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SAWTRY FIREWORK DISPLAY

Friday 6th November at Greenfield, Straight Drove, Sawtry

Gates Open	6.00pm
Bonfire Lit	7.00pm
Fireworks Start	7.30pm



The display is by **CAMBRIDGE FIREWORKS**

Tickets are available from:-

Cooper's Garage, CARESCO Charity Shop, Tilly's Coffee Shop & Sawtry Parish Council Office

Prices:	Adults & Y7 pupils upwards	£4.00 (£5.00 on the gate)
	All Children Y6 & below	FREE ENTRY
(When accompanied by a paying adult – Max 2 children per adult)		

Food including burgers, hot-dogs, bacon-rolls, tea, coffee, cake etc available

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FIREWORK DISPLAY

Voluntarily run by

Sawtry Sports & Leisure Association and in association with Sawtry Parish Council

For more information please call 01487 830837 or 831797

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

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

ALL SAINTS'

WINTER FAYRE



On Saturday 14th November

10.30am-12.30pm

At All Saints Church
Church Causeway, Sawtry, PE28 5TD

Lots of stalls, and refreshments will be served

We look forward to seeing you

For more information please contact
Rector Rosie on 01487 830215



www.allsaintssawtry.org.uk

Sawtry Small Business Partnership

Sawtry Christmas Fayre



11am - 3pm

Saturday 21st November

One Leisure Sawtry

Come and do some early Christmas Shopping.
Lots of local stalls for all your stocking fillers.

Contact Steph Taylor 07720 583340

To book a stall please email:
steph@etmpartners.com

Raising money for CARESCO and
Sawtry First Responders

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

to be held at Sawtry Methodist Church
on Green End Road

on Wednesday 28th October - 10.30 – 12.00 noon

Bring and Buy - Raffle

Entry £2.00 - this includes Tea or Coffee and Cake

All Welcome

Please come and give us your support for this very worthwhile cause

Any queries or donations to Ann Martin 01487 830442



**WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT**

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



Make A Date

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21 November	Winwick Church	Bangers & Mash Evening	01832 293215	7
21 November	Sawtry Small Business Partnership	Christmas Fayre	07720 583340	Front Page
21 November	Sawtry Bowling Club	Presentation Night & Disco	01487 830193	26
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3 December	Sawtry Royal British Legion	Prize Bingo	01487 830193	7
19 December	CARESCO	The Magic of Christmas	01487 832105	9
ADVERTISE YOUR COMMUNITY EVENT HERE				

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

When your organisation fixes dates, please 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.

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Welcome

Don't know about you, but I'm already snuggling up to my hot water bottle as the nights draw in. It's definitely feeling chilly and the leaves are beginning to change to their beautiful autumn colours. It can be a lovely time of year with lots of seasonal fruits and veg available, both locally grown and in the supermarkets too.

There's a fascinating article on Fungi from Martin in this issue to help you to feel autumnal, along with, dare I say it, early mentions of a variety of Christmas related events.

All Saints' Church have announced that they are organising a repeat of their very successful Christmas Tree Festival, which was well worth a visit two years ago. This time I'm determined to get there after dark to get the full effect of all those lights and help get me in the mood, while plans for the fourth Christmas Day Party here at CARESCO are also getting under way. Read on in this issue for more details of local events, news and clubs within our local community.

Have a good one.

Liz - Co-Editor



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October 2015

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November 2015

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Don't forget - during weeks containing a bank holiday, collection days will change from the usual

HDC REFUSE COLLECTION

Sawtry and the surrounding villages 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)

12th & 26th October

9th, 23rd & 30th November

COMPOST (GARDEN WASTE & DRY RECYCLING)

(Week Beginning)

5th & 19th October

2nd & 16th 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.

SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR SAWTRY SCHOOLS

Autumn Term 2015

Half term, 26 to 30 October

End of Term - 18 December

Spring Term 2016

Start of Term - 5 January

Half Term, 15 - 19 February

End of Term - 24 March

Summer Term 2016

Start of Term - 11 April

Half term, 30 May to 3 June

End of Term - 21 July

Schools have a number of training days available to take at their discretion. Please contact your local school for details.

Or check the Cambridgeshire County Council website at

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/education>



SAWTRY WI

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

Charity Number 229016

1st October

Portable Antiques with Helen Fowler
Competition - Unusual item the colour BLACK

5th AGM

The Jubilee Sailing Trust with John Tudor
No Competition

Visitors and New Members always receive a warm welcome
If you haven't tried the WI before, come along and meet us,
have fun and go home with a smile!!

Regular features include:

Bring & Buy stall, raffle and refreshments

Secretary: Ann Watson 01487 834035

Presidents: Linda Lavery 01487 830282

Maureen Westbrook 01487 832841



Is open every Friday
(including School Holidays)

at the

CARESCO Centre,
Green End Road, Sawtry
(Behind the Old School Hall)

9.00 - 11.30am
(9.45 - 11.30am during
school holidays)

A Warm Welcome For
Coffee, Cake And A Chat
Call 01487 832105

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12 Noon on 20th November**

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Monday - Friday

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TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- Commercial advertisements can be submitted by email to sawtryeye@caresco.org.uk (preferred option), on a disk or as a paper copy delivered to the CARESCO Centre
- The final layout can be produced by our in-house graphic designer (possibly at extra cost)
- High contrast line art is better than photos
- Include your name & contact details
- Make your instructions clear
- Payment with advertisement please, call us to discuss options
- We can accept payment by BACS, cash or cheque (made payable to 'CARESCO')
- Sorry, we cannot take card payments
- CARESCO cannot accept any responsibility for business lost due to any error in production
- Our editorial policy is available on request
- Additional information, rates and deadlines along with our editorial policy are all available as downloads from our website by following the links to the Sawtry Eye pages

www.caresco.org.uk



**ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING
OF CARESCO LTD**

(The organisation behind the Sawtry Eye)

On Thursday 8th October

Starting at 7.30pm - In the CARESCO Centre

We need you!

Would you like to know more about our charity? Find out what we have been up to over the past year?

How to get involved with our work? Or just offer your support on the night?

All Welcome – Come and find out more about us

For more information please contact CARESCO – details on page 3

Or visit our website at www.caresco.org.uk

Annual reports will be available at the meeting

and afterwards from the CARESCO office and website

CARESCO COFFEE SHOP HELP WANTED

We urgently need some extra volunteers to join our team for our Coffee Shop rota on Friday mornings in the CARESCO Centre. Do you have the time to offer your help to serve customers with refreshments from 8.45 – 11.45am on Friday mornings?

If you are interested or would like to know more, please contact Liz Coates on 01487 832105 or drop into the CARESCO office any weekday morning.



Come and join our fun social group involving all things musical and the spoken word

**Forthcoming dates: 9th & 23rd October
13th & 27th November**

The group meets on the 2nd and 4th

Fridays of the month from 1.30pm to 3pm

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

Refreshments included

There is a nominal charge of £2.00 to cover expenses

Transport can be arranged through the Sawtry Car Scheme if required (at additional cost)



Contact details: Tel: 01487 832105 -

Email: office@caresco.org.uk



WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR CHRISTMAS?

Do you know what you're going to be doing on Christmas Day later this year?

Are you going to be on your own? Would you prefer to be with other people to celebrate the festivities?

Once again CARESCO will be hosting a Christmas Day Party for anyone who would otherwise be alone on the big day and would like to join in the fun (couples included). We will be enjoying a traditional three-course lunch with entertainment, games, singing and of course the Queen and even a visit from Santa.

For more information or to book your place, please contact the CARESCO office on 01487 832105 or email office@caresco.org.uk

Visit the photo gallery on our website at www.caresco.org.uk to see what we all got up to last year.



Farmers' Markets

Truly local food sold by the people who produce it.

HUNTINGDON

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

9th & 23rd October
6th & 20th November

**** Next Saturday Special ** - 31st October ****

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

For more information call 01480 388388
or visit www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/markets

PETERBOROUGH

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

Organised by Peterborough City Council.
For more information call 01733 452217
or visit www.peterborough.gov.uk

OUNDLE

Every 2nd **Saturday** from 8.30am - 1.30pm
Market Street

For further information please contact
Oundle Town Council

Tel: 01832 272055, email: otc@lineone.net

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

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

SAWTRY LINE DANCE CLUB

Meet Wednesday Evenings

Sawtry Village Academy, Fen Lane,
Sawtry, PE28 5TQ

Beginners Class - 7 - 8 pm ~
but welcome to stay on afterwards

Improvers / Intermediates - 7.30 - 9.30 pm
£3.50 per class

Learn to line dance, no partner required
and all ages welcome

Come along, make new friends, enjoy yourself
and keep fit at the same time

We are a friendly, sociable class, dancing to all types
of music - including country, pop and contemporary

Email Julie:

jcgillmore@sky.com

Call or Text: Julie on
07939070406

www.sawtrysteppers.co.uk



Line Dancing

SAWTRY FEAST SUPPER PRIZE BINGO



Sawtry Ex-Servicemen's Club
ON Thursday 19th November

Doors open at 7pm,
EYES DOWN AT 7.30PM

You do not have to be a
member of the Club to attend

Everyone very welcome
Great prizes

For more information please call
Karen on 01487 832645



Saturday

17th October

21st November

4:30 - 6:30pm

All Saints' Church
Church Causeway, Sawtry

Crafts for all ages

Celebrate with bible story
and songs

Share a meal together

For more information see
www.allsaintssawtry.org.uk
or contact Revd. Rosie Ward

BOOK STALL AND COFFEE MORNING

At Winwick Church

Saturday 10th October &
Saturday 14th November

10.00 till 11.30am



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

Donations invited in exchange for the above

Proceeds to go to the Church



For more information

please contact :

Sue Fowler 01832 293215

**WELCOME TO THE
SAWTRY CAMERA CLUB**



We meet on the second Thursday
of each month

7.30pm until 9.30pm

At the Sawtry Club in Gidding Road

Everyone will receive a warm
welcome young or old, male or female
beginners or experienced we learn
from each other

For more information please contact
01487 830186



**SAWTRY WI
In Aid of the WI Hall**

BINGO

9th & 23rd October
6th & 20th November

Everyone welcome - Eyes down 7.30pm

Contact for events

Secretary: Ann Watson 01487 834035

Presidents:

Linda Lavery 01487 830282

Maureen Westbrook 01487 832841

Charity Number 229016



**SAWTRY WI
In the WI Hall
COFFEE MORNING**

Thursday 15th October

Come and have a chat over
Tea/Coffee, Biscuits/Scones

10.30am - 12 noon

Scones 20p

No charge on the door

Bring & Buy Stall
Raffle

Ann Watson 01487 834035

All Are Welcome

Charity Number 229016

**BANGERS AND MASH
EVENING**

on Saturday 21st November

in Winwick Village Hall

Details to follow

In aid of the church & village hall

For more information
please contact Sue Fowler
01832 293215



GLATTON WI

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

We start the evening with WI business

Followed by an activity or talk

Then refreshments

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

8th October

Craft Evening

Competition: Homemade Craft Item

12th November

AGM

With takeaway fish supper

Competition: A Fish Recipe

You are very welcome to join us as a visitor
or as a new member

For more information see:

the Huntingdon & Peterborough WI

website www.hpfi.com or

Glatton Village Website: www.glatton.org.uk



TINY TOTS

Methodist Church Hall,
Green End Road, Sawtry

Parent, Baby and Toddler Group

Every Tuesday term time

9.30 – 11.00 a.m.

£1.20 per family, First visit FREE

Refreshments 10p

Come along and make new friends

New members welcome

For more information call
Charlie 01487 830341

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 1st November at 4 p.m.

at the METHODIST CHURCH
Green End Road

All are welcome to this simple but moving service,
which will be followed by refreshments and a
chance to chat friends over a cup of tea.

**SAWTRY ROYAL BRITISH
LEGION**

Sawtry Ex-Servicemen's Club, Gidding Road

Prize Bingo

3rd December

All Welcome



Profits to Sawtry Royal British
Legion Social Fund



Craft Buddies



Do you love to knit or crochet or sew? Or would you like to learn? We're a small friendly group of people who love to welcome new members.

Meet new friends, learn new skills, and share your experience and knowledge. Bring along your projects or just come to chat.

No charge to attend, drinks including tea and coffee available to buy at the bar

7.30 - 9.30pm every Tuesday
At the Sawtry Club, Gidding Road, Sawtry
 Just turn up or for more info contact
 Carolyn on 01487 832682
 or email carolynwatts56@yahoo.co.uk

PATCHWORK and QUILTING Group

We are a small friendly group meeting on the first Monday of every month
 2 - 5pm at Sawtry W.I. Hall, Gidding Rd
 Cost £2 for three hours includes tea/coffee and biscuits

Patchwork can be done on a sewing machine or by hand

Absolute beginners very welcome

For further information call
 Jacqueline 01487 830849
 or Beryl 01487 831183
 or just drop in



WHAT'S ON AT JUST FOR KICKS ROCK N ROLL CLUB (YAXLEY)

- **14th November** Alldayer = The Memphis Cruisers, Cool Cat Cry, Sharna-Mae, The Hicksville Bombers & The Strollers
- **19th December** The Jets

We also have a "Record Hop" every Monday night from 7:30pm

Royal British Legion, 210 Broadway, Yaxley PE7 3NR

Contact Steve 07718511640

see our Facebook page for further details:-
www.facebook.com/JustforKicksRocknRollClub

SAWTRY GARDENING CLUB



If you like gardening then join us at the Sawtry Club in Gidding Road on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:30pm.

Entry is free; just buy any drinks you want from the bar.

We look forward to seeing you there.



If you would like more information Contact either

Caz Vanslyck on 01487 831592
 Email cazvanslyck@hotmail.co.uk

or

Susan Lovelock on 01487 208146
 Email susanlovelock@hotmail.co.uk

CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE Update

Sponsored Grass Track Ride held on 6th September

THE CHAIRMAN SURVIVES a little battered and blue but totally elated thanks to Colin Blackbourne former BRITISH Masters Champion who will be in the British Masters again at the end of September. I was so well looked after racing at 30mph when the G Force took over on a corner and I fell off Colin held onto me so that it looked part of the plan and I gracefully hit the ground. I got back on the bike and did a lap of honour with horns blowing, clapping and cheers. I received the chequered flag AND a trophy from the FENLAND Grasstrack Club who organised the event and supported me.

THANK YOU ONE AND ALL. A very special THANK YOU to Sue Merry for so kindly allowing me to wear her precious leathers and helmet. A grand £188.25p was raised on the day and hopefully an overall figure will be in the region of £450.00p THANK YOU EVERYONE.

Delia Riddle
 Chairman Sawtry Parish Council



CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE Invites You To An Evening of Sponsored Games and Entertainment

On Friday 27th November at 8pm

The Working Men's Club are organising an evening of fun, games and entertainment as well as making the pool and darts tables available for sponsored matches. SO COME ON EVERYBODY join in the fun and get your teams together in readiness for the CHALLENGE. Sponsor forms available with full details from The Working Men's Club and Parish Council Office.

If you have any ideas of something you would like to see sponsored and are willing to run that event please contact Barry at the Working Men's Club. If you are unable to come but would like to support the event a raffle prize would be much appreciated. The more the Merrier.

Delia Riddle, Chairman Sawtry Parish Council
 For more information, please contact:
 The Parish Council office on 01487 831771
 or email: admin@sawtry-pc.gov.uk



Start Christmas properly!

The Magic of Christmas

A concert by the RAF Wyton Area Voluntary Band Area

Sawtry Village Academy
Saturday 19th December

Doors open 7pm, concert starts 7.30pm.

Tickets £10

includes a Christmas gift from Father Christmas!

Get your tickets from

CARESCO office or by phone to CARESCO on 01480 832105 or by email to office@caresco.org.uk

IN AID OF CARESCO



SAWTRY WINEMAKERS

Calendar of Events

Wednesday 21st October

Visit to Draycott Brewery

Wednesday 18th November

AGM and Social evening

Wednesday 16th December

Christmas Party and Quiz

You will be most welcome to come along to any of our meetings.

Our aim is to promote the making and enjoyment of homemade wines and beers, to share the results of our efforts and encourage new wine and beer makers

For more information call Eileen 01487 830020



CHARITY

"BATTLE OF BRITAIN" 1940s DANCE & PARTY

Organised by Maggi Stewart

Barnwell Air Raid Shelter (Village hall. PE8 5QD)

Saturday 17th October, 7.30pm

-1940s music from the HUMS Big Band

-Join in communal dances and games

-Wave your flags and sing!

-Prize for best 1940s costumes

Bring your own picnic.....

black market luxury or austerity.

Reserved seating...share a table with friends.

Bar. Raffle.

In aid of the charity "Hospital At Home"

Tickets cost £12 and include welcome cocktail.

Available from Sandra Philpott 01832 273891 or

Maggi Stewart on 01832 293759

or email stewart426@btinternet.com

Free Hair Cuts

A level 3 qualified hairdresser who works part-time at a local Hampton Salon is offering free cut & blow dries to local OAPs

Appointments available from

9 – 12 noon on Sundays

Sorry, **Sawtry** only

FOC but any donations will be given to charity, giving something back to the community

Please book a week in advance

Contact Samantha Dicks on 07909 516155



CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2015

To mark Advent, All Saints' Church is inviting any groups or organisations in Sawtry and the nearby locality to take part by producing a tree of up to 4ft (122cms) decorated however you choose. You can use a conventional tree or you can get creative – the more imaginative, the better! You may use lights on your tree if you wish.



Forms to enter are available on-line from the address below, or please phone for a paper copy. There is a closing date for applications of 14th November.

The set-up will take place on Friday 27th November, and the trees will be on view that weekend, 28th - 29th November, and the following weekend, 5th - 6th December and, by arrangement for group visits, during that week. We hope to have an evening viewing during the week when all the lights can be appreciated!

At the last Christmas Tree festival in December 2013, we managed to have 22 trees on view, over one weekend, and as well as enjoying seeing everyone's talents for tree-decorating we raised money for a good cause by donations. As there is no charge to enter your tree, nor for entry to the Festival, we are hoping that, through donations, we can raise some money for the survivors of the earthquakes in Nepal this year. So, please consider entering, and do encourage everyone to come along and enjoy this start to the countdown to Christmas!



Email: tortoise46uk@yahoo.co.uk or Phone: 01487 831055



LIFE ON THE HOLME FRONT - 1940S WEEKEND

Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th October

Open 10am to 4pm both days

Holme Village, Peterborough, Cambridgeshire PE7 3PJ

The 1940s weekend 'Life on the Holme Front' has been running since 2007 and the event gets better every year. This is a fantastic weekend for the whole family, learn what village life was like during the Second World War. The whole village gets involved and Holmewood Hall opens its doors for the weekend providing space for displays and a wartime tea room. There is a whole host of attractions at the 1940s weekend for visitors to enjoy (all subject to availability)

Entrance to the event is Free - Car Park is £2.00 per vehicle and includes your complimentary event programme

Enquiries: Contact Paul Archer on Tel: 07860 342163 or Email: paularchnewark@yahoo.co.uk or visit <http://www.holmewoodhall.co.uk/holmefront>

The Friendship & Vintage Clubs

Invite you to join them for their **QUIZ SUPPER** ??

On Saturday 24th October
From 7.30pm

?? **In the Old School Hall**

On Green End Road, Sawtry PE28 5UX

Tickets £8.00

(To include a hot supper)

Bring your own drink and glasses

There will be a raffle on the night

Tickets available from the CARESCO Office or please call 01487 832105

?? *All proceeds to CARESCO's Friendship Club and Vintage Club* CARESCO

What's in a Word?
We Take English For Granted

If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth, beeth? One goose, two geese. So one moose, two meese? One index, two indices?

Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend?

If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them, what do you call it?

If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught? If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Our thanks to Tony for these examples from our wonderful language, look out for more in the next issue. The Editors



Halloween Bat Count 2015

Mums, Dads, Grandmas & Grandads

Bring the kids to Glatton Village Green on Halloween (Saturday 31st October), count the Bats in the "Spooky Tree" & win a £25 Amazon Gift Card (U16's only). Count by daylight from 12:00 or by torchlight later on.

Submit your count (or guess!) under the tree from 5:30pm

Pumpkin Beauty Parade at the base of the tree from 6:00pm & winner also wins £25 Amazon Gift Card
Delicious Halloween soup available throughout.

Judging & "Bat Count" winner announced at 7:00pm.

See "Glatton Village" for more info



Letters ...

DEREK ARMITAGE

Thank you Sawtry for your kind messages of sympathy on the death of Derek Armitage. Donations of £605.00 from family and friends of CARESCO, Sawtry Bowling Club and Sawtry WI were sent to Thorpe Hall Hospice.

Thank you also for the support of the Wellside Surgery and Boots the Chemist in Sawtry.

Carole & Family Armitage

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ARTHUR GOLDER

Arthur Golder, who died recently, will be remembered as a very private man whose main hobbies were his garden and beekeeping. But we will particularly recall his other interests. He was a keen dancer, a longtime member of the Tea Dance Club, and gave us his support over the years when we instigated the Parish Council Chairman's Annual Ball in 1998. He would be the first to buy tickets, making up a table with his friends, and promoting the event at every opportunity.

In 2005, encouraged by the then Parish Clerk, Jackie Stanbridge, we organised the first Village Show of Produce, Cookery, Preserves and Crafts. We were a bit disappointed with the number of entries and would have given up if Arthur hadn't urged us to give it another go. He felt it would take time to catch on, and he was absolutely right. Thanks to successive hardworking and dedicated committees, and wonderful support from the community, the Show has grown and grown. Arthur served on the Show Committee from the start, leaving only a year ago because of increasing deafness, but still helping on the day. Every year he entered the Veg. Fruit, Cookery and Preserves Classes, his name appearing on several trophies. A man of few words, when asked the secret of his success in jam-making, he replied "Just follow the recipe!" Simple.

As a one-time member of the Parish Council, Huntingdon Beekeepers Association, Sawtry Show Committee, and others, he did not indulge in lengthy debate. He expressed his opinion succinctly, listened to the arguments, then just got on with the job. He didn't suffer fools and sometimes seemed blunt.

He was fiercely independent. Perhaps the several tragedies in his life made him so. He rarely accepted a lift, preferring to walk or cycle when he was forced to give up his car. Until fairly recently, he would be seen taking long bike rides to keep fit, and he hated the physical signs of old age creeping up, imposing more and more limitations.

We missed you at the Show, Arthur. You encouraged and inspired us. We shall remember you with gratitude.

Dick and Pam Tuplin

ROW-A-THON

Back in August, four of Sawtry's brave young people managed to row for 24 hours in aid of the Methodist Church building fund. By rowing for 15 minutes each in rotation, they each racked up a total of 6 hours.

The team of Ben, Charlotte, Matthew and Sarah had been in training for nine weeks preceding the event. They started at 10.30am on Saturday 8th August, finishing 24 hours later as the final Holiday Club session started to a loud countdown and lots of cheering from the congregation.

Our thanks must go to Sawtry One Leisure for the loan of the rowing machine, to everyone who supported the rowers during the event, especially the few brave souls who stayed up all night with them to those who brought gifts of food and of course to all those who sponsored them.

To date the total stands at just over £1000 with money still coming in. If you would like to make a donation on recognition of their efforts, please contact Sarah on 01487 830345. For photos, please visit the Sawtry Methodist Church Facebook page.

CARESCO COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING

We would like to say a massive thank you to Tina Campbell and her team from Peterborough based company NGA Human Resources who spent a day volunteering at CARESCO as part of their community involvement programme.

Their time was well spent at the Centre with gardening and painting the walls of the community Printshop (home of the Sawtry Eye). They helped out at the Alconbury Thursday Club doing the raffle and spent time with the members. They also helped our charity shop with their big sorting day. It was brilliant to have the extra pairs of hands for a day. They were treated to a two course lunch when they joined members from The Vintage Club in Sawtry and the Alconbury Thursday Club. There were clean plates all round!

At CARESCO we are always happy to consider help from volunteers whether it's a one off community day from a business or from anyone aged 16 or over wanting to volunteer on a more permanent basis. We have many projects that help local people, so do get in touch with us if you want to find out more and what you can do to help.

Miranda Knell, CARESCO Volunteer Manager

01487 832105, Email volunteer@caresco.org.uk

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Letters ... 

CARESCO DONATIONS

We have been fortunate to receive a significant donation of good quality second hand office furniture over the summer at a point when we were reorganising parts of the CARESCO Centre. These have greatly improved both the appearance and usability of the office and Printshop areas already even though the work is still in progress. Our grateful thanks to our anonymous donor, you are making our working environment a much nicer place to be.

Liz Coates, CARESCO General Manager



GREAT GIDDING PRODUCE SHOW 2015

The weather was certainly 'autumnal' as members of the committee got the hall ready for the annual village show but fears that it would affect the entry numbers were soon allayed as a steady trickle of people arrived (culminating in the inevitable rush just before midday) with their vegetables, fruit and baking. It was wonderful to see and we were particularly pleased that we had so many children's entries this year, with wonderful creations made from junk as well as weird and creative animals made from vegetables.....

Considering how difficult a growing year it's been (yes, I know, gardeners always say that) the entries were prolific and of a really high standard. As always, the bakers excelled themselves and the judges were very impressed by the entries in the new class sponsored by the Fox and Hounds pub who kindly donated a meal for two as a prize. The tables were a riot of colour and shapes, strange shapes in the case of the 'biggest growing disaster'! Flowers, vegetables and fruit were the perfect decoration for our village hall and to complement the traditional inside, we had some modern attractions outside including delicious pulled pork rolls, a bouncy castle and face painting. The wonderful smell of the pork cooking all morning had been torturing several members of the committee for hours but it was worth it as they tucked in once the awards had been given out to the successful entrants. The vegetarians amongst us really appreciated the delicious veggie option which was so full of flavour that we nearly felt sorry for the meat eaters!

We were very grateful for the generous response we had to both the brown envelope auction and the silent auction for the fascinating and colourful whirligig weathervane which was expertly made and donated by Bruce Jordan.

Thank you to everyone who participated and those who just came along on the day, it was such a great community event and lovely to see so many people having the chance to catch up with each other. We hope to see you again next year.

Overall winner	Tilly Warren
Vegetable Cup	Michael Mc Arthur
Baking cup	Brenda Williams
Craft Cup	Carol Warren
Children's cup	Tilly Warren
Flower Cup	Sue Shepherd
Fox and Hounds Voucher (for best chicken pie)	Tilly Warren

The Gidding Village Show Committee

FRIENDSHIP CLUB



We operate on Mondays & Tuesdays 10.30am – 1.30pm, at the CARESCO Centre, (behind the Old School Hall) Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

Club members meet for conversation and to share a two-course meal cooked fresh on the day when the more active enjoy helping with small tasks. We can be flexible with attendance and couples are welcome. Transport can be provided within Sawtry but if you live outside of the village and would like to attend, our car scheme may be able to help.

Why not give us a telephone call and come along for your lunch and a chat to members. You do not have to commit to attending the Club on a regular basis but a phone call to let us know you will be coming and we will look forward to seeing you.

For more information please contact CARESCO on 01487 832105 and ask for Pat or call into the office weekday mornings 9am - 12noon

SAWTRY SHOW 2015

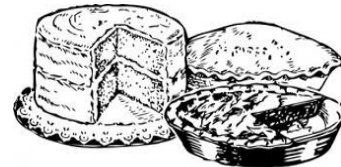


On the 12th September Sawtry Village Academy was the venue for a very successful 11th annual Sawtry Show. This year saw an increase in exhibitors with an amazing variety of skills on display. The investment of time and detail that goes into the creation of the exhibits was seen in the quality of the entries.

I would like to thank all those who were prepared to put the labours of their work on display for all to see, the sponsors without whom we could not finance the show, the Judges who gave their time and knowledge, the helpers who were there to set up and take down and finally the Show Committee who put in so much effort to put the show together.

The winners were:

Photography	Martin Bailey
Arts and Crafts	Anke Chandler
Flowers, Plants and Flower Arranging	Doreen Pattinson
Cookery and Preserves	Carol Warren
Vegetables and fruit	Dick Tuplin
Wines and Beers	Gil Boardman
Overall Junior Winner	Tilly Warren
Overall Adult Winner	Gil Boardman



If anyone has any suggestions to improve the show please come along to the next Committee Meeting which will be held in the Old School Hall at 7.30pm on 1st October. You will be most welcome, but beware, you could be coerced into joining the committee.

Contact Barry Dupée on 01487 831281

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SAWTRY & DISTRICT BRANCH

The Poppy Appeal for 2014 is coming to a close. The Members of the Sawtry & District Branch would like to send you a huge Thank You for all your support & donations. We have raised in excess of £12,000. Again, Thank You for your continued support during the last twelve months.

The 2015 Poppy Appeal starts in a few weeks time & we will again be asking you for your continued support.

We are very fortunate & honoured that the Sawtry & District Branch Standard will be on parade at the Festival of Remembrance at the Albert Hall on Saturday 7th November. The Branch wishes our Chairman & Standard Bearer all the best for the day.



Carol Stobbs, Poppy Appeal Organiser

Tel: 01487 834338

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BECOME A LIFESAVER AND START A NEW CAREER

The National Pool Lifeguard Qualification (NPLQ) is the most awarded lifeguard qualification in the UK and can be a stepping stone into a career within the leisure industry from Pool Lifeguard to Centre Manager.

It is not just a qualification as it also provides valuable life-skills by involving practical physical training in the water as well as theoretical classroom work.

In October half term (26th October to 1st November 2015) One Leisure Sawtry is running the course which can be completed in just one week.

Participants will gain the confidence and knowledge to use an AED (Automated External Defibrillators) if the need arises. AED's are devices that deliver controlled electric shocks and it is well established that electrical defibrillation is the only effective treatment for cardiac arrests. The delay from collapse to delivery of the first shock is the single most important determinant of survival. If defibrillation is delivered promptly, survival rates as high as 75% have been reported.

The One Leisure sites all have their own AED machines and they have already been used on a number of occasions at the poolside or in the gym which has proved how valuable they are.

There are lots of great reasons to gain the NPLQ and become a lifeguard. Not only will you have a basic level of fitness to become a lifeguard but you will be encouraged to stay fit and get fitter.

The course costs £275 per person which includes examinations and course materials. You must be at least 16 years old at the start of the course and will be required to do a basic swim test prior to the start date.

**For further information please contact One Leisure Sawtry on
01480 387800 or visit www.oneleisure.net**

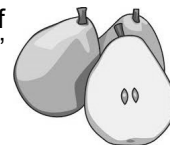


Sawtry Eye Oct - Nov 15

GOING GREEN

You've got to love the Sawtry Show, lots of local people getting together to admire each other's efforts with flowers, veg, produce, crafts & arts. Everything is lovingly grown or created in the local area and then brought to the College to face the consideration of the judges.

Every year our family decide that we have nothing in our garden worthy of consideration apart from the pears on the tree that was already here when we moved in. I'd love to be able to say that they are organically grown, but that would imply that we do something active to make them so. In reality they are only organic by neglect, as we do nothing to the tree all year, then the day before the Show carefully pick a selection of similar fruits and separate out five which are as near to identical as possible. It's a technique that has paid off over the years as we have a number of certificates to prove, but seems to be cheating and not really worthy of the label 'organic' which implies more effort than we ever put in!



Eco Apprentice



Please come and join us at
VINTAGE CLUB

because life gets better with age

Welcome to our new look updated club here at CARESCO. As you will see we have changed the name to give our club a more modern feel. Not only that but the logistics of the club have changed as new members now have the choice to come in just for lunch (the first of which is free). They still have to be members and pay the same £6.00 fee, but are free to leave if they do not want to join in the entertainment at the afternoon session. We feel this gives the members more of a choice to do what suits them. Leaflets outlining the Club, the entertainment programme plus a free lunch vouchers are available at the Centre, so please come in and see us even if it's just for a chat and a cup of tea, all are welcome.

Our entertainment programme is now booked until the end of the year and we have started planning for next year. We have entertainment to suit everyone from speakers on various subjects to flower arranging, crafts and our newest venture, a cinema experience. We have to thank the Trustees for funding all the equipment and to Matt Coates for arranging the installation and setting it all up. We would also like to thank Linda Dupée for being a wonderful usherette and providing ice-creams for us all during a movie afternoon!

We are holding another quiz night on Saturday 24th October at the Old School Hall, tickets are £8 each and include a hot supper. All proceeds are going to the Vintage Club and Friendship Club, so please come and support us. The tickets are on sale at the CARESCO office.

Gill Robinson, Deputy Manager

You can find us at the CARESCO Centre, off Green End Road, Sawtry PE28 5UX on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am until 2.30pm, email us at daycentre@caresco.org.uk or call the office on 01487 832105

FOOD BANK NEWS

Feeding local people in crisis



On Friday 11th and Saturday 12th September The Co-operative Food Stores in the Central England region ran a two day food bank collection promotion.

The volunteers from Sawtry Food Bank were invited by the Sawtry Co-operative Store to highlight the work carried out in the village. The food bank is a partnership between, All Saints, St Benedicts and the Methodist Church working alongside CARESCO through Godmanchester Foodbank, it opened its doors on Tuesday 13th January 2015 to offer emergency food to local people in crisis. Local agencies such as schools and housing associations identify individuals and families in need. They issue vouchers which can be exchanged at food bank sessions for up to 3 days worth of food. Since launching, 58 food parcels have been distributed helping 28 families, also people have been assisted with their benefit claims and contacting agencies who can help with their problems.

The Manager Peter MacColl and his staff from the Co-op helped the volunteers set up a stand and collection basket to advertise the food bank collections, also supplying much needed refreshments. 625 leaflets were handed to shoppers by 8 volunteers during the two day promotion and a total of 171.6kg of food was donated by the very generous customers.



Delia Riddle the chairperson of the Sawtry Parish Council visited the stand to learn how the food bank is working in the village.

We would like to thank everyone who helped over this promotion.

Martin Mynott, Food Bank Volunteer

For more information about the food bank, please visit our page hosted on the CARESCO website, or contact the office on 01487 832105.

For foodbanks in general, please visit the Trussell Trust website.

AN EYE ON NATURE

Autumn is mushroom and toadstool time, when the invisible becomes visible. For most of the year fungi grow beneath the soil or under tree bark. They are unseen but very active, forming a mass of threads called mycelium. At the right time and in favourable conditions, this huge network of living tubes produce what are called fruiting bodies. These are mushrooms and toadstools, a means of reproduction liberating billions of spores which then settle, grow and start the process all over again.

Fungi are key to recycling nutrients back into the soil. As they rot the leaves and plants, the nutrients are released and can feed a new generation of plants. We now know that an association between the roots of the plants and fungi is critical for successful growth of the plant. An example is orchids, like those in Aversley and Archers Woods, which began life as minute seeds. These were entered by fungal threads and nutrients could then be absorbed by the orchid. Gradually over many years the seed can grow into a bulb and finally the leaves and flowers appear. Fungi are usually the "good guys" but, as all gardeners know, there are fungal pests, such as honey fungus which attacks trees.

Broadly speaking, the larger fungi belong to the groups illustrated as follows: cap, bracket, cup, puffball, stinkhorn/morel, jelly, and 'soot' shaped.

Cap-shaped fungi are the most familiar, giving a colourful autumn display. Edible mushrooms are cap fungi. The best known bracket shaped fungus, the Razor-Strop grow on birch and was used to sharpen old fashioned razors. The most obvious cup fungus is called the Orange Peel, which grows on the ground. Giant puffballs are unmissable. Other puffballs are much smaller and brown in colour so easily overlooked. Stinkhorns give themselves away as you walk through a wood. As the name suggests, the odour of rotting flesh hangs in the air on a damp autumn morning.

Jelly fungi, much loved for food in some countries, grows on wood, especially elder. The fungus dries up in summer but given a good watering turns back to jelly again in the autumn. Soot fungi come in all sorts of shapes and sizes from Dead Man's Finger at 2 – 8cm high to Candle Snuff which look just like a bunch of candle wicks growing on wood.

Autumn is the best time to see the most spectacular displays. Fairy rings often occur on our garden lawns. They are caused by underground mycelium growing outwards in a circle. The toadstools erupt from the outer edge of the growing mat of fungal threads. Fairy rings can live underground for hundreds of years! Look out for toadstools under trees such as birch and on sandy soil for the famous Fly Agaric which everyone knows as the classic toadstool of red with white dots.

So this autumn put your wellies on and go out for a walk in our local woods. Take a guidebook and seek out our common toadstools. Lots of fungi are good to eat, but some are deadly poisonous, so my advice is to buy mushrooms only from a shop and never to pick your own.

The Hunts Fauna & Flora Society are leading a Fungus Foray on Sunday 18th October in Archers Wood, starting at 2pm. Non-members are welcome.

Visit www.hffs.org.uk for details or call 01480 383567

Martin Baker

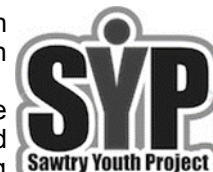
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For more information on our local wildlife, contact the Wildlife Trust:

Phone 01954 713543 or visit www.wildlifebcn.org



The SYP committee would like to thank everyone who came and showed support on the Simon Costigan Memorial Day, which was held at the Greystones Public House on 12th September. Simon was a much loved member of our community, he would certainly approve of the aims of Sawtry Youth Project. All proceeds from the day have been kindly donated to SYP by Simon's family, the total raised was £1700. We would also like to thank everyone who helped on the day cooking food, painting nails, selling candy floss and raffle tickets and to all the people who donated prizes and food and of course the bands for providing us with great music. We have developed a good working relationship with Sawtry Parish Council, negotiations are ongoing and the council have agreed in principle to providing an area for us to install an all wheels park.



For more information please check out our Facebook page and visit our website www.sawtry-youth-project.org

Ian Fowler

SAWTRY CARNIVAL 2016



The next Carnival will be on Saturday 11th June 2016, please get in touch if you are interested in getting involved with the planning. The committee meet regularly throughout the year and new members are always welcome to help organise this successful event in the Sawtry calendar.

Any enquiries about the Carnival please call Jo on 07944 895114

If you wish to book a stall please email Martin on martin.sales@btinternet.com

ACADEMY NEWS

We are celebrating our GCSE results! 65% of students achieved 5 or more A - C grades and 52% achieved 5 or more A* - C grades including English and Maths. English and Maths results have remained very positive with 64% of students attaining a C grade or above in English and 63% in Maths. 20% of all GCSEs were graded A*/A; equally impressive, 38% of all grades were at B and above.



Sawtry Village
Academy

At A level, our sixth form has seen consistently high academic performance over several years. Every OFSTED inspection has graded it good with many outstanding features.

99% achieved a pass rate at grades A* – E

9% achieved a pass rate at grades A* – B

67% achieved a pass rate at grades A* – C

We have had one of our most successful years with regard to progression in to university, apprenticeship or employment. We were pleased to host BBC Look East who came to visit us to see our success, they talked with our Year 13 students and heard about their plans for the future.

A new catering service has been established across the academy and the new Café has opened! We extend our thanks to library users for their tolerance of the building work during the summer, which took longer than expected. The café is a great facility which we aim to open for community users alongside library opening times in future.

Our open evening for year 6 pupils is on 1st October and we would like to extend an open invite to the community to come and see what has been happening as many areas of the site have been refurbished over the holidays.

We will be launching our programme of evening classes shortly, so please see our website <http://www.sawtryva.org/> for further details!

Sarah Wilson, Principal

For more information, please contact the Academy at:

Fen Lane, Sawtry, Cambridgeshire, PE28 5TQ

T: 01487 830701 F: 01487 831679 or email enquiries@sawtrycc.org

or visit www.sawtryva.org



NEW MUSICAL DIRECTOR FOR SAWTRY CHORALE

After a well-deserved summer, break the choir has started rehearsing for our Christmas concerts under the direction of Angus Davidson who has taken over as Musical Director of Sawtry Chorale following Joanna Goldspink's departure to Cardiff University for post-graduate studies with a view to a career as a professional singer.

In July we were singing songs from the shows. It is a bit disconcerting to be 'Dreaming of a White Christmas' when we are still enjoying warmer days and light evenings but we are enjoying the challenge of the new seasonal programme and, under Angus's guidance, preparing for our first concert in Great Stukeley on 4th December.

Angus, who is also MD of Ramsey Choral Society, began his musical studies at the age of eight, first on violin and in his local church choir, and later on piano and oboe. In 1982 he was awarded a choral scholarship to Magdalen College, Oxford where he studied music, graduating with honours in 1985. He then went on to the Royal College of Music in London for more intensive vocal training gaining a distinction in his ARCM diploma in 1986.

A noted counter-tenor, Angus has worked with most of the leading vocal ensembles, and as a soloist throughout Europe, the Americas and the Far East. He has also taught solo and ensemble singing skills, given master classes and directed groups on summer schools in Spain, Norway and the USA.

This term we have been pleased to welcome to the choir some new as well as some returning members. If you would like to sing with us, want to meet new people and have fun do come along and have a go. We are a friendly group of people of all ages from teenage upwards whose common interest is singing. You don't have to be able to read music and there is no audition. Contact me for more information on 07745 618364, go to our website or come along to rehearsal on a Wednesday evening at 7.45pm in the Methodist Church Hall, Green End Road, Sawtry.

May there always be music in your life.

Hazel Rea

www.sawtrychorale.co.uk

SAWTRY HISTORY THEN & NOW

Our ongoing series from Sawtry History Society on the stories behind old buildings which can still be seen around the village today

THE BELL & THE ODDFELLOWS ARMS

The Bell on Green End Road is another of Sawtry's Public Houses which has survived in the village. The owners from 1851 to 1871 were Isaac and Elizabeth Wheatley when it was not only a drinking house but a bakery also. The 'bar', as with so many other pubs of the time, was the sitting room of the owners and the drink served through a hatch from barrels. In 1881 Isaac the son of Isaac Snr., who died in 1880, took over for a time. Apart from the family, they employed youngsters to be bakers, one of these was Elizabeth's nephew John Hitchcock who later ran the Royal Oak on the other side of the A1. Other publicans were Reuben and Eliza Howard in 1891, Reuben with his second wife Agnes in 1911. Sam Parker ran the pub from 1928 to 1947 followed by Bill Munnings and later Pam Palmer.

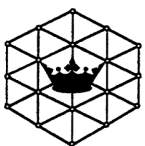
As with most old pubs lots of funny tales emerge, one being that as Sawtry did not have a mortuary and sometimes it took 2 or 3 days to build a coffin, bodies would be kept in the bakery – to keep warm so they did not stiffen up. Another that there was a ghost of an old man. One landlord spoke of getting up one morning and opening the curtains in the bar when he heard a chair scraping across the floor, when he turned round he saw nothing, locals told him it was the ghost who had often been seen standing near the fireplace with his pint. The Bell was a popular haunt of the U.S Airmen from Conington and the Land Army Girls, some say that villagers used to steal their bikes from outside, repaint them and resell them back to the Airmen. I am sure there are many more stories to come from this well liked Pub.

The Oddfellows Arms, 22 Church Street is now a lovely cottage but displays the sign from a former life, being another of Sawtry's Public Houses. As the name suggests, this was once a meeting place for the Grand United Order of Oddfellows. The owners going back to 1861 was a Sarah Baxter until at least 1871. In 1891, at the young age of 26 George Chapman with his wife Mary Ann took over. As with many of the Innkeepers he had a side line of being a cattle dealer and butcher, he remained in the property until at least 1940. His younger son Harry owned/ran the Chapmans Garage on the old A1. During the war years Frank Warren was the Innkeeper, his wife being one of the daughters of George Chapman.

Again The Oddfellows was a popular drinking place for the U.S Airmen from Conington, a Clifford Digre used to cycle over regularly. A neighbour remembers having to go to the rear of the pub to use the water pump to get water for washing. The road Warren Croft was named after Frank Warren. A few weeks before the First World War was declared one George's sons, Charles, emigrated to Australia, once there he joined the Australian Infantry and was sadly killed at Gallipoli and is remembered on the War Memorial in All Saints Churchyard.

Sheila Tibbs & Alan Bottell, Sawtry History Society

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



SAWTRY
INFANT SCHOOL

SAWTRY INFANT SCHOOL NEWS

We would like to start this message by welcoming all our children and families back to school; we hope that all the new children have settled well and are enjoying being part of our school and that our existing children continue to be happy.

Our new school year has begun at pace and everyone has settled back into the routine well. We have had our first charity day "Jeans for Genes" and look forward to raising more money for other worthy national and more local causes throughout the academic year.

This term Years 1 and 2 are learning about "Homes, past and present" and the new Reception children are beginning to read and write and are enjoying lots of new experiences across the Early Years curriculum.

Alongside our learning, we are looking forward to lots of other things this term, our after school clubs and events have started and we have lots planned, including a trip to Church for Harvest and our Christmas plays.

Finally, we would like to thank everyone for your continued support - please remember that our doors are always open for you to contact us if you have any queries or concerns.

Best wishes from everyone here at Sawtry Infants

Telephone: 01487 830678 -

Email: office@sawtry-inf.cambs.sch.uk

Website: www.sawtry-inf.cambs.sch.uk

NEWS FROM SAWTRY LIBRARY

Summer Reading Challenge

Congratulations to over 50 children who completed Record Breakers Challenge by reading 6 books over the summer holidays. They were all invited to the Presentation which took place at Sawtry Library on Tuesday 15th September to collect their Medal and Certificate. Thank you to all the children and parents for their continued support of the Library!!

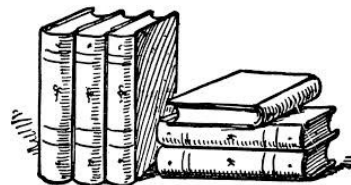


Events in Sawtry Library

- **Arts Alive - Creative Writing Workshop** – For Ages 13 – 17 year olds on Wednesday 4th November from 3.30 – 5.30pm. Sawtry Library has teamed up with local poet and performer Leanne Moden to offer this special workshop. If you love writing and want to try something different then this is for you. You'll get to try out great writing techniques, storytelling games and creative activities. Leanne is an up and coming performer who has already performed at Bestival and other UK music Festivals. This event is free of charge, if you are interested please see a member of Sawtry Library Staff to book your place.
- **Sawtry History Society** Come along and view the local Archives within Sawtry Library. Members of the History Society will be on hand every Saturday morning between 10am and mid-day to answer any questions.
- **Rhymetime** Come along and join in with rhymes and songs on Wednesdays. 10:00 - 10:30am. Term-time only, Rhymetimes are free (donations welcome) and aimed at babies 0 - 18 months and their parents / carers.

OPENING HOURS FOR SAWTRY LIBRARY

Monday	CLOSED	
Tuesday	4.00 - 7.00	
Wednesday	9.30 - 12.30;	2.00 - 5.00
Thursday	CLOSED	
Friday	2.00 - 5.00	
Saturday	9.30 - 12.30	



To renew Books: 0345 045 5225

To renew or Request Books www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

Pam Goodwin

FAMILY FUN DAY IN MEMORY OF SIMON COSTIGAN

held on Saturday 12th September at The Greystones

WOW - what can we say? After what was starting out to be damp and drizzling day, the sun broke through and the fun began. With three live bands - Austin Gold, Double Shot and Creedance Clearwater Review - a hot dog challenge, pool and darts competition, raffle, mug tombola, face painting, 'Where's Wally', name the teddy and guess the amount of sweets, it's fair to say a lot was going on for all ages. We think the BBQ and candy floss was a big hit too!

A big THANK YOU to all who donated prizes - Vince Gosling APPS, Tilly's, Beautiful Too, Hayley's Pamper Cabin, Co-op Funerals, Lorna Newman Photography, Veniabeauty, TLC Dog Grooming and to all the individuals who donated and helped on the day - you know who you are.

A special thank you to David Noble for the use of The Greystones and all his donations without whom the day couldn't have taken place.

Thank you to everyone who came and took part in the fun and games - we couldn't have done it without you all - what a great community we have here in Sawtry.

This was our 4th Family Fun Day in Simon's memory and by far our biggest turnout yet which lead to a MASSIVE £1,700 being raised. The money raised has been donated to Sawtry Youth Project (SYP). Sawtry Youth Project is an organisation determined to raise funds which will provide much needed sport and leisure amenities for teenagers in the village, something we think Simon would have been involved in.

Again thank you all.

Simon Adam Costigan (Chubbs-Cos)
 11th January 1972 - 18th December 2011
 Always Smiling, Always Bright
 Always Remembered, 'Always Right'
SHINE ON YOU CRAZY DIAMOND xxxxxxxxxxxx



Ray Groves - blackfish147@hotmail.co.uk (Chairman, Sawtry Youth Project)

Natalie Gadsby - natalie.gadsby@yahoo.co.uk (Secretary, Sawtry Youth Project)

WELLSIDE SURGERY NEWS

Annual Flu Clinic

Our Flu Clinic for this year will be held on Saturday 10th October pending any notification of changes to our delivery dates. Should it be necessary to alter the date we will publicise this within the surgery and on our website. Patients falling within the following at risk categories will be entitled to the vaccination:



- Aged 65 or above
- Chronic respiratory disease, such as severe asthma, COPD or bronchitis
- Chronic heart disease
- Chronic renal disease at stage 3, 4 or 5
- Chronic liver disease
- Chronic neurological disease
- Diabetes
- Patients who are immunosuppressed
- Patients who have a splenic dysfunction
- Patients who are at any stage of pregnancy
- Patients living in long-stay residential care homes
- 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.

Surnames beginning with

T—Z

N—S

G—M

A—F

Please attend

9am—9.45am

9.45am - 10.30am

10.30am - 11.15am

11.15am—12pm

Flu vaccination appointments with our Practice Nursing Team will be available later in the month 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 nearer the time.

We will also be participating in the national programme to offer the flu vaccination to all children who will be aged 2, 3 or 4 on 1st September 2015. We will be writing to invite this group of patients to attend nearer the time.

Continuity of Care

Where possible, it is always helpful if you can see the same doctor for the same problem. We realise that this will not always be possible, but if you are returning to be seen about a previous issue please let our reception team know when you are booking your appointment. Where possible, we will always book you an appointment to see the same GP.

Mrs Claire Wright, Practice Manager

Wellside Surgery, Sawtry, Tel: 01487 830340

FANTASTIC SEASON FOR LOCAL BATON TWIRLING TROUPE BLUE VISION TWIRLING TEAM

What a fantastic year of Baton Twirling for local Majorette Troupe Blue Vision Twirling Team, who are based at Hartford Junior School, Mayfield Road, Huntingdon.

After a successful competition season with some fantastic results all round, the Troupe held on to Best Military Marching Troupe within the UK Federation of Majorettes for the third successive year, along with an array of personal solo, duo and group placings, but the icing on the cake was Miss Kerrin Gilbody who was crowned Miss UKFM Deputy 2015/16, Kerrin who is 22 years old and lives in Sawtry, has been a member of Blue Vision for the past 11 years and actively helps train younger members in the art of baton twirling.

As part of her duties Kerrin will now travel across the Southern Region representing the UK Federation of Majorettes and handing out trophies across the six regions, at their Regional competitions and finishing her duties next year at the UKFM National Championships held at Camber Sands, West Sussex.

The Troupe also attained some other fantastic National Championship titles this year, Miss Mia Ives from Somersham gaining a sash as Miss UKFM Pee Wee Twirler of the Year, Miss Ruby Maslen from Eaton Ford, St Neots gaining a sash as Miss UKFM Miniature Twirler of the Year, and Miss Kimberly Jones from Warboys who gained Wheel Champion of the Year, all in all one of our best years yet since the Troupe formed back in 2003.

Blue Vision Twirling Team does have limited spaces available for new members in their Pee Wee/Juvenile Teams for ages 5-9 years old and if you would like any further information please contact Jo Bathurst/Troupe Leader for more details on 07810752457 or email jo.bathurst@ntlworld.com



SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY

The Home Guard by Bob Birkett was the subject of our talk on the 16th July. Originally called the Local Defence Volunteers (LDV), some being formed within days of war being declared and made up of volunteer men between the ages of 17 and 65, otherwise ineligible for military service, either owing to age (hence the name 'Dad's Army') or reserved occupations.

Following a broadcast by Anthony Eden 250,000 volunteers signed up with the first 7 days. In the early days they were issued with LDV armbands and most did not have any weapons issued though most had shotguns and other types of guns of their own. There were no ranks, although some men 'of status' took control. It was the South coast where they were first formed as this was thought to be the most likely place that the Germans would invade, it was thought that they would land on golf courses, therefore, golfers were advised to be armed with rifles when going out for a round on golf!

After a few months it was renamed 'The Home Guard' and was to be run like the military, issued with uniforms and arms. Many utilities, like Gas, Railways Electricity and Buses formed their own guards.

In 1942 they came under Military law and were addressed as privates and recognised ranks. Women were not allowed to join so they formed their own groups like the Amazon Defence Corps. In December 1941 the Women's Home Defence (WHD) was formed, although unofficial they had basic and weapons training.

In December 1944 the Guard was stood down and 1945 disbanded, they lost 1,206 men on active service, mainly caused by air and rocket attacks. A very interesting subject.

The next meeting on 15th October will be a talk by Terry McCarthy on the subject of The Spitfire on Parade and on 19th November will be Martyn Smith on the subject of the Hunts Cyclist Battalion.

Come and visit us at the Archive morning in the Sawtry Library every Saturday morning from 10-12.00 noon – It's free.

Sheila Tibbs

The History Society meets on the third Thursday of the month in the WI Hall, Gidding Road, Sawtry.

Contact 01487 830054 for more information.

PAPYRUS, BEN IRISH AND ZEF

According to the National Horseracing Museum, Benjamin Irish began his working life in a Drapers shop, became an Innkeeper and later a prosperous tenant farmer residing in the Manor House on Sawtry Green. He first bought race horses in 1917 advised by his friend the trainer Basil Jarvis. At the Newmarket Sales Ben purchased a cheap colt named Periosteum from Worksop Stud for just 260 Gns. This horse turned out to be a real bargain winning the top Distance race, The Ascot Gold Cup, in 1921, earning £7,000.

Ben invested some of his winnings in another horse from the same vendor, again at a very reasonable price. This horse turned out to be as good or even better. He was named Papyrus.

As a 2 year old in 1922 Papyrus won 6 of his eight races and ended the season joint favourite for the following year's Derby. In 1923, despite being short of full fitness, he finished fourth in the 2000 Guinees. Two weeks later he was sent north to compete for the Chester Vase which was then, and still is today, a top Derby trial. He won that race by three lengths at a canter.

At Epsom a horse called Town Guard started favourite for the Derby at odds of 5 to 1 with Papyrus going off at 100 to 15 (just short of 7 to 1). On a cold damp day a huge crowd including the Prince of Wales turned out to see the race with our horse ridden by Champion jockey Steve Donoghue. Papyrus took the lead coming into the home straight, was briefly headed, then battled back to win by three lengths. Two days later the owner was congratulated by the King at Buckingham Palace. Town Guard finished down the field as Donoghue won his third Derby in three years. Papyrus went on to win the Duke of York Stakes and finish second in the final Classic of the year, the St Ledger.

Some time that summer Mr Irish accepted a challenge to take on the best American horse of the year in a Match Race for £4000. Later the American Jockey Club announced that the race would take place on 20th October 1923 at Belmont Park and increased the prize to £20,000 plus a Silver trophy worth £1,000 and a consolation prize of £2000 for the loser. A horse called 'Zef', winner of The Kentucky Derby, was nominated to represent America.

In what was the first time a horse had been sent to America for a single race, Papyrus was shipped on the ocean liner 'Aquitania'. On the trip the Derby winner was accompanied by his stablemate 'Bargold', two stable lads, his jockey Steve Donoghue, trainer Basil Jarvis and the stable cat for luck!

Unfortunately there was not a happy ending to the story for the English team. The race took place on a very wet dirt track and Papyrus competed in his usual racing plates while Zef wore plates designed to cope with the conditions. Donoghue set the early pace but was soon overtaken by Zef who went on to win by five lengths in front of a large crowd. Afterwards trainer Jarvis said that Papyrus had not coped with the conditions but sportingly conceded that he was fairly beaten by a better horse. Mr Irish went on to sell his champion to John Homung for £25,000 and he went on to a moderately successful career at stud.

You can see a film of the match race including the build up on the day by accessing the website of British Pathe News.

Sent in by Alan Reader

Sawtry Eye Oct - Nov 15

CHANGES TO OPENING TIMES AT ONE LEISURE SAWTRY

In September 2015, One Leisure Sawtry amended the opening times for the centre which will have only affected some members and the majority has seen no change in the services available.

The reasons for the changes was that the previous opening times meant that in 2014/15 the centre operated at a £183k loss which was no longer sustainable for a council-run facility. In order to secure the long term future of the leisure centre for the local community they faced the difficult challenge of reducing this operating loss by a minimum of 50%. These savings could only be made by reducing the opening times which will save on staff and operating costs.

One Leisure Sawtry analysed customer usage in all areas of the facility for the past 12 months and also consulted customers to ascertain when they would prefer to use the centre.

Whilst the majority of members were unaffected by these changes, they were equally aware that there are some members who cannot participate in their activity when they want.

Huntingdonshire District Council have reiterated that it is fully committed to providing leisure facilities for Sawtry and aim to ensure that these changes will secure the future of the centre.

We hope that you continue to support your local leisure centre as without you the centre would not be the same.

For more information about One Leisure Sawtry please visit www.oneleisure.net 

UNITING CARE SEEKING VIEWS ON LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES

The views of patients and carers are wanted to help develop healthcare services for older people and those over 18 with long-term conditions living in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

We are keen to hear from anyone with experience of using local health and social care services who would be willing to give a little of their time.

Their views will be used by managers to influence what changes will help keep people safe and well in their own homes.

People can do as much or little as they wish. Whether there are only a few minutes or can spare a couple of hours each month, there are many ways to get involved, e.g. completing a questionnaire, telling us about their experiences or joining a project group. All views are invaluable to us.

The role is voluntary and the how much time people give is totally up to them. Any travel and expenses will be paid.

Should you want more information or are keen to sign up please email raine.hunt@cpft.nhs.uk or call 01223 884457

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.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH CHURCH

Church Causeway, Sawtry, PE28 5TD

www.allsaintssawtry.org.uk

SERVICES

October			November		
4 th	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	1 st	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.30am	Harvest Festival for all ages		10.30am	All Age Worship for All Saints
11 th	10.30am	Holy Communion	8 th	10.50am	United Remembrance Sunday Parade Service
18 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	15 th	10.30am	Morning Worship
	6pm	Service of Prayer for Healing	22 nd	10.30am	Holy Communion
25 th	10.30am	Holy Communion	29 th	10.30am	Morning Worship for Advent Sunday

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our harvest festival is on 4th October at 10.30am. Come and thank God for the food he provides! Please bring a harvest offering suitable for donation to the Food Bank, eg tinned meat, tuna, veg; packets cereal, rice, pasta, tea, small bags sugar; instant coffee; long life milk; orange juice (all well in date, please). That afternoon all are also invited to a Harvest Tea, 4 - 5.30pm in church. Tickets: adults £3.50, children £2.

MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church will meet on Saturdays 17th October and 21st November, 4.30-6.30pm. Come and enjoy being messy, with activities, celebration and a meal, for children and parents/carers, as we discover more about Jesus.



ADVENTURERS AND DISCOVERERS CLUBS

After school Adventurers Club will meet at Sawtry Infant School on Tuesday 13th October and 10th November, 3.00 - 4.30 pm. For more info contact Revd Imogen Falvey on 07903 098982. Discoverers (years 3-6) will meet on Fridays 16th October, 6th and 20th November, 6.30-7.30pm in church. For more info contact Ali Scott on 07506411507 or 832478.

HEALING AND WHOLENESS

An evening Service of Prayer for Healing will be held on Sunday 18th October at 6pm. All are welcome.

WINTER FAYRE

Buy your Christmas presents at our Winter Fayre, on Saturday 14th November, 10.30am-12.30pm, at All Saints. Lots of stalls, and refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing you.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

All Saints' Christmas Tree Festival will be open over the weekends of 28 - 29th November and 4th - 6th December, and also during the week of 30th November - 4th December for groups by arrangement. To offer a tree and for more info please contact Sue on 831055 or email tortoise46uk@yahoo.co.uk.

SATURDAY OPENING

All Saints is open every Saturday from 2.00 to 4.00 pm, for space to pray, or enjoy a cup of tea and a chat. A warm welcome awaits you.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT THE RECTOR

Contact the Rector, Rosie Ward, on (01487) 830215 or wardrosie@btinternet.com with any general enquiries or enquiries about baptisms or weddings, if you would like a visit, you have any questions about the Christian faith, or would like to have prayers said for anyone.

The Curate, Imogen Falvey can be contacted on 07903 098982 or falvey12@btinternet.com

St Benedict's Catholic Community, Sawtry

Sunday Mass: 9.15am

Women's Institute Hall Gidding Road, Sawtry

There is a House Mass each month, and a weekly Prayer Group.

For further details of these and for any other enquiries,
please contact Tony Stefanelli, 01487 830680

We are served by the Roman Catholic Parish of St Luke's
26 Benyon Grove, Orton Malborne, Peterborough, PE2 5XS

Parish Priest: Fr John Minh 01733 370877

Email: saintlukesparish@yahoo.co.uk

Website: www.saintlukesparish.org.uk

SAWTRY METHODIST CHURCH

Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX
Rev Katy Dunn - Tel 01480 830314
 Sunday Morning Worship at 10.30am

SPECIAL SERVICES

All Age Worship
 18th October – 10.30am
 Led by John Bridge.

Remembrance Day
 8th November – 10.30am
 Led by Rev Imogen Falvey

All Age Worship
 15th November – 10.30am
 Led by Angie Barnes
 Come and join us

MONDAY UNITED FELLOWSHIP

Alternate Mondays starting at 2.30pm - Open to all

5th & 19th October, 2nd & 16th November

Contact Joy Kisby for more information on 01733 566588

SATURDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

9.30 – 11 am

In aid of Building Project Phase 2.

ST NICHOLAS PARISH CHURCH

CHURCH ROAD, GLATTON

October			November		
4 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	1 st	9.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
11 th	3.00pm	Edith Cavell Commemorative Service	8 th	9.00am	Holy Communion
15 th	10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (BCP)</i>	15 th	9.00am	Holy Communion
18 th	9.00am	Holy Communion	19 th	10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (BCP)</i>
25 th	9.00am	Holy Communion	22 nd	9.00am	Holy Communion
			29 th	9.00am	Morning Worship

Edith Cavell Commemorative Service

On Sunday, 11th October, we will celebrate the centenary of our local heroine – Edith Cavell (who lived 4 December 1865 to 12 October 1915). There will be an exhibition in the church at 2.00 pm of both her life in Brussels where she set up a nurses' training school, her role in the First World War and her legacy now remembered through the Cavell Nurses' Trust; children's activities will also be held in the church starting at 2pm. A commemorative service will be held at 3pm, followed by an Edwardian Tea Party in the Village Hall. All are welcome, so please visit the church to enjoy this unique event.

Winter Fayre

The Winter Fayre will be held in the Village Hall from 2.00 to 4.00 pm on Saturday 21st November.

Tea and Cake

Come and join in the Tea Afternoon on 21st October and 18th November in the Village Hall from 3 - 4.30pm. Find out what is happening at St Nicholas, chat with friends and meet new people.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS RING THE RECTOR

Please phone Rector Rosie on (01487) 830215 with any general enquiries, or to ask for prayer.

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

A FAIR YEAR IN REVIEW

The recently published 2014/15 annual report from the Fairtrade Foundation included the following interesting facts:



- 9/10 people now recognise the fairtrade mark
- More than 1.5 million farmers and workers in 74 countries are part of fairtrade
- £1.67 billion UK sales in Fairtrade in 2014 which generated over £25 million of Fairtrade Premium
- There are over 600 Fairtrade towns
- And nearly 15,000 Fairtrade schools

Supporting Fairtrade really makes a difference every day to producers across the globe

Look for the FAIRTRADE Mark on your shopping. It's your guarantee that disadvantaged farmers and workers in the developing world are getting a better deal.

For more information visit www.fairtrade.org.uk or call the Fairtrade Foundation on 020 7405 5942



Wildlife Trust – Huntingdonshire Local Group

www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/

Amphibians and Reptiles

Wednesday 14th October

Our speaker will be Terry Moore, who is an active member of the Ely Group of the Wildlife Trust. Terry's talk will help us to identify those amphibians and reptiles found in the UK and he will also outline the challenges facing these creatures today. Terry has been surveying for amphibians, and great crested newts in particular, since the 1970s. Until the new biodiversity recording system, he held the official records for all great crested newt sites in Cambridgeshire.

Britain's Hoverflies – an Introduction

Wednesday 11th November

The British fauna comprises over 280 species of hoverfly and, our speaker, Roger Morris, will enlighten us with regard to these familiar insects that we regularly see on our garden flowers. Roger will give an overview of their varied ecology and will explain how this makes hoverflies one of the most useful indicators of the health of the countryside. Roger will also outline the work of the Hoverfly Recording Scheme, which he runs together with Stuart Ball.

Anyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend. Meetings start at 7.30pm at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB. Entrance charge £2.50; accompanied children free. No need to book. Please contact Tim on 07941 261346 for further information.

Registered Charity No: 1000412

CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

WINTER is coming and after seeing a rise in chimney fires last year, Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service is encouraging all residents to get their chimney professionally swept before the cold sets in.

Top tips to enjoy an open fire safely:

- Sweep your chimney at least once a year and get brickwork inspected, especially the chimney breast and roof space.
- Do not bank fires too high or overload the grate, and remember to let them burn down well and check the hearth before going to bed.
- Use a fire or spark guard to prevent accidental fires.
- Do not place objects on or over the mantle-piece which may cause you to stand too close to the fire to reach or use them.
- Burn only suitable fuels and avoid burning resinous woods as soot builds up quickly.

Above all, ensure you have a working smoke alarm fitted on each floor or your home. Find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, visit www.cambsfire.gov.uk or call 01480 444500.

For the latest news, incidents and safety advice, or to contact us, log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk, find us on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook or



CAMBRIDGESHIRE
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE
Working together to improve community safety

A Fragrant Beauty

A beautifully scented winter shrub which no garden should be without - *Chimonanthus. praecox* (*Chimonanthus. From Gk chimon, winter, & anthos flower.*) *praecox* (Bt.L early) *C. fragrans*. Common name wintersweet. PL.Family Calycanthaceae. Eventual Size to 4 m. Origin: China.

Description

This hardy woody deciduous shrub is grown for its beautiful odd bell shaped flowers emitting their wonderful spicy fragrance in the depths of winter. The flowers have sulphur - yellow petals with the inner ones being marked with purple or brown. Young *Chimonanthus* plants could take 5 years or more to begin flowering but if you cannot wait that long buy a semi-matured plant instead in spring.

Aspect

Chimonanthus plants are best grown on a south facing wall, as this aspect will help it to ripen its flowering wood and to set its flowering buds for winter. The flowers emerge on bare branches from about mid winter onwards. I grow my plant on a sheltered south east facing wall which is well protected from severe winter weather. Or you could try growing it as a freestanding plant but sheltered and somewhere near the house so you get to enjoy the scent close up. Put some sticks into a warm room in a vase; its spicy fragrance will fill the air! "Just beautiful"

Growing & pruning

Plant in a well drained but moisture retentive soil. Do not prune immature plants. On Mature plants: prune out any dead shoots and any misplaced wood in spring. Prune wall trained plants after flowering back to 1 - 2 buds. Tie in new shoots during summer if growing on wall. Good varieties are *C 'Grandiflorus'* & *C 'Luteus'*, both having yellow flowers although the fragrance is not as pronounced as *C. praecox*.

Good Gardening

The Gardener

GARDEN WASTE COLLECTIONS

All garden and food waste collected within the garden waste wheeled bins is sent for reprocessing and the final soil conditioner is ready for use by local farmers or can be collected by the public free of charge from Alconbury or Waterbeach Transfer Stations. For more information visit www.ameycespa.com/east/free-compost-collection

The following material is collected for composting –

- Loose shredded paper. Ensure that this is mixed well with your garden waste
- Organic waste including: raw and cooked food, vegetable & fruit peelings, dairy products, meat and fish bones
- Garden waste including: grass cuttings, prunings, shrubs and trees, trees that will fit into the green bin, leaves and bark, untreated wood (i.e. no nails, paint or varnish) flowers and weeds, windfall, straw and sawdust, and cold ashes only when mixed with other compostable waste

If you wish to wrap your food use newspaper or a paper sack and not plastic bags, including biodegradable. Ensure plastic wrappers are removed from your food waste and pots are removed from your plants. Any bin found to have plastic in will be rejected and you will have to remove these items before your next collection.

Bins that are too heavy will not be collected. Avoid overfilling your bin and putting in large amounts of soil or turf. A small amount of soil is acceptable, for example, 2 to 3 root balls from a medium sized plant are fine.

More information can be found at www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/gardenwaste or call 01480 388640

SAVE MONEY THIS AUTUMN ON ENERGY BILLS WITH THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE ENERGY SWITCH!

The Cambridgeshire Energy Switch scheme has launched for the fifth time and registration is now open. Previously, the scheme has enabled over 700 households within the county to make average savings of more than £200 per year. Registration is completely free with no obligations.

The scheme is backed by Cambridgeshire County as well as the County's five district and city councils. The Cambridgeshire Energy Switch scheme uses the collective bargaining power of residents to bid for better gas and electricity prices. The scheme is open to all residents, including those on either credit or pre-payment meters.

Register before midnight on **Monday 12 October** to find out whether you could save money on your energy bills.



To register online, or find out more, visit: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/switch
Alternatively, contact us for further information or assistance.

E: Energy.Switch@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

T: 01223 703874

Sawtry Eye Oct - Nov 15

CAN YOU CHALLENGE YOURSELF FOR CHARITY?

Would you like to see Cambridge from a unique perspective? Do you know anyone brave enough to scale the 80 foot drop off the historic Cambridge Guildhall? Registration is open to be part of the East Anglia's Children's Hospices (EACH) Cambridge Abseil on Sunday 18th October. Sign up, take part and help raise valuable funds for EACH, who care for children and young people with life-threatening conditions across Cambridgeshire.



Spaces are limited so please do book quickly to avoid disappointment. People who take part always feel a great sense of achievement – so even if you don't have a head for heights why not push yourself to take part and raise money for a great cause at the same time! Entry fees are £15 per person, with a minimum sponsorship figure of £85 per person for anyone aged 17 and over or sponsorship figure of £30 per person for anyone aged 16 and under. Minimum age for participants is 12 years.

Abseilers will be in the safe hands of professional company, Creation Climbing Centre, who will be running the event on the day.

To sign-up for the abseil visit: www.each.org.uk/cambridgeabseil or call: 01223 204916

CAMBRIDGESHIRE ADVANCED DRIVERS & RIDERS



My name is Mike Read and I am the Chairperson of CADAR (Cambridgeshire Advanced Drivers and Riders).

My concerns: the number of young drivers who have an accident within a few months of passing their driving test, older drivers who are finding it harder to cope and react to the demands of road users around them, older people who suddenly find themselves driving again after years of being the 'back-up' driver, older bikers who buy modern bikes that can do 0 to 60 mph in less than 3 seconds. They all too frequently have an accident that can often be fatal!

CADAR is affiliated to RoSPA (The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents). RoSPA claim any drivers or riders who drives or rides to an advanced test standard has at least a 25% less chance of being involved in an accident.

For £10 a year we offer a personal tutor trained to advise and help you to improve your drive or ride. It is very likely we will make your life a lot safer on the road system. Visit www.cadar.org.uk or phone 01480 213117 for information about membership.

To help you along, we use a book entitled Roadcraft. There is one version for car drivers and another for motorcyclists. These books, readily available from Amazon or booksellers in the High Street, are used to train traffic police officers.

To bring you up to date with the latest rules and regulations we also use the Highway Code. Most people haven't looked at a copy of the Highway Code since they passed their test!

Visit our website or give us a call for a safer way to get about.

SAWTRY AND DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

The bowling season closed on Saturday 19th September with the President's versus the Secretary's match. The Sawtry county finalists did not progress at the National finals at Skegness, but Mr and Mrs Bowers and Jamie Bowers won the **Open Triples** bringing back to Sawtry the enormous Reg Jackson Cup, a great achievement.

Club finals were held on 5th and 6th September and the winners were:

Men's 2wood - K. Bowers; **Men's 4wood** - J. Bowers; **Ladies 2wood & 4wood** - K. Leader;

Non winners - M. Nickerson; **Handicap** - Mrs Bowers; **Over 60** - B. Shannon;

Husband / wife - Mr & Mrs Bowers; **Club Prs** - D. Austin & J. Bowers; **Chosen Prs** - K. & J. Bowers;

Triples - B. Shannon, D. Austin, K. Bowers; **Junior Champion** - M. Nickerson;

Junior Prs - H. Manning & B. Gardiner; **Carpet Bowls** - L. Lawman; **Pairs** - J. Edmett & Z. Holland.

The Club were finalists in the **Men's Triples**, the Tatman cup and Sawtry won the Stocker Cup beating Hemingford B in the final by 61 shots to 43 shots.

DATES FOR DIARIES

Saturday 17 th October	Race Night	Club House	7.30pm
Saturday 31 st October	Quiz Night	Club House	7.30pm
Saturday 21 st November	Presentation night and Disco at the Old School Hall 6.30pm for 7.00pm		
Thursday 26 th November	A.G.M.	Club house	7.15pm

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SAWTRY FOOTBALL CLUB

An F.A. Charter Standard Club

Sawtry FC are running two teams, both sponsored by The Greystones PH. They are Sawtry First Team playing in the Premier Division and Sawtry Reserves playing in Division 2 of the Peterborough and District Football League. Both teams play their home games at Greenfield, Sawtry usually on Saturdays with midweek matches early and late in the season. Both usually kick off at 2 pm on Saturday, 6:30 pm on a weekday. Please come down and show your support.

Recent Results

August 8	League Premier Division	Sawtry	1 - 3	Deeping Rangers Res
12	League Premier Division	Sawtry	1 - 0	AFC Stanground
15	League Premier Division	Ketton FC	4 - 0	Sawtry
18	League Premier Division	Sawtry	2 - 6	Netherton Utd
22	League Premier Division	Leverington Sports FC	1 - 2	Sawtry
	League Division 2	Parkway Eagles FC	6 - 1	Sawtry Reserves
25	League Premier Division	Sawtry	2 - 1	Stilton Utd
29	League Division 2	Ketton Reserves	3 - 3	Sawtry Reserves
5	President Shield	Sawtry	1 - 4	Moulton Harrox FC
	League Division 2	Thorney Reserves	3 - 5	Sawtry Reserves
12	League Premier Division	Sawtry	0 - 5	Whittlesey Athletic FC
	Hunts FA Junior Cup	Houghton and Wyton	0 - 5	Sawtry Reserves

Forthcoming Fixtures at Greenfield

Sept 25	League Division 2	Sawtry Reserves	v	Peterborough PL Utd
October 3	League Premier Division	Sawtry	v	P'boro ICA Sports FC
10	League Division 2	Sawtry Reserves	v	Spalding Town FC
24	Hunts FA Scott Gatty Cup	Sawtry	v	AFC Stanground

If you or anyone you know would like to play or volunteer to help on match days please contact the Secretary on 07719641431



SAWTRY COLTS

It promises to be a busy time over at Greenfield this year as the Colts teams venture out for a new season of matches. We have quite a few teams this year - a new Under 7 team starting out on their fledgling football careers, one team at Under 8, two teams at both Under 10 and 11, one at Under 12, 13 and 14, three Under 15 teams (including one girls team) and two Under 18 teams with one of those also being a girls team. Quite a mixture then. Here's how a few of them got on in the first weekend of the season.

The Under 7s (U7s) had a tough introduction to competitive football as they had to face an always strong Huntingdon Rowdies side. They did lose but also did improve as the match went on and there is plenty of talented young players there to build on.

The U8s took part in an excellent match against Warboys. They went 1-0 down, recovered to go 3-1 win ahead and then ended up being pegged back in a match that finished in a 4-4 draw, which was a fair result as neither team deserved to lose.

The U12s travelled to Wisbech to open their season and gained a hard-fought 1-1 draw. They did take the lead but were unable to hold on as Wisbech equalised in the second half.

The U13s continued their promotion winning form of last season and fared extremely well in their first match of the top division. They travelled to last year's division champions, Huntingdon Rowdies, and came away with all 3 points in an excellent 4-1 win which shows that they will not be fazed against better opposition.

The U14s also travelled to Rowdies for their opening match and also managed a win, finishing one goal better off than their opponents in an 11 goal thriller, a good start to their season and hopefully one they can build upon.

The U15s girls began with a loss at home to Stukeley Meadows. The team has managed to expand their squad from last season when they struggled for numbers and it will no doubt take a little time for all the girls to gel but their opening game was a promising effort.

The U18s have actually played two games with one win - 4-2 at home to Stamford, where they recovered well from being 2-0 down at half time, and one defeat - losing heavily to a strong Bourne side.

The U18 Girls started with a convincing victory over Bourne. On a typical Greenfield day, with the wind behind them, they sped into a 7-0 lead at half-time and ended up winning 9-3 to go top of the embryonic league table.

The remaining teams should be starting this season in the coming week and we hope to bring you news of further victories from them and hopefully news of more silverware as the season progresses. Good luck to all the Colts teams for the season.

Brian Craig

www.sawtrycolts.co.uk