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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 4<sup>th</sup> November**

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

## SAWTRY FIREWORK DISPLAY A professional display for all the family

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

at Greenfields, Straight Drove, Sawtry

Gates Open 6.00pm  
Bonfire Lit 6.30pm  
Fireworks Start 7.00pm

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

Tickets are available from:-  
**Cooper's Garage, Tilly's Coffee Shop  
Flower Patch & Sawtry Parish Council Office**

Prices: Adults £3.00 (£4.00 on the gate)  
Children (4-14) £2.00 (£3.00 on the gate)

BBQ, tea, coffee, sweets, crisps & soft drinks etc

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FIREWORK  
DISPLAY

Voluntarily run by  
Sawtry Sports & Leisure Association

For more information please call 01487 830837

\*\* No fireworks to be brought into display (including  
sparklers) \*\*

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



## Barn Dance



Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 7.30 - 11pm

At Sawtry Community College, Fen Lane, Sawtry, PE28 5TQ

## Dancing to *The Wagon Load of Monkeys*

~ Soft Drinks Bar ~ Bring your own alcohol ~

**Tickets £15.00 - (Includes light ploughman's supper)**

From the CARESCO office or call 01487 832105

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**9 - 11.30am (Term Time)**

**(9.45am - 11.00am During school holidays)**

**at the CARESCO Centre**

**A warm welcome for coffee and a chat  
It's the place to be**

Coffee/Tea	50p per mug
Homemade Cake	60p per slice

**Everyone Welcome**

**For more information please contact the office, or drop into the CARESCO Centre between 9am & 12 noon.**



## HOME COLLECTING BOXES

We are looking for homes for our collecting boxes

**Will you have one?**

Please take one home & fill with small (or big) change then return it to us for emptying.

Ask at the office or call 01487 832105

**All proceeds to go towards the work of CARESCO**

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## Presents An Evening with THE BODY SHOP

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

**Doors open 7.15pm, Starts 7.30pm at the CARESCO Centre**

***Tickets: £3.00 in advance / £4.00 on the door***

***Available from CARESCO 01487 832105***

***Free glass of wine & nibbles***

**Come and enjoy an evening in the company of Emma Green & friends**  
*Individual pamper sessions available*

**\* *Facials or Hand Massage* \* at £3.00 each when booked in advance Or £4.00 on the night**

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# Welcome

Even with the schools back and the trees turning yellow I can't believe that autumn is upon us already! Where has the year gone? The Sawtry Show was a great success yet again, thanks to the committee and team of stewards making things run so smoothly. Congratulations to all the winners and especially the overall category winners as listed in the Show report on page 19.

Following all the goodbyes to our departing clergy, we now begin the hellos to their replacements and you can read Rev Katy Dunn's piece on page 9 introducing herself and begin to get to know her as she settles into the Methodist Church. I'm sure she will find a warm welcome from everyone.

Don't miss the opening of the new Co-op who have kindly included money of vouchers in their advert in this issue. Enjoy the firework display run by the Sawtry Sports and Leisure Association, details on front page and look out for the inevitable run of bazaars and fayres in the lead up to December.

Life is never dull in and around Sawtry!

**Liz Coates - Co-Editor**

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## SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR SAWTRY SCHOOLS

### Autumn Term 2011

Half Term from 24 - 28 October 2011  
End of Term - 16 December 2011

### Spring Term 2012

Teacher Training Day 3 January 2012  
Start of Term - 4 January  
Half Term from 13 - 17 February 2012  
End of Term - 30 March 2012

### Summer Term 2012

Start of Term - 16 April  
May Day 7 May  
Half Term from 4 June – 8 June 2012  
(Diamond Jubilee 5 June)  
End of Term - 23 July 2012

Two training days have been selected Monday 5 September 2011 and Tuesday 3 January 2012. It is anticipated that most schools will select Monday 23 July 2012 as a training day.

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)

3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> October  
14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November

### COMPOST (GARDEN WASTE) & DRY RECYCLING

(Week Beginning)

10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> October  
7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in the WI Hall, Gidding Road (Wheelchair Access)

### 6<sup>th</sup> October

Phillip Parker – Whittlesey Brick Pits  
Come and learn more about your local area

### 3<sup>rd</sup> November

AGM

Followed by

Roy Palmer with the Alexander Technique  
This is your chance to learn more about this technique and perhaps see what is wrong with your posture!

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

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

Secretary Ann Watson 01487 834035

President Margaret Geary 01487 832925

**Registered Charity No. 229016**

## SAWTRY WI

Presents their

# Christmas Show

*In Aid of the WI Hall*

**Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> December**

**At 7.30pm in the WI Hall  
Admission £6  
(to include light Supper and Glass of Wine)  
Raffle**

**Admission by ticket only,  
please contact Margaret Geary  
on 01487 832925**

**Charity No. 229016**

2011	Group	Details	Contact No	Page
8 October	Gidding Village	Village History Day	01832 293591	5
15 October	Sawtry Wellside Surgery	Flu Clinic	01487 830340	12
15 October	Sawtry History Society	History Walk	01487 773493	7
20 October	Sawtry WI	Coffee Morning	01487 834035	8
20 October	Sawtry Feast Supper	Bingo	01487 830571	6
21 October	CARESCO	Barn Dance	01487 832105	Front Page
26 October	MacMillan Support Group	Coffee Morning	01487 830442	-
31 October	Sawtry Light Factory	Light Factory Special	01487 830345	6
4 November	Sawtry Pre-School Playgroup	Tempest Photos	01487 832433	Front Page
4 November	Sawtry Sports & Leisure Assoc	Firework Display	01487 830837	Front Page
5 November	St Nicholas, Glatton	Christmas Fayre	01487 831651	21
10 November	Sawtry WI	Soup & Pud Lunch	01487 832925	8
12 November	All Saints, Sawtry	Winter Fayre	01487 832503	20
12 November	Traidcraft	Traidcraft Sale	01487 830345	6
15 November	Sawtry Junior School	Christmas Bingo	01487 830204	11
17 November	CARESCO	Quiz Supper	01487 832105	-
25 November	Sawtry Junior School	Christmas Bazaar	01487 830204	11
26 November	Sawtry First Responders	Christmas Craft Fair	07885422257	14
26 November	St Nicholas, Glatton	Cheese & Wine	01487 831651	21
27 November	Sawtry Dragon Academy	Sawtry Championships	01487 830601	29
1 December	Sawtry Parish Council	Local Produce Market	01487 831771	7
2 December	CARESCO	Body Shop Evening	01487 832105	2
3 December	Upton Village Hall	Christmas Fair & Lunch	01480 890843	-
8 December	Royal British Legion Sawtry	Bingo	01487 831980	-
9 December	Sawtry WI	Christmas Afternoon Tea	01487 832925	8
10 December	Sawtry Bowling Club	Race Night	01487 830720	28
11 December	Sawtry Parish Council	Sawtry Carol Service	01487 831771	-
16 December	Sawtry WI	Christmas Show	01487 832925	4
17 December	Sawtry Chorale	Christmas Concert	01487 830149	14
19 December	Sawtry Parish Council	Carols at Old School Hall	01487 831771	-
2012	Group	Details	Contact No	Page
4 February	Sawtry Parish Council	Chairman's Ball	01487 831771	-
9 June	Sawtry Carnival Committee	Sawtry Carnival	01487 832410	-
2 – 8 July	Sawtry Parish Council	Scarecrow Trail	01487 831771	-
27 July – 12 August	London 2012	Olympic Games	0845 267 2012	-
29 August – 9 September	London 2012	Paralympic Games		-

If you would like to have a date considered for inclusion please email the details along with a contact number to [sawtryeye@caresco.org](mailto:sawtryeye@caresco.org) 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.

# The History of Great Gidding - what can you add to the story?

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

Doors will open at 10.30am through to 4.30pm

Great Gidding Village Hall is the venue for a Village History Day. It is hoped that past and present residents, in fact anyone who has had a connection or interest in the village, will come along with photographs, documents and memories of their connection with the village, which, with the owner's permission, will be copied on the day to add to the archive.

There will be a display of photos, maps and items of interest – all Great Gidding related (maybe Little and Steeple Gidding too), that have been gathered together.

Refreshments will be available.

Call Julie on 01832 293591 for more information

## Farmers' Markets

Truly local food sold by the people who produce it.

### HUNTINGDON

Alternate Fridays from 8am to 2pm

in Huntingdon Market Square

14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> October

11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> November

**\*\* 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday Special – 29<sup>th</sup> October \*\***

Organised by Huntingdonshire District Council with the support of Huntingdon Town Centre Partnership.  
For more information call 01480 450250 or email [FarmersMarkets@huntsdc.gov.uk](mailto:FarmersMarkets@huntsdc.gov.uk)

### 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

Farmers/Country Markets every 4th Saturday in the month from 8.30am- 2pm  
(except December when the Christmas market date will be held on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>)

27th August

24th September

For further information please contact

Tel: 07900 478782 Email: [rampart@btinternet.com](mailto:rampart@btinternet.com) or visit [www.ramseyinitiative.org.uk](http://www.ramseyinitiative.org.uk)

### 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.

**ROCKY'S  
plaice**

**Come to this year's  
Halloween Alternative**

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> 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!**



**BINGO**

**Feast Supper Bingo**

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2011

At Sawtry Ex-Service Men's Club

7pm Doors Open

7.30pm Eyes Down



For more information please contact **01487 830571**

**Prize Bingo**

*In aid of Sawtry Day Centre*

4<sup>th</sup> November

Starts 7.30pm  
In the CARESCO Centre,  
Green End Road, Sawtry

**Contact Pat Ayres 01487 832503**

You are invited to view



**TRAIDCRAFT**  
Fighting poverty through trade

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

9.30 am - 3.00 pm

at Sawtry Methodist Church, Green End Road, Sawtry

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

There will be a **wide** range of stock on sale, including Christmas cards.

No obligation, drop in any time and see.

**Contact - Liz on 01487 830345**



**A TIME FOR MEMORIES**

**CHRISTIANS TOGETHER IN SAWTRY**

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

**SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

# LOCAL PRODUCE & CRAFT MARKET



**THURSDAY 1<sup>st</sup> December, 8am-2pm**

OLD SCHOOL HALL, Green End Rd, SAWTRY



Local people producing goods using local ingredients who sell directly to you.

**Stalls inside and out...Cakes, preserves, floral decorations, honey, meats, pies, plants, willow products, handicrafts and more...**



Sawtry Parish Council Office on 01487 831771



CAFÉ CORNER



## 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

£1.20 per family, First visit FREE  
Refreshments 5p

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

**For more information call**  
Louise 01487 832257 / Elaine 01487 830048

## History Walk

**Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> October - 10am**

**on the old A1  
near the Sports Field road**

*Gordon Townsend will be leading a real  
walk down Sawtry's memory lanes*

*The walk will be about a mile, bring your  
own refreshments*

*Parking at the sports field, there will be  
a comfort stop*

*FREE - There will be no charge to join in*

**For more information, please contact**

**Gordon at 01487 773493**

## Sawtry WI In Aid of the WI Hall

### BINGO

14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> October / 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> November / 9<sup>th</sup> December  
Everyone welcome - Eyes down 7.30pm

### COFFEE MORNING

Thursday, 20th October - 10.30am to 12 noon

£1.00 on the door

Bring and Buy Stall, raffle, cakes and books/jigsaws

### SOUP AND PUDD LUNCH

Thursday, 10th November - 12 noon to 2pm

£4, by ticket only,

please contact Margaret Geary on 832925

Bring and Buy Stall, raffle, cakes and books/jigsaws

### CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA

Thursday, 9th December - 2.30pm to 4pm

Admission £4,

for tickets, please contact Margaret Geary on 832925

Bring and Buy Stall, raffle, cakes and books/jigsaws

**Contact for events Ann Watson 01487 834035  
Charity Number 229016**

## SAWTRY WINEMAKERS

### Calendar of Events

**19<sup>th</sup> October  
Games Night**

**14,15,16,17 October  
Trip to Bournemouth**

**16<sup>th</sup> November  
AGM and Holiday Wines**

**21<sup>st</sup> December  
Christmas Social**

For more information call  
Eileen 01487 830020

You will be most welcome to come  
along to any of our Monthly meet-  
ings which are held at the Old  
School Hall the third Wednesday  
of each month at 7.30 p.m.

## 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.



**28<sup>th</sup> October**

TBA

Jerry Workman talk has had to be rescheduled

**25<sup>th</sup> November**

Nik Szymanek

'Photographing the Night Sky'

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



## 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**)  
**Term ends 14<sup>th</sup> December**

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



## FAIRYTALE GARDEN PARTY

Come celebrate the happier side of Halloween at a **Fairytale Garden Party** provided by Scott and Annie Martin. It will be held **Saturday, 22 October from 10am to 4pm** in the back garden of **2 Church Cottages in Upton**. There will be face painting, professional photography, cakes, sweets and fancy dress accessories for sale on the day as well as some games fitting the occasion. We hope to see you there!

For more information please call 01480 890858 or 07805 838628

## Letters ...

### CARESCO Afternoon Tea

Thank you to everyone who supported the Afternoon Tea in September, raising over **£190** for **CARESCO**. Thanks especially to Lyn and Pat for organising and to their helpers on the day.

### NEW VILLAGE SERVICE

As regular advertisers with Sawtry Eye, Village Glass are happy to announce;

WE ARE BACK IN SAWTRY.

Having purchased the old builders yard at 33 Church St, Village Glass and Glazing are once again glad to open our doors to the public at our news premises and be able to provide a service as a local business.

As proud sponsors of Sawtry Colts Under 7s, Yellow Sox, during the month of October we will be donating a minimum of 10% of the value of any orders from customers within the village of Sawtry to Sawtry Colts Juniors.

*Mandy and Trevor*

### A NEW MINISTER AT SAWTRY METHODIST CHURCH

You may have heard that Rev. Pam Siddall has retired, having looked after Sawtry Methodist for the last eleven years. I'd like to introduce myself to you as her successor.

I'm married to Richard, we have two daughters, and we live in Hilton. Before I went into the ministry I worked as a solicitor and for a small disability charity in Papworth Everard. I've been a minister since 2003, and I have five churches, Sawtry is the biggest.

Cont'd.../...

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

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

PLEASE SEE STATEMENT FOR SUBMITTING LETTERS ON PAGE 3

I'm looking forward to getting to know the area, and to maintaining our strong ecumenical links by working with friends from the Church of England and Roman Catholic churches.

I'll be taking school assemblies, and playing a part in the life of the village, just as Pam did.

There are activities happening at Sawtry Methodist on every day of the week – it's your church, at the heart of the village.

**Katy Dunn**

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## NEARLY NEW

We've been back up and running since the schools went back and it's been busy busy busy as usual. We have a large amount of school uniforms for sale if anyone is in need of spares already!!! If any of you have any Rainbows/Brownies, Beavers/Cubs and Pre-school uniforms that you no longer require, could you please let me know as we have had a lot of enquires for these items and we should be able to sell them for you.

Please don't forget that we will happily take in donations so money raised can be placed into the funds of your local charity. We are currently pricing up stock for the coming winter months.

Pop in to see us for more information about buying/selling on a Friday morning 9am - 11.30am or contact on [nearlynew@caresco.org.uk](mailto:nearlynew@caresco.org.uk)  
Hope to see you soon

**Nicole, Gill, Clair and Eileen**

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## PARKING

I find it hard to believe the way in which people seem quite content to park around Sawtry.

Recently I have been less mobile than normal and using a stick whilst walking and I have noticed the same vans parked part on the pavement and part on the road day after day. Will the owners please think about those of us using the pavements i.e. pedestrians, often older and less mobile, users of mobility scooters and young children walking with their parents. You have the roads or in some cases the driveways to park on so please show consideration for those who need or want to use the footpaths.

Lines have recently been painted on the roads to show where parking is either restricted or not allowed but I would suggest that some motorists in the Village need to re-visit their Highway Codes as parking on yellow lines on Gidding Road whilst visiting the chip shop or other shops there appears to be the norm. Negotiating the speed bumps is rendered very difficult by those who will park too close to them and force others

to bounce their way along the wrong side of the road in order to negotiate them, not to mention the possible damage that this can cause to the underside of their vehicles.

There is a lot of parking far too near to junctions in the Village and I would single out the inconsiderate parking on Fen Lane which often makes it difficult for those using the South bound exit to the Village from the A1 and trying to turn right to head towards the Village Green.

I know that the parking outside of the current Co-op store has been both a nuisance and a danger to many and there are those hoping that when the Co-op moves to its Glatton Road site all will be well. With the standard of parking as it currently is in the Village and the far from generous parking allocation at the shop I can see even greater problems on our roads. Has anyone else noted the speed of many motorists coming into the Village along the Glatton Road and the on road parking that already exists in the area, not counting the residents in that part of the Village who want access to their homes on Glatton Road or to their homes on the Deerpark Estate or the often busy use of the road by those working on or delivering to our Industrial estate. I hope that I am wrong but I can envisage all sorts of problems arising in this part of the Village following the Co-op's move.

I know that in many places parking on pavements, ignoring markings on the roads, and parking in inconsiderate or even dangerous places is treated much more harshly by local police and perhaps the time has come for the police to show greater interest in these matters. Come on those involved in this behaviour and give a thought to other Village residents and not just to your own convenience.

**John Gillis - Deerpark Road, Sawtry**

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## A FINAL MESSAGE FROM REV. PAM

May I offer one last very big "thank-you" to everyone in Sawtry for the tremendous send-off I received over the couple of months leading up to my retirement and for the boundless kindness I've encountered throughout the community. I am most grateful to the Anglican congregation for their very generous gift at our final united service in August and to my own, lovely, Methodist folk for their overwhelming generosity in a seemingly endless array of wonderful gifts, as well for a super party and for all their loving friendship over the years. My time in ministry at Sawtry has been a privilege and a joy and will stay in my memory always.

Thank you.

## TORT HILL DISTRICT RAINBOWS, BROWNIES & GUIDES

As we have had no meetings during August, I have very little to report. I must mention that 2<sup>nd</sup> Sawtry Brownies raised £321 for Brownie funds by holding a sponsored silence. 4<sup>th</sup> Sawtry Brownies and one of our Rainbow units raised money which was split between unit funds and Asthma UK. Their effort was a Sing-a-thon, well done to all the girls. Your leaders are very proud of you.

Talking of leaders, we are always looking for more adult helpers. You won't get paid (we are all volunteers), you will have to be police checked, you will need plenty of patience and you will need to be over 18 BUT you will make lots of new friends, learn new things and have fun. If you can't commit to every week, why not become a Unit helper or just volunteer to help when required. Give me a ring on 01487 830806 if you think you can help us.

In closing, it is with deep sadness that I must tell you of the death of Claire Mennell who was the Brown Owl of 2<sup>nd</sup> Sawtry Brownies. Claire came to us from Malton in Yorkshire and proved to be an excellent leader. She arranged pen pals with 2<sup>nd</sup> Sawtry Brownies and the Brownie pack she had been with in Yorkshire, was always full of ideas to get the girls involved with village projects and was loved by all her girls and the other leaders. We extend our sympathy to Chris, her partner and to Tom.

Claire will not only be missed by us all, but her death is a sad loss to Guiding.

**Wise Owl - 01487 830806**

## NEWS FROM SAWTRY JUNIOR SCHOOL

The autumn term is well underway at Sawtry Junior School. The term has started well. The children look smart in their new uniforms and have been working hard in lessons. We have been pleased to welcome our new Year 3 children and their families.

We have launched our new topics for this term. Upper School are looking at places in the British Isles in their topic 'Location, Location, Location'. Their challenge is to decide the best location to build a theme park! Lower School are celebrating the work of the children's author Roald Dahl. If you think that you might be able to help us with our two current topics then please do make contact with us.

We were really lucky to have had several sixth form art students from the Community College with us during July. They painted a fantastic mural in our amphitheatre which has brightened up our playground. We say a big thank you to these really gifted students. We also had 9 work experience students from Years 10 and 11 working in classrooms, supporting the teachers with a range of duties. We say a big thank you to them too!

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

4 - 10th October : **Book Fair After School** with Café on 7 October

**Early Christmas Bingo** – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November – 6.30 p.m. for a 6.45 p.m. start

**Christmas Bazaar** – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November – 3.15 to 5.30 p.m.

The Lower School Christmas Production will be taking place during the evenings of 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> December – at 7 p.m. Dress rehearsals will take place on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> 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 TREE WARDEN REPORT

Enjoy the colourful days of autumn, with blackberries, sloes and rosehips in the hedgerows, which can be made into jams, puddings and liqueurs. The juiciest ones are always out of reach so plenty is left for the wildlife.

The horse chestnuts are looking very sad due to the severe attack of the leaf miner moth, whose grubs burrow in the leaves. Expert advice is that the infestations are likely to happen every year but should not kill the trees. People can help to limit the problem by collecting up the leaves and composting them. Thankfully there still seem to be plenty of conkers. I recently unearthed a conker amongst some childhood treasures, which must be over 30 years old. Would it be a champion if pitted against a fresh new one?

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**SAWTRY TREE WARDEN REPORT CONT'D.../...**

Help children to make little creatures from seeds – attach acorn cups as feet to a conker, with lime fruit as antennae, or sycamore seeds as wings. Poke a hole with a needle and fit the stalks into the conker. They look cute and can last for years! Younger children can have lots of fun with leaves, from kicking through them to pressing colourful ones into a collage.

Work at the schools continues, on the willow fence, conservation area and other areas.

*Janet Spencer, 01487 830527*

**WELLSIDE SURGERY NEWS**

**Flu Clinic** – Our annual clinic will take place on **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2011.**

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.

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

Flu vaccination appointments with our Practice Nursing Team will be available as of Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October for patients who are unable to attend the flu clinic. If you wish to book one of these appointments please contact our Reception Team on 01487 830340.

**Practice Nursing Team** – We are very pleased to welcome Sister Anita Willis to our Practice Nursing Team. Anita has taken over the role of Diabetes Lead Nurse working alongside Dr Archer to provide our weekly Diabetic clinics. Anita also has special interests in both Asthma and Family Planning.

**Patient Reference Group** – We are currently in the process of setting up a Patient Reference Group. We hope to include a significant number of patients within the group in order for it to be truly representative of our patients. The idea is to open a channel of communication which will enable us to consult with patients regarding the range and quality of the services we provide. The group will communicate mostly via email, although alternative arrangements will be made available for any patient who wishes to be involved but does not have access to a computer. If you would like to be involved please let me know via email ([claire.wright2@nhs.net](mailto:claire.wright2@nhs.net)) or use the form available from our Reception Desk and in the waiting room to provide alternative contact details.

**Email / Electronic Repeat Prescription Requests** – Please remember that all previous surgery email addresses ending in "@gp-D81027.nhs.uk" have now been shut down. If you wish to place an electronic repeat prescription request this should now be done using the link on the homepage of our new website – [www.wellside.org.uk](http://www.wellside.org.uk)

Best Regards,

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

# NEWS FROM SAWTRY LIBRARY

## REMINISANCE EVENT

This was held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August. During the afternoon members of the public shared special memories of their childhood using our reminiscence box. A good time was had by all.

## COMPUTER COURSES

**Want to know how to use a computer free of charge?** We hold basic sessions which include the modules E-mail, searching the Internet and Internet Security on a Thursday from 4pm. If you are interested please see a member a staff for more information.

## CIRCUS STARS READING GAME

Our presentation for this year's Reading Challenge was held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September. A total of 44 children read 6 books throughout the summer holidays; they all enjoyed collecting the stickers and activity sheets. At the presentation they were all given a certificate and medal. I would like to thank all our volunteers who helped during the holidays.

There is a display of some of the activity sheets done by the children in the children's area.

Sawtry Parish Council have very kindly supported us with the Reading Game this year.

## WORKBOOKS

We have a new selection of workbooks and posters available to buy in the library. They would make ideal birthday or Christmas gifts, the prices are £1.50 each or 4 for £5.

## EVENTS FOR ALL AGES

### JIGSAW CLUB

The jigsaw will be out during our late night sessions for all of the community.

### POPULAR BOARD GAMES

Why not come along and play our board games during our opening hours? You can choose from Scrabble, Draughts, Solitaire, Chess, Dominos and Cards. Make this an enjoyable event with family and friends.

It was lovely to see different age groups taking part in the above activities during the summer months. Let's see if more of you participate during the winter months.

## COMING SOON!

### MAGAZINES

We will be having a selection of magazines that you can borrow for 1 week from the library, this will include female and male titles.

### JIGSAW SESSION.

This is aimed at all Pre-school children. It will be held in the library every Friday from 2.30 – 3.15pm.

This is being held in conjunction with the Children's Centre and will include Jigsaws, Rhymes and stories. The first date for this session is Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October, please come along and join in the fun.

### SELF SERVICE MACHINES

**Sawtry Library will be closed from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October for the installation of the self service machines. We will reopen on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 4pm. Staff will be on hand to explain how the machines work and to answer any questions.**

### SAWTRY LIBRARY OPENING HOURS:

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

To renew Books: 0345 045 5225

**To renew or Request Books [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library)**

## Sawtry Community First Responders Group

We are delighted to announce our newest recruit, Anna. After a number of months of training and waiting, Anna is now out on the road making calls. Anna currently works dealing with anti-social behavior and domestic violence in Cambridgeshire as her fulltime role and is going to be a very valued member of our team. We welcome Anna on board and look very much forward to working with her.

### Comedy Night

At the time of going to print we have sold a fantastic amount of tickets for our comedy night on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September at the Community College. We will give you an update on how the night went in the next edition. Thank you to everyone who has supported the group and brought a ticket, we look forward to spending the evening with you all!

### Save the Date

The Responders are organising a fantastic Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November again with the continued support from the Sawtry Community College. More details to follow, but please save the date and come along to buy some wonderful decorations and presents for the festive season. If you would like a stall for the event please contact us on the number below for more details.

All the proceeds will be added to the Sawtry Responder fund.

For any information about the Responders or to ask any questions you can contact the group coordinator Jane on 07885422257 or sawtrycfr@hotmail.co.uk or please stop us when you see us out and about and say hello.



## Sawtry Chorale

To celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding, Sawtry Chorale put on a concert and buffet at Sawtry Community College on 10<sup>th</sup> September. Chairman Jeff Wardle welcomed the audience, Friends and former members of the choir to this special evening. He extended a warm welcome to Peter Davies, founder of the choir.

The varied programme included such songs as 'Camelot' from the show of the same name, 'Sunrise, Sunset' from Fiddler on the Roof, 'This is the Moment' from Jekyll & Hyde, 'Fields of Gold' by Gordon Sumner (alias Sting) and many more. Solos were performed by Ann Windsor-Hampton, Mandy Abraham, Adam Farrington and Brian Williamson. And there wasn't a dry eye in the house when tenor Dick Beeby sang 'Nessun Dorma'.

Over the years, as well as promoting enjoyment in music, the Chorale has raised money for charity and local churches. In June Tony Scott, a member of the bass section, organised a 'Midsummer Musical Evening' in Godmanchester in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. Gillian Marsh, representing the charity, was at the Sawtry concert and was delighted to accept a cheque for £2630.

A further presentation was made to Joanna Goldspink who has been the choir's accompanist since she was 14 years old. Joanna is about to go to university to study music. During the evening she received a standing ovation for her solo performance of Grande Valtz Brillante, op. 18 by Chopin. Jeff Wardle and Musical Director Shirley Allen wished Joanna every success in the future and thanked her for all her help and hard work with the choir. Rebecca Rickwood will be the new accompanist.

The evening was a great success. The audience and choir enjoyed the music, the food and the fun. We look forward to the next 25 years.

In the past few weeks 3 new members have joined the choir. If you are interested please get in touch. There is no audition and no requirement to read music.

The choir is now busy rehearsing for Christmas. There will be a seasonal concert at All Saints Church, Sawtry at 7.30pm on 17 December 2011.

**Hazel Rea**

**Publicity Officer, Sawtry Chorale**

Tel: 01487 830149 / Web site: [www.sawtrychorale.co.uk](http://www.sawtrychorale.co.uk)



The Sunshine Children's Centre in Middlefield Road (on the Infant and Junior School site) offers children aged 0 to 5 years old and their parents and carers a warm, welcoming, safe environment to come and have fun, learn new skills, and receive support from peers and centre staff.

Various groups and sessions take place throughout the week both in the centre and in some local schools (Elton, Great Gidding and Stilton during term time).

We also host the fortnightly Baby Weighing Clinic in conjunction with the Health Visitors.

All sessions are free, and EVERYONE is welcome.

We are usually open from 9 – 5pm Monday to Thursday and 9 – 4.30pm on Friday so why not drop into the centre to register with us and collect an up to date timetable of events?

Or visit our website for details

[www.cambridgeshirechildrenscentres.org.uk/display\\_centre.shtml?sawtry](http://www.cambridgeshirechildrenscentres.org.uk/display_centre.shtml?sawtry)

Sunshine Children's Centre, Middlefield Road, Sawtry, Cambs, PE28 5SH. Tel: 01487 830618

## Sawtry Day Centre News

For those of you that don't know that there is a very active day centre in the village, let me take this opportunity to introduce you to it.

The club is for the house bound and socially isolated and a break for those who care for them. We run on a Wednesday and Thursday between the hours of 9.30am to 2.30pm and three dedicated staff and an army of volunteers run the day centre. The day centre is located in the clubroom at the CARESCO Centre. The Day Centre Manager is Mrs Pat Ayres, I am Ms Gill Robinson the Deputy Manager and Mrs Lyn Wallis is our cook.

As you may have seen in other editions of the Eye the bare bones of the club have been written about, so let me put a bit of meat on the bones so to speak.

As members arrive at the centre they are met with a cup of tea and a biscuit, a raffle is run each day with the proceeds going to the members' social fund. There is an opportunity to join in with the other members for a few simple chair exercises or just to sit and chat or play games. A shopping trip is also part of our day with the transport taking some members to the local shops and a volunteer goes on the trip with a shopping list for the members who do not want to go.

The cost for the day for members is £5 which is a contribution towards the cost of transport and a two course meal made with fresh ingredients cooked by Lyn. On Wednesday afternoon we play chocolate bingo and for those who do not wish to play there are games or members just sit and chat (or snooze).

Our entertainment programme is listed below this can vary from going out for a meal to someone local to our village coming in to entertain us.

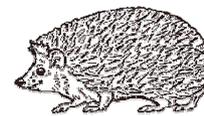
6 <sup>th</sup> October	Reminiscence session (bygone days)
20 <sup>th</sup> October	Lunch out at The Green Man, Stanford
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Morrison Stamford Christmas shopping trip
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Sheila Harland demonstrating flower arrangements
30 <sup>th</sup> November	Ladies singing duo
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas meal at The Queen's Head, Needingworth
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas meal at the Centre - with entertainment by the junior school choir

If you like what you have read then why not call the CARESCO Centre on 01487 832105 during of-ice hours and have a chat, we are a happy and friendly group who have a lot of fun and new members will be made most welcome.

**Gill Robinson**  
**The Day Centre Team**



## Sawtry Day Nursery's Project Hedgehog



Sawtry Day Nursery are asking for your help to raise awareness of the Hedgehog who is in serious decline, decreasing in numbers by up to 50% in some areas of the UK in the last 25 years. As part of our project we have been working alongside 'Hedgehog Street' (which is part of a campaign being led by the Peoples Trust for Endangered Species (PTES) and the British Hedgehog Preservation Society (BHPS) to try and attract hedgehogs to our area, providing suitable habitats within the Nursery by creating a wildlife garden, building hedgehog homes and bug houses. We hope as a rural/caring community you will consider this to be a worthwhile cause and join us by making small changes to your gardens or local area. This could involve keeping a simple leaf pile, log structure or a built hedgehog house.

To help you understand the hedgehog further and the importance of this cause we have produced a short [Hedgehog fact sheet](#).

- The Hedgehog population has declined by almost 50% in the last 25 years and could be set to be extinct in areas by 2050.
- Hedgehogs tend to travel at night covering a distance up to 1 mile per night looking for food or a companion. Therefore it's important to help their journey by [LINKING](#) your gardens where possible through gaps in fences, under gates or through bushes (approx size gap 15cm in height and width).
- Hedgehogs are good for your gardens eating up to its body weight in unwanted garden pests such as slugs.
- Hedgehogs eat: Slugs, Beetles, Moth Larvae, Cat/dog food, Worms & Caterpillars
- Do not feed Hedgehogs bread and milk as it's extremely bad for their digestion system.
- Try to avoid using chemicals on your garden such as slug pellets as hedgehogs will become poisoned if they eat the dead slugs.

### **Hibernation**

Hedgehogs hibernate between [November through to April](#). They look for safe places to rest normally in [log piles or leaves](#). So why not make your own hedgehog house in a corner of your garden.

But remember as hedgehogs look for places to sleep during NOVEMBER it's important that any bonfire stacks are checked for hedgehogs before lighting.

If you do take part, we at Sawtry Day Nursery would love to hear about your Hedgehog experiences.

Nicky & the team at Sawtry Day Nursery.

Email: [info@sawtrydaynursery.co.uk](mailto:info@sawtrydaynursery.co.uk)

## BRAMPTON SCALE MODEL CLUB

Founded nearly twenty years ago at RAF Brampton, the club has been meeting in the Old School for the past eighteen months; there are about 25 of us from all over Cambridgeshire and we meet every Wednesday evening from 7.30-9.30pm. We build models of varying subjects and scales from aircraft and military vehicles to ships, trains and figures from plastic kits or scratch-built from a variety of materials. Our members' range from ten to seventy years old and the skill range is equally broad. Meetings are informal and new members are assured of a warm welcome. We aim to encourage and develop the art of scale modelling and recommend members to bring their finished and current models along, not to be criticised but to benefit from help and advice to develop skills. No matter how long you have been in the hobby, you can always learn something new.

Embedded within the club is a branch of the International Plastic Modellers Society (UK) which is very active and well regarded nationally. The Club and the IPMS Branch mount displays at model shows across the country, but one of the highlights is running our own annual show at the end of September each year, where we exhibit with other invited clubs, organisations and traders. From small beginnings in the St Ives Corn Exchange 16 years ago, the show has grown to be the biggest of its type in the east of England, currently filling the Burgess Hall also in St Ives. The other highlight of our year is our participation in the IPMS (UK) Scale Model World annual event at the Telford Centre in Shropshire, the largest model show in the world. A few years ago our Branch won the trophy for the best branch display, beating over a hundred others and our associated Special Interest Groups have won their competition and been runner-up on two occasions recently. Since we moved to the village we have supported and exhibited at the 2010 Sawtry Show and at this year's Carnival, and we had an even larger presence at this year's Show.

We have gained several new members over the last eighteen months, but we are always looking for more. If you have ever been a modeller and would like to start again, or you think you might like to try the hobby then come along any Wednesday evening and join us. You could also check out our website [www.bramptonscalemodelclub.fsnet.co.uk](http://www.bramptonscalemodelclub.fsnet.co.uk) or contact Sam Bratby on 01487 830689.

## Going Green

As the old fashioned traditional light bulbs finally vanish from our shops everyone will have to move over to using low energy bulbs from now on. These days this isn't exactly a hardship. The new bulbs are compact, bright and readily available in a wide range of shapes so there is one to suit all your lights around the home. Way back when these things first became available (probably 20 years ago) we started to replace our bulbs by buying one a month from John Lewis at £10 each. They were big and heavy and took ages to warm up. Today's range couldn't be more different. Even ones suitable for dimmer switches and candle shaped ones in the shops today.

We've got dimmer ones in our living room and fancy spotlight types in the kitchen. The one I haven't bought yet is a blue one for the angle poise I use when reading or sewing in the evenings, but I believe even they are available nowadays.

The Energy Saving Trust claim that each bulb should save on average £2.50 on our electricity bills per year and an average household using only low energy ones could save £37, or more as energy prices go up. They are now widely available and cost around £1 - £2 each (even cheaper when on special offer), easily pay for themselves in the first year and last for years, particularly useful for those awkward to reach ones, above the stairs for example.

Not that this is something we should be doing just for our wallets, but also for the environment, however it's always good when going greener also means saving money in the long run!

The old fashioned traditional bulb was so inefficient that they used 95% of the energy to produce heat rather than light! By phasing out the very inefficient bulbs, the technology behind the low energy ones has greatly improved making them smaller, even more efficient and producing better quality light faster. No more pausing while the bulbs warm up before you can walk into a room and the tone of the light produced has also improved over the years making them more pleasant as well as better for the planet.

It's really a no-brainer!

**Eco Apprentice**

For more information visit <http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk>

## SAWTRY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

In my report after being elected as Branch Chairman I said that I wanted to raise the profile of the RBL and increase membership, maybe even start a Junior Section. An invite has been received from the Infants School to talk to the pupils and arrangements are being made for a RBL representative to visit Sawtry Village College. Both talks will be based on the work of the RBL, tailored to suit the age groups involved.

Invites were sent to a number of village organisations to enter teams to compete in a quiz on the 15<sup>th</sup> May for the Bill Hall Memorial Shield. This was extremely successful, and as requested on the night, will be competed for annually.

Lastly and most importantly, the 40s day on the 10<sup>th</sup> September. What a success! My thanks go to all who participated, donated, visited and became members of Sawtry and District Branch on the day. Eight new members and more to come.

Particular thanks must go to those Branch members who sold raffle tickets and helped on the day. The exhibitors both inside and out, the gentlemen on the barbecue along with Tillys Tea Room and the two ladies on the Candy Floss. Also the Caxton Swing Band who donated their services at no cost.

Lastly, special thanks to my colleagues Stuart Wylie (it was his idea) and Allan Fowler who put in so much effort over a number of months. Hope you can sleep now!

All this effort raised a final total of **£1556.27** for the RBL 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Appeal Fund and from the feedback gave a lot of people a lot of pleasure.

Remembrance Sunday will soon be with us and Poppy Appeal collectors are still needed. If you can help, please contact Allan Fowler on 01487 830806.

Please note the **AGM IS ON 31st OCTOBER, 8PM** at Sawtry Ex-Service and Working Men's Club.

**Tony Nickerson**

## SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY & THE COMMUNITY

During our well-attended July meeting - Brian Jones' talk about "The Great Fenland Monasteries" - we were surprised that the long extinct Sawtry Abbey had only the briefest of mentions. However Brian explained that although when compared to the other "Great" Fenland establishments it was just a little tiddler, it is included in the old "Monastery Poem" because, as the poem suggests, Cistercian ethics required them to live in the simplest possible way, giving almost everything away -

*Ramsey the rich of gold and of fee;  
Thorney the flower of the fen country;  
Crowland the proud as well do men think;  
Sawtry by the way that poor Abbey  
Gave more Alms in a day, than all they!*

The earliest of the Fen monasteries were founded through political marriages to ensure peace between Northumberland and Mercia but Crowland, Ely, Thorney and Peterborough had very troubled early histories. Founded during the 7<sup>th</sup>/ 8<sup>th</sup>C they were all pillaged later by the Danes and the Normans and although eventually refounded they continued to suffer - Peterborough was sacked and Crowland was destroyed by earthquake!

However despite these early problems many establishments did flourish. Ely opened the very first school but had to annually pay the King the equivalent of 10,000 eels and Peterborough became a place of pilgrimage to see their famous relict - Beckett's left arm! Ramsey's Royal Charter granted them an annual eight day fair and with vineyards, parks and markets the Benedictine monasteries' became very wealthy - so much so that Henry the Eighth eventually decided they had to go!

In his September presentation, "People & Places" Chairman Alan Bottell showed many fascinating new images - often linking old well-known local families but also introducing little known facts. For instance who had previously seen the signatures of Churchill, Dame Nellie Melba, the Queen's uncle David Bowes-Lyons, and many other famous people all written on a local cottage wall?

**Finally if you have an interest in local genealogy you may like to know that our archive now contains records for the Sawtry burial grounds of All Saints and the old St Andrews and also of All Saints, Conington and the recently completed survey of St Nicholas, Glatton. Access to these records is free but the St Nicholas survey is also available on a CD, which may be purchased.**

**Everyone is welcome to our next meeting, 7.30 at the WI Hall, on the 20<sup>th</sup> October, when our previous chairman, Gordon Townsend, will recall "Boyhood Memories of Sawtry". However on the previous Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> October Gordon is leading a real walk down Sawtry's memory lanes - contact Gordon at 01487 773493 or meet at 10am on the old A1 near the Sports Field road at 10am.**

**And finally - "taphophilia" is defined as an "excessive fondness" for funerals, graves and cemeteries!**

**Allan Bamford, SHS, (Registered Charity 294789)**

**Secretary - 01487 834551**



The Sawtry Small Business Partnership is now in its third year and continues to grow with over 35 members from varied trades and services. The non-profit making group welcomes all enquiries from business men and women in and around the local area who are honest and reliable.

We have monthly meetings where members can network and enjoy a very sociable atmosphere as well as gain valuable information about local business issues, listen to entertaining speakers and in general chat with like minded people. The SSBP is fairly unique in as much that it serves the community by being in a position to offer trustworthy services plus help to fund local charities by fund raising events and being seen at the annual Carnival etc.

You will receive our Yearly Directory of members with this issue of the Sawtry Eye. Please do keep it handy for when you might require any of the members' services.

Our website [www.ssbpartnership.org](http://www.ssbpartnership.org) keeps you in touch with latest SSBP news and events plus a visible Directory of members and their trades. If you have any questions or require information do contact us.

The SSBP dedicated to serving the community and surrounding areas.

**32, Bramble End, Sawtry, Cambs PE28 5QH - 01487 832683 - 07889 014200**  
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## SAWTRY IN BLOOM – YOU DID IT

The village achieved another Silver Gilt award, our sixth. The judges loved our Scarecrows, Sawtry sign planters, and the increased involvement of many community groups and local businesses. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard, both on the committee and around the village. There were more people involved, doing a blooming good job.

The Scarecrows will be back next year, so get thinking about yours!

The In Bloom group are keen to involve more groups, businesses, and individuals, so if you have some spare time, ideas and skills or can offer sponsorship we would love to hear from you. Bulb planting will be one of the main autumn tasks that anyone can take part in – please do get involved. Please contact the Parish Council Office on 831771.

**Mick Rayson**

## SAWTRY SHOW 2011

The Show, held at the college on 17<sup>th</sup> September, was a great success. The entries ranged from longest runner bean to a table full of Victoria sponge cakes, Lego models to over 200 photographs. There were craft demonstrations, refreshments, a raffle and sale of produce at the end. The cup winners were:

- Overall Adult Winner:** Gaye Fox
- Overall Junior Winner:** Victoria Warren
- The Cooper Shield (Fruit and Veg):** Dick Tuplin
- The Cookery Cup:** Carol Warren
- The Art and Craft Cup:** Anke Chandler
- The Wines and Beers Cup:** Gaye Fox
- The Photography Trophy:** Daniel Spencer

A huge thank you to all who were involved; entrants, judges and the committee. If you would like to join the committee planning next year's show, or have suggestions for classes, please ring the Parish Council Office on 831771.

**Janet Spencer/ Babs Sullivan**

## CHOCOLATE IN MELTDOWN

The global confectionary industry could be facing a disastrous shortage of chocolate because farmers can't make a living growing cocoa. How can Fairtrade help?

- In 2010 the global chocolate confectionary market was worth \$79.4bn – with the UK market alone worth \$5.9bn.
- Around 3.5 million tonnes of cocoa beans are produced each year, with a value of \$10bn.
- Five to six million small farms produce 90 per cent of the world's cocoa.
- Around 60 per cent of cocoa is grown by small-scale farmers in the West African states of Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana.
- Close to 50 million people depend on cocoa for their livelihood.



Cocoa is a global industry these days thanks to our insatiable demand for chocolate. But soon demand will outstrip supply as many small-scale farmers move away from growing cocoa beans as the price they receive no longer gives their crops enough value to be worth continuing.

Without Fairtrade giving a guaranteed level of income to the farmers, the future supply of cocoa to the confectionary industry may soon be threatened.

This is now being recognised by many manufacturers who are turning to Fairtrade to save their industry. Global Fairtrade cocoa sales doubled to an estimated 30,000 tonnes in 2010. In the UK more than 120 companies now market over 500 Fairtrade chocolate confectionary products. With a retail value of £343m in 2010, Fairtrade sales now make up around 10 per cent of UK chocolate confectionary sales.

So look out for the Fairtrade Mark on your next bar of chocolate, it could make all the difference in the future!

For more information visit [www.fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.fairtrade.org.uk)

To contact the Sawtry Fairtrade Steering Group call Liz on 01487 830245 or Sally on 01487 831771

# ALL SAINTS' PARISH CHURCH

## Church Causeway, Sawtry

### SUNDAY SERVICES

October	2 <sup>nd</sup>	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 am	Harvest Festival Service
	9 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holy Communion
	16 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Morning Prayer
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30 am	Holy Communion
November	30 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Songs of Praise
	6 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 am	Family Worship
	13 <sup>th</sup>	10.55 am	Remembrance Service
	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Morning Prayer
	27 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holy Communion

### GIFT DAY - SATURDAY 1ST OCTOBER

The church will be open from 10.00am until 4.00pm and light refreshments will be available.

**'Memories of Sawtry'**. From 10.00am to 4.00pm, Alan Bottell from the Sawtry History Society will be in Church - please bring along any photos, old or new, that could be scanned into the digital archive and share your memories of Sawtry.

Between 2.00 and 4.00pm there will be children's activities, based on **'Be thankful'** with crafts and stories.

### HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE - SUNDAY 2ND OCTOBER 10.30am

The service is for all the family and everyone is welcome. Come and sing your favourite Harvest hymns and enjoy the decorations.

Gifts of non perishable food will go to Peterborough Streets for the homeless and vulnerable people in Peterborough.

### SAS KIDS' CLUB

For all children aged 4-10. The Kids Club will meet at 10.15am on the 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> October at the home of Alison Scott. On the 20<sup>th</sup> November the Kids Club will meet at 10.15am again at the home of Alison Scott. After school **Kids Club** will meet at the Sawtry Infant School on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October & 8<sup>th</sup> November from 3.00 - 4.30 pm.

### WINTER FAYRE – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November

The church will be open from 10.30am until 12.30pm. There will be refreshments and stalls including: Hamper, Raffle, Tombola, New Gifts, Cake Stall, Guess the weight of the cake, Homemade preserves and jams, Jewellery, Christmas decorations and various children's games. Other stalls will include Woodman Sam, Flowers, Katie cards and a Jewellery stall.

### REMEMBRANCE SERVICE – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November

The Remembrance service will be led by the Bishop of Huntingdon, The Right Rev'd David Thomson. The service starts outside the Church at 10.55am around the War Memorial.

### 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.

### CHURCH SERVICES DURING THE VACANCY

The church is still open on Sundays. We have various visiting clergy to lead us in our worship. Do try and come along to support the church, you will be made most welcome. Check the notice boards outside the Rectory and the Church for details.

### FOR FURTHER DETAILS RING THE CHURWARDENS:

Mr. Neil MacKinnon 01487 832661 Email: np.mackinnon@tiscali.co.uk

Mr. Pete Ayres 01487 832503 Email: ayrpet@aol.com

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

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

# Sawtry Methodist Church

Green End Road, Sawtry, Tel 01480 830314

## SUNDAY SERVICES

Morning Worship at 10.30am  
Sunday School at 10.30am

## SPECIAL SERVICES

### ALL AGE WORSHIP

16<sup>th</sup> October – 10.30am, Led by Malcolm Sharp

### REMEMBRANCE DAY - UNITED SERVICE

13<sup>th</sup> November – 10.45am, At All Saints

### ALL AGE WORSHIP

20<sup>th</sup> November, Led by Leonore Charlton

*Come and join us*

## SATURDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

9.30 – 11 am

with Cake Stall

All proceeds towards the building fund

Traidcraft goods also on sale



# St NICHOLAS PARISH CHURCH

Church Road, Glatton

## SUNDAY SERVICES

October	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
	9 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion
	16 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion
	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion
30 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
November	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion
	17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Holy Communion
	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion
	27 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Holy Communion

### Christmas Fayre on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm in the Village Hall

Come and enjoy mulled wine and mince pies as you wander around the many stalls and games for all the family.

### Cheese and Wine on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November.

Tickets at £8 from PCC members

### Glatton Adventurers for 4 - 11s

Meet in the Village Hall on November 6<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am.  
More details from Shirley Dewar – 831651.

**FOR FURTHER DETAILS RING THE CHURCH WARDEN:  
Shirley Dewar 01487 831651**

## 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 Minh 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](http://www.saintlukesparish.org.uk) and click on Parish News**

**If you wish to 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](mailto:saintlukesparish@yahoo.co.uk)**

**You can also find out more about our parish at [www.saintlukesparish.org.uk](http://www.saintlukesparish.org.uk)**

## REMEMBRANCE

We stood in the silent churchyard, November wind blowing chill,  
A circle of Sawtry people, drawn there by common will.  
We came to pay our homage, to remember, as each year,  
That even a tiny village spawns men who brave their fear.  
Out to battle for England, to fight a monstrous foe  
Went farmer, clerk and craftsman, leaving the old to reap and sow.  
Children to take their places, to comfort those left behind,  
Knowing the perils that faced them, but to them appearing blind.  
Some returned to their families uninjured, the lucky men.  
Others came home quite broken, never the same again.  
Many never came back to Sawtry to live in this village in peace.  
They gave their lives and their future that war in this world might cease.  
We read out their names at the service, but as the Last Post was played  
I thought of those left to mourn them, of the sadness often unsaid,  
Of the women who never would know now the joy of marrying their man,  
For unions abruptly shattered almost before they began.  
As the world struggles on with its problems, one thing we must never forget,  
Peace was brought very dearly by heroes, but it's not secure even yet.  
We must all strive to love one another, though sometimes it seems very hard.  
Till we do there'll be wars and sorrows, more names carved in our churchyard.

*Joyce Day, Sawtry Resident*



Presents **An Evening with  
THE BODY SHOP**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Doors open 7.15pm, Starts 7.30pm  
at the CARESCO Centre

See page 2 for full details

**ROCKY'S  
plaiCe**

**Come to this year's  
Halloween Alternative**

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October, 6-8pm

See page 7 for full details



# REMEMBRANCE

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	1/2 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.

## SING FOR LIFE CHARITY CONCERT - HERE COME THE GIRLS!

SING FOR LIFE WITH BERNIE NOLAN

Featuring the new women's choir "Peterborough Voices"

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

Concerts at 2.30pm and 7.30pm

**At The Kingsgate Centre, Parnwell, Peterborough, PE1 4YT**

**Tickets from £11**

Available online through <http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/pmvc>

Tickets are also available from: The Destination Centre, Bridge Street, Peterborough, PE1 1HJ

Tel: 01733 452336

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Wednesday night at the Methodist Church Eynesbury

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**BRING AND BUY, ART AND CRAFTS, RECORDS CDS AND COLLECTABLES FAIR**

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DATE:	SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5 <sup>TH</sup> WEEKLY UNTIL 26 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER
TIME:	9AM UNTIL 1PM
ENTRY:	20P FOR ADULTS CHILDREN AND OAPS FREE

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## Wildlife Trust – Huntingdonshire Local Group

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

### PAXTON PITS – A COMMUNITY NATURE RESERVE - WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

The host will be Ray Matthews, who is the Chairman of The Friends of Paxton Pits. He will explain how this reserve was created, following the introduction of quarrying for sand and gravel in the 1930s, and developed to become a nature reserve. Today Paxton Pits is recognized as a haven for wildlife, supporting a rich variety of insects, birds, wild flowers and mammals.

### SHETLAND – LAND OF SEABIRDS AND OTTERS - WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Trevor Gunton has spent most of his working life with the RSPB where he was Head of Development and has also been a very successful tour leader for wildlife trips around Europe. In particular Trevor has led wildlife cruises from Norway to Shetland and will use his extensive knowledge to guide us around Shetland from when the Vikings first set foot on the island to its fantastic wildlife today.

**All meetings start at 7.30pm**

**At Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB**

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/](http://www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/) or contact George on 01480 450809 or email [georgecottam@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:georgecottam@dsl.pipex.com).

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## THE ALTERNATIVE GAMES

The Paralympics have grown from a small gathering of British World War II veterans in 1948 to become one of the largest international sport events by the early 21st century. Paralympians strive for equal treatment with non-disabled Olympic athletes, but there is a large funding gap between Olympic and Paralympic athletes. There are also sports, such as track and field athletics, that are resistant to Paralympians who wish to compete equally with non-disabled athletes, though there have been Paralympians who have participated in the Olympic Games.

The Paralympic Games include athletes with physical disabilities, and are run in parallel with the Olympic Games, while the IOC recognized Special Olympics World Games include athletes with intellectual disabilities, and the Deaflympics include deaf athletes.

The present formal explanation for the name "Paralympic" is that it derives from the Greek preposition παρά, *pará* ("beside" or "alongside") and thus refers to a competition held in parallel with the Olympic Games. The Summer Games of 1988 held in Seoul was the first time the term "Paralympic" came into official use.

Given the wide variety of disabilities that paralympic athletes have, there are several categories in which the athletes compete. The allowable disabilities are broken down into six broad categories. The categories are amputee, Cerebral Palsy, intellectual disability, wheelchair, visually impaired, and *Les Autres* (literally "The Others", which are athletes with disabilities that don't fall into the other five categories; these include dwarfism, multiple sclerosis, and congenital deformities). These categories are further broken down into classifications, which vary from sport to sport. The classification system has led to cheating controversies revolving around athletes who over-stated their disabilities in addition to the use of performance-enhancing drugs seen in other events.

Thanks to [www.wikipedia.org.uk](http://www.wikipedia.org.uk)

### “Paying for care home fees – will the law change?”

by Stephen Duffy of Buckles Solicitors LLP

It is estimated that one in 10 people will need to spend over £100,000 on care over the rest of their lives. Some could spend hundreds of thousands of pounds. There is no way of predicting in advance what the costs might be for any one person.

Today, the social care system in England provides financial support through a means-tested system. Very broadly, under this system, people with assets over £23,250 – including housing assets – receive no financial state support and need to fund their own care. Anyone with assets below £14,250 is only asked to contribute from their income. A “sliding scale” operates for those with assets between these two figures.

A recent Report commissioned by the Government has stated that the adult social care funding system is in urgent need of reform, and has recommended the following system be introduced from 2013:

The lifetime contribution to adult social care costs that any individual needs to make should be capped at £35,000. Where an individual's care costs exceed the cap, they would be eligible for full support from the state.

The asset threshold for those in residential care beyond which no means-tested help is given should increase from £23,250 to £100,000, with a “sliding scale” contribution calculated on assets between £14,250 and £100,000.

Those in residential care would be expected to make a contribution to their general living costs, such as food and accommodation, of £10,000 per year.

It is estimated that the recommended changes to the funding system would cost the Government in the region of £2 billion per year. So will the recommendations in the Report become law?

Unfortunately, due to the current economic climate, the Report may never become law, or become law in a significantly amended format. Even if the Report does become law, it is unlikely to come into effect for some time yet. The Government has already failed to stick to the timetable set out in the Report which was only issued in July.

In addition, even were all the recommended changes implemented, paying £35,000 for care is still a lot of money, and this is of course £70,000 for a couple. Plus, when the ‘general living costs’ of £10,000 per year (per person) are added on, it is clear that big bills are still likely.

**Stephen is a specialist in planning to protect assets from care home fees, and can be contacted at Buckles on 01733 888879.**

## Got better things to spend your money on than electricity bills?

Borrow an energy meter from any Cambridgeshire library free of charge and find out how you could cut your electricity bills by as much as 15%.

The meters are easy and safe to use and show how much electricity is being used in your home at any one time. Using a meter can help you see just how much energy is used, for example, by lights in empty rooms, appliances on stand-by or boiling a full kettle. Armed with this information, studies show that households can reduce their bills by 5 - 15% by making small changes to use less electricity. Ask to borrow a meter at your local library today and start planning what to do with your savings!

Fiona Riggall, Environment and Climate Change Officer, 01223 715673  
Environment Management and Climate Change Cambridgeshire County Council  
Address: Cambridgeshire County Council, CC1312, Castle Court, Castle Hill,  
Cambridge, CB3 0AP

**Green Tip:** We all have an impact on the environment through our use of resources and burning fossil fuels for everyday activities such as driving cars and heating our homes. For various tips on how to reduce carbon emissions in the home, check out the Environment Agency website at the following address:

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/climatechange>

## Take care – be gas safe



As Autumn creeps in, you might start to think about switching on the central heating, so at Trading Standards we wanted to take the opportunity to remind you of the steps you can take to help stay gas safe.

Firstly, if you need to employ someone to work on your gas appliance or installation (for example, a gas boiler), they must be on the Gas Safe Register (which replaced CORGI). Visit [www.gassaferegister.co.uk](http://www.gassaferegister.co.uk) or ring 0800 408 5500 to check if someone is a member. It is against the law for them to do gas work without being registered.

Secondly, if you are planning to have some building work done, and the builders are taking care of the subcontracting for you, you should still make sure that the person they are using to do the gas work is on the Gas Safe Register. According to the Register, last year over 100,000 home improvement projects being managed by builders left homeowners with illegal and dangerous gas works, leaving them unaware until it was too late. 1 in 7 of these were declared to be 'immediately dangerous', needing to be disconnected immediately to avoid explosion, fire, gas leak or carbon monoxide poisoning.

Thirdly, always ask to see the gas engineers Gas Safe Register ID card to ensure the specific person who is going to do the work on your gas appliance is registered and that he is registered to do the *type* of gas work you need doing. Images of what this ID card should look like are available on our webpages [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/consumer](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/consumer) or you can watch a short video on the Gas Safe Register website (above).

Fourthly, the Gas Safe Register recommends you have your gas appliances regularly serviced and an annual gas safety check undertaken. If you rent your home, your landlord must keep the gas appliances supplied to you in good condition, arrange gas safety checks every 12 months and give you a record of the check.

Carbon monoxide is a highly poisonous gas. You can't see it, taste it or smell it, but it can kill quickly with no warning. If you have any concerns about an appliance or the work you have done, get it checked out. In fact if you have had gas work done in your property in the last six months, you can nominate it for a free gas safety inspection by contacting the Gas Safe Register.

Providing information on how to find a trader is just one topic we provide advice about on our webpages. For more about this, about the issues being tackled by Trading Standards, about how to report concerns to us or for how to seek advice, visit [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/consumer](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/consumer).



## New Non-Emergency Police Number

101 is the new number to call in Cambridgeshire when you want to contact your local police - when it's less urgent than a 999 call. 101 is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. By January 2012 the same number will be available across all areas of England and Wales.

**When to call 101?** You should call 101 to report less urgent crime and disorder or to speak to your local officers. For example, you should call 101 if:

- your car has been stolen
- your property has been damaged
- you suspect drug use or dealing in your neighbourhood Or to:
- report a minor traffic collision
- give the police information about crime in your area
- speak to the police about a general enquiry

101 is being introduced as part of the government's wider work to improve access to the police, ease pressure on 999, and help to efficiently and effectively tackle crime and disorder.

**What is the difference between 101 and 999?** You should continue to call 999 when it is an emergency, such as when a crime is in progress, when there is danger to life or when violence is being used or threatened.

**What does it cost to call 101?** Calls to 101 (from both landlines and mobile networks) cost 15 pence per call, no matter what time of day you call, or how long you are on the phone.

Everyone calling the police for non-emergency matters will now know exactly how much a call will cost them, and can be assured of equal access whether they are on a pay-as-you-go mobile or a home landline.

**Who will answer my 101 call?** Calls to 101 are answered by police call handlers in the control room of the local police force. This ensures that staff with local knowledge can answer and deal with the calls and respond appropriately. You will **not** be put through to a large national call centre.

When you call 101, the system will determine your location and connect you to the police force covering that area. You will hear a recorded message announcing the police force you are being connected to. If you are on a boundary between two or more forces, the recorded message will give you a choice of which force to be connected to.

**I am deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired, can I call 101?** Yes, you can textphone 18001 101.

**What if English is not my first language?** Your local police have access to professional interpreters so they can quickly translate your call if you have difficulty speaking English.

**What about reporting general nuisance or environmental issues?** You should continue to call your local council for things like:

- reporting graffiti
- dog fouling
- abandoned vehicles
- dumping and fly tipping
- Vandalism

**What should I do if the 101 number is currently blocked on the phone at my workplace / college / business premises?** As 101 is a new number, some business phone systems and switchboards may not yet be programmed to recognise 101. Please contact the person who administers your phone system to request that access is opened to the 101 number.

For more information on how to contact your local council please visit [www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk)



## SAWTRY BADMINTON CLUB

Are looking for players with all levels of ability to join them

On Wednesday evenings at Sawtry One Leisure, From 8.00pm to 10.00pm

### Junior Club

10 years + (From 7.00pm to 8.00pm)

For more information please contact Robert Stefanelli on 01487 832871

Email: [mail@stefanelli27.wanadoo.co.uk](mailto:mail@stefanelli27.wanadoo.co.uk)

Web Page: [www.sawtrybadmintonclub.com](http://www.sawtrybadmintonclub.com)





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More NEWS @  
[www.shunryu.co.uk](http://www.shunryu.co.uk)

**Digital Syllabus** - reminder to all students that our membership still includes access to our online resource; introduced back in 2009. Please contact the Chief Instructor to arrange access.

**Social** - We can also be found on Facebook (Search Shunryu Kenpo) and Twitter ([twitter.com/shunryukan](https://twitter.com/shunryukan))

**Youtube** - Videos have been uploaded to a 'Public Playlist' and can be easily accessed via our website [www.shunryu.co.uk/media](http://www.shunryu.co.uk/media)

If you're interested in joining the Shunryu Kenpo Karate Academy then please contact the Chief Instructor: Adam J. Merton - Kancho

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#### NEWS

**NEW Official Training Club** based in Newmarket - Iain K. Boyd - Sensei will be teaching small informal groups from August 2011. Contact us for details.

**Summer Sessions** - Our classes were held at the Shunryukan Honbu Dojo during the month of August due to the refurbishment of the old school hall. We have now returned to this venue for the Autumn.

**July Gradings saw:** Dave Blackett & Emily Edmett test for their Orange Belt Purple Tabs - Connor Blackett test for his Orange Belt and Scott Markwell graded to White Belt Yellow Tabs. Congratulations!

**Aikoushin Kobujutsu Renmei Summer Seminar 2011** was held in London and was attended by Adam J. Merton - Kancho Chief Instructor of the Academy. Where he taught aspects of Shunryu Kenpo to over 100 Students. [www.aikoushin.co.uk](http://www.aikoushin.co.uk)



## SAWTRY & DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

And so we come to the end of yet another season, and all the bowlers have disappeared on their holidays or to their indoor clubs for the next 7 months. Although we started our season very slowly, all the teams gradually improved and finished in respectable positions - the men's A Team finished 4<sup>th</sup>, the B Team topped their division and the C Team ended the season in mid - table; both Ladies teams finished in mid - league positions. We sent several members to the EBF National Finals at Skegness and the men's Triples rink were narrowly beaten in the semi - finals; of course all these teams reached the Nationals as a result of their success in the County Championships earlier in the season!

There were some very encouraging signs for the future, in the Club in-house competitions:

The season long competition - the Monday competition was won by Francis Henderson (Top Lady) and John Tungate (top gent).

The Finals weekend produced some interesting matches, and top marks must go to the Bowers clan, with 3 generations, Grandad and Cali being the only ones to come away without a trophy. The results were as follows:-

Men's 4 wood singles	Kevin Bowers
Men's 2 wood singles	Mark Campbell
Ladies 4 wood singles	Sandra Deller
Ladies 2 wood singles	Sue Rayson
Handicap singles	Kevin Bowers
Over 60's singles	Malcolm Scott
Non-Winners singles	Mathew Herbert
Cub Pairs	James Bowers & Ian Taylor
Chosen Pairs	Kevin Bowers & James Bowers
Husband & Wife	Sandra & Derek Deller
Triples	Toby Furzeland, Maureen Unwin & Kevin Bowers

And the Junior Results:-

Boys singles	Ross Martin
Girls singles	Lauren Brett
Medal	Zoe Martin, Bradley Herbert, Chloe Brett & Amy Martin
Carpet Medal	Billy Gray

The great success of the season is the continuing influence of the Junior Section. While most clubs struggle to attract juniors, Sawtry Bowling Club can boast a very strong membership with 37 Juniors, who provide a substantial backbone for the County under 25 teams. It was also great to see several juniors playing in senior leagues and competitions. However a couple of pointers to the future; The losing finalist in the junior carpet competition, Lewis Newman, is only 41/2 years old, and the junior girls final featured Lauren Brett v Madison Leader (both obviously following in father's footsteps) is maybe a sign of things to come. We can only look forward to next year!

Finally, some dates for your diaries:- The Presentation Dinner/Dance is on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November, the Club AGM is on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November, Christmas Lunch is Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December and the next Race Night is on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

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For more information please contact Mick Rayson on 01487 830720



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**New Instructors** - Jane Majendie - Orkney

**Sawtry Championships** - Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 10am - 1pm. Cost £10, Deadline 12th November, Sawtry Leisure Centre. Entry forms now on Facebook.

**Videos and Photos** - Add me "**Mark Adlington**" as a friend on **Facebook** and see videos, pictures and information in the "Notes" section. Tang Soo Do forms and techniques now on Facebook and YouTube FREE to SEE! For YouTube "Grandmasterki"

Students now receive a free CD manual with videos and information about the specialised techniques of the academy. DBBAI members receive free seminars and a free email newsletter.

### Class Information

Tuesdays Tang Soo Do Karate/Kickboxing 6 - 7pm Sawtry Leisure Centre - 5 spaces left

Fridays Tang Soo Do Karate 3 - 3.45pm Sawtry Infant School - 4 spaces left

Sundays Tang Soo Do Karate/Kickboxing and Haedong Kumdo 10.30 - 11.30am Sawtry Leisure Centre - 6 spaces left

**Recent Promotions** - [All Sawtry students, Black Belts and Coloured Belts, passed their latest belt test! Well done guys!](#)

Next Coloured belt test 13<sup>th</sup> November Sawtry Leisure Centre 10.30am.

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## SAWTRY CRICKET CLUB



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It was a frustrating afternoon for Sawtry's quest for silverware in the final of the Smith Barrie Junior Cup. Sawtry made a commanding start by reducing Ramsey to just 107 for 8, but then the rain came to Ramsey's rescue forcing the match to be postponed.

In the league it has been a disappointing end to the season for the 1st XI, losing 5 of the last 6 league games and finishing the season in seventh place in Hunts Division 2. Despite the results, Luke Smith continued his impressive first full season by taking 4 wickets for 18 runs against league runners up Blunham, and a further 4 wickets for 48 runs came from Brain Chapman in a narrow 1 run defeat against Cople Argus. Alun Hollocks recorded the highest individual batting score of the last 6 games with 59 against Southill Park.

In contrast to the 1st XI, the 2nd XI maintained their strong start to the season with 6 wins out of 8 matches and with one game to go have now virtually secured second place in Hunts Division 4. Luke Smith showed he is equally capable with the bat, scoring 51 against Newborough and 71 against Orton Park. Josh Burgess continued his outstanding season with 58 runs against Brampton but it was unfortunately in vain as the team slipped to a rare defeat. Hayden Bream (5 wickets for 26 runs) and Chris Brown (5 wickets for 13 runs) put in some good bowling performances, but they were eclipsed by the bowling performance of the season from veteran Andy Fowler, whose incredible 9 wickets for 16 runs tore the Upwood batting line up apart.

The 3rd XI won 2 of their 3 matches and finished the season in a respectable 4<sup>th</sup> place in Hunts Division 5. The victory against Hilton saw a superb all round performance from James Wiltshire, scoring 66 runs with the bat and taking 3 wickets with the ball. However there was a heavy defeat against Huntingdon, despite Hayden Bream's contribution of 76 runs.

The under 17's team put on an impressive performance in the Hunts County Cup reaching the final before unfortunately losing to a strong Peterborough Town side.

The end of season presentation evening for both the junior and senior teams is to be held at Sawtry Workingman's Club on 7<sup>th</sup> October beginning at 19:45.

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## SAWTRY COLTS

Sawtry Colts Football Club has been established for over 25 years and operates a "football for all" philosophy whereby we aim to provide the opportunity for any girls or boys in Sawtry and the surrounding villages to play football. We are an FA Charter Standard Development Club and, in line with our philosophy, at the beginning of this season we had 16 boys teams from ages 7 to 18 and now 5 girls teams from Under 11 (U11) age up to U16, making us one of, if not the, biggest provider of football to girls in Cambridgeshire. In addition to this we also have a Development Centre which introduces football to boys and girls from Reception-age upwards. Having so many teams means we have been a victim of our own success and, as we do not have sufficient capacity to play all our matches at Greenfield, some of the younger sides play at Great Gidding; we are very grateful for Great and Little Gidding Parish Council for allowing us to use these facilities.

This season has started where the last one left off with Greenfield being unusable due to the poor state of the ground. The lack of rain earlier in the year meant the club's annual tournament was cancelled in June and, despite not having had a stunning summer, the continued dearth of rain has meant that most Sawtry sides have had to play their home matches away from Greenfield. If anyone knows the steps to a good rain dance please pass them our way as copious amounts of rain are required to help patch up the cracks.

The 2011-12 season has just started with most teams having played only one or two matches. Stand out matches so far this season include a well-deserved victory for the boys U14 Blues team, who finally prevailed 5-4 on penalties (after a 3-3 draw) against Brampton in the first round of the cup. Also of note, and a match that will bring back the crowds to junior football, was a thrilling 6-6 score line from the U13 Yellows away at Crowland.

A notable match to look forward to this year will be Sawtry U16 Blues v Sawtry U16 Yellows as they are both competing in the same division this year – should be an interesting couple of games – may the best team prevail.

As mentioned above, Sawtry also has probably one of the greatest number of girls' team in Cambridgeshire with teams at U11, U13, U14, U15 and U16 ages. The girls' game is growing all the time with 11 teams at U11, 14 teams at both U13 and U14 (divided into North and South leagues as the teams are as far apart as Wisbech and Cambridge), 12 teams at U15 and 10 teams at U16. Last year saw the U15 (now U16) girls win their league and the U12 team come runners-up and hopefully all teams can continue in the same vein.

Hopefully the above shows that youth football, for both for boys and girls, is alive and kicking in Sawtry and the surrounding villages and we hope to be able to bring you news of their endeavours on the pitch as the season progresses. Further details can be found on the Colts website at [www.sawtrycolts.co.uk](http://www.sawtrycolts.co.uk), where contact details for all the clubs can be found should any other boys, girls, young men or young ladies be interested in playing football for their local club. At the moment the U15 Blues boy's team are a little light on numbers so if there are any budding defenders or midfielders out there please get in touch via the website.

### DO YOU HAVE A FUTURE IN FOOTBALL

Young people from North Huntingdonshire that would like to pursue a future career in football are being offered the opportunity to gain some experience.

The FA Football Futures programme covers six different aspects of the game and offers rewards in exchange of voluntary work carried out by 14 to 22 year olds.

A POSH Leaders group is being set up to allow people aged from 14 to 22 years old the opportunity to join the FA Football Futures programme and to network with other like-minded young people and share their experiences and issues.

POSH Leaders is the brainchild of Jade Ramm who recently attended the FA National Football Futures camp in Hereford and has now been inspired to get more young people involved.

The six aspects of the football covered by the Football Futures programme are Coaching, Refereeing, Promoting The Game, Developing The Game, Organising & Running Events and Respect Ambassador.

Anybody interested in joining the POSH Leaders can attend a Get Into Football Futures day, which Jade is organising. The day will run on Friday 28th October at HCSA, Beaumont Way, Hampton Hargate, PE7 8DN

Huntingdonshire FA and Hampton Football Club are hosting the event and anybody interested can find details at [www.hampton-fc.co.uk](http://www.hampton-fc.co.uk) or email Jade on [jaderamm@hotmail.com](mailto:jaderamm@hotmail.com).