



## CHARITY OPEN GARDEN



Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July

2 - 4.30 pm

Yew Tree Cottage, Conington Lane  
Conington

Admission £1 per adult

Featuring

'A Gardeners' Question Event' with a panel of  
Expert Gardeners, chaired by  
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Children's Entertainment  
Craft & Cake stalls  
Raffle

For more information call  
Emma Carling - 01487 832 988

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## Garden Fete

All Saints, Sawtry

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June**

2 - 4pm In the Rectory Garden

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Fun and Games for all*

For more information please contact  
Peter or June Davies, 01487 830089



**Sat 6<sup>th</sup> June 12 noon - 3pm**

behind the Old School Hall, Green End Rd  
& Community College Tarmac, Fen Lane, Sawtry

**\* SPECIAL GUEST \***

**PARALYMPIC SWIMMER—LAUREN STEADMAN**

Carnival Parade leaves college at 12 noon (Meet 11.45)

**THEMED FANCY DRESS : MOVIES & TV**

- |                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| * Meet Darth Vader!     | * Bar & Cream Teas                            |
| * Birds of Prey         | * BBQ & Hog Roast                             |
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| * Inflatable fun        |   |

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**come and have some fun !**

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*You can read the Sawtry Eye on the  
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## Upton Summer Fair

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Starting at 11am

In Upton Village Hall

- \* Extensive Plant Stall \* Tombola \* Raffles \*  
Refreshments \* Prize Draw \* Games \*  
\* Cake Stall \*

Our main fundraising event of the year

Raffle tickets now available

Following the Fair at 12.30pm a Ploughman's  
Lunch will be served at £3.50 per head.

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9.45am - 11.30am (During school holidays)

at the CARESCO Centre

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It's the place to be

**Everyone Welcome**

**WANTED: HISTORY OF RARE CAR**

I wonder if you can help me please.

I am the current owner of a 1935 Triumph Gloria Southern Cross 2 seater sports car (but we call the car Gloria for short). The car is green but it may have been blue at some stage. I purchased the car in the UK in 2007 and it now lives with me in Portugal. The registration of the car has been BNB 25 since new and I have retained the number with DVLA. I am trying to trace the history of the car with any information on previous ownership and photos; in fact anything.

According to DVLA records the car was owned at one stage by a David Robert Page who lived at 29, Coppins Close, Sawtry from sometime in the late 1960s until possibly the early 80s. The car was advertised in Pratical Classics magazine in August 1981 with a telephone number of Ramsey 813503.

I am trying to trace David to establish more details about my car during his ownership. I wonder therefore if you could help me in anyway in particular with any photos I could lay my hands on of the car, recollections of anyone who may know David and this car or could put me in touch with him.

The car is very rare only 13 known to exist and Sawtry at that time was a small village so it would certainly have been known in the local community. Any help you could give would be much appreciated.

**David Thomas**

Email: frogfarm@sapo.pt

Address:  
Caixa 207-Z Alfontes,  
Boliqeime 8100-062  
Portugal.

Tel No: 00 351 289366860



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Twinned with  
Weimar**

# Welcome

At last Summer is here and it's the season of Fairs and Fetes, Open Gardens and Concerts. We've got details of loads of community events happening over the next couple of months in and around the local area. There's no excuse to be bored.

A lot of work has gone into revitalising Sawtry's Feast Week (31<sup>st</sup> May – 6<sup>th</sup> June) with loads of events happening in the village run by community groups and organisations. Please give them your support.

We also have appeals for help. A gentleman is trying to track previous owners of his 1935 Triumph (page 2), do you know anything? Also we're looking for memories and tributes in honour of Miss Bennett's retirement from Sawtry Junior School (page 8), do you have anything to contribute? Please get in touch

Liz Coates - Co-Editor



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**Summer Term 2009**

**Start of Term - 20 April**

May Day 4 May

Half Term - 25 May to 29 May

**End of Term - 20 July**

**Autumn Term 2009**

**Start of Term - 3 September**

Half Term - 26-30 October

**End of Term - 19 December**

**Spring Term 2010**

**Start of Term - 5 January**

Half Term - 15 to 19 February

**End of Term - 1 April**

**Summer Term 2010**

**Start of Term - 19 April**

May Day 3 May

Half Term - 31 May - 4 June

**End of Term - 22 July**

Schools have a number of training days available to take at their discretion. Please contact your local school for details. Or check the Cambridgeshire County Council website at <http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/education>



Don't forget - during all weeks containing a bank holiday, collections will take place **ONE DAY LATE**

**HDC REFUSE COLLECTION**

Sawtry, Conington, Glatton & Upton have the same calendar for refuse collection, however the week day may vary.

To find out the exact dates for your property visit <http://applications.huntsdc.gov.uk/applications/refusecollection/> and enter your house number & postcode or call 01480 388388

**GREY (LANDFILL WASTE)**

(Week Beginning)

1, 15 & 29 June 2009

13 & 27 July 2009

**COMPOST (GARDEN WASTE)  
& DRY RECYCLING**

(Week Beginning)

8 & 22 June 2009

6 & 20 July 2009

For more information visit the Hunts District Council website at <http://www.huntsdc.gov.uk> and look for the **Refuse & Recycling** link on the left hand side of the page.



**Sawtry WI**

Sawtry WI meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in the WI Hall, Gidding Road (Wheelchair Access)

**4 June**

My Daughter's Work for Christian Aid in Sierra Leone  
Joy Walker

**9<sup>th</sup> July**

Members' Night & 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations

**August - No Meeting**

Visitors & New Members Welcome

Regular features include: Bring & Buy stall, raffle and refreshments

Secretary 01487 832925

**Registered Charity No. 229016**

**Sawtry WI**

**In Aid of the WI Hall**

**Bingo**

12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> June

10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> July

7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> August

Eyes down 7.30

**Coffee Morning**

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June

10.30am - 12 noon

£1.00

Raffle & Bring & Buy, Cakes & Books

**Strawberry Tea**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

2.30 - 4pm

£3.00

Raffle & Bring & Buy, Cakes & Books

Contact for events 01487 831793

**SAWTRY AND DISTRICT ASTRONOMY SOCIETY**

The Astronomy Society meets at Greenfields Sports Building, Sawtry Fen 7.30pm for a 7.45pm start. Everyone is welcome.

**26<sup>th</sup> June 2009**

'Space Shuttle'

Dave Woodhams



**July 2009**

No Meeting - Summer Break

If the sky is clear you can look through telescopes at the moon, planets, stars and other objects, even see the nearest galaxy to us.

For more information please contact: -

Bernard Dean 01487 832251

Dave Woodhams 01487 831921



2009	Group	Details	Contact No	Page No
31 May – 6 June	Sawtry Parish Council	Feast Week	01487 831771	-
31 May	Sawtry History Society	Open Day	0798494538	7
31 May	Sawtry Parish Council	Sawtry Feast Parade	01487 831771	-
3 June	Sawtry Feast Week	Open Evening	01487 831771	-
3 June	Sawtry Chorale	Open Evening	07770226123	12
6 June	Sawtry Carnival Committee	Sawtry Carnival	01487 832410	Front Page
6 June	Upton Village	Upton Summer Fair	01480 890843	Front Page
7 June	Hammerton Village	Hammerton Summer Fete	01832 293599	6
13 June	All Saints, Sawtry	Garden Fete	01487 830089	Front Page
19 June	Sawtry Junior School	Summer Fete	01487 830204	10
20 June	Sawtry Chorale	Concert	01832 293185	17
25 June	Sawtry WI	Coffee Morning	01487 831793	4
27 June	St Nicholas', Glatton	Garden Fete	01487 830215	Front Page
27 June	Holme Pre-School	Summer Party	07919366435	7
4 July	Dermatology Research	Charity Open Garden	01487 832988	Front Page
10 July	Sawtry Junior School	Family BBQ & Games	01487 830204	10
11 July	Scallywag Riding Club	Dressed in Pink	01487 830128	17
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18 July	St Nicholas', Glatton	Open Gardens	01487 830215	20
23 July	Sawtry WI	Strawberry Tea	01487 831793	4
25 July	Sawtry Methodist Church	Cream Teas	01487 832717	6
3-7 August	Sawtry Churches Together	Waste Watchers Holiday Club	01487 830345	19
22 August	Upton Village	Evelyn Glennie Concert	01480 890843	7
3 September	Sawtry Parish Council	Local Produce Market	01487 831771	-
5 September	All Saints, Sawtry	Hog Roast	01487 830089	18
8 September	CARESCO	Afternoon Tea	01487 832105	-
12 September	Sawtry Show Committee	Sawtry Show	01487 831332	11
3 October	CARESCO	Car Boot	01487 832105	-
3 October	All Saints, Sawtry	Harvest Supper	01487 830089	-
3 December	Sawtry Parish Council	Local Produce Market	01487 831771	6

If you would like to have a date considered for inclusion please email the details along with a contact number to [caresco@sawtry.net](mailto:caresco@sawtry.net) with the subject 'Make a Date'. We cannot include regular meetings/classes as space will not allow, but we would love to know about the special events.

When your organisation fixes dates, do not forget to let us know. Don't 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.

CARESCO is not responsible for the accuracy of the above information. Please check with the individual group concerned.

## Farmers' Markets

Truly local food sold by the people who produce it.

### HUNTINGDON

Alternate Fridays from 8am to 2pm  
in Huntingdon Market Square

12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> June  
10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> July

Organised by Huntingdonshire District Council with the support of Huntingdon Town Centre Partnership.

For more information call 01480 388640  
or email HuntsFarmersMkt@aol.com

### PETERBOROUGH

2nd & 4th Thursdays from 9am to 4pm  
in Long Causeway

Organised by Peterborough City Council.

For more information call 01733 452217  
or visit [www.peterborough.gov.uk](http://www.peterborough.gov.uk)

### RAMSEY

Every 4th Saturday from 8.30am—2pm  
Great Whyte

For further information please contact  
The Ramsey Town Centre Partnership:

Tel: 01487 813612 email: [rampart@btinternet.com](mailto:rampart@btinternet.com)

### OUNDLE

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday from 9am to 2pm  
Market Street

For further information please contact  
Oundle Town Council

Tel: 01832 272055, email: [otc@lineone.net](mailto:otc@lineone.net)

Farmers' markets are different because the food sold there must be from the local area and sold by the people who grow or produce it. Bought-in produce is not allowed.

Buy fresh, high quality produce from the people who can tell you how it was grown or made.

## Traidcraft

Trading as if people matter.

### Saturdays

9.30 - 11.00 am

at Sawtry Methodist Church  
Green End Road, Sawtry

**Traidcraft plc** is a Fairtrade company who sell crafts, foods and papers from the Developing World.

Come and support Fairtrade.

No obligation,  
drop in any time and see.

**Contact** - Liz Coates  
01487 830345

## LOCAL PRODUCE MARKET

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September  
&

Thursday 3 December

8 am—2 pm

Old School Hall, Green End Rd, SAWTRY

For more information please call Diane or Sally in the Parish Office on 01487 831771

## Prize Bingo

In aid of Sawtry Day Centre

**19 June / 31 July / 28 August**

Starts 7.30pm

In the CARESCO Centre,  
Green End Road, Sawtry

Contact Kath Allport on  
01487 831123



### CREAM TEAS

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July  
At 23 Chapel End,  
Sawtry

Tickets £3

Children under 14 free

Start at 3.00 pm.

For more information please call  
01487-832717

In Aid of Sawtry Methodist  
Church Building Fund

## HAMMERTON Summer Fete

SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Starting at 12 noon

At the Old Rectory

To be opened by  
**Shailesh Vara MP**

Many attractions including  
Fun Dog Show  
Photography Exhibition  
& flower Festival  
Contact 01832 293599

## SAWTRY SPORTS AND LEISURE ASSOCIATION

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Will be held at Greenfield

Monday 15 June 2009  
at 7:30 pm.

All welcome

For more information please  
call 01487 831797

## playStop Playgroup



**Every Wednesday 9am - 11am**

(school terms only)

At the Youth & Community Centre, Green End Road, Sawtry

Everyone welcome from bump - school  
We are a friendly group, with lots to do for everyone - crafts, activities and song time.

First visit is free, £1 per family

Come and play and meet new friends

Contact Zoë 07926648638

## Tiny Tots

*is under new management*

**Tuesday 9.30-11.00am**

Methodist Church  
Green End Road, Sawtry

Toys for all ages up to 4 years  
Activities/Crafts/Songs



**£1 per family**  
Includes refreshments  
First visit **FREE**

**Come along and make new friends**

**New members welcome**

For more information call  
Hannah on 01487 831120

Sara on 01733 248 222



## Summer Party 27<sup>th</sup> June 2009

7:30pm to Midnight - Middle Farm, Conington



**Hog Roast / Bar / Disco / Auction /  
Live Band / Ceilidh Dancing / Raffle**

**Tickets Cost £12:50**  
Includes 1 Hog Roast Roll

**To purchase tickets please call**  
07919 366435

or email holmepreschool@yahoo.co.uk

Raising Funds for Holme Pre-School  
(Charity Number: 800560)

Welcome to the

## Sawtry Camera Club

We are a like minded group of photographers who like to try and improve our hobby. We use film, digital and video formats.

All are welcome, young, old, male or female, novice or expert

(We hope to learn from the experts)

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month

At the Methodist Church Hall in Green End Road  
Between 7.00pm and 9.30pm

A free cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit will welcome you.

For more information phone  
01487 830186, 830550 or 832251

### Sawtry Angling



Society

**A.G.M.**

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2009

At the Sawtry Working Men's Club  
Gidding Road, Sawtry

From 8pm

All Members welcome

Call 01487 832410 for more details  
or go to [www.sawtryangling.com](http://www.sawtryangling.com)

*A Charity Evening with*

## *Evelyn Glennie (& Guests)*

*To be held in St Margaret's Church, Upton  
On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August  
Starting at 6.30pm*

*Tickets now available  
£15 per head to include cheese & wine reception afterwards  
in Upton Village Hall*

*Book via [malcolmmalder@hotmail.com](mailto:malcolmmalder@hotmail.com)  
or telephone 01480 890843*

*Proceeds from the concert will be used to  
Support local and national charities*

*Jordan Redhead*

*Happy 9<sup>th</sup> Birthday*

*from Mum, Dad and brother Sam*

## Stroll Down Memory Lane

And see Sawtry's very first Fire Engine!



### SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY OPEN DAY

11am to 4pm Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Old School Hall  
(First event of Feast Week)

To be opened at 11am by Mr A Alexander,  
Chairman of the Parish Council

## Letters ...

### Wanted:- Memories of a Legend

The end of the summer term this year will also be the end of an era with the retirement of Miss Sue Bennett from Sawtry Junior School. Currently Deputy Head, Sue has been at the school since before it moved from the Old School Hall into the current building in 1982. We know she is now teaching her second generation of pupils, their parents having already had the honour of being terrified by a Miss Bennett stare.

What we'd like to do in the next issue (Aug – Sept 09) is have a collection of memories, funny stories, tributes and messages for and about Miss Bennett. So, what do you remember about her? When were you in her class, or were your children in her class? Did you serve in the Country Dancing Team? Were you directed by her in a school production? Please let us know.

If you are still in contact with people who have something interesting to contribute but no longer live in the village, please let them know. We'd love to hear from as many people as possible.

We need your contributions by 13<sup>th</sup> July, in writing to The CARESCO Centre, or by email to [caresco@sawtry.net](mailto:caresco@sawtry.net). Please include your name and address.

## NEARLY NEW

At the time of writing this piece it's raining! But we are now looking for Summer wear for boys & girls and school wear. We have a range of Summer items now in stock, so come along and look for a bargain.

If you bring items in, please remember we can only take 6 items per visit.

Best wishes

*Sarah & Nicole*

## THANK YOU

Lyn & Pat would like to thank everyone for their help and support with the Afternoon Tea to raise funds for **CARESCO** which was held on 28<sup>th</sup> April. Also thank you to **Rumours** for their donation towards the raffle.

The total raised was **£162.51**

## THANK YOU – THANK YOU – THANK YOU

### Volunteers' Week

1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> June

As part of our celebration of volunteers' Week, CARESCO would like to publicly thank all our volunteers who give their time and effort so generously.

**There are too many to name, but you know who you are!**

We always need more volunteers, why not get in touch and find out more

01487 832105 / [caresco@sawtry.net](mailto:caresco@sawtry.net) /  
[www.caresco.org.uk](http://www.caresco.org.uk)

## MS DONATION

Please may I thank **Katie and Kira Noble** of "Greystones", along with all others involved, for raising **£70** for the **MS Society**. Their efforts were on behalf of my late wife who died last September from this dreadful disease and who was step-grandmother to them. Thanks to them and the generosity of the customers of "Greystones", it was a great effort in the economic downturn we are suffering from at the moment.

**Alan Fielding**  
**Fen Lane, Sawtry**

**Write to Sawtry Eye: 'Letters', CARESCO, Green End Road, Sawtry, Huntingdon, Cambs PE28 5UX**



Or email [caresco@sawtry.net](mailto:caresco@sawtry.net) with subject 'Letter for Sawtry Eye'

PLEASE SEE STATEMENT FOR SUBMITTING LETTERS ON PAGE 3

## MARATHON SUE

I did it!! It took me 6hours 36mins and 53 seconds but I completed the London Marathon.

My husband Martin and 7 strong support team followed me around London. It was the perfect day for spectators, not so good for us participants (well not the ones running anyway). I plodded along nicely to mile 13 then had a loo stop. Which was a 10 minute queue then ran / walked for the rest of the time. Another 10 min loo stop and 5 showers. Yes they had them set up at roadside to cool us down. I saw my support team at miles 5, 13 and 22 and they saw me at 25, only because Jordan has collapsed in front of them and as they were videoing I happened to pass by in the background.

The atmosphere was amazing, the costumes fantastic and the crowd support wonderful. I would definitely do it again.

Thank you all for your support I have raised so far £2845 for Cancer Research. My page does not close until 26th July and I would love to make it to £3000 so if you can help please visit [www.justgiving.com/sue50challenge](http://www.justgiving.com/sue50challenge) and pledge a pound (or two).

My next plod is an annual one around Blenheim Palace with Martin so I will still be wandering the streets early hours in the morning. Give me a wave.

Take care and thanks again  
**Sue Prychodny**

## ROBERT DODSON

9/11/1942 – 6/4/2009

On behalf of myself and my family, I would like to thank all of our family, friends and neighbours for all their care and support at this sad and difficult time.

My dear husband Bob passed peacefully away in the home he built after a brave and dignified battle with cancer, surrounded by the family he loved so dearly.

We were overwhelmed by the kindness everyone has shown and the huge number of cards and messages of condolences we received.

Grateful thanks to Drs Smith and Archer, district nurses, McMillan, Marie Curie and Halo nurses. Also the carers from Oakhouse, all of whom helped to make Bob comfortable during his last few precious weeks at home.

Thank you to Rector Malcolm for his kindness and support and for officiating at the funeral, for the many family and friends who filled All Saints Parish Church and for the generous donations for McMillan Nurses and Cancer Research. It was a comfort to see the Church so full.

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way.

**Daphne Dodson**

## THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

What an inspiration Major Phil Packer is to us all. I doubt there are many of us would take on running or even walking the London Marathon, let alone struggling along for two miles each day, for thirteen days and doing so on crutches, to raise money for our injured Service Personnel. There are few careers where men and women risk their lives, each and every day, to bring stability, democracy and peace in foreign lands. Many of these brave men and women come back from tours in war torn countries, maimed and disabled, physically and mentally, in constant pain, their lives changed forever having been made to be dependent on you and me.

Is there something that you can do? Just one or two evenings a year, at Remembrance tide, you could become a volunteer Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal Collector. It really doesn't take very long - Allan Fowler, the Poppy Appeal Organiser, makes certain that you will only have as many roads as you think you can manage.

So, why not phone Allan on 01487 830806 and offer your help with this year's Appeal. You may not be able to run the London Marathon but as long as you are over the age of 16, you can be a Poppy Appeal Collector and do your bit.

Thanks for your help

**Anne Richards**

## DOGGIE ID

My thanks to a very kind gentleman who dropped through my door a dog disc that may have been lost for good. It even came back repaired. I am so grateful; he saved me a trip to town for a new one.

Now my faithful old pal has his ID back.

My thanks

**AOP**

## GEORGE E STORER

21/07/30 – 08/03/09

Beryl and family would like to thank everyone who sent cards and letters and made donations to the National Epilepsy Society. Also thanks to All Saints and those who attended the funeral service. Special thanks to Oak Carers and the District Nurses.

Thanks so much

**Beryl Storer**  
**Moyne Rd, Sawtry**

## WELLSIDE SURGERY NEWS

**National Patient Survey :** Some of you may already be aware that the Government have recently introduced a new survey of GP practices. This survey will be conducted throughout 2010 and 2011 at least. It is similar to the annual in-house survey we have been required to undertake in previous years, however this one will be sent out randomly to patients' homes by IPSOS Mori, the company administering the survey on behalf of the Department of Health, on a quarterly basis. The GP Patient Survey is 8 pages long but can be completed online if preferred (you will be provided with a username and password with your survey).

Some of the questions within the survey – those regarding access to appointments with a GP - have a direct impact on practice funding, and we would be very grateful if all patients receiving a copy of the survey could take a few minutes of their time to complete it. We have recently made changes to our appointment system in order to offer the flexibility of being able to get an appointment within 24 hours, and the ability to pre-book an appointment more than two days ahead, and hopefully this will be reflected in the results. If you would like more information regarding the survey please do not hesitate to contact me or go to the following website - [www.gp-patient.co.uk](http://www.gp-patient.co.uk)

**Meeting with Shailesh Vara MP :** We were pleased to welcome Mr Vara, Member of Parliament for North West Cambridgeshire and Shadow Deputy Leader of the House of Commons, to the surgery recently when he came to meet with GP Partners to discuss issues regarding healthcare provision for the local community.

**Practice Afternoon Closures:** Further training dates have now been confirmed, and the current list of afternoons on which we will be closed throughout the remainder of this year is as follows:

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October

One further date in November remains still to be confirmed

With Best Regards,

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

## SAWTRY JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Time is moving by very fast and by the time you read this article we will be approaching the end of the school year. A lot is happening!

Graham Mason, School Caretaker, is holding a jumble sale in the school hall on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May from 2 – 4 p.m. in aid of the Help for Heroes charity. School will be open on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May from 4 – 7 p.m. for any donations for the sale (no furniture or electrical goods please). If you would like further information please phone 01487 834096/ 07914 815809.

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June the Junior School Association are holding our summer fete from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. There will be a wide range of stalls and a bouncy castle, candy floss, barbecue etc.

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 6 p.m. the Junior School Association are organising a BBQ and games evening. This is a fun, family event!

Other exciting events planned for the children include a Lower School Tudor Day, an Upper School trip to Ramsey Heights, an Ethnic Music Day and Sports Day. Let's hope the weather is good to us and the sun shines!

The school year ends with the Upper School Production and rumour has it that Miss Bennett, our Deputy Headteacher, is retiring at the end of term too!

Finally, if you have any queries about the events we are planning or simply want to make contact then please phone us on 01487 830204 or email [office@sawtry-jun.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@sawtry-jun.cambs.sch.uk)

Look forward to seeing you soon!

**Steve West**  
Headteacher

## News from Sawtry Library

We have had a book promotion at the library, 'Book of the Day', for quite some while. Just lately, we've been asking anyone who takes the recommended book to fill in a very brief review of it for the 'Booktalk' Board. There are special cards for these reviews and anyone who wants to recommend, - or the opposite! - any book, is welcome to fill in one of these for the Booktalk Board where you'll find a supply of cards.

Members of our Young People's Reading Group, 'Sawtry Bookworms' which meets once a month on a Saturday morning, are encouraged to write about what they've been reading, too, and each year, we've put together a Scrapbook showing many of the titles that have been read. We put this out on display at the end of the school year in July when we advertise the Summer Reading Challenge.

This year the Challenge is called 'Quest Seekers' and has a 'Harry Potterish' theme which encourages use of the imagination, so watch out for details. We hope as many children as possible will take part, and we'll welcome children signing on from mid-July.

At the moment, our two Sawtry primary schools are taking part in a special book promotion- 'Read It Again'- that has been put together by Cambridgeshire Libraries. The schools have been lent 8 picture books, all of which are the first book written by their authors, and also, illustrated by the authors, too. The children are asked to look at them all and vote for their favourite title. Schools all over Cambridgeshire take part, so the winner can know that their book has been chosen by thousands of children. This year the choice will be really hard as there are some brilliant books in the competition. We have a set of the titles in the library, so please ask if you'd like to look at them.

'Feast Week' will soon be here, and it looks to be a busy week with lots of really good things going on. This year, the library has been invited to take part, so look out for Our Library Stall on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 7.30pm in the Old School Hall, and on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June outside the Old School Hall from 12 noon. We shall have a small competition to win books (surprise!) for children and lots of things to give away, and some to sell, so hope to see you there.

Please come along and use your local library-the more people who use the library, the better it will be. New visitors to the library are pleasantly surprised at how much is on offer in your own village library-come along and find out.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Sue (Simmons), Library Supervisor  
and all the Staff: Manju, Liza, Debbie & Janet

Library Opening Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 4.00-7.00pm  
Wednesday & Friday 2.00-5.00pm  
Saturday.9.00am-12noon

Tel :0345 045 5225 (*Please note new number 0345.....Call Centre-call any time 8.00am-8.00pm Mon to Sat for renewals and enquiries*) Library Website: [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library)

### SAWTRY SHOW SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER AT SAWTRY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

We hope you are deciding which Classes to enter. At the College we will have far more space than before and to make the Show really successful we are hoping for a record number of entries. This is your village show, it's great fun to participate in as well as to visit, so give it a go this year!

So get those vegetable seeds sown and pick a rainy day to practice a cake recipe – perfect for afternoon tea! Try out some of the children's' arts and crafts ideas, dig out the cross-stitch, or take your camera with you on a day out. Check out a schedule for the full range of classes.

Show Schedules have been distributed to all previous entrants, and there are more copies available from the Parish Council Office, Library, Sawtry Dental Surgery and CARESCO.

All the preliminary arrangements have been made **but we do need some help please.**

We need 5 or 6 people to join our team of stewards on Show Day. This involves arranging the Class displays, supporting the Judges, and supervising during the afternoon. Even if you are a competitor, you may still be a steward. If you are available for the whole day it would be wonderful, but even if you could only manage part of the day, your help would be very much appreciated. We would also like some help on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> between 4.00 and 6.00pm to receive and display Art, Crafts and Photography entries.

Please telephone the Parish Clerk on 831771, Babs Sullivan (831332) or Pam Tuplin (830095) with any offer of help.

**Sawtry Show Committee**

## UPTON GARDENING CLUB

Our last evening meeting in April was addressed by Alison Davies, who gave a talk on 'Gardening for the Senses'- a fascinating subject which commanded the full attention of the listeners. Alison's definition of senses extended the boundaries beyond the normally accepted five, and left us with some interesting thoughts and new angles to consider - a very good presentation. We will have to invite her back next year!

In the meantime we embark on our outdoor season in May & June - the highlight of which is our visit to 'Belton House & Gardens' on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June. Belton House is a National Trust property in Lincolnshire - not too far away, and we are looking forward to an enjoyable visit. There are still a few seats available on the coach if you would like to join us - of course NT Members only pay for the coach, which is scheduled to pick up in Upton and Sawtry. For further information, or to book seats contact Ian Plum on the number below.

We meet at Upton Village Hall on the third Wednesday of every month, at 7.30pm - if further details required contact Ian Plum on 01832 293599.

## SAWTRY ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

As most members maybe aware Terry Puddifoot has resigned as the Association Secretary. Terry served many years as secretary and we owe him a big vote of thanks for the work he has done.

I was asked by the Chairman to take over as Secretary until the next AGM which will take place in September, date to be arranged nearer the time and announced in the Sawtry Eye. Anyone interested in taking on the job please contact me on 01487 833076 so your name can be put forward on the agenda for the AGM. I will be putting my name forward.

At the moment there are ten people on the waiting list for allotments, I have requested via the Leisure and Amenities Committee for more land and they have agreed to look into this. Should the extra land be forthcoming it will be sometime before it can be used.

In the meantime anyone who feels a whole allotment is getting too much for their needs and would like to reduce to half at the end of the season please let me know.

Sawtry is again entering the VILLAGE IN BLOOM. The allotments are on the judges' route this year. Most of the allotments are looking good and it's good to see so much starting to grow. However an extra effort in early July for the Village in Bloom would be good.

Unfortunately there have been a few cases of vandalism lately so it's worth keeping an eye open.

**Dick Bacon, Plot 19A - Tel 01487 833076**

## TREE WARDEN REPORT

The new willow fence at the Infant School is mostly growing well and much loved by the children. We had enough willow to make a hemi-spherical dome too. Interesting grasses and herbs have also been planted to create a sensory garden. Many thanks to the volunteers who helped. There are a few wildlife 'houses' to install in the conservation area - for frogs, hedgehogs, birds and butterflies, all funded by the school's fundraising.

The bluebells in Archers and Aversley Woods looked great in mid May. The next highlight, in the woods and around the village, are elderflowers, and unlike bluebells, these are edible! Why not try making cordial - just a few flower heads, lemons and sugar.

As it has been rather dry of late, please spare a bucket of water for any young trees near you.

**Janet Spencer - Tel 01487 830527**

## SAWTRY CHORALE

Sawtry Chorale is a mixed choir of like minded people who get together on Wednesday evenings in the Sawtry Methodist Church Hall to practice singing a wide range of music, which is then performed at local concerts.

Their latest concerts, just before Easter, included the complete 'Halleluia, what a Saviour' as well as 6 other well loved pieces.

Now rehearsing for their summer concerts, they are holding an Open Evening during Sawtry Feast Week, on Wednesday, 3rd June 2009, between 7.45 and 9.45 pm, at the Sawtry Methodist Church Hall.

Membership of the Chorale is open to anyone who can sing - you don't even have to be able to read music - and if you sing Tenor, you will be welcomed with open arms!

So, if you think that you might like to join the Chorale, or just want to know what they do, come along to the Open Evening.

*We look forward to seeing you there.*  
**Stas Chobrzynski - Publicity Officer**  
**0777 0226 123**

## Going Green

During these days of the 'Credit Crunch' we are all trying to be more green, if only because it is usually a cheaper way to live. Switching things off saves electricity & therefore money; walking saves petrol & therefore money, and so on. However I've recently been forced to become more green than planned and boy is it saving me money!

A few years ago we borrowed a car from my mother-in-law to get us through a crisis. It was only a little ancient run-around, not big enough for a growing family, but it got us through the emergency. By then we'd got used to having a second car and it never went back. We followed the usual pattern, my husband had the 'proper' family car to get to work & I used the little old banger to pop into town or run errands around the village. The old car wasn't used much but was very useful at times.

Then came the snow this winter and my car finally admitted defeat and died. Decisions had to be made. Could we afford to replace it? Did we want to get another one? And more importantly, did we really need a second car at all? We agreed to give it a go and see if we could survive with only one car.

I'm in the fortunate position of being able to walk to work, the kids go to school in the village and with forward planning my husband can work from home if necessary. But it does mean no mid-week shopping trips into town or quick drives around the village because we can't be bothered to walk. Four months later we still only have the one car and we're managing, just. It is inconvenient at times, I do need to plan further ahead, but we are saving a fortune!

It's not just the road tax, insurance, petrol etc as the running costs were relatively cheap with my low mileage. It's the shopping, or lack of it. Sounds daft, but if I don't go into town I can't spend money. You know how it is, we go in with a list but come back with so much more. When I only go once a month or so I have to focus more on the essential list & cut out the expensive browsing. Most of our food shop comes from the Co-op these days & I have to carry it home during the week – a good way of limiting quantity. Local is very cheap when you don't pay for the fuel and only buy what you need!

So having one car is a lot cheaper than we expected & we get to be greener as well.

Eco Apprentice



## SAWTRY'S OWN - VOCAL ACADEMY NEEDS YOU

### VOCAL ACADEMY ARE RECRUITING, CONTACT US SOON

**Do you already sing, or are you keen to learn? Join us!**

**We are the chorus for you! Male voice a cappella singing - there is no sound quite like it!**

It does not matter whether you are an accomplished, fully trained singer, or new to singing. If you're over 15 years old give us a try, you will not be disappointed. We have proved that many people, with our training, have become very talented singers even though they cannot read music. We provide free CDs to learn from when away from rehearsals. If you can read music, that's a bonus, but is certainly not essential. We believe our hobby, singing in four part harmony, should be great fun and base the Vocal Academy around enjoying what we do.

We are very fortunate to be directed by one of the most qualified and respected directors in the UK (Graham Davies – he is also a Sawtry resident). He has directed choruses and quartets to Gold Medal standard who have then represented the UK in the world championships in the USA. He has directed the Vocal Academy to a top 10 chorus position in the UK and last year we came 8<sup>th</sup> out of 38 choruses at the annual British Association of Barbershop Singers (BABS) convention competition in Cheltenham. This is a consistent advancement towards the top and an outstanding achievement, as some of the contestants have been entering the competition for 20+ years and never got into the top 10.

**We are heading for the top. Be part of our success and help make it happen.**

Our members come from a wide area including Sawtry, Cambridge, Bedford, Harlow, King's Lynn and many other places. As Sawtry is close to the A1(M) (Junction 15), we are very easy to get to and, may I add, to get on with.

Come along! Hear us and join in! We meet from 8 to 10pm every Wednesday at Sawtry Junior School, Middlefield Road, Sawtry. You will be made very welcome and we will even take you for a drink of your choice and sandwiches after rehearsal in the local club.

Contacts for prospective members or just come along and give us a try.

**Ron Moore – (Recruitment) - 01733 208549**



## SAWTRY WINEMAKER'S SOCIETY

At the April meeting members enjoyed a delicious two-course meal cooked by Sheila Harland. The meal was a choice of a Chicken or Sausage dish marinated in wine, of course and the puddings were wine based. Well done Sheila for catering for so many of us.

At the time of writing the elderflowers are just beginning to appear in the hedgerows. Keep a look out, the elderflower tree/shrub pops up everywhere in the village. By the time Sawtry Eye goes to print there should be plenty for the pickings. Try this recipe which makes a light, fragrant wine which can be offered to your friends on a balmy summer evening.

- ¾ pt elderflowers
- 3 lemons
- 3 lb sugar
- ¼ lb raisins (chopped)
- 1 tsp grape tannin (or 1 tablespoon of cold strong tea)
- 1 tsp yeast nutrient and 1 tsp of yeast (available from Wilkinsons, Huntingdon)
- 1 gallon of water

Pick the flowers on a sunny day when they are fully open and trim them from the stalks (a bit tedious) until you have ¾ pint of petals. Put into a bucket. Bring the water to the boil and pour over the flowers. Add the sugar, chopped raisins and squeezed lemon juice. When cool add the yeast and nutrient. Cover well and leave to ferment in a warm place for five days, stirring daily. Strain into a demijohn, fit airlock and leave to ferment. When clear siphon off the deposit. Approx two months later siphon off again and bottle.

There is also plenty of rhubarb about. Cover 3lb of washed, chopped rhubarb with 3lb of sugar and leave for 48 hours. Strain the juice into a demijohn, top up to the shoulder and add yeast and nutrient. Ferment on.

### MONTHLY MEETINGS HELD AT THE OLD SCHOOL HALL

Date	Event
19 June	Car Treasure Hunt
15 July	A Trip to the Dogs (Greyhound Racing and Meal)
August	No meeting (Holiday Time!)
16 Sept	Holiday Wines (Bring a bottle back from your hols to share with everyone).

**ALL MEETINGS HELD IN THE "OLD SCHOOL HALL" SAWTRY, THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH, UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED**

**For further information please contact 01487 830020 and leave a message.**

## SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY AND THE COMMUNITY ARCHIVE

Who would have thought it could be such an interesting evening? After all it was our "Annual General Meeting" in March and most people know just how boring AGM's can be:

Madam secretary will now read the minutes of the last meeting .....can we please have a proposer and seconder .....thank you ....and now the Chairpersons annual report.....thank you .....and now the Treasurer .....thank you ....(yawn, yawn , yawn)...and now ....and now.... and now ...and so on ad infinitum!

So was this AGM any different? Well the answer is "Yes" - because the usual business was conducted, but quickly - Marilyn Gautreaux, elected as new Secretary, retiring secretary, Tony Martin, warmly thanked; Bill Allport in as new Treasurer; three committee members elected and Chairman Gordon Townsend agreeing to do the job for another year - and basically that was it - until Gordon then announced a really interesting "Quiz", and soon had everyone scratching heads and trying to remember the answers to posers like:

Which London Tube Line opened in 1969; what colour is Cayenne pepper; who was Sir Lancelot's son; what do Americans call curtains?

The winner was Ann Martin and if like her, you enjoy a quiz then why not have go at our new History Quiz? Organised by Sue Simmons, entry forms are available from the Library, all of the answers will be found at the History Society Open Day and there's a very special prize!

At the April meeting Gordon Townsend gave a talk on "The Pathfinders", the squadrons of aircraft founded in WW2 to pinpoint German targets. Bombing raids often missed their targets and it was Guy Gibson, later of Dambuster fame, who proposed this new force for, having been tasked with finding out why this was, he flew an investigatory flight in bad weather from the English coast to London and landed up over Worcester instead!

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Composed of elite navigators and pilots, flying Sterlings, Halifaxes, Mosquitoes, Wellingtons and Lancasters, these brave crews located the targets, lit them up with flares and bombs and then remained on station to call in the following heavy bomber streams. Consequently they suffered very heavy losses – almost 4000 casualties from the eventual 50,000 plus sorties. The Commanding Officer, an Australian pilot, identified early in his career “as the most efficient airman he had ever met” by Group Captain Harris (later “Bomber Harris” - and who later opposed the idea of a separate Pathfinder force), eventually became Air Vice Marshal Donald Bennett.

The Pathfinders, flying from various fen airfields and with headquarters near Huntingdon are celebrated by the naming of Pathfinder House in Huntingdon and a Museum at RAF Wyton, and there can be no doubt that their brave actions helped shorten the war.

We meet on the third Thursday each month, 7.30pm at the Women’s Institute Hall, Gidding Road. ....and don’t forget our Open Day – Sunday 31st May at the Old School House, Sawtry – 11am to 4pm

And a silly joke to finish – Why did the Romans build straight roads? So their soldiers didn’t go round the bend!

**Alan Bamford**

### Sawtry W.I. – 90 Years Young

The W.I. organisation was started in Canada in 1897 by Adelaide Hoodless. Its purpose was to enable women in rural areas to advance their education, make an impact on their communities and influence local, national and world issues. The first W.I. in the United Kingdom met in North Wales in 1915.

The first meeting of Sawtry W.I. was held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 1919 at the Working Men’s Club in Gidding Road. Women from surrounding areas flocked to join and throughout the 1920s – 1940s the W.I. continued to flourish. In 1922 there were 88 members listed on the register paying an annual subscription of two shillings (10p today). During the war years the ladies worked hard doing their bit for the war effort. Money was raised for village organisations and Peterborough and Huntingdon Hospitals. There was always a summer outing to either London or the seaside and a Christmas party was held for members and village children. Singing and Drama was one of Sawtry W.I.’s special interests and many prizes were won for taking part in various competitions.

In 1955 it was decided to buy the Amicable Hall, Gidding Road for the princely sum of £225.66s and on 5<sup>th</sup> July 1956, (their 37<sup>th</sup> birthday) the Ladies moved in. Of course they celebrated with a very special tea. In fact two of these ladies, Gwynneth Custance and Peggy Green are still members today.

Various improvements to the Hall have been made over time and in 1960 the kitchen and toilets were added to the back. In 2002 a big fundraising campaign was started for a complete refurbishment. This phase is nearing completion and in the summer of this year a new ramp and steps are going to be installed. A toilet for the disabled will be the next project. The hall is used on a regular basis by other organisations in the village who appreciate the modernisation, especially the heating.

Throughout the years many campaigns have been launched at National level – all of which have been supported by Sawtry. ‘Care of Our Environment’, Children’s Diets’, ‘Fair Milk Prices for Farmers’, ‘Violence Against Women’, to name but a few. This year the motion for discussion at the Albert Hall is ‘SOS for Honey Bees’. As individual women we know we have little influence or power but as part of such a larger organisation our views are heard and listened to. We can and do make a difference and have become over time a voice of sanity in an increasingly mad world.

Membership continues to flourish and our monthly meetings are well attended and supported. A variety of topics are presented by various Guest Speakers. A 100 Club, Raffle and Social Time, together with mouth watering refreshments are enjoyed at every meeting.

Yes, we are ‘JAM & JERUSALEM’ and proud to be so but we are a lot more than that. We have fun and enjoyment in each other’s company, we support and help fellow members in any way we can and take our place in the local community, with many members involved in village activities.

The spiritual ideals of the W.I. – Fellowship, Truth, Tolerance and Justice are as strong today as they were in 1897 and long may that be so.

In July 2009 we will be celebrating our 90<sup>th</sup> birthday –LONG MAY THE PARTY LAST.

**Roz Rowland (President Sawtry W.I.)**

## BRITISH AEROBATIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

### Conington Airfield

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July & Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

As in recent years Flying Club Conington have again been invited to host The Mazda British National Aerobatic Championships.

Many of you will be pleased to hear this as the numbers of neighbours who have attended in previous years has increased considerably – they have been thrilled to see such a variety of aircraft and we have been thrilled to see so many of our neighbours.

As always we believe it is a matter of courtesy that we keep our neighbours informed of any unusual activity especially as this is the highlight of the competition calendar in the United Kingdom. We feel very proud to be asked to host the event again as it reflects not only our ability to do so but also the welcome given to our guests by you, our neighbours.

It is possible that you may notice an increase in noise levels during the competition period – this will be influenced by the wind direction on the days.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your support and positive feedback received following our previously held event. As a local provider of employment and a facility that provides both recreational and business opportunities in the area, your continued support means a great deal to us. Can we apologise in advance if our activities disturb your weekend and assure you that we will, as always, do all that we can to minimise any inconvenience.

You will be most welcome to visit us at the airfield anytime, limited parking is available – no charge for parking or entry to the airfield!

Please telephone us at Flying Club Conington on 01487 834161 if you would like more information or visit our website [www.flying-club-coington.co.uk](http://www.flying-club-coington.co.uk)

**Gavin Forrest – Airfield Manager**

## SAWTRY PARISH PLAN

A Parish Plan is a community led initiative and is an essential way of finding out what people think about their village, and what they see the future of their community to be. The last plan was completed in 2005 and it is now time to start a new one.

The Parish Council will support the process and one or two councillors may be on the committee but it will be independent of the Parish Council. Committee members are needed to collect the views of the whole village.

Once produced the Parish Council should consider the plan when making decisions. Copies are also sent to the District and County Councils to be used as a consultative document for them in their policy making.

Anyone who would like more information or to be involved, starting in September, should contact the Parish Council office – Diane Davis, Sawtry Parish Council, 37 Green End Rd  
Tel: 01487 831771 [Clerk@sawtry-pc.gov.uk](mailto:Clerk@sawtry-pc.gov.uk)

## ROGUE TRADERS

Please be careful with door to door sales people. If approached asking for work, if the company is bona fide they should be able to provide a written quote detailing all work to be carried out. Ask for a telephone number, again most reliable companies should be able to provide you with a land line as well as a mobile number.

Reliable trading companies in Sawtry would never make threats to customers!

Do not feel intimidated into having work done and finally question if they can come back the next day to do the work.

If you are concerned for your safety, contact the police.

## Sawtry Chorale

*Half way though Spring and Summer on it's way - must be time for the Sawtry Chorale Summer Concerts!*

*This year, they are performing in Catworth, Sawtry and Alconbury. The Programme includes popular music from various shows and musicals, as well as some other favourites. All three concerts are on Saturdays, starting at 7.30 pm and the details are:*

- Saturday, 13th June 2009 - St Leonard's Church, CATWORTH, tickets £7.00, available from Stas Chobrzynski (01832 293185);
- Saturday, 20th June 2009 - Sawtry College, Sawtry, tickets £7.00, available from Stas Chobrzynski (01832 293185)
- Saturday, 27th June 2009 - Alconbury Church, Alconbury, tickets £7.50, available from Ian Parrot (01480 890096);

## "Dressed In Pink" Sallywag Riding Club



### Sponsored Ride

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July - For Breast Cancer Campaign

The course will cover approx.12 miles across our beautiful countryside, starting from and finishing at Manor House Farm. All entrants must wear PINK!

Entry forms are available from Sallywag Riding Club, details below.

Entrance fee of £15.00 per horse and rider.

Followed by

### "Dance In The Barn"

For Breast Cancer Campaign - 7.30pm - midnight.

Tickets are £12.50 each which includes a 2 course supper and dancing.

There will be a licensed bar.

There again everyone MUST wear a pink item of clothing or there will be an on the spot fine of £1.00 from the "Dressed In Pink for Breast Cancer Campaign" Organisers!

For more information on both events please call Denise on 01487 830128, 07778 027942 or email [info@sallywagridingclub.co.uk](mailto:info@sallywagridingclub.co.uk)

Sallywag Riding Club, Manor House Farm, St Judith's Lane, Sawtry.

Please help us to help the Breast Cancer Campaign - Think Pink on 11th July!



Cambridgeshire  
County Council

## DIGITAL TELEVISION SWITCHOVER

The way we receive our TV signal is changing. The Eastern region's analogue television transmitters will be switched off and television will be transmitted in digital. At Cambridgeshire County Council's Trading Standards Service, we want to ensure that residents are not confused or misled about what this means for them.

**When is it going to happen exactly?** - At present the decision has been made for the switchover to take place in Cambridgeshire during 2011, but no specific date has been set yet.

**What do I need to do now? - There is no need to do anything at this stage.** Digital UK will run a marketing campaign when the date has been set to notify people. Six months before the switchover (at the earliest, June 2010) we would suggest you start to consider whether you will need to make any changes to the way you receive your TV signal. That will give you plenty of time to explore the options available to you.

There have been a number of incidents in other Counties of rogue traders advising people that they need to switch now and charging a lot of money for work that isn't actually needed. There is no need to do anything now, and if you are in any doubt about what action you need to take, you can contact Digital UK on 08456 50 50 50 who can tell you the facts or alternatively look at their website [www.digitaluk.co.uk](http://www.digitaluk.co.uk)

If a trader or salesman has called at your house and misled you, or attempted to mislead you, then we would urge you to contact Consumer Direct on 08454 04 05 06 who will be able to provide you with free, comprehensive advice and pass on the information to our Trading Standards Service. If the trader is still at your property, contact Cambridgeshire Police on 999.

The only circumstance where it may affect you *now* is if you are looking to buy a new TV for other reasons or considering signal/receiver options. Information about what products are suitable and details of approved installers can be found on [www.digitaluk.co.uk](http://www.digitaluk.co.uk).

**More information to come at a later date.**

## LAYOUT OF GARDEN FOR DESIGN AND PLANTING PLAN DESIGNING

You might find this hard to envisage, but think of your garden as an outdoor room. Just as an indoor room is enclosed by a floor, walls, ceilings and doors, so are outdoor rooms defined by the garden floor i.e. the garden plane, or the ground itself, the vertical plane that is the fences, walls and other vertical elements plus not forgetting the overhead plane which would be the tree canopies, fixed built elements pergolas and the like.

It's important when designing to gain some experience in the knowledge of development when deciding to design your garden, be it a scented one, wild life, cottage or any other type of design. Thinking of space and void is paramount here. Space can give privacy but open spaces feel insecure. Do you want the Garden to be enclosed and private, enclosed space or open spaced?

I dare say that you have seen gardens with long winding paths that wind their way around beds, such as herbaceous borders, woodland walks etc; this is movement of space, which ebbs and flows through the garden showing off its design to good effect. Therefore flow and space must be considered here, as it will give excitement and impetus to the overall design.

Style of design, shape & form, structure, texture, scents, colours along with the correct focus on light (i.e. sun and shade), and not forgetting sounds, like that of water are major important elements in the layout of any design and planting plan.

But when it comes to the thinking up of a planting plan, then this is not just a matter of planting any old plant anywhere as this will not work. Much time, money and effort would have been wasted. Preparation is the key to any design you are planning.

Plants crammed in any old how, plants that cannot grow to their full potential, over weeded beds because maintenance cannot be carried out effectively, are just some of the faults with badly designed gardens.

The most challenging part of any planting plan is the plants themselves. Each plant has its own needs and requirements such as location, aspect and soil types, and also ask, will they fit into the overall plan? Then the planting styles must be considered too.

Obviously the best way to know plants is to observe them and to grow them yourselves. But this can be difficult for new gardeners or people with little time on their hands. Even experienced amateur gardeners and some pro's make mistakes too.

But above all patience is a virtue in this business also the understanding that the designing and subsequent development will not be done in three days as in some Television shows. These shows have huge budgets to rely on and a full time team of contractors to carry out the work. Any design needs time to develop to its full potential.

Next time some principles of planting design.

**All the best Plantsman.**

## ALL SAINTS SAWTRY FUNDRAISING

Thank you to all those who supported the recent **Plant Sale**. In real spring-like weather it raised a total of **£390**.

### SUMMER FETE

Our traditional Garden Fete will be held in the Rectory Garden 2.00-4.30pm on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June. We will have displays, craft stalls, refreshments, fun and games for all. The Junior School Country Dancers will be taking part and showing off their skills as will the Wendy Burke School of Dance. If you have any New Gifts, Bric-a-brac, clean and safe toys, books, CDs and DVDs (no videos thank you) that you could donate to these stalls, please contact Peter or June Davies, 01487 830089.

### HOG ROAST

On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September we are holding a HOG ROAST in the Rectory Gardens. Tickets will be available early in July. Book the date in your diary NOW! Tickets **will not** be on sale after 22<sup>nd</sup> August so that we know how many we are catering for.

# Sawtry Methodist Church

Green End Road, Sawtry, Tel 01480 819228

## Sunday Services

Morning Worship at 10.30am  
Sunday School at 10.30am  
Evening Communion at 6.00pm  
(first Sunday of the month)

## SPECIAL SERVICE

### Chapel Anniversary

\*\* 11am \*\*

19<sup>th</sup> July

Michael Benneworth  
Followed by a shared lunch

### Sawtry Carnival

Come and find us in the Churches' Tent at the  
Carnival on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June

### Saturday Coffee Morning

9.30 – 11 am

with Cakes, Traidcraft goods &  
bric-a-brac on sale

*All are welcome*

## What a load of Rubbish!



**Come and find out what you can do  
about it at this year's**

### Sawtry Light Factory Holiday Club

**Monday 3 to Sunday 9 August 2009**

at the Methodist Church, Green End Rd.

For children in School Years 1 and  
above

Advance registration recommended. Come  
to the Methodist Church coffee morning be-  
tween 9.30 and 11am on Saturdays 18<sup>th</sup>  
July, 25<sup>th</sup> July and 1<sup>st</sup> August. We will also  
be at the Churches Together stall at the  
Carnival on 6<sup>th</sup> June.

For more details, contact  
Matt on 01487 830345



# All Saints' Parish Church

Church Causeway, Sawtry

## SUNDAY SERVICES

### June

7 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.30 am	Family Worship
14 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holy Communion
21 <sup>st</sup>	10.30 am	Morning Prayer
28 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holy Communion

### July

5 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.30 am	Family Worship
12 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holy Communion
19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Morning Prayer
26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holy Communion

## SAS SUNDAY CLUB

For all children aged 4 - 10 meet on June  
14, 21 & 28 and July 12 & 19 at 10.15 am  
at the Rectory.

## SEEKERS CLUB

For Young People aged 11 plus, meets on  
June 5 for a barbecue at the Rectory at  
7.30 pm and on July 10 for Rave in the  
Nave at Ely Cathedral (transport provided).

## BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUPS

Meet on Tuesdays at 7.45 pm on June 9 &  
23 and July 7 & 21 and Thursdays at 10.15  
am on June 11 & 25 and July 14 & 23 at  
the Rectory.

## SATURDAY OPENING

The Church is open every Saturday from  
2.00 to 4.00 pm. Do come along and see  
your Church and enjoy a cup of tea and a  
chat - a warm welcome awaits you!

*FOR FURTHER*

*DETAILS RING THE RECTOR:*

Canon Malcolm Griffith  
830215

*There is always a warm  
welcome  
at All Saints'.*

*Do look at our  
websites:*



[www.sawtryallsaintschurch.co.uk](http://www.sawtryallsaintschurch.co.uk)

# St Nicholas Parish Church

Church Road, Glatton

SUNDAY SERVICES

## JUNE

7 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Family Worship
14 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion
21 <sup>st</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion
28 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion

## JULY

5 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
12 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion
19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion
26 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion

### GLATTON ADVENTURERS for 4 – 11s

Children are welcome to join this group which meets on June 7 for Family Worship in Church and on July 3 in Glatton Village Hall. Both at 10.30 am. More details from Shirley Dewar – 831651.

### GLATTON GARDEN FETE Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00 pm

Do come along to this enjoyable event in the grounds of Glatton Hall. Teas, games, sideshows, lots of stalls. Something for everyone.

### GLATTON OPEN GARDENS Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July from 2 - 4.00 pm

Visit some of the most interesting and beautiful gardens in the Village. Entry by programme available on the day. Refreshments and other attractions.

*FOR FURTHER DETAILS RING THE RECTOR: Canon Malcolm Griffith*

*Tel: 01487 830215 Email: rev.griffith@tiscali.co.uk*

## Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Luke's

serving the

**Parish Church of Saint Luke's, Peterborough**

26 Benyon Grove, Orton Malborne, Peterborough. PE2 5XS

**St. Benedict's Community, Sawtry**

(Women's Institute Hall, Gidding Road, Sawtry)

**St Bartholomew's Community, Yaxley**

**and the Hampton's**

Parish Priest: Fr. John Warrington

14 Sellers Grange, Orton Goldhay, Peterborough, PE2 5XX

☎ 01733 370877; email: saintlukesparish@yahoo.co.uk; Website: www.saintlukesparish.org.uk

### Services and Events

Each Saturday: First Mass of Sunday 6pm at St Luke's Church

#### Each Sunday: Sunday Masses

9.15am at the Women's Institute Hall, Gidding Rd, Sawtry  
& 11am at St Luke's Church (inc special liturgy for Children)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: Morning Prayer at 9.40am at St Luke's Church

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: Mass at 10am at St Luke's Church

Saturday: Mass at 9am at St Luke's Church

### ST LUKE'S ANNUAL SUMMER FETE

The Annual Summer Fete takes place on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2009

at St Luke's Church, Benyon Grove, Orton Malborne

**from 12noon**

BBQ, Refreshments, Prize Raffle, Tombola, New-to-You, Books, Toys, Bric-a-Brac,  
Gifts and much more

Come and join us for our Fete.

*For further details please phone Fr John on 01733 370877*

For further information please take a look at our Website at [www.saintlukesparish.org.uk](http://www.saintlukesparish.org.uk)  
and click on Parish News

## REMEMBRANCE

The Sawtry and District Branch of the Royal British Legion remember the fallen throughout the year. In June and July we particularly remember:

### JUNE

Private Arthur J. CLARKE	7 June 1917	Sawtry
Private Arnold INGLESBY	7 June 1917	Glatton
Private Thomas PARROTT	8 June 1917	Sawtry
Sapper Joseph Edwin GINNS	17 June 1940	Sawtry
Private Frederick ROWELL	19 June 1943	Wood Walton
Corporal Sidney WOOLLARD	7 June 1944	Sawtry

### JULY

Lieutenant Millin John SELBY	7 July 1916	Holme
2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Arthur William Spring COWIE	8 July 1916	Hamerton
Private Robert George BAKER	22 July 1916	Holme
Private Edward SPRING	10 July 1917	Winwick
Private John F. PADDISON	31 July 1917	Sawtry
Private Charles Stanley NIGHTINGALE	27 July 1943	Sawtry

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning. We will remember them.

## MATERNITY CHOICES at Hinchingsbrooke Health Care NHS Trust, Huntingdon

Two new ways of working at Hinchingsbrooke Maternity unit will offer women more choice:

### The Primrose Suite - Hinchingsbrooke's new Midwifery Led Birthing Unit

Due to open in June 2009, the Primrose Suite will be an exciting new addition to the choices for women choosing to give birth at Hinchingsbrooke.

Primrose Suite will be available for use by women who choose to birth in a low risk birthing environment within the hospital and who, following an assessment by their Community Midwife, are suitable for birth in a low risk environment. This purpose designed and built area is independent to the labour ward and consists of a reception and waiting area with two birthing rooms and a two bedded rest area. The area is bright and contemporary in design with stylist photography adorning the walls, colourful curtains and toning furniture give this area a comfortable non clinical feel.

The rest area and both birthing rooms are ensuite, with direct access to a new pool room from one birthing room. The rooms are equipped with Bradbury couches and other birthing aids to support women in exploring positions for birth, while medical equipment, such as infant resuscitation tables, are hidden away in keeping with the non clinical theme of the area.

A kitchenette is available for light refreshments so that the new family leaves for home refreshed and ready to enjoy their new arrival.

For women who are low risk, but not suitable for the Primrose Suite or for women who choose to give birth on the labour ward, there will be continued access to the birthing pool and to a low risk birthing room within the main labour ward environment.

For more information please contact your community midwife or the labour ward co-ordinator at Hinchingsbrooke Health Care NHS Trust.

### Neonatal Examination Clinic

From May 2009, women who request early discharge home after a birth in the hospital will be given the choice of either:

- waiting to see a paediatrician to undertake the newborn examination prior to discharge
- or going home with an appointment to return within 72 hours of the baby's birth for the newborn examination which will be undertaken in an outpatient clinic by specially trained midwives or a paediatrician. An appointment for the baby to have its newborn hearing test will be offered alongside the newborn examination appointment; women who have a home birth will also be offered this service.



## Wildlife Trust - Huntingdon Area Group

[www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/](http://www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/)

### **WARESLEY AND GRANSDEN WOODS - Woodland walk on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2009 at 2.30pm**

Waresley and Gransden Woods are adjoining ancient woodland, predominantly comprising ash and oak. Our guide Graham Moorby has been Warden for the past 5 years, but has been visiting the reserve for over 15.

Everyone is very welcome to attend. Please meet at 2.30 pm at GR TL258549. Park in the car park signposted on the minor road between Gransden and Waresley. Suggested donation: adults £2.00, children free.

### **HARDWICK WOOD - Woodland walk on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July at 2.30pm.**

Hardwick Wood is ancient woodland that is surrounded by a substantial wood bank. The traditional practice of coppicing was re-introduced in the 1970s to encourage spring flowers such as oxlip.

Everyone is very welcome to attend. Please meet in Caldecote at the layby by the water treatment works at GR TL350581; parking is available here or in the village. From here we will walk to the wood. Suggested donation: adults £2.00, children free.

### **SUMMER BBQ AND CREATURES OF THE TWILIGHT - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July.**

The programme will start at 5.00pm with a guided walk at Wood Walton Fen, followed by a BBQ from 7.30pm. Anyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend – **Booking essential.**

Please meet at Ramsey Heights Countryside Classroom, Chapel Road, PE26 2RS at 5.00pm for the guided walk and 7.30pm for BBQ and evening activities. BBQ: £7.00 adults, £4.00 children

For more information about any of the above events please visit the website [www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/](http://www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/) or contact George on 01480 450809.

Part of the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Peterborough.

Registered Charity No: 1000412



### **SPRING FEVER**

St Neots and District Cats Protection have had a very successful Winter, despite a shortage of food half way through. The Branch continues to accommodate and re-home cats with regularity. The number of cats through the door has been steady and consistent but new home availability is lower than usual probably as a result of the financial downturn. Kitten numbers have been lower as a result of our extremely successful free neutering scheme in 2008, however, it is still early days and probably the calm before the storm.

### **HARD TO HOME CATS**

We still have 3 hard to home cats within the branch and they have been with us for several months. All are healthy but show some signs of stress or nervousness at times. All they need are experienced owners who have time and patience. All are to be homed separately. Scamp - 4yrs, Large Black and White Male, quiet and nervous. Ed - 2 yrs, Large Black Semi-Coated Male, lovely cat but needs to be homed with no other pets and a sleeping area with hard floors as he has a skin allergy. Stevie G, 18 months, Beautiful Large Black Semi-Coated Male, spoilt and very demanding young man, no other cats with him as he shows signs of aggression towards them. Fine with his original owner but will need his new owner to learn to understand him and meet all his demands, not suitable with children.

### **FREE NEUTERING SCHEME**

We still have funds available to assist with the cost of neutering and spaying cats. Contact us now to obtain your voucher. Neutering prevents the birth of unwanted kittens, spraying, fighting and the spread of infectious diseases. Don't delay, phone us now.

### **GOOD QUALITY BRIC-A-BRAC NEEDED**

Our charity shop in Cross Keys Mall, St Neots continues to be our main source of revenue. They really need good quality bric-a-brac to sell in the shop. (No Electrical Items, we have to pay to dispose of any unsaleable goods). Please take your goods to the shop or contact us for other local drop of points. Donations of cat food are always needed.

**TEL: 01480 476696**

This number is manned by volunteers, if no answer, please leave a message and your call will be returned within 24 hours.

**<http://stneots.cats.org.uk/>**

## CAMBRIDGESHIRE INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTRE

- Do you, or someone you know, have difficulty with everyday tasks?
- We offer free, impartial information and advice on daily living equipment

The Centre displays a range of assistive equipment. We can offer appointments with a State Registered occupational Therapist who can discuss the most suitable equipment for your needs, enabling you to purchase your own equipment with confidence.

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| • Children's equipment -<br>by arrangement | • Kitchen & household aids                 | • Chairs, cushions & back supports                     |
| • Telephones, pagers<br>& alarms           | • Walking aids                             | • Bed, mattresses & equipment<br>to assist positioning |
| • Eating & drinking aids                   | • Office equipment                         |  |
| • Hoists & manual handling<br>equipment    | • Bathing, showering & toileting equipment | • Stairlifts & much more.....                          |

**If you need information or would like to make an appointment to visit us our contact number is: 01480 830495**

Independent Living Centre, Lower Pendrill court, Papworth Everard, Cambridgeshire CB23 3UY  
Email: [info.papworthdlc@cambridgeshirepct.nhs.uk](mailto:info.papworthdlc@cambridgeshirepct.nhs.uk)

The Independent Living Centre in Papworth is staffed by Cambs Primary Care Trust employees and is jointly funded by Cambridgeshire Primary Care Trust and Papworth Trust.

## MORE THAN 90 CAMBRIDGESHIRE WALKS TO DOWNLOAD AND PRINT FREE!

There's no doubt about it, walking is good for you. It's good for your heart, it's good for your lungs, it's good for the muscle and bone growth of your children and it's good for your feeling of wellbeing! Strong scientific evidence now supports the many benefits to health of regular walking – it is recommended that we take at least 10,000 steps a day.

Studies show that walking can:

- Reduce the risk of coronary heart disease and stroke
- Lower blood pressure
- Reduce high cholesterol
- Reduce body fat
- Enhance mental well being

Walking offers a great way to help kids get the active habit. If parents express excitement about the prospect of a walk in the countryside, they are more likely to transmit this feeling to their children. It's important to treat the walk as an exploration or adventure and to go at the child's pace, no matter how often they want to stop and look at things; take treats to eat and plenty to drink; and head for some landmark that will appeal to them such as a castle, a playground, an ice cream van or a boating pond. If children experience walking as part of a fun activity they are more likely to want to go again.

So, how do you find out what is on offer? John Harris, a keen walker, got fed up with the lack of information on walks that were going on in the County. So, he decided that if he couldn't find what he was looking for – he had better create it! So [www.walkingincambridgeshire.co.uk](http://www.walkingincambridgeshire.co.uk) came into being.

[www.walkingincambridgeshire.co.uk](http://www.walkingincambridgeshire.co.uk) gives you all the information you need for the best walking in the County:

Details of more than 90 walks to download and print free, details of all the Cambridgeshire walking groups, maps and walk books – plus loads more information.



## Sawtry MotorCycle Club

First of all well done to all our club members who have supported the club over the years. We are celebrating our tenth year this year.

Now that summer is well and truly here (I hope) everybody should be out and about on their bikes. A word of warning to those of you who like the odd trip out on a Tuesday evening. Last year the Cambridgeshire Constabulary, having cleared up all the local serious crime, seemed to be targeting motorcycles on Tuesday nights. Obviously the club is very supportive of the local police as they are there to protect our houses (although not mine, as a couple of years ago I was burgled) and our property (although not mine, as one of my bikes was stolen, and one was ram-raided on my drive). It seems that targeting a minority group of people out for a leisurely ride seems perfectly acceptable. I have heard that the police have "quotas" of motoring offences that they have to fulfill and we seem to be an easy target. Perhaps they should try the A1M or the A14 early in the morning and catch the mobile phone users and the drivers eating their breakfast at 80mph in the fast lane, or performing major hair surgery in the rear view mirror. I feel a rant coming on, oops, too late. I think I've just had one.

The main thing is to take care, be responsible, enjoy yourselves and be safe.

The club has certainly diversified this year with some of the club members buying off-road machines. That means a bit of "green laning" for some and some motocross "air" time for others. Some manage to combine both but I won't mention any names. If any of you that were thinking about that style of biking you can now pop along on a Tuesday night and have a chat. There is also rumour that someone has even bought a semi-chopped cruiser (and if I can get the thing started I might even manage a ride out on it). Our old image of a "plastic rocket" motorcycle club has certainly changed so come along and get involved. As usual we meet at the Greystones every Tuesday night. There will always be someone there ensuring that the beer is cold and that the seats are kept warm.

Our "Credit Crunch" annual club outing is to the Lakes again this year. The cost of going to Europe again this year was just too much although we have a small party doing a marathon trek across Europe later in the year. More news of that in a future edition of the Eye. We are spending four days travelling around the Lakes and I'm personally looking forward to visiting the Cumbrian Pencil Museum, which has the honour of exhibiting the world's largest pencil. It's the stuff of dreams.

The club now uses Facebook as well as it's own website. The Facebook site is open to anyone to have a look at and there are quite a few photos and videos on there now as well as witty banter. Facebook site: Log onto Facebook and search for sawtry smcc

Sawtry Motor Cycle Club website: [www.sawtrymcc.co.uk](http://www.sawtrymcc.co.uk)

The SMCC Summer Bar-B-Q venue and date will on the websites as well as being advertised on the new Sawtry Motor Cycle Club Notice Board which has been put up just inside the door at the Greystones. It's worth a look as local bikes shows and bike related events will be posted there. Our club Christmas Extravaganza has already been booked for December 5<sup>th</sup>, fancy dress theme "All Things Christmassy" with the band "Frenzy". The venue, as usual, is at The Sawtry Club. This should be a superb function as it's our ten year celebration, so keep an eye out for when the tickets are on sale.

That's all for now apart from the usual blurb about joining the club. We have a selection of tools and access to quite a wide range of motorcycle experience (some of it genuine). We welcome anyone to the club for a ride out on a Tuesday and a beer afterwards. Did I mention we like beer?

Ride outs on Tuesday evenings, depending on weather, 7pm in the Greystones car park.

**Simon S**

## NEW ERA FOR SAWTRY GIRLS

The 23<sup>rd</sup> April saw the start of a new era for girls football at Sawtry Colts as over 40 girls and parents attended their Girls Football Information Evening.

As a direct result of this event twelve new players have started attending training sessions at the club and because of this overwhelming success they are now preparing to introduce a second U12 girls' team next season.

This second U12 team will offer any girls who have past experience of playing football the opportunity to play in a team that will play to a high standard with the team already consisting of five experienced players, with a good level of skill and a good vision of the game.

This team will particularly suit girls who will be moving into school years 6 & 7 in September and are currently playing with a boys' team, but looking to move to a girls' only team.

Of course any girls who have recent experience with a girls' only team would also be welcomed to come along to try out for this new team and interest from any experienced goalkeepers would be very well received.

If you know a girl who would be interested in joining this new team you can contact Steve Purnell for more details on 07964 496259 or [steve.purnell@sawtrycolts.org](mailto:steve.purnell@sawtrycolts.org).

## Sawtry Angling



Hello it's been a while since we put an article in the Sawtry Eye, it's not that nothing's been happening down at Greenfields Lake, but the reverse.

We have undertaken some major landscaping work at the lake including tree & hedge planting, upgrade of swims including 5 new swims suitable for a fishing shelter, each cut out of the bank with a nice bark chipping floor to put yourself on, also a new path has been made along the top end to enable people to walk all

around without the fear of slipping and sliding on the bank side.

The outlet for the lake has also been dredged to gain more control of the water levels. There is also now solid in-field car parking available for members to leave their cars. The ongoing yearly problem with the track down to the lake has now also been solved thanks to the placement of 60 tons of tarmac chippings.

And we still have other projects that we plan to undertake over the next couple of months, more info on this to follow over the next few months.

In March we also had a half page article all about the lake in the national publication "Anglers Mail" & had very positive feedback from it from lots of people & other fishing clubs.

Our A.G.M this year is on the 9<sup>th</sup> June at the Sawtry Working Men's Club from 8pm, all current members are most welcome to attend this event.

We will be running a Plastic Duck Shoot stall at the Sawtry Carnival, it will also be a chance for yourselves to see a display of photos from the lake and have a chat to see what we're all about so we hope to see you there as it should be a great day all round.

It's that time of year for membership renewal, membership this year will be obtainable from Mr Ian Bibby on 07886-608082 and costs are as follows

ADULT MEMBERSHIP	£35.00
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	£40.00
SENIOR MEMBERSHIP	£20.00
JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP	£20.00
REG DISABLED MEMBERSHIP	£20.00

Day tickets are still also available on the bank or from the solicitors in Green End Road at a cost of £5.00 for adults & £3.00 for juniors.

More info can also be obtained from our lake warden: Mr Terry Kelly on 07846-652047.

Or we have a new website [www.sawtryangling.com](http://www.sawtryangling.com) for you to take a look at for even more info or email [info@sawtryangling.com](mailto:info@sawtryangling.com)

Keep fishing and see you next time

**Malcolm**

## SAWTRY & DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

The new season is now several weeks old - it started well with a sunny afternoon for our opening day. A long awaited and very good bowling day, the green bowled well for a first day; a tribute to Derek and all the members who worked so hard to get it and the surrounds into condition. I see Derek has been playing with his latest new piece of gear - a scarifier, after several years of requests!

It was a great joy to see so many new members, both new to the game and experienced bowlers; there were also several new junior members, who will be under the wing of Bernie Shannon and Mark Campbell. I understand Club Shirts are being obtained for them and new competitions to encourage their participation. We can look forward to the needed younger bowlers to carry on the progress of the Club! Oh I forgot, the opening day competition (The Kelvin Cooper Trophy) has another new name on it; Geoff Osborne, whose talents obviously aren't limited to Cooking! Talking of which there was another highly successful Sunday Lunch at the end of April - keep going Geoff!

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## SAWTRY & DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

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After the fine weather at the beginning, it soon deteriorated to its normal cold and sometimes damp that we have come to expect when we embark on every season. Never the less the leagues have got off to a mixed start, and the Over 60's carried on where they left off last season, although under the guidance of the new captain (Roy Goodchild), with a win over Eaton Socon, last season's runners -up. The Hunts League Teams had mixed success; this year we are trying out a new selection system for Leagues and National Competitions Teams - it will probably take a few games to see any results from this.

The social side of the Club continues to be a success with many new Ass. Members, and the events are being well supported.

It has all the appearance of being a very good season. Good bowling to you all.

**Ian Plum**

For more information please call Mick Rayson on 01487 830720

### SAWTRY LADIES HOCKEY CLUB

Sawtry Ladies joined the Cambs league in the 1996. In our first season we finished second in Division Two and were promoted to Division One – and we've been there ever since! Finally, after improving consistently over the last few years, we ended this season League One winners and will be promoted to the Premier Division. Five of our current players were in that original team.

Our final league game was against Cambridge Nomads and we started the game nervously as we knew we needed a win. However once the first goal had been scored we all relaxed and ended the game 8 -1 winners, so winning the league. The champagne was flying!

We had also secured a place in the Cup Final against Saffron Walden and again the nerves were jangling as we started the game. Controversial umpiring saw us going into half time 2 -0 down and the league official had to step in to manage the tricky situation. True to the spirit of the team and helped along by a huge crowd of supporters, we pulled back two goals (scored by Natasha Darrington and Steph Keane) to force a penalty flick decider. Karen Whatley in goal saved three of Saffron's five attempts but nerves got the better of the brave players who put themselves forward to take our flicks and we only managed to score once, so Saffron Walden took the Cup.

We've had a great year and are already planning for our debut in the Premier League. If you'd like to be part of a great team, who know how to have fun as well as playing good hockey, give Karen a ring on 07834 776815.



### SAWTRY CRICKET CLUB

The Cricket season is now well underway, and the Club has had mixed results in the early games, as players find their form. The First X1 is playing in Huntingdon County Cricket c.c. League Division 1, the Second X1 in Division 4, and the Third (Development) X1 in Division 5. Home games are played at Greenfields, Straight Drove (East side of the A1(M)), as are Junior Training Sessions (Friday evenings).

Home matches are scheduled for June 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>, and on July 8<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>. Spectators would be welcome ---- we can provide a chair for you!

We are grateful for the sponsorship the Club receives from local businesses and individuals. It is very much appreciated.

If there are any cricketers or ex-cricketers who, having moved into the area, would like to play again, please would they contact one of the three Captains:

Paul Burcham (Tel. 01487 834699)  
James Wright (Tel. 07890 916314)  
Brian Chapman (Tel. 07988 4786295)

Club details, Fixture Cards etc. may be obtained from the Secretary, Diane Burcham, Tel. (01487 834699) or from me.

**Dick Tuplin**

Chairman (58, Old Great North Road, Sawtry. Tel. 01487 830095)