidden around Sawtry village. There will be a prize for the winning entry drawn out of the hat!

Christmas Quiz

Know your Reindeer from your Elves? Want to show off your Christmas knowledge? Then why not take part in our Christmas Quiz. Pick up an adult or family quiz sheet from the library for £1.00 and use your Christmas knowhow to be in with the chance to win a prize! The quiz will run from 8 December until 12 January.

There will be lots of other Christmas activities too, so pop down to the library in December to see what is happening.

Opening Hours for Sawtry Library

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	3.00pm - 7.00pm
Wednesday	10.00am - 1.00pm and 2.00pm - 5.00pm
Thursday	Closed
Friday	3.00pm - 5.00pm
Saturday	9.30am - 12.30pm

To renew or request books: www.Cambridgeshire.gov.uk/Library. - Enquiries: 0345 045 5225

For further details about any of our events listed here please see a member of staff.

Paul Smith,
District Library Assistant,
Huntingdon, Yaxley and
Sawtry Libraries



REMEMBRANCE

The Sawtry and District Branch of the Royal British Legion
remember the fallen throughout the year.



DECEMBER

Private Albert Edwin GINNS	15 December 1916	Sawtry
Private Ernest Sam ALLEN	20 December 1916	Wood Walton
Lance Corporal Alfred PAYNE M.M.	1 December 1917	Sawtry
Private Harry James BUTT	30 December 1917	Glatton
Private Walter HODSON	30 December 1917	Sawtry

JANUARY

Private Frederick ROSE	7 January 1916	Winwick
Private Charles JARVIS	21 January 1917	Hamerton
Bombardier Thomas Eric DRING	25 January 1942	Sawtry

Those from World War 1
whose date of death is
unknown:

Private B. BURROWS	Holme
Private C. BURTON	Holme
L. HOWE	Hamerton
James JARVIS	Old Weston
A. SMITH	Winwick
Harry TURNER	Old Weston

Those from World War 2
whose date of death is
unknown:

Sergeant Edward CHAMBERS	Old Weston
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At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.



ALL SAINTS' PARISH CHURCH

Church Causeway, Sawtry, PE28 5TD

www.allsaintssawtry.org.uk



December		
2	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
9	10.30am	All Age Worship - Christingle
16	10.30am	Family Nativity
23	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
	6.00pm	Carol Service with mulled wine & mince pies
24	11.30pm	Midnight Service
25	10.30am	All Age Worship - United Service
30	10.30am	Holy Communion, Joint Service with St Nicholas

January		
6	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
13	10.30am	All Age Worship
20	10.30am	Morning Prayer (CW)
27	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)

Sawtry Chorale Christmas Concert, Saturday, 15 December, at All Saints' Church at 7.30 pm. Tickets £10 available in Church or from Joyce Day (01487 831435) or other members of the Chorale.

Monday Morning Prayer A simple service of about half an hour, an opportunity to draw near to God. All are welcome, come and join us if you can. Every Monday at 9:30am at the Church, *except Christmas & New year's Eve*.

Messy Church Saturday 19 January, 4.30 - 6.30pm in church – but-not-as-you-know-it for families of all sizes, shapes and ages. Come and enjoy being messy, with activities, celebration and a meal.

Discoverers - Thursday 13 December & 24 January from 6.45 - 7.45pm in the Church.

Seekers - Thursday 13 December & 24 January from 7.15 - 8.30pm in the Church. For more info contact Ali Scott on 07506 411507 or 01487 832478.



Saturday Opening - All Saints Church is open every Saturday from 2.00 to 4.00pm, for an opportunity to enjoy a moment of peace and quiet, to pray, or share a cup of tea and a chat. A warm welcome awaits you.

Change of Contact Details - During the vacancy at All Saints' you will not be able to contact the Rectory using the old phone number and postal address. All correspondence should now be directed to our Church Secretary, secretary@allsaintssawtry.org.uk. Anyone who would like to get in touch to plan a wedding, baptism, funeral or if you have any other ministry needs, please consult our website www.allsaintssawtry.org.uk where there is information about services and other events as well as email addresses and other contact details.

The Churchwardens can be contacted at - churchwarden@allsaintssawtry.org.uk

ST NICHOLAS PARISH CHURCH

Church Road, Glatton, PE28 5RR



December		
2	9.00am	Holy Communion
9	9.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
16	4.00pm	Family Christmas Carol Service – Nine Lessons
23	9.00am	Morning Prayer (CW)
24	10.00pm	Midnight Mass
25	10.30am	United Service at All Saints
30	10.30am	Holy Communion, Joint Service at All Saints

January		
6	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
13	9.00am	All Age Worship
20	9.00am	Morning Prayer (CW)
27	9.00am	Holy Communion (CW)

Tea Afternoon - Come and join us on 19 December (note 3rd Wednesday) and 16 January in the Village Hall from 3 - 4.30pm. Chat with friends and meet new people.

Christmas Services We will start with Carols sung around the village on Friday 14 December from 7.00pm. The Family Christmas Carol Service on Sunday 16 December starting at 4pm is a great way to enjoy this special time with the Village, followed by Coffee and Mince pies. The Christmas Eve Holy Communion will start at 10pm and there will be a short service on Christmas Day held at All Saints Church in Sawtry.

New Year Lunch A New Year Lunch will be held on Sunday 20 January in the Glatton Village Hall starting at 12.30pm for a 1pm sit down. A great way to start the New Year with friends and some delicious fayre of roast pork and homemade sweets; raffle and bar. Tickets at £12 each can be obtained from the PCC members or contact: Helen Ford 830648 or Rosie Darby 834234.

While St Nicholas is between 'Priest in Charge' at the church, you will not be able to contact the Sawtry Rectory using the old number. We would ask anyone who would like to get in touch to plan a wedding, baptism, funeral or any other ministry need, please contact either of the Churchwardens, John Pigott (on 01487 832401), and / or Joan Meiklejohn (on 01487 831168).

See Glatton website for more information: www.glatton.org.uk



ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST LUKE PETERBOROUGH ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SAWTRY

**** Note new details ** Sawtry Sunday Mass at 5pm **
** at the Methodist Church, Green End Road, Sawtry PE28 5UX **
All are welcome to stay for refreshments afterwards.**

We are a friendly proactive community involved in a number of events in Sawtry and the surrounding villages. St Benedict's also works closely with the other Church communities in Sawtry, as well as our Roman Catholic Parish Church of St. Luke in Orton Malborne, Peterborough.

Contact in Sawtry: Tony – tony.stefanelli04@gmail.com - 01487 830680

**Contact St. Luke's Priest-in-charge: Fr Jeffrey Downie for Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, Funerals, and all other inquiries
- saintlukesparish@yahoo.co.uk - 01733 370877 - <http://www.saintlukesparish.org.uk>**

Find us on:



SAWTRY METHODIST CHURCH

Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX



Weekly Sunday Morning Worship at 10.30am

Candle-Lit Carols
16 December - 6.30pm

Christmas Day
25 December - 10.30am
At All Saints Church

Come and join us, all are welcome

MONDAY UNITED FELLOWSHIP

Monthly starting at 2.30pm - Open to all

We are not meeting in December, restarting on 28 January

Contact Joy Kisby for more information on 01733 566588

SATURDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

9.30 – 11am

All Welcome. Proceeds in aid of Building Project Phase Two

For more information, please contact Church Steward Matt Coates, on 01487 830345

Or email enquiries@sawtrymethodist.org.uk

AN EYE ON NATURE

An incident involving a potential wildlife crime prompted me to write this latest article when I received information about possible badger persecution in Archers Wood this Autumn. Unfortunately the details were sketchy and I could not follow it up without vital information.

Another example of a crime going unreported was on 'my' nature reserve. A man was observed with a bag of bluebell bulbs as he left the wood. He returned another day and was challenged by the same visitor, but no action was taken. This only came to my attention many months after the event so I could do nothing more.

There has been a sharp increase in wildlife crime over the last few years, but it is very difficult to solve without clear information. With this in mind, here are a few tips to help the fight.

Most importantly, do not put yourself in any danger, just observe and take notes. Record vehicle details and registration numbers, what the people were doing and a description of them, the location, time, date of the incidence and take photos if possible.

Then, armed with your information, phone the police wildlife crime liaison officer at Hinchingsbrooke, the owner of the land (eg the Wildlife Trust or RSPB) and, in the case of animal cruelty, the RSPCA crime unit.

Life, sadly, is not perfect and the more we can do to protect our countryside and wildlife, the better.

Martin Baker

The views expressed in this article are solely those of the author

**For more information on our local wildlife, contact the Wildlife Trust:
Phone 01954 713543 or visit www.wildlifebcn.org**



ROTARY CLUB OF PETERBOROUGH ORTONS

The Peterborough Ortons Rotary Club initiated and continues to sponsor the Crocus Cafe, which caters for persons with dementia and their carers. The Rotary Club also have a close working relationship with Nene Park Academy who on Halloween treated members of the Cafe to a splendid afternoon tea. Students chatted to them as they served the tea creating a great inter-generational reaction. The Year 7 choir entertained with songs whilst health and beauty students gave hand massages. At the next meeting the choir from Fulbridge Primary Academy will be signing Christmas songs and carols and later in the month The Salvation Army will be cooking a Christmas lunch for Crocus Club members. Orton Rotary Ladies also provide cakes each month.

The Rotary Club also sponsored Nene Park Academy students in a performance based on The Tempest at the Key Theatre as part of a Shakespeare Festival.

Rotary is a volunteer organisation where members use their skills and time to improve lives of others locally and globally, whilst building friendships and having fun in the process. Why not consider joining us?



If you would like to know more about Rotary please email: orton.rotary@gmail.com

CHANGING ATTITUDES BY EDUCATION

DVSA Test Failure – not my fault! Almost half of young drivers who do not pass their first DVSA Driving Test blame someone else for their failure, says a survey by offer and discount website VoucherCodesPro.co.uk. The results showed that of the 2,254 respondents, aged between 18 – 25, 49% said it was someone else's fault and not the fact that they did not drive to the standard required to pass the Test.

The following excuses were highlighted together with the percentage of respondents who made that excuse: Test Examiner 72%; Other drivers 50%; Their driving instructor 38%; Their parents 19%; Cyclists on the road 15%.

When asked why they blamed the Examiner, the top reason cited (61%) was "he/she made me nervous", while 52% said their driving instructor "didn't prepare them well enough". Parents were said to have hampered the examinee's chances because they could have let them "practice in the family car more often" (43%) and they blamed cyclists because they "are too erratic and unpredictable" (36%).

Unfortunately, this "not my fault" attitude has crept into our culture across the whole of society and reflects itself in drivers and riders of all ages and experience. We all make mistakes from time to time and that includes driving and riding. The Police System of Car and Motorcycle Control teaches people to minimise their mistakes and to anticipate other people's mistakes. There is no such thing as a perfect drive or ride and even as advanced drivers and riders we never stop learning.

Advanced driving and riding is not some form of "black art" but mostly common sense once it is explained to you and you are coached in its implementation. It could save your life or someone else's albeit they are never aware that your improved skills avoided a collision.

This issue's top tip:

Speed limits are not targets. Drive at a speed suitable for the conditions. It is better to arrive a little later than anticipated than not to arrive at all.

RoADARC's mission is to promote safer driving and riding.

We will coach people from 18 years of age upwards so visit our website at www.roadarc.org.uk for details.



SAWTRY AND DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

We had a surprise presentation and luncheon for Maureen Urwin, who is giving up the Captaincy of the Millicent Childs B Team Bowling League. Maureen has been Captain for over 10 years and the Team wished to express their thanks and appreciation for her support and dedication. Maureen will be a hard act to follow.

The photo shows Malcolm Scott presenting Maureen with a bouquet of flowers and a gift token.

Saturday 10 November saw members attending the Presentation Evening at the Old School Hall where all County and Club competition finalist received their trophies and prizes. The AGM was held on 15 November where Pam Martell was installed as this year's President. Thanks, was given to Sandra Deller after many years' service to the club. Mick Rayson takes up his position of National EBF President on 17 November, and we wish him well for his year in office at the top.

Going into the winter months the club still has some activities for members to attend and take part in as follows:

Upcoming events:

Saturday 1 December	Christmas Bingo	7.30pm
Sunday 9 December	Christmas Lunch	12 noon
Saturday 19 January	Burns Night	7:00pm

Any Queries contact - Club Secretary Kevin Bowers - Tel No 01487 832854

Visit our Facebook Page - search Sawtry and District Bowling Club), Our website :- <https://hugofox.com/community/sawtry-and-district-bowling-club-8948/about-us> or search for 'Sawtry and District Bowling Club'



DRAGON YOGA & MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY

Custom-built studio at 11 Ashdale Close, Sawtry 07585 950923 markad@btinternet.com
Yoga, Qigong, Feng Shui, Meditation, Karate, Kickboxing, Weapons, Self-defence

Events and Local Seminars:-

- 2 December - Qigong (Chi Kung) Seminar - All Welcome - Sawtry

Recent Promotions & Awards:-

Janet Clark, Dene Perry, Devon Courquin, Aaron Jeffs, Helen Jean, Rob Allport, Sara Burcham, Karena Key

Classes:

- Thursdays 6.0pm, Martial Arts (family class)
- Thursdays 6.30pm, Yoga & Qigong (Suitable for all)
- Fridays 9.30am, Yoga & Qigong (Suitable for all)
- Saturdays 3pm, Yoga & Qigong (Suitable for all)
- Saturdays 4pm, Martial Arts (Designed for you)
- Private classes available from £10

Instructor - Grandmaster Mark Adlington, 9th Dan
Facebook under "Yoga, Qigong & Meditation" & "Qigong Martial Arts "



SAWTRY WALK TO RUN FOR EVERYONE - EVEN THOSE WHO THINK THEY CAN'T RUN!

If you have seen us running around the village, you will know we are now a very busy Running Club. We cater for all levels from those who think they can't run, to those eyeing up their next ultra. We had nearly 30 runners in the Peterborough Half Marathon with finishing times of between 1.28 and 2.57. We now have two runners working towards their coaching qualification and one of those will be representing the Club in April's London Marathon. Our youngest runners are 12 and we have a number of runners in their 60s.

We not only run and run / walk but we get involved in community events and will be doing a Santa Run collecting items for the food bank on Tuesday 18 December.

Club membership is just £20 for the year and our beginners programme is completely free - our next beginners programme starts on 10 March 2019 but in the meantime you are welcome to join us every Sunday at 9.30am from St Judith's and every Tuesday & Thursday at 7.15pm from the Greystones for our (very) social runs, our 10K Improver runs or our 'get Folksworth15 & Marathon ready' runs.



More details on our website at www.sawtrywalktorun.co.uk,
by emailing Nona at nona19@live.co.uk
or by calling on 07861 740040

Running - it's much more fun than you might think!



SAWTRY COLTS

It's been a busy time over Greenfield - plenty of football interspersed with a few fireworks - here is how the Colts teams have been doing.

The Under 7 (U7) team got off to a good start notching a few early wins but have recently had a couple of losses as well - integrating all the players into playing as a team continues to be the main priority. The U9s, who are a new team this year, are going great guns and are yet to taste defeat in their first 8 matches.

The U10 side have only had the one match lately where they were a player short. They battled tenaciously and were only a goal behind at the half before eventually going down to a loss against Warboys. The U11s have backed up losses to Whittlesey and Bluntisham with victories against March and St Neots as they continue to get to grips with offside.

The U13 Blues have had six wins and 3 losses to date and sit third in their league, just the point off top place. They also won away in the County Cup to Ramsey and now host Huntingdon in the quarter finals. The U13 Yellows have had a tough start beginning with six defeats. Their County Cup run also ended in the first round with a loss to St Ives. Hopefully a hard fought point against Priory will kick start their season and their first win will follow soon.

The U14 Blues are another team seeking that first league win - three draws and four defeats to date - the pick of their results was probably a 2-2 draw away to Gransden. The Blues did win in the cup - 5-4 on penalties after a 0-0 draw and now face St Neots in the quarters. The U14 Yellows lie mid table with 3 wins, a draw and 2 defeats. One of those wins was a 2-1 defeat of the Blues giving the Yellows bragging rights in the village at the moment.

The U15 Blues have a respectable 4 wins and 2 draws from their first 7 matches so far. Their only defeat has come against top of the table Eynesbury. They also continued their cup run with a 3-2 defeat of Brampton in the County Cup. A quarter final tie away to St Ives awaits them in the next round.

So a number of County cup quarter finals to look forward to even if a league title is not looking likely at this stage of the season for any of the Colts teams. Good luck to them all.

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