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SAWTRY FIREWORK DISPLAY

A professional display for all the family

Friday 5th November at Greenfields, Straight Drove, Sawtry



Gates Open 6pm
Bonfire Lit 6.30pm
Fireworks Start 7pm

This year's display is by CAMBRIDGE FIREWORKS – Be Early.

Tickets are available from:-

Cooper's Garage, Flower Patch Florists, Best Friends Sawtry & Sawtry Parish Council Office

Prices:	Adults	£3.00 (£4.00 on the gate)
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Barbecue, tea, coffee, sweets, crisps & soft drinks

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FIREWORK DISPLAY
Voluntarily run by Sawtry Sports & Leisure Association

For more information please call 01487 830837

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** No dumping of rubbish for the bonfire please **



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Green End Road, Sawtry

Traidcraft plc is a Fairtrade company
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Contact - Liz on 01487 830345



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Feast Supper Bingo

Thursday 21st October 2010

At Sawtry Ex-Service Men's Club



7pm Doors Open

7.30pm Eyes Down

For more information
please contact 01487 830571

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Cooking for one boring?

Microwave meals boring?

Eating alone boring?

Ladies and gentlemen you deserve better
You deserve a fresh wholesome home-cooked meal

We meet every Monday and Tuesday
at 10.30am to 1.30pm
at the CARESCO Centre, Green End Road, Sawtry

Come in for a chat and a two course meal including tea and coffee for only £3.70

For more information about
Lunch Club and its activities
Call Lyn at CARESCO on
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Twinned with
Weimar**

Welcome

Congratulations as always to the Sawtry Show committee for another successful year, you can find out who won the trophies in their report. Thank you also to all the committee members of the various groups around the area who manage to keep us all entertained and busy during the dark winter months. There's no excuse for getting bored.

As always at this time of year, there is a lot planned with the word Christmas in the title, but as it is still only September as I write, we won't mention them!

Writing this on the day of the deadline for this issue, I have to say this is a bumper issue there are so many articles and event adverts that have come in over the last couple of days. However on behalf of the editorial team at the Eye, could I gently point out that the deadlines are like the speed limit, they are the absolute maximum, not a target. We do appreciate it if you can get your submissions to us in advance where possible rather than being knocked over in the rush at the last minute!

Liz Coates - Co-Editor



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SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR SAWTRY SCHOOLS

Autumn Term 2010

Half Term – 25 to 29 October
End of Term – 17 December

Spring Term 2011

Start of Term – 5 January
Half Term – 21 – 25 February
End of Term – 8 April

Summer Term 2011

Start of Term – 26 April
May Day 2 May
Half Term – 30 May – 3 June
End of Term – 22 July

Autumn Term 2011

Teacher Training Day 5 September
Start of Term - 6 September
Half Term from 24 - 28 October
End of Term - 16 December

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)

4th & 18th October
1st, 15th & 29th November

COMPOST (GARDEN WASTE) & DRY RECYCLING
(Week Beginning)

11th & 25th October
8th & 22nd November

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 1st Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in the WI Hall, Gidding Road (Wheelchair Access)

7th October 2010

Mrs Francis Ashfield
'Crackers'

Speaker new to us but very good reports from other WI's

4th November 2010

Annual General Meeting night
No speaker

2nd December 2010

Mrs Christine Clarke – Theatrical Make-up
Speaker is new to us but very good reports from other WI's

Visitors & New Members Welcome

Regular features include:

Bring & Buy stall, raffle and refreshments

Secretary Ann Watson 01487 834035

President Margaret Geary 01487 832925

Registered Charity No. 229016

Chairman's Ball
27th November

At Sawtry Community College, Fen Lane

Tickets £25 each

Including a three course meal and live entertainment

Available from the Parish Council Office

For more information call 01487 831771

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Wednesday 27th October, 10.00 to 12.00
Methodist Chapel, Green End Road, Sawtry

£1 for Coffee, or Tea and a Cake
Raffle, Bring and Buy

Everyone Welcome

Please help to make this our best Ever.

For more information please call 01487 830450

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21 October	Sawtry WI	Coffee Morning	01487 834035	8
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5 December	Sawtry Methodist Church	Messy Church	01487 830015	7
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11 December	FOSCC	Christmas Bingo	01487 830303	8
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5 June	Feast Committee	Feast Parade & Service	01487 831771	-
11 June	Carnival Committee	Sawtry Carnival	01487 832410	-

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 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

8th & 22nd October
5th & 19th November

5th Saturday Special on 30th October

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

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

OUNDLE

Every 2nd Saturday from 9am to 2pm
Market Street

For further information please contact
Oundle Town Council
Tel: 01832 272055, email: 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.

SHOWSTOPPERS!

Come to this year's Halloween Alternative

Sunday 31st October - 6-8pm

With songs, games, quizzes and activities
for all ages (Parents included)

Sawtry Methodist Church

Free Admission

For more information please contact
Margaret (834117) or Matt (830345)

It's a Light Factory Special!



SAWTRY AND DISTRICT ASTRONOMY SOCIETY

The Astronomy Society meets at
Greenfields Sports Building, Sawtry
Fen 7.30pm for a 7.45pm start on
the last Friday of the month. Every-
one is welcome.



29 October

South Pacific Eclipse
Jerry Workman



26 November
TBC

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

Glatton Christmas Fayre

Saturday 6th November
at 2.00 pm

There will be mulled wine, cakes,
plants, toys, Christmas tombola,
raffles, games for young and old,
and lots more.

Do come and support us.

For more information contact
Shirley 01487 831651

Bingo

*in Aid of Hill View Residential Home
Social Fund*

Thursday 25th November
7.30pm start

At Sawtry Club, Gidding Road

Contact 01487 831709

Prize Bingo

In aid of Sawtry Day Centre

29th October & 3rd December

Starts 7.30pm

In the CARESCO Centre,
Green End Road, Sawtry

Contact Pat Ayres 01487 832503

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 Rd
Between 7.30pm 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

TINY TOTS

Methodist Church,
Green End Road, Sawtry



Parent, Baby and Toddler Group

Every Tuesday term time
9.30 – 11.00 a.m.

Toys for all ages 0 to 4 years
Activities/Crafts/Songs

£1 per family, First visit FREE
Includes refreshments

**Come along and make new friends
New members welcome**

For more information call
Elaine 01487 830048
Eileen 01487 830020

COME LINE DANCING

Learn to line dance, no partner required.



All ages welcome, come along and make new friends, enjoy yourself and keep fit at the same time.

We are a friendly sociable class, dancing to all types of music; country, pop, contemporary.

Held at Sawtry Community College, Fen Lane, Sawtry

Wednesday evenings (**term time only**)

7 – 7.30pm Beginners' Class
7.30 – 9.30pm – Improvers

£3.50 per session

**Contact: Angela Foster – 01480 891283
Keith Geary – 01487 832925**

Or email: johnangie.foster4@virgin.net



Come and join us for an afternoon of Christmas craft activities, celebration and a meal

For families of all ages

Sunday 5th December From 4pm

At Sawtry Methodist Church,
Green End Road

For more information, please contact Jean on 01487 830015



Registered Charity No:1029997

Exciting Children and Family portraits by Tempest Photography

Tempest Photography will be holding a
CHILDREN AND FAMILY PORTRAIT
SESSION

At Sawtry Preschool Playgroup, Fen Lane, Sawtry

**ON FRIDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2010,
2.00 P.M. TO 5.00 P.M.**

THESE SITTINGS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
Please telephone 01487 832433 or visit playgroup to make a booking.

A choice of different packs of photographs will be available.
Prices from £15.

ALL SAINTS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

**Saturday 13th November
from 10.30 am to 1.00 pm**

Do come to the Old School Hall and pick up lots of bargains for Christmas Tombola, raffle, refreshments and much more

To book tables please ring the Rectory 830215

Sawtry History Society

Meetings are held every third Thursday of the month in the W.I. Hall, Gidding Road, Sawtry at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

21st October

Sutton Hoo Anglo-Saxon Treasure
Stuart Ormes (Peterborough Museum)

18th November

Golden Age of Fen Skating
Robert Burn Murdoch (The Norris Museum, St Ives)

December Meeting

Museum Visit

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME

Our meetings are very friendly affairs. Please come along and find out for yourselves! If you would like more information, contact: -

Secretary Marilyn Gautreaux 01487 834551



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Sawtry WI In Aid of the WI Hall

BINGO

8th and 22nd October 2010
12th and 26th November 2010
10th December 2010 –
Christmas Bingo
Eyes down 7.30pm
Everyone Welcome

COFFEE MORNING

21st October 2010 - 10.30 - 12 noon
£1.00 on the door
Bring and Buy Stall, raffle, cakes and books/jigsaws

SOUP & PUDDING LUNCH

11th November 2010

12 noon to 2pm

Home-made soup with roll and Pudding

Tickets £3.50, available from October from Margaret Geary (01487 832925)
Bring and Buy Stall, raffle, cakes and books/jigsaws

Contact for events

Ann Watson - 01487 834035

Charity Number 229016

Friends of Sawtry Community College

Christmas Bingo

Saturday 11th December

in the College Main Hall

Doors open 7pm

Eyes down at 7.30pm

Refreshments, bar and raffle.

Everyone welcome

All fundraising will go towards on-going cost of the new College minibus

Any queries please contact

David Ellerd-Cheers on 01487 830303



Praise and thanksgiving service

Preacher – Rev David Shaw

Saturday 9 October 2010, 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm at Sawtry Methodist Church

Everyone is welcome to join us for an evening of contemporary praise and worship.

Light refreshments will be provided

Letters ...

Afternoon Tea

To everyone who gave up their time to help, to those who donated cakes, preserves, raffle prizes and any other donations and of course to the members of the public who attended the CARESCO Afternoon Tea on 7th September, thank you. A grand sum of £219.20 was raised for CARESCO.

Thank you all for your support.

Lyn Wallis & Pat Ayres

Tables looking for a new home

CARESCO have two large tables, originally from a cookery classroom, wanting a new home. They are grey topped with wooden legs and two drawers at the front. Measurements are approx 30" (76cm) wide, 60" (152cm) long and 30" (76cm) high.

**For more information please call
Liz on 01487 830345**

Thank you

CARESCO would like to thank Carla, her staff and customers at the Bell for their recent generous donation of £135.40 being from monies raised at their August Bank Holiday 5-a-side competition.

Thank you also to the Sawtry Bowling Club for their donation of £150 presented at their recent end of season celebration at their club House.

As a charity we are dependant on donations and fundraising to continue to provide our services to the community. Thank you to everyone involved.

If you would like to get involved in raising much needed funds for CARESCO, please get in touch with Liz on 01487 832105.

Show Stopping Holiday Club

I'd just like to say a big thank you to Matt (who worked tirelessly all week), his leaders and everyone involved in making this year's holiday club a huge success. These people give up their time and holiday to do this even though I'm sure they have as much fun as the children.

Me? Well I'm still trying to learn the actions to the 'Showstoppers' theme song.

A fun, happy and joyous week. God bless you all

Sandra Meredith, Sawtry

Over the Hill?

Congratulations to Team "Over the Hill" aka Robbie Stefanelli, Adam Thompson, Nigel Greensmith and Steve Maryniak for completing the Oxfam Trailwalker Challenge.

This event is a 100KM walk crossing the South Downs, starting in Petersfield and ending on Brighton race course. The money raised is split between Oxfam and The Gurkha Trust and took place on 17th/18th July. The team started at 8.30am Saturday morning and walked through the night finishing in 27hrs 53 mins.

We are all very proud of their efforts and they all agreed the aching joints and blisters were worth it for such a good cause.

Thank you to everyone who has already sponsored the team and any further donations will be very gratefully accepted, please visit <http://original.justgiving.com/trailwalkeroverthehill> to donate on-line.

Once again, well done guys.

Trish, Sam & Eleanor Maryniak, Sue, Chloe & Nicole Stefanelli

Nearly New

Fridays 9 – 11.30am in the CARESCO Centre

We're back up and running after the summer break and would like to say a big thank you to all those people who kindly donated items to us over the holidays. Although a lot of work to sort and price items, these donations are gratefully received and are really helping to make a lot of money for CARESCO.

We are currently taking in clothes for the colder months along with the usual household items, toys and school uniform.

Please pop in to see us if you have anything you think we could sell. There are also lots of bargains to be had, so come to talk to us about setting up an account.

See you soon

Nicole, Clair and Gill

John Hicks

Liz and family would like to thank everyone for all kind messages of sympathy and flowers which was given to us at this very difficult time. We would also like to thank the Doctors and District Nurses at the Wellside Surgery for their support. At the funeral we arrange a collection which raised £770 and we have given this to the Halo Nurses at Hinchingbrooke Hospital for all their extra support so they can continue to help others.

Thank you once again

Liz Hicks and family

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Or email sawtryeye@caresco.org.uk with subject 'Letter for Sawtry Eye'

PLEASE SEE STATEMENT FOR SUBMITTING LETTERS ON PAGE 3

Doh, a deer... (musings on Sawtry Chorale)

Three years ago I moved into this area and joined Sawtry Chorale, not having sung in a choir since I was at school all those years ago.

Now I sing every Wednesday evening (during term time) in the Tenor section of Sawtry Chorale and, together with the rest of my friends in the choir, we have sung at venues large and small (from Ely Cathedral to a village hall) and to audiences numbering from 13 at a local church, to over 2,000 at Wood Green Animal Shelter.

So am I especially gifted?

Of course not – I could not even read music before I joined Sawtry Chorale, but I am keen to learn and I seem to be able to sing, so I was welcomed with open arms.

I found that Chorale is made up of a number of friendly and willing people, of all ages, who enjoy singing, with an enthusiastic and patient conductor, Shirley, who manages to get us to sound great by the time we need to perform in public.

So do you think that you might enjoy singing a variety of music in an amateur choir?

Then, why not come and join us?

We rehearse every Wednesday evening (in term time) between 7.45 and 9.45 pm at the Methodist Hall (next to the Methodist Church) on Green End Road in Sawtry. You can come along on any rehearsal night and see what we do, with no obligation.

Or you could come along to one of our concerts, and if you like what you see, speak to any one of the chorale members during the interval.

Our Christmas Concerts this year are being held at:

- All Saint's Church in Sawtry, at 7.30 pm, on Saturday 11th December (tickets £6 and £4),
- All Saint's Church in Little Staunton at 8.00 pm on Friday, 17th December (tickets £5),
- We will also be singing a small selection of our Christmas repertoire in the 23rd Annual Wood Green Animal Shelter Christmas Concert at 7.15 pm, on Thursday, 9th December (tickets £3 and £1.50).

Tickets for the Sawtry and Little Staunton concerts can be obtained in advance from the appropriate churches, Chorale members or Tony Scott (telephone 01832 293 385) and some tickets will be available on the door. Wood Green tickets are available through www.woodgreen.org.uk or on the door.

It would be great to see you and if you sing tenor or bass, you will be especially welcome as we are currently experiencing a shortage of members in these ranges.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Stas Chobrzynski
Publicity Officer, Sawtry Chorale
staschob@aol.com
Tel: 0777 0226 123

Dear residents,

Good news PcsO Emily Bryant is now the proud mother of a Baby Girl MARTHA, and will be returning in March 2011 after her maternity leave.

PcsO Gurdip Singh is covering Sawtry with myself in her absence. Could everyone be vigilant if leaving their car unattended in a rural location as several thefts from vehicles have occurred with valuables being taken from the Holme and Conington area.

Have a happy and safe Halloween and bonfire Night.

We can be contacted by ringing 0345 456 456 4 (non emergency) or on our web site www.cambspolice.co.uk.

Thank You

Pc 1796 Paul Sykes
North and West
Huntingdonshire,
Neighbourhood
Policing Team



FAIRTRADE SUPPORTER CONFERENCE

At the time of writing myself and Sally Dalley from the Parish Office are planning a day trip. To where you may ask? We have both registered for a place at the Fairtrade Supporter Conference, in London to be held on Saturday, 9 October 2010.

Following Fairtrade Fortnight in Feb/March, it would be reasonable to say that an injection of up to date information on progress worldwide would be most welcome. We hope to find out how lives are improving for the growers and producers and how we can continue to support their communities through our community and continue to strengthen the Fairtrade status of Sawtry. We may even meet fellow campaigners from other towns and villages. There will be workshops, celebrity speakers and I am informed, tasting sessions of Fairtrade food. What a coincidence hey?

On a serious note, I know that I could do with some fresh impetus how about you? Times are going to get tougher but we should remember what a difference we could make by 'Fairtrade swaps' when we shop. Ideally, continue to buy items with the Fairtrade logo please.

A full report on our 'day trip' will be in the next Eye. We'll try and stick to the main reason for our visit and not just a jolly 'day off'!

In the meantime, don't forget next year's Fairtrade Fortnight which will be from 28th February until 13th March and will be taking the theme of 'Show Off Your Label', encouraging us all to be proud of our Fairtrade purchases.

Amanda Burridge

SAWTRY ST JOHN AMBULANCE

Why we joined St John Ambulance:-

- NOT for the smart, if out date, uniform (soon to be changed).
- NOT because it is an old and historical organisation going back hundreds of years (although we are proud of that fact).
- NOT because every monarch since Queen Victoria has been head of our organisation (a rare and great honour).
- NOT because we like to help our community.
- NOT because we like meeting together (social events can be good fun).
- NOT just so that we can attend events for free.

The reason we joined St John Ambulance is because one day we hope to **make a difference to someone's life.**

There are still **too many people dying because those around them don't know basic first aid** - how to stop a serious bleed, how to open an airway, how to help someone who is choking or has stopped breathing. If we can teach others the basics so that they can help their family and friends, or use the skills we have to help someone, then the hours we have given are worthwhile.

Imagine how you would feel if it was your child, parent or friend who died or was seriously hurt because you didn't know what to do.....

Would you like to learn to make a difference to someone else's life?

For more information contact: Maureen or John Denton on 01733 702727 or come along on a Monday evening at the Sawtry Youth and Community Centre, Green End Road, Sawtry.

Did you know :

- Sawtry is one of only a very few places in Cambridgeshire which has their own Division.
 - Sawtry St John Division has a Badger, Cadet and Adult unit.
 - You can join from 5 years of age to over 65 years (depending on health)
 - You don't have to wear a uniform or do First Aid Duties (adults)
 - The Youth sections don't just do First Aid, they take learn other skills and work as a team.
- Badgers (5-10 yrs) at 17.30 to 18.30
Cadets (10- 17 yrs) at 18.45 to 20.00
Adults (16 yrs +) at 20.00 to 21.30

Going Green

Wasn't the Sawtry Show wonderful? Congratulations to the organising committee on another successful year with a record number of entries.

I guess with more people growing their own veg and keeping poultry, there was likely to be an increase in interest in entering the Show. We certainly found it great fun putting together our craft master pieces, baking cakes and choosing produce – five identical apples was quite a challenge for our new tree. There's always some friendly rivalry and comments that could have come straight out of The Archers!

Our hens did us proud, achieving a certificate in the new class for eggs. I'm not sure how the eggs were judged nor why we were awarded a certificate, but we were delighted to get one none the less. Maybe next year there will be one for duck eggs.

Talking about ducks, our pair became seven this summer with the successful hatching of five ducklings. The female sat patiently for about four weeks, only taking occasional breaks to feed, before we could hear cheeping coming from the hut. The ducklings were gorgeous balls of fluff when they first hatched, though you'd wonder how they ever fitted in the egg! However they grew at an amazing rate, changing daily until by eight weeks they were about the same size as the parents, though the adult plumage has taken longer to come through.

It has been a real privilege and pleasure to watch the ducklings grow up, they are very funny creatures and have given us a lot of entertainment. The best being the day they discovered the pond. But now we need to find new homes for them and this is the crunch, we can't keep them and can't face eating them. Anyone fancy having some ducks?

Eco Apprentice

WELLSIDE SURGERY NEWS

Annual Flu Clinic – The clinic will be held on Saturday 16th October 2010.

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

- Aged 65 or above
- Chronic respiratory disease or asthma which requires continuous or repeated use of inhaled or systemic steroids
- Chronic heart disease
- Chronic renal disease
- Chronic liver disease
- Chronic neurological disease
- Diabetes
- Patients who are immunosuppressed
- Patients who are pregnant and have not previously received the H1N1 vaccination
- If you receive a carer's allowance, or if you are the main carer for an elderly or disabled person whose welfare would be at risk if you were taken ill.

<u>Surnames beginning with:</u>	<u>Please Attend:</u>
A-F	9am-9.45am
G-M	9.45am-10.30am
N-S	10.30am –11.15am
T-Z	11.15am-12pm

ONLINE APPOINTMENT BOOKING – We introduced an online appointment booking in May of this year. This method of booking a consultation with a GP is proving very popular and we would like to thank all of those patients who have taken the time to let us know how pleased they are with the introduction of this facility. If you are not already registered to use the online booking system, but would like to do so, please contact our reception team who will be able to provide you with your personal log in details.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ONLINE APPOINTMENTS NEED TO BE BOOKED VIA A DEDICATED WEBSITE, NOT THE SURGERY WEBSITE.

With Best Regards,

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



Medical Entomology Centre



Insect Research & Development Limited

HEAD LICE

Do you have head lice, or does someone you know have them?

We may be able to help as we are researching a product for the treatment of **head lice**.

- If someone in your family has head lice you might be interested in this study.
- They must be 6 months or older to join and have an active case of head lice.

If you would like to know more about participating in the study, please telephone the study team on
01223 813696 or 0845 4 300 300

NEWS FROM SAWTRY LIBRARY

First of all I would like to say a big Thank-you to Sue Simmons for all her hard work over the years working at Sawtry Library and making it a lovely friendly place to work in.

I would like to introduce myself my name is Pam Goodwin and I am here for 6 months as the Library Supervisor. In the short time I have been here the visitors of Sawtry Library have made me feel very welcome. I hope you all continue to use the library on a regular basis.

Storytimes

Our Storytime Sessions (aimed at children aged 18 months to 5 years) are now continuing on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 2.15 – 2.45.

Please come along and join the fun.

The Space Hop Presentation

Our Summer Reading Challenge "The Space Hop", has been really successful once again this year. We held our presentation for all 46 children who completed the challenge on Thursday 16th September at 4.30pm where they all received a certificate and a medal. I would also like to Thank Sawtry Parish Council for their continuing support of the Reading Challenge.

Teenagers

I am hoping to start a new Teenagers Reading Group in the Library, if you are interested please come along and ask staff for more details.

New to the library

We now have a small collection of jigsaws you can borrow from the library free of charge.

Booksale

We now have new Booksale prices they are 30p each or 4 for a £1.

Sawtry Library Opening Hours:

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	4.00 - 7.00
Wednesday	2.00 – 5.00
Thursday	4.00 - 7.00
Friday	2.00 - 5.00
Saturday	9.00 - 12.00

To renew Books: 0345 045 5225 / To renew or Request Books www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

Pam, Manju and Debbie.

NEWS FROM SAWTRY JUNIOR SCHOOL

The autumn term is well underway at Sawtry Junior School. There are some changes – a new group room has been built at the end of the Upper School corridor and the corridor has been redecorated. The school loft has also been insulated, hopefully cutting down our energy use. We have also been really lucky to have had several sixth form art students from the Community College with us during July. They painted a fantastic wall mural in our reference library which has totally transformed this area. We say a big thank you to these really gifted students.

We have also launched our exciting cross curricular themed topics this term. Lower School have held a beach party to launch their topic on 'Faraway Places', unfortunately the sun did not shine that brightly but that did not stop them enjoying activities such as limbo dancing, hula hooping, rounders, and cricket. The afternoon ended with hot dogs in the 'beach hut' otherwise known as the Music Room! Upper School are studying the theme 'Britain' and have become archaeologists to find the ruins of a castle in our grounds. They went outside and dug up many treasures! They are looking forward to their trip to Warwick Castle in October. The staff have worked really hard to make the curriculum more creative. If you think that you might be able to help us with our two current topics, ('Faraway Places' and Britain), then please do make contact with us!

Here are the Junior School Association events planned so far for this term:

Christmas Bazaar – Friday 26th November – 3.15 to 5.30 p.m.

Christmas Bingo – Tuesday 30th November – 6.30 p.m. for a 6.45 p.m. start

The Lower School Christmas Production will be taking place during the evenings of 7th and 8th December – at 7 p.m. Dress rehearsals will take place on 6th and 7th December in the afternoons. Please contact the School Office if you would like tickets.

Finally, if you want to get in contact with us then we'd love to hear from you.

Contact either office@sawtry-jun.cambs.sch.uk or 01487 830204.

Steve West Headteacher

SAWTRY UNDER SIEGE

In August Cocktails Ltd lodged an application with Huntingdon District Council for a licence to open and operate a Sex Establishment on the site of the defunct Little Chef at Toll Bar Way Sawtry.

This application was destined to be nodded through without a murmur. This is where the story takes a dramatic turn, a small number of committed residents (with young families) raised the alarm. The NoSawtrySexShop steering group was born. At this time let us remind ourselves who this company "Cocktails Ltd" is and what they are about.

High grade (sorry about the oxymoron) pornography of the worst possible kind; so vile that it cannot even be sold over the internet is their stock in trade. The original application also included a cinema, could this be destined for the old Travel Lodge derelict but adjacent to the proposed site?

A formal (written) request for a public meeting was submitted and leafleting of the village by the Steering Group commenced. Some 8,000 full colour sheets were produced and hand delivered by volunteers. Within one week the Community College was booked, speakers were identified. Some 272 concerned and community minded residents gave their attention all of which was recorded and reported on by ITV's Look East. Chaired by Darren Tysoe our newly elected District Councillor the meeting was judged a great success and a number of votes/motions were carried without dissent. However that is not the end of the debate, At the full Parish Council meeting held on the 8th September 2010 a written demand signed by 10 registered voters called for a village referendum to be held.

The Control of Sex Establishments Schedule 3 Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1982 allows Councils to establish and agree a fixed policy on Sex Establishments; indeed many councils across the UK have done exactly this, establishing a zero policy as their benchmark. Regrettably HDC has no such policy.

Where are we now?

Some Facts & Figures

1. Our surgery has some 6,738 registered patients
2. Some 1,496 are 17 years and under
3. The Community College has just started a new school year with approx 1500 pupils.
4. A road traffic survey was conducted on the 8th September by the Steering Group at the entrance to the Toll Bar Way site. The figures as shown will surprise you. Pedestrians 40, Cyclists 15, Cars 2,685, Buses 42, (note 7 of which were packed with children) trucks/vans 481. 3,263 movements on a quiet Wednesday over a 12 hour period (7am-7pm), you begin to see the picture.

HDC tell us they have received 275 of the pro forma objection letters and around 180 personal written objections. Some 455 in all, a magnificent response. Add this to the 1100 plus who signed the village petition and there is little doubt of what the village wants.

So What Can We As Individuals Do?

Clearly if the referendum is seen as the most effective and preferred route then we all must exercise our vote, there will only be one chance.

Whichever route is followed, HDC will have to convene a licensing panel and Sawtry residents and in particular those who have sent in written complaints **MUST ATTEND**.

The meeting is a public one and the bigger the crowd the better the chances of success. If you have difficulty getting there, TELL US, and we will try and provide transport wherever possible. The date of the hearing will be publicised on notice boards all over the village and the Parish Clerk will provide numbers for volunteer drivers, contact her on 831771.

And Afterwards

Whatever the outcome HDC needs to put in place a policy which will protect not just Sawtry but every other resident of Huntingdonshire who may fall prey to companies such as Cocktails Ltd attempting to establish themselves within a village setting.

Signed Alan Morris for the NOSAWTRYSEXSHOP STEERING GROUP

SAWTRY FIGHTING BACK

SAWTRY & STILTON BUSINESS



PARTNERSHIP

The Sawtry and Stilton Business Partnership

are now 18 months old and growing steadily with 30 members. Not only is the group about helping each other in business, but there is an additional social side. Last Spring a social evening at the Sawtry Working Men's Club raised over £850.00 for CARESCO. To follow that success another evening is planned for 2011. What the group would be grateful for is any item(s) that would be suitable for an auction.

If anybody has links with the Media, Personalities or Famous Faces and can obtain autographed or personalised pictures / discs etc they would be gratefully received.

The SSBP is also looking for guest speakers that could entertain the group for 15 / 20 minutes at their meetings. If you can help in any way they would be interested in hearing from you.

If you are an existing business person or budding entrepreneur the SSBP would encourage you to attend a meeting at no cost to yourself. Bring a partner or colleague if you wish. The meetings are held every first Tuesday of the month 7.00pm for 7.30 start at the Working Men's Club, Gidding Road, Sawtry. To join costs only £50.00 for the year with so many benefits.

You can contact either Dave Blackett on 01487 831852 (sawtrymarquees@btinternet.com) or Ralph Maloney on 01487 832683 (ralph@xceptionalmarketing.co.uk).



SAWTRY WINEMAKER'S SOCIETY

At the time of writing signs of Autumn are with us with the start of chilly nights but at the moment the last of the warm summer sun is still being enjoyed and made the most of.

There has been an abundance of Autumn blackberries, elderberries, sloes and rosehips to be picked to make a few gallons of wine to enjoy this winter. Autumn is the season in which the forager cannot fail to find plenty of wild food to collect and also enjoy a good country ramble at the same time and we are so lucky to have all this on our own doorstep in Sawtry. As the leaves of trees and bushes change from their summer green to the wonderful shades of reds and gold, a whole range of fruits become ripe and ready to pick. Crabapples can be collected as late as November and December and can be used to make cider, and sloes are famed for their use in the making of that potent liqueur known as "sloe gin". Try this recipe for a delicious "Elderberry Wine"

1.5 kilos of Elderberries, 1.5 kilos of Sugar, 4.5 litres of Water, Citric Acid, Yeast and Nutrient

Remove the berries from the stalks and weigh them. Crush the berries and pour on boiling water. Allow to cool and add the Yeast, Nutrient and Citric Acid, then stir. Leave for 3 days, stirring daily. Strain onto the sugar, mix and move to a demijohn. Do not fill the demijohn, wait until the initial vigorous fermentation slows, then top up and fit an air lock. Continue until fermentation has finished, then siphon into dark coloured bottles.

**Sawtry Winemakers meet in the Old School Hall on the third Wednesday of every month.
New members always welcome. Contact Eileen on 01487 830020**

8 th , 9 th , 10 th October	Trip to Bournemouth
Wednesday 20 th October	Pub Games Night
Wednesday 17 th November	AGM
Wednesday 15 th December	Christmas Social Evening
Saturday 12 th February 2011	Valentine's Dance, Glatton Village Hall



UPTON GARDENING CLUB

At the meeting held on Wed 15th September it was decided to suspend all activities of the Gardening Club for a period of one year, or until some person agrees to take the job, in hope that somebody will come forward to take over the position of Secretary! It would be a great pity to see the club fold as we have a viable membership of 30+, and all that is required is somebody to organise the speakers and events.

The club has been operating for nearly 20 years and there will be plenty of help and information available to the person willing to undertake the task. It was further agreed that in the event of there being no volunteer, a further meeting will be held on 3rd Wednesday in September 2011, at which the club will be formally wound up and any funds dispersed to an agreed charity.

Contact Ian Plum on 01832 293599.

A Short History of the Rose - Part 1

Rosa. Genus Author. Linnaeus (1753), the rose belongs to the *Rosaceae* family subfamily *Rosiodeae*; it contains c 150 species. They are closely associated to the *Saxfragaceae* and *Crassulaceae* family but roses are a woodier genus.

The *Rosaceae* family is divided into four sections: *Rosiodeae* (Roses), *spiraeoideae*, (*Spiraea*) *meloideae* (Apples) and *prunoideae* (Plums).

The rose has been grown and used extensively throughout history. Members of the *Rosaceae* family ancestry have been found in rocks belonging to the Cretaceous in Nebraska and the mid-tertiary period in Colorado and Oregon.

The oldest known roses are the ancestors of our modern roses; these are the wild roses or species roses that occur all over the northern hemisphere from which all our cultivated varieties are descended, e.g. *Rosa canina*, the dog rose, and *Rosa spinosissima*, the scotch rose. No European rose cultivar can be traced back to pre -1400.

Roses been known to be grown by the Persians and continuously throughout history onwards and possibly grown in China for centuries for their scent and beautiful flowers, these are the oldest known roses going back at least 1000 years e.g. 'Old blush' and 'Slater's Crimson' selected by French breeders in the 19th century.

Plantsman

TREE WARDEN REPORT

As autumn blows in the hedgerows woods are bright with jewels of elderberries, rosehips, sloes and blackberries. All can be made into delicious jams, puddings and liqueurs, some with the added benefit of a timely vitamin boost to ward off winter colds. Others are just simply scrumptious with custard! Truly a bounteous time of year.

It's conker time again but there are other games, crafts and things for children to do: try pressing colourful leaves to make a collage, or drawing faces on acorns with their comical little hats on. Or gather a handful of maple or sycamore seeds, then throw up into the air to watch them fly like tiny helicopters. Not forgetting the pleasure of scrunching through fallen leaves. Gather up leaves in your garden to compost; good for the garden and free too.

I shall be working with the schools to further enhance the grounds with trees, vegetable beds, and maybe a pond. Any help from parents would be great. Also any spare plants, shrubs or trees you may have would be welcome.

Janet Spencer - 01487 830527

SAWTRY SHOW 2010

The Show was bigger and better this year – more competitors, more class entries, more people looking round in the afternoon.

A big 'Thank you' to everyone who was involved in making the Show so successful and enjoyable. We are grateful to our judges, to our stewards (especially those of you roped in to help on the Saturday!), and to all of you who supported the Show. The event is planned, prepared and organised by a small, hardworking committee, and your response made all their efforts worthwhile.

We were particularly pleased with the number of youngsters and families who took part this year. We would encourage you to let us have any ideas you might have for classes/ competitions next year.

Trophy winners were:-

Mrs. Gaye Fox	Wines
Mrs. Phyllis Robinson	Arts and Crafts
Alan Green	Photography
Arthur Golder	Cookery
Mrs. Anke Chandler	Fruit and Vegetables
Bethan Cooper	Overall Junior Winner
Mrs. Gaye Fox	Overall Adult Winner

A committee will soon begin to prepare for next year's Show. If you would like to join this group, or have any suggestions for classes, please ring the Parish Office on 831771.

Babs Sullivan Chairman

ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

Another year over and the AGM was attended by 21 members, anyone wishing for a copy of the minutes please send your email address to me, if you don't have an email please phone and I will arrange for you to get a copy.

We have joined Marshall's Garden Club to take advantage of bulk buying etc. Once again an email address is required.

We will be having a small competition for the best kept allotment over the year, a small prize with possibly a wooden spoon for the worst.

The allotments received a good report for the Anglia in Bloom judges, no prizes this year, perhaps we can better that next year.

Dick Bacon (Secretary) Tel: 01487 833076 / email: daphbacon@googlemail.co.uk

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Sawtry & District Branch

The 2009 Poppy Appeal Year is drawing to a close, as at 30th September and the 2010 appeal starts 1st October. I can now inform you that, at the time of submitting this article, the 2009 Poppy Appeal received £6567 in donations from you and this is an increase of £988 over 2008.

September 2010 was the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Britain and a reminder of why we do what we do at Remembrancetide Poppy Appeal. I hope you will all be as generous, with your donations, as you have in previous years.

I will be contacting all of 2009's Poppy Appeal Collectors, in the hope that they will carry on their good work for 2010 and will take this opportunity to invite anyone else who would like to get involved with the 2010 collection to contact me or any other Legion Member or Committee Member as soon as possible. The more collectors we have the easier the task becomes. I will be incapacitated this year and unable to go out collecting, therefore, I am looking for someone to cover the village of Gidding for me. The donations from Gidding last year were very good.

As stated in the last edition, we lost an old friend when Tony (Sqn Ldr) Gow, our retired Secretary, passed away. Tony was given a good send off by his family and several Branches of the Legion provided Standard Bearers as a Guard of Honour. Tony will be sadly missed by all, he served his country and the Legion very well over many years.

The Branch meeting on Monday 1st November, held in the Sawtry Ex-Service and Working Men's Club, is also our Annual General Meeting. The Branch is already aware that two of our Committee will be retiring at that meeting, therefore there will be at least those two positions to be filled. We do need new members and new committee members, therefore we are inviting all existing members and anyone who would like to become a member to attend that meeting.

Just a reminder to all Serving and Ex-Service men and women in the area, that the Legion is there for you and it does help very many of you in vastly varying ways. Membership is decreasing through natural losses and with that goes income and Fund Raisers. Without Members, Fund Raising and Membership Income the Legion will eventually fail and there will not be the funds to give out in assistance to Serving and Ex-Service men and women in the way that it has done so far.

The Legion has been carrying out this sort of work for many years now and we cannot afford to lose it. It has been greatly helped to carry on this work by many volunteers, many of whom are none Service or Ex-Service people, working voluntarily and not seeking any form of reward because they feel that helping those who suffer injury in their efforts to protect this country is reward enough.

Hopefully I and other members, will be manning a Tent on the High St, in Holme village, representing the Royal British Legion, at the 40s Weekend on 2nd & 3rd October, hope to see you there and taking up Membership.

I will take this opportunity to remind you of our Bingo Session in December, details of which can be found on page 5 in this edition.

On Remembrance Sunday afternoon, the Sawtry Ex-Service and Working Men's Club are repeating their 2009 entertainment program and will be sending out invitations appropriately. Last year I only managed to catch the last quarter of an hour of that entertainment but I can truthfully say that it had been a thoroughly excellent afternoon for all who attended.

Allan Fowler Poppy Appeal Organiser

WINNERS!

Molly Hares from Sawtry and **Holly Lane** from Buckworth, who together independently undertook a huge venture in raising money for Haiti earlier this year, were subsequently nominated by their school, Sawtry Community College, for the annual YOPEY awards.

YOPEY (Young People of the Year) are an organisation that recognises the efforts of young people all over the country, working with the government, police and major employers. They operate regional events and awards sponsored by local business, to recognise and reward those efforts and to motivate others to follow suit. Recently Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg said "YOPEY is leading the way in recognising the contribution young people make – to their families, to their communities and to our society as a whole."

This year in July the local YOPEY awards were held at Cambridge Golf and Conference Centre, Hemmingford Abbots. Sponsors included:

Spicers, Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Dialight, Cambridge Building Society, Cambridge University Press, South Cambs District Council, ARM, EACS, and CSR.

There were 14 finalists, including individual entries and groups, who had all undertaken a wide range of different activities. Molly and Holly won 3rd place, being selected primarily for their young age and determination to make a difference, and were awarded a cheque for £250.00, half of which was donated to the Haiti charity appeal, the remainder being shared between them.

Proud parents and families, plus teachers from their school, attended, and were thrilled with their success. The girls were overjoyed that they had achieved such an accolade, and they were ecstatic with excitement at all the press interest and interviews that followed.

Well done to both girls for such an achievement, and for showing how 2 girls who are young but motivated can help others. They are a wonderful example of how young people today can make a huge difference to the plight of those less fortunate.

Alison (Molly's Mum)

CHOCOLATE WEEK

11th – 17th October 2010

<http://chocolate-week.co.uk/>

To celebrate Chocolate Week here are some interesting facts that you may not know taken from the website of Divine, the Fairtrade Chocolate company who are co-sponsors of the week.

- A cocoa tree will produce two harvests per year of about 50 pods. Each pod contains about 40 almond-sized seeds – enough to make eight bars of milk chocolate (4 bars of dark).
- The Latin name for the cocoa tree is Theobroma Cacao which means 'Food of the Gods'.
- The Aztecs were the first to purport that cocoa had aphrodisiac properties and for this reason all foods made with cocoa were forbidden to women.
- Chocolate contains over 300 chemicals including a multitude of vitamins, minerals (calcium, iron, potassium, magnesium).
- A cup of cocoa (using pure cocoa powder) has double the amount of antioxidants as green tea.
- Chocolate has over 400 distinct smells. A rose has only fourteen and an onion just six or seven.
- Britain really is a nation of chocolate lovers. In Britain we eat an estimated 660,900 tonnes of chocolate a year, an average of 11kg per person per year (about 3 bars a week).
- A number of the big names in chocolate today (Cadburys, Fry's, Terry's, Rowntree's) were founded with money from Quaker families who were keen for chocolate to take the place of alcohol. They saw the consumption of alcohol as a sin, whereas chocolate consumption was merely a minor vice.
- West Africa has been the centre of world cocoa cultivation for the last 60 years and today produces 67% of the world's cocoa. The four major cocoa produces in West Africa are the Ivory Coast, Ghana, Nigeria and Cameroon.
- 90% of the world's cocoa is grown on small family farms of 12 acres or less.
- Fairtrade ensures farmers receive a better deal for their cocoa and additional income to invest in their community.
- Fairtrade Cocoa sales in the UK in 2009 amounted to £44.2 million, a significant increase from £2.3 million in 1999.
- Fairtrade chocolate now accounts for around 15% of chocolate sales in Britain.

See www.divinechocolate.com for more interesting facts and to find out about Fairtrade.

R E M E M B R A N C E

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

OCTOBER

Lance Sergeant John William BINGHAM	29 October 1914	Holme
Private George Thomas HALL	18 October 1916	Conington
Private George Christopher BABBAGE	25 October 1916	Great Gidding
Lance Corporal John Robert ALLAN	31 October 1916	Sawtry
Private Percy WOODS	31 October 1916	Sawtry
Private Jim QUINCEY	2 October 1917	Holme
Private Arthur George COLES	9 October 1917	Hamerton
Private Christopher HARRISON	19 October 1917	Conington
Private Jesse WRIGHT	31 October 1917	Conington
Corporal George SYMONDS	8 October 1918	Holme
Private William HARRIS	21 October 1918	Holme
Private George Arthur GINNS	24 October 1918	Sawtry
Pilot Officer Henry John Hamley JONES	21 October 1943	Great Gidding

NOVEMBER

Rifleman Herbert SHARPE	14 November 1914	Holme
Private George Henry BOWLAND	14 November 1916	Sawtry
Private Herbert PARKER	3 November 1917	Sawtry
Private James JACKSON	22 November 1917	Sawtry
Private Walter James TURNER	8 November 1918	Old Weston
Lance Corporal Dennis Montague PETERS	9 November 1942	Sawtry
Lance Corporal James Walter QUICK	14 November 1942	Glatton
Private Leslie Benjamin FAVELL	12 November 1944	Old Weston

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.

A T I M E F O R M E M O R I E S

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER IN SAWTRY

will hold their annual service of commemoration and thanksgiving, to remember loved ones who have died, on

SUNDAY 31st October at 4 p.m. at the METHODIST CHURCH

All are welcome to this simple but moving service,
followed by time to chat with understanding friends over a cup of tea.

St Nicholas Parish Church

Church Road, Glatton

SUNDAY SERVICES

OCTOBER

3 rd	9.00 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
10 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion
17 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion
24 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion
31 st	9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)

NOVEMBER

7 th	9.00 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
14 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion
21 st	9.00 am	Holy Communion
28 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion

Glatton Christmas Fayre Saturday 6th November at 2.00 pm

There will be mulled wine, cakes, plants, toys, Christmas tombola, raffles, games for young and old, and lots more. Do come and support us. For more information contact Shirley at 831651

Glatton Adventurers for 4 - 11s

Children are welcome to join this group which meets on September 5th in Glatton Village Hall at 10.30 am. More details from Shirley Dewar – 831651.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS RING THE RECTOR: Canon Malcolm Griffith
Tel: 01487 830215 Email: rev.griffith@tiscali.co.uk

Sawtry Methodist Church

Green End Road, Sawtry, Tel 01480 819228

Sunday Services

Morning Worship at 10.30am
Sunday School at 10.30am

Special Services

Worship Service

Saturday 9th October - 7.30pm, Speaker – Rev David Shaw

Join us for an evening of contemporary praise

All Age Worship

17th October – 10.30am, Led by John Bridge

Remembrance Day

14th November- 10.45am, United service at All Saints Church

All Age Worship

28th November – 10.30am, Led by the Mid-week Fellowship Group

Come and join us

Gift Weekend

9th & 10th October

Gifts large and small most welcome to enable payment of £3,500.00 for a new fire alarm system in church and £300 yearly for the maintenance - compulsory requirement for Health & Safety regulations.

Saturday Coffee Mornings

9.30 – 11 am - including Cake Stall, All proceeds towards the building fund

Traidcraft goods also on sale

All Saints' Parish Church

Church Causeway, Sawtry

SUNDAY SERVICES

October	3rd	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 am	Harvest Festival
	10 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion
	17 th	10.30 am	Morning Prayer
	24 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion
	31 st	10.30 am	Songs for the Saints
November	7 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 am	Family Worship
	14 th	10.55 am	Remembrance Sunday Service
	21 st	10.30 am	Morning Prayer
	28 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion

HARVEST FESTIVAL AND GIFT DAY October 2nd & 3rd

Do come to All Saints' Church to see the decorations on Saturday 2nd from 10 - 4.00 pm. There will be activities for children from 2 - 4.00 pm. There is a Harvest Supper at the WI Hall that evening at 7.00 pm. Tickets £3 from 830215. Do join us for the Harvest Festival Service on Sunday and give thanks.

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SAS KIDS' CLUB

For all children aged 4 - 10 meets at 10.15 am at the Rectory on October 10th and 17th and November 21st and 28th and also at Sawtry Infant School on Tuesdays 19th October and 9th November from 3.00 - 4.30 pm.

SAWTRY SEEKERS

For Young People aged 11 plus, meet on Fridays October 29th and November 26th at 7.30 pm in Church.

ALPHA AT ALL SAINTS

We are running this popular course about the Christian faith on Wednesdays at 7.45 pm on October 13th and 27th and November 10th and 24th and Thursdays at 10.15 am on October 14th and 28th and November 11th and 25th. All meetings are held at The Rectory and commence with coffee and cake. Do join us.

ALL SAINTS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday 13th November from 10.30 am to 1.00 pm

Do come to the Old School Hall and pick up lots of bargains for Christmas. Tombola, raffle, refreshments and much more. To book tables please ring the Rectory 830215.

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

Website: www.sawtryallsaintschurch.co.uk

There is always a warm welcome at All Saints'

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

For further information please take a look at our Website at www.saintlukesparish.org.uk and click on Parish News

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

This Autumn we begin a time of preparation for those seeking to be welcomed as members of the Catholic Church. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a time of prayer, preparation, celebration and welcome into the Catholic Church.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

If you have just moved into the area or have found us for the first time you are most welcome.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church and would like to find out more, please speak to the parish priest Fr John

please do not hesitate to call him on 01733 370877 or email him at saintlukesparish@yahoo.co.uk

GENERAL INFORMATION

All information has been taken from the Citizens Advice Bureaux website at <http://www.adviceguide.org.uk>.

ENERGY HOTLINE TO REPORT MIS-SELLING - The Office of the Gas and Electricity Markets (Ofgem), the energy regulator, has set up a hotline for customers to report any cases of mis-selling of gas and electricity deals.

If you think that a salesperson has behaved inappropriately or you are worried you may have been mis-sold an energy deal either face-to-face or by phone, you are being urged to call the Hotline.

The Hotline is available on the Consumer Direct number 08454 04 05 06. They will give you help and advice.

Ofgem will review any evidence of mis-selling and take appropriate action against the energy suppliers. Ofgem does not take up individual cases.

If you have any other complaints about issues relating to your gas and electricity supply you should continue to complain in the normal way. Ofgem has also published a leaflet giving tips on dealing with switching energy suppliers on the doorstep. It can be found on Ofgem's website at www.ofgem.gov.uk. It includes four things you need to know before you receive a visit or call from a salesperson.

They are:

- *ask for ID*
- *do have your own facts to hand so that you can compare deals*
- *don't be pressured into signing, or agreeing to a contract*
- *do think carefully before agreeing to switch.*

HAVE YOU PAID THE WRONG AMOUNT OF TAX? - You may get a form from HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC) telling you that you've paid too much or too little tax for the tax years 2008-09 and 2009-10. The calculation shows your total income and the allowances that are due to you for each of these years.

Not everyone will get a calculation, only those who have paid too much or too little tax - so don't worry if you don't get one.

If you do get a Tax Calculation, you should check the calculation carefully to make sure you agree with all the information given. You should also make sure you read the notes that come with it as these will help you understand what it means. You can read the notes online by going to www.hmrc.gov.uk/P800.

WHAT IF YOU DON'T AGREE WITH HMRC'S CALCULATION - If you don't agree with the calculation, contact HMRC on 0845 3000 627 and tell them why. Or you can write to HMRC at the address shown on the calculation.

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU DO AGREE WITH HMRC'S CALCULATION - If you agree with the calculation, you don't need to do anything - just keep it somewhere you can find it again easily if you need to.

If the amount you owe is **under £2000**, HMRC will automatically collect the money from your pay during the tax year 2011-12. This spreads repayment throughout the year, but you can ask to pay it back over a longer period of time if you need to.

If the amount you owe HMRC is **£2000 or more**, HMRC will write to you again and ask for direct payment. You can ask to pay the money back in installments, rather than all in one go.

You can contact HMRC by phone on 0845 3000 627.

In certain very specific circumstances, it may be possible to argue that HMRC had all the information they needed to calculate your tax correctly but did not use it at the right time. If it was reasonable for you to expect your tax deductions to be right, you may be able to ask HMRC to write off the underpayment. If you think you are in this position, you should phone HMRC and say that you want to make a claim under the **Extra Statutory Concession**, or **ESC A19**. You will need to make sure you've got all the facts of your case to hand before you speak to anyone about this.

For more details about this, and other advice on what to do if you get a calculation, go to the website of the Low Incomes Tax Reform Group at: www.litrg.org.uk. You can also go to HMRC's website at: www.hmrc.gov.uk.

WHAT IF YOU HAVE PAID TOO MUCH TAX - If you have paid too much tax, HMRC will automatically send you a repayment, usually within a week.

IF YOU GET AN EMAIL - If you get an email which says it comes from HMRC, rather than a calculation, this is a **scam** and you should not respond to it. HMRC will only be sending out mail through the post about this, they do not send out emails.

For more information please contact Huntingdon Citizens' Advice Bureaux on 01480 388900

Sleeping Safe and Sound This Winter

As the winter nights draw in, many of us will resort to our electric blankets for extra warmth. But the way we store our blankets, as well as general wear and tear, can mean they're no longer safe to use. In 2003, the Cambridgeshire branch of Age Concern found 73% of blankets tested were unsafe at an electric blanket testing event.

This October, Trading Standards and the Electrical Safety Council invite you to bring your electric blankets to one of our testing stations so that our experts can check them for you.

Testing stations will be open from **25th to 29th October** and are located in:

- Huntingdon and St Neots
- Cambridge and Papworth
- Ely and Soham
- Wisbech and March

To make an appointment to get your electric blanket tested please phone **01354 750035** between 09.30am and 12.30pm. **Lines open from 1st October.** Testing is free and if your electric blanket fails our safety checks you will be given a voucher for up to 50% off a new blanket as we are unable to return unsafe blankets to you. Tea and coffee will also be available.

General blanket care – warm, not worn

Before using your blanket.....

Make sure that it (or its cord) doesn't show any of the following danger signs:

- Scorch marks or discoloration areas visible on the fabric of the blanket
- Wires are visible or poking through the fabric
- Fabric is frayed or worn
- There is damage to the electrical cord
- The control makes a buzzing sound when switched on or gives off a smell
- The blanket's connector, where the electrical cord plugs into the blanket, is damaged or over heating.

Always use the blanket in accordance with manufacture guidelines. Furthermore, if your blanket is more than ten years old, you should consider buying a new one.

When storing your blanket.....

DO - Leave the blanket on the bed all year round or place on a spare bed, Let the blanket cool down before folding, Loosely fold or roll it in a towel or plastic bag and store the blanket in a cool dry place

DON'T - Use any moth proofing chemicals, Place heavy items on top of the blanket whilst it is being stored

Funded by Cambridgeshire Trading Standards and the Electrical Safety Council. The ESC is a leading safety charity committed to reducing deaths and injuries caused by electrical accidents at home and at work. To find out more, visit www.esc.org.uk.



SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY & THE SAWTRY COMMUNITY ARCHIVE

"*Now and Then*" – the "present and the past" – so not a bad phrase to describe the activities of a History Society, and this was the theme for our September meeting. Presented by Chairman Alan Bottell, it also marked a significant change for the Society as it advanced us into the technological age. The "click, clunk" of the old fashioned slide projector, with slides "then" shown upside down or back to front, was "now" replaced by the smooth silent transition of one image into the next as Alan proudly introduced our new digital projector, showing a beautifully prepared and presented collection of local images, contrasting how things look "now" with how they were "then", to a well attended and appreciative audience.

However "technological change" (or was it just carelessness!) meant we missed getting our July report into the last Sawtry Eye because we sent it to the old email address! This was a shame because it included details of our June meeting when we heard of a recent but little known archaeological dig at Black Horse Farm, Sawtry. The "*Now*" ongoing investigation and analysis of this dig suggest that this site may be of major national importance for finds from way back included infant burials at the entrance to an unusually large Iron Age round house; strange complete skeletons of goats; cattle skulls on an odd wooden board and two Colchester-type brooches. All of these suggest that the site "*then*" had some form of important symbolic significance.

We also missed the chance to tell you of the success of our June Open Day when over 200 visitors enjoyed, compared to last year, a more comfortable chance to appreciate new displays - including, would you believe, photographs showing the local area "*Now and Then*" – and also of our July presentation of the "Sawtry Community Archive" at the Library. This now contains almost 900 items - photographs, documents, maps, drawings, letters and video and audio recordings – all on the www.ccan.co.uk website, and all reflecting both ancient and modern life (*Now & Then!*) in and around Sawtry, Glatton, Conington, Holme and Coppingford. Do take a few minutes to look at it – we guarantee you will be really surprised!

However, who said that the "*then*" of "*Now and Then*" only defines the past? We sometimes use it for the future – "*after such and such then something else will happen*" - so what are we "*now*" planning? At our next meeting on 21st October Stuart Ormes will talk about **Sutton Hoo** and do not miss Bob Burn-Murdoch's talk on **The Golden Age of Fen Skating!** – 18 November, 7.30 at the WI Hall. No ticket needed and everyone is welcome. Non-members £1.50.

And another fascinating fact? The French are reported as eating about 4000 tons of frog's legs each year!

Allan Bamford

Secretary: Marilyn Gautreaux – 01487 834551



Wildlife Trust – Huntingdonshire Local Group

www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/

The Dragonflies of Cambridgeshire

Wednesday 13th October

Dr. Val Perrin, who is Vice County Recorder of Dragonflies in Cambridgeshire, will give this illustrated talk. Val has a wide-ranging interest in many aspects of natural history, with extensive knowledge of dragonflies, and also of butterflies and bats. Val will enthuse us with this wealth of knowledge, concentrating tonight on the wide variety of dragonflies found in the wonderful habitats surrounding us - from the well known Wicken and Woodwalton Fen NNRs to smaller, lesser known sites.

All meetings start at 7.30pm

At Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton.

Anyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend. Admission: £2.00 members; £2.50 non-members. Please visit the web site for more information www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/ or contact George on 01480 450809.

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SAWTRY & DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

It seems to be a condition of growing older - time goes quicker each year! Closing day has gone, and it is time to put away all that outdoor bowling gear, resign oneself to 8 months of indoor competitions, and reflect on the past season - the successful and the not so successful. In the interclub knock out competition Sawtry finished up as a nearly club - we progressed well through the earlier rounds of several but slipped up in the final rounds. Our league results finished rather better than looked to be the case earlier in the season; some good results towards the end improved things. The top spot must go once again to the Over 60's who won the 'Millicent Childs Cup', and the Ladies' Maroon Team whom finished as runners - up in their league. The only sad spot was the Men's B Team who were relegated and next year will play in the 3rd Div of the Hunts League.

The Club had a number of successes in the County Competitions, but although we had representatives at the national Finals in Skegness, Worthing and Leamington Spa, the silverware proved to be very elusive.

Club competitions provided a number of new names on the winners' trophies including this year's new Junior trophies. The winners were:-

Kelvin Cooper Trophy	Geoff Osborne
Club Triples	Mrs Judy Scorer/John Scorer/Keith Minnette
Husband & Wife	Mr & Mrs Derek Deller
Chosen Pairs	John Papworth/John Tungate
Club Pairs	Brian Garratt/Iain Hamilton
Over 60's	Roy Bennett
Non - Winners Trophy	Iain Hamilton
Handicap Cup	Derrick Jones
Ladies 2-Wood	Mrs Sue Rayson
Mens 2 – Wood	Kevin Bowers
Ladies 4 – Wood	Mrs Joan Greening
Mens 4 – Wood	Kevin Bowers
Junior Trophy	Ross Martin
Junior Carpet Trophy	Daniel Wolfstencroft

We now start our winter events calendar with an ever popular 'Race Night' on 2nd October - other dates for your diary are 'Wine Makers Games Night (Village Hall) on 20th October, and Whist Drives on 31st October & 27th November.

Finally - don't forget the Dinner Dance on 13th November and the Club AGM on Thursday 25th November in the Clubhouse.

I wish those moving to the Indoor Clubs, good bowling for the season.

KIP

For more information please contact Mick Rayson on 01487 830720



Sawtry Motorcycle Club

Only a few words for this edition this time. The summer seems to have flown by and the time for Tuesday night ride outs is over for another year. We had a few ride outs with a river pub theme which seemed to work. More of those next year hopefully. A few of the club members spent the first two weekends of September at a couple of motorcycle rallies.

The first was a local one up at the Wood Green Animal Shelter complex. A small but really friendly rally which is run by a Cambridge Motorcycle Club, Tiger MCC. Fantastic organisational skills as we were kept entertained with trike racing, moped racing (they supplied the mopeds and invited teams to race them) as well as other events. Hopefully we'll have a few more SMCC members at that one next year.

The second one was the BMF Tail End Rally which this year was up at the Lincolnshire Showground and not at Peterborough. This involved some planning on our behalf as it turned out that the Showground was 72.5 miles further than The Bell. For some, the lack of a full support vehicle seemed to be the sticking point, but eventually we managed a team of ten and off we set. The weather held and we all had a good time as well as a couple of beers.

Apologies to club members who were looking forward to the BBQ but a lot of people were either on holiday, working or washing their hair and we just couldn't get the numbers to make it work. Hopefully the Christmas Function won't suffer the same fate. The band is booked, Frenzy, and the date is set for 4th December. The Christmas Do is in conjunction with the Sawtry Working Men's Club so all Sawtry Club and SMCC members are invited. No food this year so no need to bother with tickets.

After a recent committee meeting we have decided to affiliate the SMCC with the Motorcycle Action Group (MAG). They campaign for motorcycling issues (use of bus lanes for motorcycles etc) and we thought that this might give the club a little more focus as well as attracting new members. There will be more on MAG in later issues.

That's all for now apart from the usual "See you down the Greystones on any Tuesday evening".

Simon

SAWTRY LADIES HOCKEY

Well the summer break is over and Sawtry Ladies Hockey team have started the 2010-11 season. As a team we took part in the Peterborough Summer Sixes tournament and The Carter Cup in Stamford. They are a great opportunity for us to regroup and get our eye back in.

As of yet we have not had any official league matches but we have had to friendly matches. On the 4th September we travelled to Ely to play their 2nd team. We played fantastically taking a 3-1 win. Goals came from Kerry Graham, Lottie Paul and Fiona Paul. The whole team were really pleased to get stuck into a full 11-a-side match. On the 11th we played Peterborough 3rds and took a 2-1 win, Natasha Darrington scored both. The team worked tremendously together, as for the majority of the match we only had 10 players. Both of these results show that we will hopefully be in for a successful season.

We are always looking for new players, so if you or somebody you know would like to come along to training please contact Kerry Graham for more information on 07960 003674. We train on Thursday evenings from 8-9pm at Bushfields Sport Centre, Peterborough. And we play matches each Saturday morning.

Sawtry Table Tennis Club

After a reasonably successful season 2009/2010, we are again entering 2 teams in the Peterborough League

Did you play competitively years ago and would like to take up the sport again? We are always looking for new players at any level. Please give me a call or send an email if you are interested.

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