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Sawtry Light Factory Presents

Deep Sea Divers



4th – 6th August 2025

Sawtry Methodist Church

For children in Year 1 and above

FREE ADMISSION

Register on-line at
www.sawtrylightfactory.uk

Any questions, find us on
Facebook [@sawtrylightfactory](https://www.facebook.com/sawtrylightfactory)
or call 01487 830345



Sawtry Show Saturday 13 September At Sawtry Village Academy



Deadline for entries
Wednesday 10 September, 6pm

Art, crafts & photography entries drop off
Friday 12 September, 4 - 6pm

Show Day - Saturday 13 September

All other exhibits drop off
9.30 - 11.30am



Public viewing, Raffle, Refreshments
1.30 - 3pm

For more info check out our
Facebook page,
"The Sawtry Show"
or email us,
thesawtryshow@outlook.com



Conington Evensong

Join us at Conington Church (All Saints')

on Sunday 14 September

at 3pm

for a Book of Common Prayer
(BCP) Evensong.



THE SAWTRY 10 MILE

7/9/25

20 minutes road closure at Green End Road/
Gidding Road

10am Start: Sawtry Village Academy
PE28 5TQ

Trophies and spot prizes on the day, see website for
details

Chipped time 10 mile loop on quiet country roads

Part of the Cambs AA road league series

2.5 hour cut off time



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<https://sawtrywalktorun.co.uk/sawtry10/>



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GREEN END DAY CLUB

QUIZ NIGHT

Held at the CARESCO Centre,
Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

8 August

Starting at 7.30pm - Teams of 4 – 6 people

Tickets £5 per person
(bring your own drinks, nibbles, glasses)

Registered with **FR** FUNDRAISING REGULATOR

Contact 07743 216746 or email: greenend@caresco.org.uk for more details or to book your tickets.






Youth SPACE

EVERY SUNDAY IN TERM TIME
(YEAR 7 AND UPWARDS)
6.00PM - 7.30PM

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Charity Shop, 7 Greenways, Sawtry, PE28 5UR
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- CARESCO Centre, Sawtry, Green End Rd PE28 5UX
- Tuesdays 2:15pm - 3:15pm

BENEFITS

- Improved mobility
- Increased muscle strength
- Enhanced balance and coordination

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01487 832105



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Sawtry, Huntingdon
Cambs PE28 5UX

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Welcome...

What a great day we had for this year's Carnival, it was nice to see all those who turned out for the event and the Carnival committee did an amazing job as always.

The next big community event will be the Sawtry Show in September. Details elsewhere in this issue. If you receive the Sawtry Eye you're eligible to enter, so make sure to get your hands on the schedule and see which classes you want to enter. There's something for everyone, be that photography, cooking, garden produce, flowers, arts or crafts.

Have a good one

Sawtry Eye Team



meeting needs in our local community

Chair mans Chatter

I'd like to start by congratulating everyone who organised this year's carnival, every year it gets better, and this year was no exception. I was proud to drive our Minibus through the village as part of the parade along with CARESCO Volunteers, Staff and Service Users who either walked alongside or enjoyed a lift. It was so good to see such a lot of the village waving as we passed by and to then go on and enjoy what was a truly wonderful day. Well done to everyone involved!

By the time you read this the Anglia in Bloom judges will have visited all the gardens that are taking part this year. The CARESCO garden is looking outstanding with our Volunteers working hard to keep it in shape not only ready for the judges but also for some of our community groups who have been invited along to enjoy the outside space and, of course, Tea and Cake.

The summer holidays are with us again, for some that means having to juggle work and family, for others it could mean taking some time off to spend with our loved ones. Whatever you are doing please find time to pop into our Charity Shop where there is something for everyone, swimwear, toys, summer clothes and then in a blink of eye they also have school wear at knock down prices.

I'd like to thank you for your continuing support and to wish you a good summer whatever you may be doing.

Dave Dougherty - Chairman

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School Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025

Start of term 1 September
Half Term - 27 to 31 October
End of term 19 December



Spring Term 2026

Start of term 5 January
Half Term - 16 to 20 February
End of term 27 March

Summer Term 2026

Start of term 13 April
Half Term - 25 to 29 May
End of term 20 July

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

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



**HDC Refuse
Collection**

Landfill Waste (Grey)
(Week Beginning)
4 & 18 August
1, 15 & 29 September

**Garden Waste (Green)
& Recycling (Blue/Green)**
(Week Beginning)
11 & 25 August
8 & 22 September

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



Every Thursday (term time)

9:00 - 10:30am (doors open 8:30am)

Methodist Church Hall, Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

A safe play space to enjoy adventures with
0 - 5 year olds and all those who care for them.

Bible Themed Crafts, Story-time, Refreshments, Singing,
Prayer and lots of fun!

If you care for a little one as a parent, grandparent,
carer or childminder, come along and join the fun.

For more information please contact Alex Dyball:
littlestssawtry@gmail.com or call 01487 506217



SOUNDS GOOD

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

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

8 & 22 August
12 & 26 September

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Please contact the
CARESCO office on 01487 832105
for information

A suggested donation of £2.00 per session,
refreshments included

Julie's Sawtry/Yaxley Steppers Line Dance Classes

Old School Hall, 37 Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UY

Mondays

10am - 11am - Beginners/Easy-Going

11am - 12pm - Improvers/Intermediates

(can start at 10am, no extra cost)

Fridays

7pm - 9pm - High Improvers/Intermediate

Royal British Legion Social Club, 210 Broadway,
Yaxley, PE7 3NR

Thursdays

6.30pm - 7.30pm - Beginners

7.30pm - 9pm - Improvers/Intermediates

(can start at 6.30pm or 7pm - no extra cost)



For more information contact:
Julie Gillmore

jcgillmore@sky.com

Line Dancing or 07939 070 406 or ask to join
Julie's Steppers' Facebook group

CARESCO Tuck Shop

We are looking to increase the team of
Volunteers for our Tuck Shop.

Do you have a few hours to spare occasion-
ally on a Saturday morning?

Do you like the smell of Bacon frying?

Would you like to feed spectators and players of the
Sawtry Colts?

We promise you won't be standing out in the
cold and rain!

If you think you can help, please contact me,
Sharon Dougherty on 01487 208026 or email
sharon.dougherty@caresco.org.uk



CARESCO Garden

The Volunteers who help to maintain our
garden work extremely hard at improving the
outside space we have and are proud of what has
been achieved so far.

If you can spare any time at all and are interested
in joining our Garden Team, please contact Sharon
Dougherty on 01487 208026 or email
sharon.dougherty@caresco.org.uk



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Thank You

What a wonderful evening we had at the Feast Supper this year. I would like to say a big THANK YOU to The Committee and all the folk who volunteered to help in any way to make this such a memorable evening. A great meal, good company, great entertainment. It is so nice to live in a lovely place like Sawtry where everyone helps each other.

This was much appreciated by me, and I am sure by others too.

Ann Martin



Weekly Locations



Tuesdays in Glatton

9:30am-1pm
Addison Arms

Wednesdays in Sawtry

8am-12noon
Parish Council Garden
Old School Hall Car Park



For up to date locations visit:
<https://www.facebook.com/CoffeeArkci>

CHATTERBOX

Drop-in sessions for family carers and people who maybe feeling isolated



Chat & relax over a cuppa.
Guest speakers once a month

**Every 2nd & 4th Monday
between 2.15 - 4.15pm**

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

Come and join us
No meeting on Bank Holidays

**11 & 25 August
15 & 29 September**

A suggested donation of £2.00 per session,
refreshments included

For more information email:
office@caresco.org.uk
or call 01487 832105

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Book Stall and Coffee Morning

At Winwick Church

Monthly, second Saturdays:

9 August & 13 September - 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



Great Gidding Village Hall Christmas Fair

Sunday 7th December

11am - 4pm
£10 per table



Booking now open for stall holders!
Scan the QR Code to book your stall!
Queries: ggvillagehall@gmail.com



Volunteer Chaperones

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Based at the CARESCO Centre
Off Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

We are looking for Chaperones to accompany and assist our minibus drivers whilst they collect our day club members from their homes to bring them into our Centre in the mornings and to take them home again

Mondays to Thursdays

08.45 to 10.00 and/or 13.30 to 15.00

Come and be part of our volunteer team

For more information call Vicki on **07743 216746**
or email greenend@caresco.org.uk

www.caresco.org.uk

Thank You

We would like to say thank you to Sawtry Methodist Church for their kind donation from the Cream Teas, which they held in memory of Liz Coates.

From all at CARESCO



SAWTRY COMMUNITY CAFÉ



Open on the first Saturday of each month
12 - 3pm

** 2 Aug, 6 Sept & 4 Oct **

Open to everyone in the community
at the WI Hall, Gidding Road, Sawtry, PE28 5TS

There is no charge for food

Join us for a warm welcome

Free Wi-Fi



Access to support available

Community Meals provided by
volunteers from Sawtry WI and others
Funded by local organisations and
contributions

Enquiries and donations
07841 647345



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www.afvbc.world

Welcome to the Sawtry Armed Forces
& Veterans Breakfast Club.

We are a group of veterans and serving members of
His Majesty's Armed Forces who meet up for breakfast
and other events

There are no commitments or subs,
just pay for your breakfast.
So come to a great place and meet like-minded people
for support, chat and banter.

Our Breakfast Club meets
Every 2nd Saturday of the month
from 09.45

at The Greystones Public House, Sawtry

Interested then get in touch via Facebook, email or via
the web Sawtry Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/afvbc.sawtry>

sawtry.AFVBC@gmail.com

<https://www.afvbc.world>



Look out for full details of our
CHRISTMAS QUIZ SHEET
In the next Sawtry Eye



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DISCO INFERNO
70s, 80s & 90s

Saturday 8th November
7.00 – 11.00pm
At **Sawtry Village Academy**
Fen Lane, Sawtry, PE28 5TQ

RAFFLE ON THE NIGHT

with **DJ Dave Wisker**

Ticket only event
£10 per person
bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles

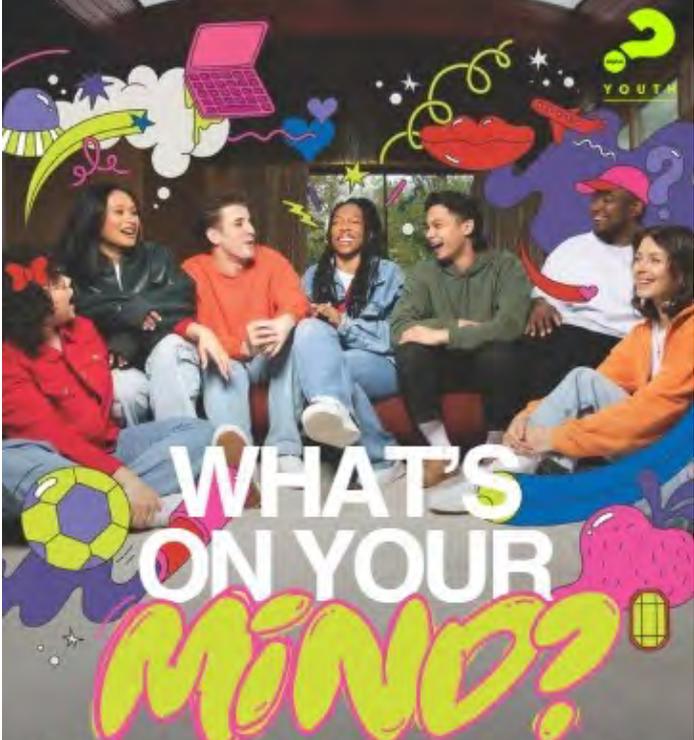
Tickets on sale from the CARESCO Charity Shop or call 07743 216746

All proceeds to CARESCO

The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

The CARESCO Centre, Green End Road, Sawtry, Huntingdon, Cambs, UK PE28 5UX
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WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Come and join our Youth Alpha starting 4.45 pm,
7th September 2025
All Saints' Church, Church Causeway, Sawtry
Join a conversation on life, faith & purpose

alpha.org/youth | @alphayth



What is Coffee Ark?....

Coffee Ark is a mobile coffee shop in the form of a converted Land Rover Defender and community interest company, with a particular heart for reaching those who find themselves separated or isolated whether through loneliness, location, challenges around mental health or other social circumstances.

Coffee Ark exists to build community, resource positive mental health, offer radical hospitality and serve great coffee. We use income from sales, donations, public and private events, fundraising, sponsorship and grants to help fund our community action and enable us to be where we need to be.

'Transforming lives one cuppa at a time'

- Resourcing Mental Health first Aid training
- Barista and Well-being workshops in school
- Ethical trading and sustainable sourcing
- Proactive presence in rural communities
- Great Coffee and so much more...



To find our more and to book us for your event...
Website: www.coffeeark.org
Email: coffeearkcic@gmail.com
Social Media: www.facebook.com/CoffeeArkic

sing for life

40 women wanted!

We want YOU to perform live on stage in a charity fundraising event supporting Sue Ryder Thorpe Hall Hospice...

- 10 week project
- Starting in September 2025
- Your chance to learn to sing
- No previous experience needed
- Professional direction and support
- Great social opportunities

Find out more at one of our introductory sessions at the John Mansfield Campus PE1 4HX on
Thursday 4th September (7pm - 9pm)
Friday 5th September (7pm - 9pm) or
Saturday 6th September (2pm - 4pm)

In support of **Sue Ryder** Thorpe Hall Hospice

Facebook icon X icon #Sing4Life2025

For more information call 01733 425194
email info@peterboroughsings.org.uk
www.peterboroughsings.org.uk
or scan this QR with your phone





COFFEE SHOP

CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for some Volunteer bakers to help us with our increasingly popular Coffee Shop. If you enjoy baking and would like to bake for us once every 4 weeks, sweet and savoury, please get in touch. The expense of ingredients can be covered if required - Many Thanks

**Sharon Dougherty - 01487 208026
sharon.dougherty@caresco.org.uk**

CARESCO is a unique charity providing a range of services to meet needs within our local community - visit www.caresco.org.uk for more details.



Holme Village Community Speedwatch

Recently a driver, who we clocked at 48 mph, stopped to berate us for doing speedwatch and said, "You need to find something better to do with your time instead of catching idiots who are speeding through your village". We had to acknowledge that he was the one who said it and yes, they are "IDIOTS" and we are trying to educate and discourage them.

I don't know if it's the hot weather but unfortunately the percentage of speeders have increased in the last couple of months especially between 8am and 10 am and 3pm and 6pm. During the summer months we cover these times because obviously it is dark during the winter, but I am quite sure the speeding doesn't change because its dark we just ask that everyone slows down please.

Speedwatch is a voluntary organisation that works under the guidance of Cambridgeshire Police who sometimes join us for a session where they use their official equipment and will issue fines and points rather than a letter asking the speeders not to do it again.

If you would like to help us make our village safer by joining the speedwatch team please contact csw.holme@btinternet.com and let us know so we can send you the relevant information and get you trained up and out on the road. You would only do an hour and a half each month, at your convenience, and would meet some very pleasant people.

PLEASE SLOW DOWN THROUGH OUR VILLAGES



Sawtry Foodbank

Did you know...

- Our Foodbank emergency parcels contain about 3 days' worth of food in them
- Where available we include basic toiletries and even pet food
- We offer a warm, welcoming, non-judgmental service to anyone in the community who is struggling to feed themselves or their families



There's no shame in asking for help. If you know someone who may need us, please encourage them to call **07743 593683** or email: foodbank@caresco.org.uk

We're so very grateful for all your generous donations. Currently, we have an abundance of baked beans and pasta! However, we're always looking for more:

- ★ Family Cereals
- ★ Long-Life Milk
- ★ Tinned Fruit
- ★ Tinned Vegetables
- ★ Custard
- ★ Biscuits
- ★ Basic Toiletries.

Please remember to check the dates and that we can't take fresh, frozen, chilled or homemade foods.

Donation baskets can be found at: CARESCO Centre, CARESCO Charity Shop, Sawtry Co-op, Local Schools and Churches.

IMPORTANT: We can only accept larger donations by prior arrangement. If your donation is more than a couple of shopping bags, then please contact us on 07743 593683 or email: foodbank@caresco.org.uk to make an appointment.

Holme Youth Club

We are now closed until 5 September, but we certainly went out with a bang or should I say splash!

We had our usual 'water battle' on the final night in July where everyone got a good soaking and laughed fit to burst then on Sunday 20 July in excess of 20 members, parents and siblings went to Fenland Aqua Park. This is a favourite of our members and the third time we have been there. I guess they all like being wet especially in the hot weather we have been experiencing lately.

A few weeks of rest and recuperation for everyone now with the first session in September will be on 5th at 6.30pm in the village hall when we look forward to welcoming everyone for the start of another fun packed year at Holme Youth Club.

Our AGM will be held on 26 September at 7pm and we welcome everyone who would like to attend and especially encourage parents to come along and take part. The bulk of our committee is made up of the young members so they can decide what they do as it is their Club.

Membership of Holme Youth Club is open to school years 5-10 who live in Holme or attend or have attended Holme Primary Academy. Clarification of the age limit has been requested so you are eligible to join in the September if you have your 10th birthday before the end of the following August even if you have not moved into school year 5. Come along any term time Friday between 6.30 and 8.30pm to see what goes on and join in the fun.

If you would like to know more contact us on Facebook, our website: HolmeYouthClub.co.uk or email: holmeyouthclub@outlook.com





All Saints' Church Christmas Tree Festival

All Saints' Church is holding their Christmas Tree Festival to mark the start of Advent, the period leading up to Christmas. It is an opportunity for Groups, Clubs and Youth movements from Sawtry to promote their organisation.

The chosen Charity, this year, is the CARESCO Foodbank. Donations therefore can be either made in cash or in groceries.

If you would like to take part, please email rogerjubb@btinternet.com or phone **07961 130298** for an application form.

The Festival will run over two weekends: 29/30 November & 6/7 December. Opening times are Saturdays 1.30-5.00pm and Sundays 1.30-5.00pm. There is also an evening viewing on Friday 5 December, 6.00-8.30pm.

To give organisations more room to set up their trees setting up will take place on Thursday 27 November and Friday 28 November when the Church will be open from 2.00-6.00pm, or you can arrange to set-up during either day by appointment.

It will also be possible for Groups/Clubs/Organisations to visit during the intervening week. Please contact Roger or Rev Becky to arrange a time.

Trees can be up to 4ft high (122cms) and you can use a conventional tree or make one using any materials you like - the more creative the better! Don't forget to think of a title for your tree. You can use the space just around your tree, so some organisations might like to have promotional leaflets or whatever fits in with your tree's theme. **Please can you use battery powered lights.**

There is no charge to take part, and entry to the Festival will be free of charge. Refreshments will be available when the Church is open.

We do hope you will want to help mark the start of Advent by entering a tree in the Festival! In 2023, we had just under 30 trees of various shapes, sizes, and themes.



John Garner's Memories of Mrs. Joy Robinson

I write to record the death of Mrs Dorothy Joy Robinson on 28 April 2025. I joined her well-attended funeral at Stamford on Thursday, 5 June.

I first met Joy – she was always known as Joy - in the mid-1970s when I was a new Head Teacher of Sawtry Junior School and she was teaching homecraft in a mobile classroom next to the school. Joy was attached to the Agriculture Centre – known in brief as the Ag Centre – also nearby and her title was “Rural Domestic Economist”. She was an enthusiastic teacher and was appreciated by old and young for her work and personality. I was so pleased to meet her and work with her. In those days, the Ag Centre ran courses to train students in agriculture and homecraft was an element in the courses.

Joy's homecraft activities were broad, and because agricultural students did not fill her timetable she was able to look for people she could help. I recall a class of pensioners whom Joy met weekly, and they used to take with them ingredients for their lunch. Each prepared their own lunch supervised by Joy. It was known as the “Do It Yourself Lunch Club”. (These people had been referred by the doctor or social service as a beneficial group to join to save travelling to Huntingdon or Peterborough for therapy) There were a number of cookers available for them to use, but Joy used the time also to talk with them as they were single people and Joy used the cooking time to get them to talk about themselves. Joy was an early counsellor. It's interesting that similar groups still meet on Mondays to Thursdays at CARESCO, a local charity, but now the lunch is cooked for these modern pensioners who are involved in various activities until the lunch is ready.

Joy loved having classes of children from our school and the Infant School nearby. She also had groups from organisations as far as Peterborough and Huntingdon. I had not taken particular notice of these groups until walking by on a sunny day I saw my mother sitting there enjoying the sun. The group to which my mother belonged had travelled from Peterborough to visit Joy who described her work there. No doubt they experienced some practical work whilst there.

Joy's work drew the attention of Mrs. Marjorie Dybeck, wife of the Warden of the Village College. Marjorie had been a Deputy Head of a large secondary school in Scotland and appreciated Joy's work. They put their heads together and formalised Joy's work as a village organisation. Forty years on and CARESCO has grown and two years ago was presented with The Queens Award. Joy's work in the founding of this charity can be found in a book about it written by Mrs. Dybeck. It is entitled, “The Story of CARESCO” and in it Joy is described as a “Visionary” along with others who Marjorie regarded as “Visionaries”. CARESCO is well supported by people in and around Sawtry – all from little seeds fifty years ago !!

Great sorrow was felt when Joy was transferred to work in Peterborough, but Sawtry benefited greatly from her skill and friendship.

John Garner



Finalised Sawtry Show Classes - To Get You Started !

Saturday 13 September 2025 Sawtry Village Academy

The full schedule with instructions and entry forms are available from Parish Council Office, CARESCO Charity Shop, CARESCO Centre, Sawtry Library, Sawtry Club or email: thesawtryshow@outlook.com

Fruit and Vegetables: any variety unless otherwise stated

1. 5 Runner bean pods
2. Longest runner bean
3. 5 French bean pods
4. 3 beetroots
5. 3 carrots
6. 3 courgettes
7. 3 onions
8. Heaviest onion
9. 3 sweet/bell peppers
10. 5 chillies
11. A truss of ripening tomatoes
12. 5 tomatoes
13. Heaviest marrow
14. 5 potatoes
15. Pumpkin or squash
16. Misshapen fruit or vegetable
17. 5 eating apples
18. 5 pears
19. 11 blackberries
20. Tray of your 5-a-day, mix of fruit and / or veg



Home Grown Flowers and Plants (vases will be provided)

21. 3 dahlia stems - may be mixed varieties
22. A vase of mixed herbs
23. 1 rose specimen, will be judged on scent
24. 3 rose stems - may be mixed varieties.
25. Vase of 10 Flowering Stems, minimum 3 varieties

Pot Plants

26. A fuchsia
27. A begonia
28. Cactus or Succulent
29. A Zonal Geranium
30. Any foliage pot plant

Flower Arranging

31. A table arrangement for a Ruby Wedding Anniversary - (Fresh Flowers)
32. A modern arrangement of Artificial flowers (not dried)
33. An arrangement of berries, fruits and foliage (Fresh only)

Cookery

34. Victoria Sponge 3 egg mix, jam filled, dusted with caster sugar
 35. 5 Pieces of Flapjack, sweet or savoury (Men Only)
 36. Boiled Fruit Cake – (recipe given*)
 37. 5 Chocolate Chip Cookies
 38. Apple tart – with homemade pastry top and bottom
- *Recipe will be published in full schedule

Preserves (details in full schedule)

39. Soft fruit jam
40. Stoned fruit jam
41. Lemon curd
42. Orange marmalade
43. Chutney any type
44. A jar of pickles



Home Brews (details in full schedule)

45. A bottle of red wine, dry
46. A bottle of white wine, sweet
47. A liqueur, any recipe, e.g. sloe gin, limoncello etc
48. A bottle of non-alcoholic cordial e.g. elderflower
(entrants must be 18 years of age or over)

Crafts

49. Christmas Tree ornament - any medium
50. A bird feeder for the garden
51. A knitted novelty hat
52. A crocheted item
53. Make and embellish a shopping bag
54. An item from recycled wood or metal
55. A pop up / 3D greeting card
56. A piece of cross stitch
57. A Gonk - Any medium
58. A handmade bracelet
59. A needle case
60. Any other item not included in the above classes



Art

61. A city scape
62. A portrait
63. A drawing of 3 fish - pencil, pastel or charcoal
64. A papier mache sculpture
65. A illuminated letter - any letter, size A5
66. A cartoon character
67. A miniature

Photography (max. size A5) - (details in full schedule)

68. A winter scene
69. A sunset
70. A portrait of a wild animal
71. The night sky - e.g. the Northern Lights
72. Humour, with a caption
73. A Bee on a flower
74. Own choice photograph subject

Juniors

The following age groups will be judged in each of the classes listed below:

up to 5yrs (75-86) 6-8yrs (87-98) 9-12yrs (99-110) 13-15yrs (111-122)

- Photography - my favourite place in my village
- Craft - a decorated paper aeroplane
- Craft - a sock puppet
- Craft - a Lego model
- Craft - A model from plasticine or playdough
- Craft - item made from anything recycled
- Craft - a fairy door
- Art - a decorated pebble
- Art - design your own book cover
- Art - a picture from my favourite book or story
- Art - A potato print
- Cookery - a teatime favourite

There will be a special prize for the aeroplane which flies the furthest!

Adults Competition - make a paper aeroplane at the show, paper provided, a prize for the aeroplane which flies the furthest!

Academy entries - To be decided

Message us through our Facebook page 'The Sawtry Show' or email thesawtryshow@outlook.com for more info



Sawtry History Society

The Archive is now open on the Saturday following our Thursday meeting, in the Community Centre access is via the library, from 10:00am to 12:00pm. All are welcome, search census records & view old documents relating to our area.

Our May meeting the subject was Sir Ernest Shackleton A Polar Life Presentation By Peter Clarkson MBE Emeritus Associate at the Scott Polar Research Institute Cambridge. Peter is a very passionate man who can talk enthusiastically about all things Antarctic. An enthralling story about a boy's own hero for my generation. Ernest Shackleton died of a heart attack on January 5, 1922, while on board a ship, the Quest, bound for Antarctica on his fourth expedition to the region. He was only 47 years old at the time of his death. That's cruel after all those risks, a little like going to the moon & dying in a car accident.

A Brief History Of The 457th Bomb Group At Glatton Presentation By Jerry Wright was the June offering, If you have ever wondered what the memorial is on the side of the old A1 near Connington, this talk gave all the background to this tribute to the American 457th bomb group stationed at Connington. There was also a section of information about Miss Ida, a B-17 Flying Fortress that crashed on take off, illustrated with a selection of debris which has been recovered from the crash site.

We have some Archaeological dig activity coming up at the end of July, see the link below

'Sawtry Archaeology' is a group within Sawtry History Society that is committed to investigating the archaeological record of Sawtry and neighbouring communities, and presenting interpreted findings in the public domain in order to enrich the communal heritage. Details of projects, publications of interest and useful links can be found on the Sawtry Archaeology website (below). Follow Sawtry Archaeology on Facebook (below) where details of fieldwork, other activity and updates to the website will be posted.

Sawtry Archaeology website: <https://sawtryarchaeology.wixsite.com/my-site/events>

Sawtry Archaeology email: sawtry.archaeology@yahoo.co.uk

Follow us on Facebook  SHS SawtryArchaeology

Don't forget our sister website the details being www.sawtryhistory.co.uk sawtryhistory@gmail.com

**The History Society meets on the third Thursday of the month
in the Methodist Church, 9 Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX at 7.30pm**

Chris Merton

Simon Bywater

Sawtry and Stilton on Council's Update (Summer 2025)

As we move into the summer months, I wanted to take this opportunity to share a brief update on some local developments affecting Sawtry, Stilton and surrounding villages.

Many residents will be aware that Green End Road in Sawtry has been in need of attention for some time. I'm pleased to confirm that I've been advised highways repairs are due to begin at the start of the school holidays. These works will be carried out in phases, allowing local residents to maintain access to their homes and businesses throughout. Letters will be sent to local residents effected by works. Please be patient and allow a little extra time for diversions around the village. I will share any updates on my local Facebook page.

At a wider level, the Government is currently considering proposals to reform the structure of local government across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. This will involve replacing the existing multiple layers of local councils (county and District Councils) with one or more larger unitary authorities. The intention is to improve efficiency and accountability, but it would represent a major change in how decisions are made locally.

A public consultation on the future of local government in our area ran until the 20th July. I know some residents have already shared their views, and I thank those who took the time to do so. We expect to hear more in late autumn about the potential options under consideration. I will ensure residents are kept informed.

With the arrival of warmer weather, please also be aware of the dangers of open water swimming. While it can be tempting to cool off in rivers, lakes or reservoirs, cold water shock and hidden hazards can quickly turn a fun activity into a tragedy. Please speak to young people about the risks and follow published advice.
www.outdoorswimmingsociety.com

As always, I remain committed to supporting local residents, tackling issues that matter to our communities, and ensuring your voice is heard at all levels of local government. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if there is anything I can assist with.

Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable summer.

Simon Bywater

County Councillor for Sawtry and Stilton Division -
07984 637553

Alzheimer's Society Dementia Support in Cambridgeshire

We have a team of fully trained Dementia Advisers who are here to support everyone affected by dementia or worried about memory, their family members and carers.

As well as providing you with information, we can help you to understand dementia better, for example, helping with communication, eating and drinking, washing and dressing, etc. We will work with you to find strategies to cope with the difficulties that you face. Our staff will offer you a listening ear and a safe space to discuss the emotional impact of this. Our service is free and confidential and can be accessed at any point and as often as needed.

We can help you to access benefits and any other services that may support you. We can also help you to plan for the future. We have a range of services including one-to-one support, groups, information sessions and are available in over 60 GP surgeries around the county.

If there is any way we can help you, please give us a call on **01223 620962** or email at **cambridgeshiredementia@alzheimers.org.uk**.



Sawtry Parish Council - Serving The People Of Sawtry

A Sawtry in Bloom

By the time you read this the Anglia in Bloom judges will have visited the village and we look forward to hearing how we have fared this year. The Sawtry in Bloom team have been busy throughout the year with more groups getting involved to help improve the appearance of many areas making it a more attractive environment.

These groups include volunteers taking responsibility for the various planters provided by the Parish Council, a large group of very active litter pickers, CARESCO charity with their own garden and the WI Hall where the Community Café operates. Sawtry Social Club are now actively improving their outside space and our 2 public houses put on floral displays throughout the seasons. We are delighted to have the Coffee Ark visit the Parish Council Garden once a week. This is a mobile coffee shop for the whole community, with a particular heart for reaching out to people. This links with the theme of our project for a Growing Well Garden to create an outside space to sit and enjoy with the option for some gentle gardening to enhance health and wellbeing. We have already had Sawtry Scouts take on a patch of garden and some work experience students from the Village Academy help to tidy overgrown areas.

A special mention to our AIB sponsors Bradgate, Sawtry Cars, Coopers, Amicis Developments Ltd and Camcleaningservice Ltd. Thank you to those individuals who make a difference.

Karen Sanderson, Parish Councillor

Other news

A huge thank you to everyone who completed the Accessibility Around the Village survey in April 2025. In addition, we were grateful to have more detailed conversation with those who gave their contact details.

Many of the issues raised were about potholes, pavements and the condition of the roads in general. These are the responsibility of Cambridgeshire County Council. The Parish Council can pass these concerns on to them but the more people who report specific issues themselves, the better, as it will show the depth of feeling about any concerns. You can report issues about highways on the Cambridgeshire County Council website by searching for Report a Highways Issue.

Overgrown bushes on alleyways and pavements were also a top concern where people are walking into the road or taking a longer route to their homes to avoid those bushes. Some issues were about how the bushes scratch as they walk past or damage their clothes. The Parish Council has supported communication about some concerns, for example, requesting that the hedges on Gidding Road on the exit to Rowell Way be trimmed back for improved visibility.

Thank you to all of you who have trimmed back the hedges, plants and bushes on your property, especially to those who have trimmed plants which grow from their gardens into the alleyways next to their property. It is greatly appreciated and there was some positive feedback from residents about the improved accessibility through those alleyways.

A major concern is parking on pavements, sometimes fully on a pavement, leaving nowhere to pass and meaning residents using the road instead. When parking, please think about leaving space for people to walk past, to use a mobility scooter or push a pushchair or buggy so that they can safely get around the village.

We received some suggestions about the Sawtry Village Green, accessible benches, dog waste bins, the off-lead dog field and access to the Old School Hall for us to consider.

If you have any more suggestions, it would be good to hear from you. Alternatively, you can read the report which is on the Sawtry Parish Council Website or, if you wish attend the Accessibility Around the Village Working Party, which meets once a month on a Tuesday evening at 7pm, please contact the Parish Council Clerk on **clerk@sawtry-pc.gov.uk** or you can call **01487 831771**.

Thank you, it was a great starting point for us to plan. Later in the year we will tell you what happens next.

Tracey Bingham, Parish Councillor

Dates for your diary -

- Saturday 11 October - Live Theatre at the Old School Hall – Marcella's Minute to Midnight, look out for more details on posters/flyers and our Facebook page.
- Sunday 2 November - Firework Display at Greenfield, Straight Drove, Sawtry
- Sunday 9 November - Remembrance Parade

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CARESCO Annual General Meeting Date: Thursday 28 August

Look out for full details on our social media pages or contact the CARESCO office on 01487 832105 / office@caresco.org.uk



Volunteer Drivers Required



CARESCO is looking to increase our team of volunteer drivers who are willing to drive with our Car Scheme and help local people

Successful candidates will:

- Be 25 years and over (for insurance)
- Be required to complete a clear DBS check
- Hold a clean driving licence
- Have use of a suitable car with valid MOT and insurance
- Have some weekday availability
- Be reliable and flexible
- Expenses will be reimbursed

If you would like to know more, please contact the Car Scheme Co-ordinator on 07810 476979 or email office@caresco.org.uk



GREEN END DAY CLUB QUIZ SUPPER



Held at the CARESCO Centre,
Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

28 November

Tickets £10 per person
(to include a hot supper)

Contact 07743 216746 or email: greenend@caresco.org.uk

for more details or to book your tickets.



Sawtry WI

Charity Number 229016

Friendship is at the heart of WI membership and Sawtry WI is a place where all women can experience friendship so why not come free to one or two of our members meetings and try it out? Visitors are always welcome. Members meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at our WI Hall on Gidding Road, Sawtry PE28 5TS, starting at 7pm with a speaker or activity followed by lovely refreshments, business, raffle and sometimes a competition. As well as our varied programme for members meetings we also enjoy outings, social groups, an annual Spring Party and Afternoon Tea on 17 July. Contact us and we will send you a copy of our programme.

Members are looking forward to the talks at members meetings. On 7 August we have 'An Enlightening Overview on Artificial Intelligence', on 4 September 'The First Women Doctors' and on 2 October a gardening talk 'Crowbar to Crocosmia'. In addition to the benefits of membership at Sawtry WI, members can join other WIs as a reduced rate, access free online learning, activities and events, receive a free magazine, access events at WI Centre in Huntingdon, join an online WI and get involved in campaigns.

If you walk by our WI Hall on or after 17 July, you will see one of our national campaigns 'SOS for Honeybees'. Other recent WI campaigns are access to dentistry and more defibrillators with signposting as to where they are located.

Sawtry Community Café is run by Sawtry WI members together with wonderful volunteers from our community. The Café is open on the first Saturday of each month held at Sawtry WI Hall. Food is served from 12noon to 2.45pm and there is no cost, it is all free. This is a great community space where residents of all ages come together to share food in friendship. We average about 44 visitors at each Café. The first shift 12-1.30pm is always the busiest so if you prefer a quieter space do come after 1.30pm. The Café is open to everyone in Sawtry and is funded by donations.

Jacqui Svensson, President - 07841 647345

sawtrywi@gmail.com

Instagram: [Sawtry_WI](https://www.instagram.com/Sawtry_WI)

Sawtry WI | Facebook

<https://sawtrywi.wixsite.com/sawtrywi>



Green End Day Club

We have been having a very busy time at the club recently. Our trip to Mulberry Farm was a huge success and thoroughly enjoyed by all of us. The staff were so helpful, and the food was delicious.

Sangeetha came in on 8 July and she made a wonderful array of Indian food. The members were all treated to a choice of starter, main and dessert. The food was absolutely delicious, and we would like to personally thank Sangeetha for giving her time and donating such a mouthwatering meal to us all.

We have had the children in from Sawtry Infant School who have been icing cakes and colouring pictures with our members. They were a delight and a lot of fun. We would like to thank the staff from Sawtry Infants for bringing them all over, it was such a pleasure to have them at the club.

We had a lovely bus trip to Springfields Outlet Centre in Spalding on 4 July. These trips are open to all staff, volunteers and service users of CARESCO. Our next trip is on 3 October to Brotherhood Retail Park, Peterborough.

Our next quiz is on 8 August at 7.30pm. The tickets are £5 per person with teams of 4 – 6 people. Bring your own nibbles and drinks. Please come along and support our club.

We are welcoming new members each month now and every day is full of laughter and many friendships have been made. If you would like any more information on the club and what we do, then please pop down for a cuppa and a chat or call us on 07743 216746.

Vicki Currington, GEDC Manager
greenend@caresco.org.uk



Sawtry Chorale

As we reach the end of our summer season, Sawtry Chorale is taking a break until September

We ended the season with two excellent concerts, the first at the end of May when we shared the 'stage' with an Icelandic Women's Choir at Godmanchester Church. It was a well-attended event – we even sang in Icelandic – but just for one song!

Our final concert was held at Stilton Parish Church in early July, when we were delighted to welcome a full house, including our Patron, Dame Norma Major, to a programme featuring a wide range of music, from sacred to secular, show songs to folk songs.....and a few silly songs for good measure!

Chorale is going from strength to strength; in the past year we have been delighted to welcome several new members to our fun rehearsals in the Methodist Church Hall. Of course, we always have room for more and potential new members will receive the warmest of welcomes. There are no auditions and you don't even need to be able to read music; you just need to want to sing! We meet each Wednesday evening, 7.30pm at the Methodist Church Hall, our new term commencing on Wednesday 3 September. You can just come along or, if you'd like to find out more, contact Tracy on 07796 972580 or visit www.sawtrychorale.co.uk

Finally, although it's a little early to be thinking of tinsel, a couple of dates for your diary. Sawtry Chorale will be putting on two of its very popular Christmas concerts, with lots of fun and audience participation, in Holme Village Hall on Saturday 6 December and at Great Gidding Village Hall, Friday 12 December.

For more information, or to get tickets for either concert, call 07796 972580, find us on Facebook or email: sawtrychorale@gmail.com or visit www.sawtrychorale.co.uk



Sawtry Games Club

Discover Sawtry Games Club: Fun, Friendship, and Friendly Competition.

Did you know Sawtry has its very own games club? Whether you're a seasoned strategist or just curious to try something new, Sawtry Games Club is a welcoming community space for all ages and experience levels to enjoy board games, card games, tabletop games, and roleplaying games.

Founded by local enthusiasts, the club meets weekly at **Sawtry Social Club (10 Gidding Road, Sawtry, PE28 5TS)** every **Tuesday evening from 7:30pm to 10:30pm**, and it's grown into a vibrant hub of fun, laughter, and camaraderie. Members bring along a huge variety of games- from quick party games and family favourites to epic fantasy campaigns and competitive wargames-so there's always something new to try. If you've ever wanted to play Catan, Ticket to Ride, Blood Bowl, One Page Rules, Dungeons & Dragons, or even explore historical tabletop battles, and many more, then this is the perfect place to start.

What makes Sawtry Games Club special is its friendly and inclusive atmosphere. We welcome newcomers with open arms, and there's always someone happy to teach the rules or recommend a favourite game. You don't need to bring anything except your curiosity - though if you have a game you love, we'd be delighted to see it on the table.

In addition to our weekly meets, we'll be running family-friendly sessions one Sunday a month from 12pm to 5pm. As the club continues to grow, we want to give working families, young families, and anyone in need of a relaxed afternoon the chance to enjoy friendly company and some well-earned downtime-playing games and connecting with like-minded people in a welcoming, inclusive, and fun environment.

So, whether you're a casual player or a hardcore hobbyist, come along and roll some dice with us. Your next favourite game-and a few new friends-might be just around the corner, and your first session is completely free, to find out too.

For more information, email us at sawtrygames@gmail.com or come join us on our **Facebook page**. We look forward to seeing you at the club!

Sawtr y Feast Supper Club



This year's event was held on Tuesday, 3 June, and we had wonderful weather. The Feast Supper was held as normal at the Village Academy.

We had 105 attendees this year. The President also had a guest table to include people who have given their time and support to the local community, many of them unsung heroes.

The menu of the day consisted of Beef Pie and Vegetables with either Apple Crumble or Eton Mess for Dessert, followed by Mints with Tea and Coffee.

The Entertainment for the Evening was provided by Mike Harris a Solo Guitar / Singer Artist, he performed two sets and had the guests up and dancing on the night an amazing night of entertainment had by all who attended.

First Aid support was provided by David O'Brian a First Responder whom we are pleased to report had a very quiet evening.

Over 16 adult volunteers assisted on the night, also the Kitchen Staff from the Academy donated their time in cooking for our guests, together with 20 students from the Academy in serving the guests; the students were exemplary and were a credit to the Academy. We would like to thank everyone who helped on the evening and leading up to the event.

We were extremely fortunate this year to receive a Grant from the Parish Council to help towards running the Feast Supper as we needed to purchase equipment to continue holding the event as we needed Knives, Forks, Spoons, Trays, coffee pots etc this year so being granted a £200 Grant much assisted in helping us hold this event yet again. Together with this Grant, we also received some Raffle Prizes & sponsorship monies from PMV Car Sales, GB Plumbing & Heating, Golden Scissors Barbering, Premier Stores – John Green and Sawtry Cars we are so thankful for all the above this enables this amazing event to continue for yet another year.

If you are interested in attending the Sawtry Feast Supper next year and are over the age of 65 and live in Sawtry, please get in contact with Maddy after 5pm. We are now operating on a waiting list as we are at full capacity, but should a space become available Maddy will contact those at the top of the list.



Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) is being held on Monday 13 October at 19:00. This is being held at Sawtry and District Bowls Club on Green End Road (opposite Coopers Garage)

Maddy Leader - Secretary - 07368 210882

SAMARITANS

Peterborough & District

Are you able to volunteer for 12 hours a month to support people who are in despair?

If so Peterborough Samaritans would really like to hear from you.

We will provide comprehensive training and support you all the way.

For more details please contact us at volunteer@peterboroughsamaritans.co.uk

Sing for Life 2025 Supporting Sue Ryder Thorpe Hall Hospice

If you've ever thought about giving singing a go, NOW is your chance! We're inviting around 40 women - just like YOU - to join a fun, ten-week singing project, starting in September. There's NO audition and you don't need any experience - just your enthusiasm to try something new!

Working towards a fantastic live performance at The Cresset in November, you'll learn to sing, meet new people, perform live on stage AND raise money for Sue Ryder Thorpe Hall Hospice, with plenty of laughs along the way – it's all about the journey!

Around one hundred women took the plunge last year, giving the performance of their lives and raising thousands of pounds for charity in the process! Most of them had never sung, rehearsed or performed as part of a group – or in public – before, and here's what they had to say:

*A privilege to sing with such a fantastic group of women... if you're thinking about taking part, go for it!
You'll have the best time, while raising money for an amazing charity!*

It was SO rewarding, and we learned so much in such a short space of time. The buzz I got from singing with others to such a high standard, and so quickly, was amazing!

#Sing4Life2025 kicks off with introduction sessions at the John Mansfield Campus in Peterborough on Thursday 4 September (7-9pm), Friday 5 September (7-9pm) and Saturday 6 September (2-4pm). Don't worry, this is NOT an audition and there's no big red buzzer, it's just an opportunity to find out more, meet the team and some of the other women who'll be taking part.

So, if you're looking for a challenge and you'd like to know more, get in touch TODAY, we'd love to hear from you!

**For more information visit www.peterboroughsings.org.uk,
email info@peterboroughsings.org.uk or
call 01733 425194**





CARESCO CAR SCHEME

Providing transport for local people

Run by volunteers using their own cars, journeys (to medical appointments only) can be booked via the Co-ordinator 9am - 5pm, Mondays to Fridays only (subject to availability)

on **07810 476979**

Please leave a message, your name & phone number and the team will get back to you.

Contact CARESCO on 01487 832105

Email: office@caresco.org.uk



CARESCO Cave

CARESCO

meeting needs in our local community

We are a 'Warm Space', open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 10.00am to 1.00pm. Please come along for a coffee and chat. See the projects and repairs we are working on at present. Do you have a project you want some help with?

Everybody is welcome, male or female. We are a happy crew and welcome new members. We replace watch batteries and carry out PAT testing at a fee of £3 each.

Contact us by calling 07851 803482 and leaving a message, emailing us at: thecave@caresco.org.uk or pop in during one of our sessions, you can find us at the rear of Sawtry Community Centre off Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX.

News From Sawtry Library

Sawtry library is a friendly, welcoming library based in Sawtry Community Centre. We offer a range of services such as children's activities, free pc and internet access and of course fiction, non-fiction books and audio books. We also provide help to get Bus Passes, and we have a selection of local information leaflets.



Magic Beanstalk - Tuesday 5 August 3.30 - 4.30pm

Decorate a jar and plant your own magic beanstalk! This craft event is suitable for children aged 4+ years. £2 per child. Booking is advised as places are limited. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Matty Long Drawing Workshop - Wednesday 6 August 2.30 - 4.00pm

Learn how to draw characters from the Super Happy Magic Forest book and TV series step-by-step with Matty. Free workshop. For ages 7-11 years. Booking required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SRC Spoon Scarecrows - Saturday 16 August 10.30 - 11.30am

Make your own scarecrow from wooden spoons and fabric. Suitable for children aged 4+ years. £2 per child. Booking is advised as places are limited. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SRC Nature Scrapbook - Tuesday 19 August 3.30 - 4.30pm

Create a nature scrapbook to take out into the wilds! Suitable for children aged 4+ years. £1 per child. Booking is advised as places are limited. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SRC Wonderful Wings - Saturday 30 August 10.30 - 11.30am

Fly like a butterfly when you have made your own special animal wings! Suitable for children aged 4+ years. £1 per child. Booking is advised as places are limited. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Reading Group

If you love reading and talking about books, then why not join a Reading Group? It is a great opportunity to meet new people and read a variety of books to discuss with others. If you are interested in joining, please ask at Sawtry library or email us at: huntingdon.referral@cambridgeshire.gov.uk



Lego Club - Saturdays 10.00am - 12.00pm

Get creative and constructive at our Lego Club every Saturday morning. Drop in anytime throughout the session. Suitable for children aged 4+ 50p donation appreciated.

Social Media

Please look at our social media pages for information, updates and events. You can find us on Facebook by searching for 'Cambridgeshire Libraries' and on Twitter we are @cambslib.

Opening Times

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

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





The Royal British Legion Sawtry & District Branch

The Royal British Legion supports our Armed Forces community, including serving and ex-serving personnel and their families.

VJ 80th Commemoration.

15 August 2025 marks the 80th anniversary of the end of the war against Japan in the Far East and the end of WW2. The Royal British Legion remembers all those who gave their lives in conflict, but we particularly remember two Sawtry men who died in this often-overlooked theatre of the war.

Thomas Eric Dring served in 135 (The Hertfordshire Yeomanry) Field Regt., Royal Artillery who died on Sunday 25th January 1942, aged 22, likely fighting against the Japanese forces advancing on Singapore, which was captured on 15th February 1942.

Thomas was the son of Thomas and Emily Dring of Sawtry and while there is no known grave for Thomas he is commemorated on the Singapore Memorial, Kranji War Cemetery.

George Joseph William Ginns of the 5th Battalion, Royal Norfolk Regiment died on Friday 28th of May 1943 aged 26. George was the son of George Arthur and Esther Ginns of Sawtry. He is buried in Kanchanaburi War Cemetery, Thailand, the site of the infamous POW camp from where Allied prisoners were forced to work under brutal conditions building the Burma Railway and the Bridge over the River Kwai.

It is perhaps fitting that Thomas and Georges' names are listed next to each other here on the Sawtry War Memorial. We will remember them.

Events –

Friday 15 August 2025 - VJ 80th Commemoration –
09:00am - Raising of flag – Old School Hall
09:30am - Laying of wreaths – All Saints / Village memorial

Poppy Appeal 2024 – We had a good day at the Sawtry Carnival and raised just under £300 for the Poppy Appeal. The 2024 Poppy Appeal currently stands at £10,780.85. Thank you for all your support.

Billy, Chairman

Wellside Surgery News

Patient Partner

Patient Partner is now up and running and allows patients to complete certain actions via an automated process as opposed to having to wait to speak to a member of the reception team. Patient Partner can be accessed via our main telephone system menu or, to save time, call direct on 01487 800270.



At this initial stage the service can be used to complete the following tasks:

- Check and/or cancel an appointment
- Book a blood test
- Book a physiotherapy appointment

To date, 240 patients have registered to use the service and it has been used over 500 times. Registering is easy to do and only needs to be done on your first call. We hope that those who have used the service have found it to be beneficial. Using Patient Partner for the above purposes also helps to reduce waiting times for patients when phoning through to the practice. The average call waiting time prior to the introduction of Patient Partner was 7 minutes 21 seconds in October 2024. In May 2025 this had been reduced to 4 minutes 57 seconds.

Missed Appointments

Patient Partner has so far been used to cancel over 50 appointments. We would like to thank all of those patients who took the time, using any of the methods available, to cancel an appointment that was no longer needed.

Unfortunately we continue to experience a significant number of missed appointments. Last month a total of 48 appointments were missed. These are appointments that could have been offered to other patients. Missed appointments have a big impact on our appointment availability. It means wasted clinician time and, as a result, other people have to wait longer to get at appointment.

If you have an appointment booked that you no longer need please remember to cancel it so that it can be given to someone else.

Building Works

We hope that the repair of the Well will be taking place in the not too distant future. We will ensure any disruptions are kept to a minimum but please bear with us during this time and take extra care when arriving and leaving the surgery premises.

Best Regards

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

AN EYE ON NATURE

Imagine travelling thousands of miles through wind, rain, heat and drought, with lack of food and stop off places. You arrive home and its gone, vanished. The barn has gone, or the home roof tiled and now inaccessible for nesting. What do you do? Ideas of raising a family are dashed, the few remaining suitable 'properties' are all taken. Distraught, there is nowhere else to go. Dreams of a family are a memory now, but we can change their fortunes and build homes for our returning Swifts to share. Those aerobatic marvels who can reach speeds of 60 miles per hour in level flight.

My dream finally came true this spring witnessed and encouraged by my neighbours as box after box went up each year. Now totalling 15 boxes this spring. This was the year of hope that I could host a family for their brief 3 months here in Sawtry. A couple checked out my boxes last July, a very good sign they may return to breed. Young Swifts travel back from Africa in their second or third year to check out suitable nest sites. They then return to breed the following spring. It worked wonderfully, the Swifts returned this May, and chicks successfully hatched. All was going so well then, the first heat wave struck, sadly the chicks (or chick) perished in the heat. I have tried to attract Swifts for 9 years and was so nearly successful this year. I cannot do this alone though but need the good people of Sawtry to help if they can. My plea is if Swifts are already using your home please don't turn them away. (I had a wonderful holiday in a cottage with Swifts nesting under the roof tiles and only knew they were there because I watched them fly in to roost each evening or feeding their young). Consider putting up a Swift box or boxes but it needs to be well sited with good direct access. Mine flew straight into the box from the road at 60 mph and stopped dead in an instant, it was mesmerising to watch! Where to put the box or boxes is a learning curve because only the Swifts can tell you when its right, as I discovered with the heatwave. Be patient, with time they will find you and bring the joy I experienced this spring.

Information on boxes: I brought many of my boxes from John Stimpson. He is retired and makes boxes in his home workshop. John does this out of passion for Swifts, he has made over 43 thousand boxes. These have gone to many countries giving Swifts a home.

John's details:

Email: j.stimpson1@btopenworld.com

Tel: 01353 740451

Address: 53 Twentypence Road, Wilburton, Cambs. CB6 3PU

He will post (or like we did) visit John. I had lunch at the Twentypence Garden Centre nearby before I collected my boxes.

Great news, since I wrote this article and nearly took it to CARESCO for printing I have an update. Unbeknown to me the chick which died had a sibling which survived despite the odds. Unfortunately, it recently fell out of the nest box onto my lawn. Although well developed with its first set of flight feathers it could not fly properly, after giving it a drink and a rest in a cardboard box my neighbours and I got it safely back into the nest box. I have high hopes it will join the migration as our Swifts depart from Sawtry in early August. They will then fly thousands of miles down to Africa before returning to grace our skies again next spring.

Martin Baker

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

For more information, contact the Wildlife Trust:

Phone 01954 713543, or

visit www.wildlifebcn.org



CARESCO

meeting needs in our local community

CARESCO Grants News

We are trying to keep our ageing modular building going for as long as we can and I have been applying for relevant grants to help. As usual, we have received several declines but were delighted to receive a part award from the Anton Jurgens Trust towards a new Club Room floor. We still need to raise funds for the remainder, but this has given us a start.

The Green End Day Club meet here Monday to Thursday, Sounds Good and Chatterbox use the room twice a month and the Coffee Shop is held every Friday. It is also used for our free community Strength and Balance classes, staff and trustee meetings and the occasional quiz night so the floor has sustained a lot of wear and tear. We cannot fund projects without grants, donations and practical help, so thank you as always to everyone who continue to support us.

I would also like to thank my long-time volunteer Emilie and more recently Pam who help me research grants and contact small grant providers. I have limited hours, and this has enabled me to concentrate on the larger grants. Thank you both and the other 130+ fabulous CARESCO volunteers, without whom the charity would not be able to operate.

We would like to increase our team of Trustees so if anyone is looking for an interesting volunteering opportunity, please let us know. Have a great Summer 😊

Denise Pike

Grants Officer, CARESCO
grants@caresco.org.uk



SAWTRY METHODIST CHURCH

9 Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX



All Are Welcome!

COFFEE MORNINGS

**Open Saturdays
in the church hall
from 9.30am to 11am**

*Drop in for light refreshments,
a chat with friends
all proceeds to the church*

We would love to see you!



Cream Teas

**First Monday of the month -
2.00 - 4.00pm
in the Church Hall
from 1st September**



SUNDAY WORSHIP

*There is a service either in the building, online,
(using Zoom), or both every week*

SPECIAL SERVICES

**Sawtry Light Factory Holiday Club
4 - 6 August**

(see separate notice on the front page for more details)

**Holiday Club Finale
Sunday 10 August at 10.30am**

**Holy Communion
Sunday 24 August at 10.30am**

*For details of other services, how to login
via Zoom, and for other services
please check our website, or call 01487 830345*

Come and join us, all are welcome

Board Games Club

**First and third Fridays of the
month at 7.30pm
from 5th September**

*Come with friends or on your own -
all are welcome.*



For more information, please contact Rev James Bamber on 01480 453857

Email: jjamesbamber@gmail.com, or via www.sawtrymethodist.org.uk

Find us on Facebook - [SawtryMethodistChurch](https://www.facebook.com/SawtryMethodistChurch)

Hello,

Late summer often brings a sense of anticipation - harvests are nearing, schools are preparing to reopen, and, of course, the village race is on the horizon, on 7 September! Whether you're a seasoned runner or just cheering from the sidelines, the event reminds us of something deeper: life itself is a race of sorts.

In the Bible, the Apostle Paul often uses running as a picture for the Christian journey. It's not a sprint but a marathon - a steady, sometimes uphill course marked by hope, faith, and perseverance.

You may know Aesop's fable about the hare and the tortoise. Here's a short story based on it:

A young hare named Hazel decided to enter the annual woodland run. Known for her speed, she was confident of victory. But halfway through, she twisted her paw and slowed to a painful hobble. A gentle tortoise, also in the race, caught up to her. 'Lean on me,' he said. 'We'll finish together.' Though embarrassed, Hazel accepted. They reached the finish line long after others had gone home - but they finished together. In that moment, Hazel learned that sometimes finishing with help is braver than winning alone.

Many of us face seasons when we feel like we've twisted a paw - we can feel worn out, discouraged, or overwhelmed. Yet God promises that we don't need to run alone. The Spirit walks (and sometimes limps) with us. At other times God carries us. Other people come alongside reminding us the goal isn't to be the fastest - it's to stay the course, with love in our stride.

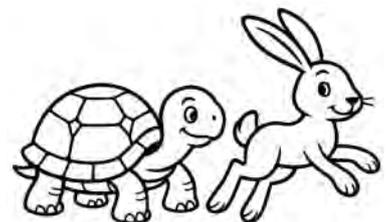
As we move into September, perhaps with full diaries and fresh challenges, might we find time to enact these words: '...let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus...' - Hebrews 12:1-2

Your race is yours and with each step, God offers strength, grace, and company along the way. So whether you're tying your trainers or simply travelling through a busy season of life, remember this: keep going, lean on others when you need to, and don't forget to look up - you're not alone.

Blessings,

James

(Minister, Sawtry Methodist Church)





All Saints', Sawtry, St Nicholas', Glatton & St Giles', Holme with Conington Parish Churches



Benefice Dates For Your Diary

For the latest service information and online service links please visit www.fenedgechurches.org

Date	All Saints', Sawtry	St Nicholas, Glatton	St Giles, Holme
Sunday 3 August	10.30am - Benefice Holy Communion	--	--
Sunday 10 August	--	9.00am - Benefice Holy Communion	--
Sunday 17 August	--	--	9.00am - Benefice Holy Communion
Sunday 24 August	10.30am - Benefice Holy Communion	--	--
Sunday 31 August	--	9.00am - Benefice Holy Communion	--
Sunday 7 September	10.30am - Holy Communion	--	9.00am - BCP Holy Communion
Saturday 13 September	--	--	2.00pm - 5.00pm Coffee & Cake @ Holme Village Hall 4.30pm - BCP Evensong
Sunday 14 September	10:30am Service of the Word with Cheeky Pandas	9.00am - Holy Communion	3.00pm - Conington All Saints' BCP Evening Prayer
Sunday 21 September	10.30am - Holy Communion	--	9.00am - Holy Communion
Sunday 28 September	10.30am - Sunday Morning Prayer	9.00am - Holy Communion	--

*BCP A much loved traditional service using the 1662 prayer book





Coff ee Ar k

☕☕ Coffee Ark is serving up delicious refreshments regularly in our local villages.

Check out www.coffeemark.org or [www.facebook.comCoffeeArkCic](https://www.facebook.com/CoffeeArkCic) for our latest hatch opening times.

Regular spots now include; Old School Hall, Sawtry, Sawtry Village Academy, Glatton Village Hall and new locations added all the time.

See you there. ☕☕

Engaged? Thinking of Gettin g Mar ried?



Did you know that you can get married in your local parish church - All Saints', Sawtry, St. Giles, Holme and St. Nicholas, Glatton.

We love ❤️ a wedding and would love to discuss how we can play a part in your special day.

Please look at our website www.fenedgechurches.org, be in touch Reverend Canon Becky Dyball.

Email: fenedgechurches@gmail.com
Phone: 07444 574039 / 01487 506217



Hello Everyone,

As summer unfolds around us with its vibrant colours and longer days, it offers a gentle reminder of God's presence in every moment - whether in the quiet of a garden, the laughter of a shared meal, or the peace found in stillness. This season invites us to pause, breathe deeply, and remember that we are never alone on the journey of faith.

At Fen Edge Churches, we believe in creating spaces where people of all ages and stages of faith can feel welcome and valued. Whether you're exploring Christianity for the first time or returning after time away, there's always a place for you.

For our young people, we're excited to continue **Youth Space** at All Saints', Sawtry, every Sunday from **6:00 – 7:30pm** during term time. This FREE group is open to anyone in **Year 7 and above** and is all about community, creativity, and connection - expect games, snacks, laughter, and moments that matter.

New this September, we're launching **Youth Alpha** on **Sunday 7 September**, running weekly from **4:45 - 6:00pm** before Youth Space. Youth Alpha is a brilliant opportunity for young people to ask big questions about life and faith in a relaxed, welcoming environment. Whether you're curious, unsure, or simply want a space to talk and listen, you're invited to come along and explore what it's all about.

As we head into the late summer and early autumn, may we carry with us a deep sense of God's unchanging love - a love that meets us where we are and walks with us every step of the way. Church isn't about having all the answers - it's about finding a community where you can ask, seek, and grow.

If it's been a while since you came to church - or if you've never been before - why not try something new this season? You are always welcome.

With every blessing,

Becky

Rector, Fen Edge Churches



REMEMBRANCE

The Sawtry and District Branch of the Royal British Legion
remember the fallen throughout August and September



AUGUST		
Private Charles Percy CHAPMAN	21 August 1915	Sawtry
Private Walter Henry BAXTER	3 August 1916	Conington
Private William James HIBBERT	18 August 1916	Holme
Private George William COOK	10 August 1917	Holme
Private Thomas BODDINGTON	14 August 1917	Old Weston
Rifleman Frank ABBOTT	18 August 1917	Old Weston
Private George William CULLIP	23 August 1918	Holme
Corporal Lawrence Pearson CLAMP	24 August 1918	Great Gidding
Private Wilfred Cyril BOSWORTH	13 August 1944	Wood Walton
Stoker 1 st Class Desmond Roy ROWELL	25 August 1944	Sawtry

SEPTEMBER		
Gunner Horace GLOVER	14 September 1914	Great Gidding
Private James RICHARDSON	14 September 1914	Sawtry
Private Herbert Edward ROWELL	17 September 1914	Sawtry/Conington
Able Seaman William Bramich REID	22 September 1914	Sawtry
Private Edward HODSON	25 September 1915	Sawtry
Private John Robert ROBINSON	27 September 1915	Holme
Corporal John Francis EVANS	3 September 1916	Great Gidding
Private Charles SMITH	7 September 1916	Sawtry
Lance Corporal William Kisby ROWELL	11 September 1916	Sawtry
Bombardier Ernest RICHARDSON	21 September 1917	Holme
Private James Henry CROW	2 September 1918	Holme
Rifleman Edward PARKER	2 September 1918	Sawtry
Private J. STRINGER	20 September 1918	Winwick
Private Thomas PEACOCK	24 September 1918	Sawtry



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



Sawtry Colts

Sawtry Colts rounded off their season with their annual tournament which, thanks to all the volunteers involved, was a great success. A few spots of rain arrived in the preceding days, but it was a scorching weekend for football.

The other Colts end of season event - the presentation day - took place at Sawtry VA on a slightly cooler Saturday afternoon. Lots of families and kids descended on the school playing fields with all players getting an engraved trophy; the individual award winners are shown below:

Team	Clubman/ Parents Player	Most Improved/ Parents Player	Players Player	Managers Player
U7 Blue	Kacper Wojtyla	Jacob Phillips	William Reynolds	Leo Tharme
U8 Blue	Noah Taylor	Elijah Stewart	Theo Hollocks	Oliver Geal
U8 Yellow	Oliver Cardwell	Asher Boome	Seb Rogers	Seb Rogers
U9 Yellow	Not awarded	Isla Willis Tuburville Isaac Carter	Alfie Mcaulay	Theo Amissah
U10 Blue	Harry Ockenden	William Andrews	Henry Phillips	Theo Cooper
U10 Yellow	Freddie Walton	Charlie Armitage	Harry Murphy	Charlie Greenfield
U10 Reds	Samuel Mills	William Ward	Samuel Mills	Jonjo Dean-Phillips
U11 Blue	Riley Flanz	Alex Geddes	Henry Casbon	Leo Williams
U11 Yellow	Luke Wellbeck Alina Adibe	Jack Bunce	Archie Maysey-Naylor	Nissi Manyathela
U12 Blue	Olly Jenkins Orin Brant	Leo Coulston	Benjamin Wright	Michael Price
U12 Yellow	Travis Johnson	Aiden Adibe	Benjamin Wright	Ezra Hughes
U13 Blue	Gabriel Sutherland	Jayden Whittaker	Gabriel Sutherland	Jacob Gaskin
U13 Yellow	Harry Mace	Bartosz Prasal	Kai Joyce	Jensen Bell
U13 Falcons	Genevieve Malachowski	Olivia Ogilvie	Evie Musgrove	Isla Searle
U14 Blue	Sam Paice/Sam Le James Hurst	Sam Morton	Lewis Kehoe	Charlie Donnelly
U15 Blue	Kieran Boon Ben Leschallas	Tao Thomson	Dylan Harrison	Jack Cooper
U16 Blue	Alfie Andrews Caiden James George Gregory	James Dudley	Liam Green	Rowan Hodge
U17 Blue	Levi Ritchie	Harvey Draper	Liam Kay	Owen Lloyd

A number of players also received Long Service Awards for playing for the Colts for 10 years; they were:

Keiran Boon from the U15 Blues, Alfie Kay, Caiden James and Hayden Lloyd from the U16 Blues and Caelan Brix-Craig and Max Mulcrone from the U17 Blues.

In addition, we had most deserved winners of the Mick Hosegood Award in the shape of Evie Musgrove and Luke Wellock and the ebullient Dave Gorman was a fitting winner of the Club Clubman Award for all he does for the club.

Don't forget, to keep up with the Colts teams, pop along to the club website at sawtrycoltsfc.co.uk where details of all teams and their managers can be found for anyone who wants to get involved both on and off the pitch. With a new season beckoning there will always be teams looking for new players and we are pleased to report we have at least two new girls' teams beginning their football journey next season.

Brian Craig



Sawtry And District Bowling Club

Wow this weather is playing havoc trying to keep the green in good condition, but thanks go to our greenkeeper Derek for all his efforts so far.

Our junior sessions are going strong, averaging about 15 children per week. If any juniors wish to participate, please pop along. It's £1 to play for the first 10 weeks, plus £5 to hire a club shirt.

As our Secretary, Kevin Bowers, is County President of Huntingdonshire Bowling Federation this year, we have already hosted a number of County games, which were well received by all players, especially Karen's now legendary 'Full Monty' breakfast roll.

We now host the County Finals on 20th July, with the following players competing to reach the National Finals at Skegness in August:

Lynda Clasper – 2 bowl and 4 bowl singles.

Iain Hamilton – looking to retain his 2 Bowls Singles title, and playing in the Pairs with **Kevin Bowers**.

Maddy Leader, plays in the Mixed Pairs, looking to make it an indoor and outdoor double.

Maddy also plays with **Karen Leader** and **Ruth Nickerson** in the 3 bowl rinks.

However, we have already had success in the Hunts Bowls competitions with **Emma Musgrove** winning the Ladies 2 Bowl Singles. **Sophie Morton** was a credible Runners-up in the 4 Bowl Singles.

Karen, Maddy and Sophie also play in the Final of the Triples, and together with **Emma** in the Final of the Fours in late July. All the winners go on to play in August at the National Championships in Leamington Spa.

Up and coming events include a BBQ and Glo Bowls in late August, as well as a Race Night, Brunch 'n' Bowl and Bingo in September.

Any Queries contact - Club Secretary Kevin Bowers - Tel No 07989 503740

Visit our Facebook Page - search 'Sawtry and District Bowling Club'

Our website:- <https://hugofox.com/community/sawtry-and-district-bowling-club-8948/about-us>

Or google 'Sawtry and District Bowling Club'



Sawtry Golf Society

As Spring turned to summer the heat continued to rise as both the weather and league reached boiling point, glorious sunshine continued for our Captains Day held this year at Elton Furze GC.

The results were as follows: -

Liam Bohonis 1st place – 41 points, Dave Holbrow 2nd place - 38 points, Jack Gadsby 3rd place -37 points.

Next up was the last game of the golf societies season with the league finale at Mowsbury GC, it was anyone's guess who would emerge as the League winner, Connor Wilkinson went in with a low score to drop and was amongst the favorites, Neil Farrington has been Mr. Consistent throughout the season, anyone within the top 10 could have broken out from the pack with a good score but this year Neil continued as he has played all year and the pack fell way, he was crowned Champion Golfer of the Year and league winner 2025.

Congratulations Neil, Luke and Jason on some great golf, league results for 24/25 season:

1st Place – Neil Farrington - 214 points

2nd Place – Luke Allen – 212 points

3rd Place – Jason Bohonis -205 points

Presentation evening was held afterwards at Sawtry Social Club where prizes were awarded, food was eaten and a band entertained everyone all night, leading on in June our AGM was held as we do every year, the committee were reelected with one vacancy, Keith Philips has done a tremendous job with the fixtures ensuring we played some great places but he has decided to step down this year, thank you Keith from everyone for all your hard work.

Tony Littlefair our Captain for 24/25, gave way to this year's Chief Jason Bohonis. Good luck Jason in your Captains year, the accolades don't stop there for Jason, he has for the 2nd year running been voted Clubman of The Year within the society so well-done Jason.

This year has started in earnest with Round 1 Belton Woods GC – 5 July opening the new season followed by Round 2 Cold Ashby GC - 26 July and then Round 3 (the Autumn Trophy) held at Lakeside Lodge GC on 16 August, followed by Round 4 Wyboston Lakes – 13 September.

Good luck everyone, let's all have a great season.



Sawtry Golf Society accommodates local golfers from scratch to 54 handicaps, we welcome all comers who enjoy a round of golf, if you are interested, please contact us on our Facebook page or ring our secretary David Gadsby (07834 386632) our membership is £30 for the season which includes insurance.

Sawtry Walk to Run



Hello everyone,

Well, what a summer of running it's turning out to be. You know the saying: "It's not about how far you go, it's about how smug you feel afterwards." Fortunately, our club manages both with style.

Let's start by doffing our metaphorical caps to *Rich Fenn*, who casually took on the **Grim Reaper 100-mile Ultra Marathon** on **24 May**. Only, it wasn't 100 miles. No, no. It was **101.5 miles**, because apparently that's a thing now. Rich stormed home in **17 hours, 41 minutes and 16 seconds**, finishing in **second place** overall. Yes, second place. In an ultra-marathon. Phenomenal effort, Rich - and a special thank you to all the club members who joined him for a lap. Your support, and the snacks you probably brought, were much appreciated.

Hot on the heels of that madness came the **Green Wheel Relay** on **1 June**. Two of our finest teams took on this beautiful (and occasionally confusing) route. The *Gents* smashed it, completing all **seven stages in 6 hours and 2 minutes**. Our *Ladies team* were just as impressive, clocking **6 hours and 31 minutes**, earning **second place in the senior ladies category** - a result made all the more impressive by the fact that none of them appear old enough to qualify. Seriously, someone check the birth certificates.

Meanwhile, our brilliant **None 2 Run group** has been quietly building up their miles over the past few months, and by the time you read this, they will have *graduated* at Ferry Meadows parkrun. To all our new runners: well done! You've joined a friendly, supportive, slightly cake-obsessed running family.

Looking ahead, a quick reminder that our **Sawtry 10 Road Race** takes place on **Sunday 7 September**. With over **150 entrants** already signed up, it's safe to say this race is now a firm fixture on the regional running calendar - and even features in **Great Eastern Run training plans**. Please note: **Green End Road will be closed** during the event. Signage will go up nearer the time with all the details, so please plan your bacon sandwich runs accordingly.

And finally, if you're out there running solo - why not come and give the club a go? We run on **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7pm** and **Sundays at 8.15am**, all from **Academy Leisure**. We are also holding two open evenings - Tuesday 23 September at Academy Leisure and Thursday 25 September starting from the Admiral Wells Pub in Holme. All paces welcome, no egos allowed.

Until next time - run well, rest up, and always wave at other runners (even if they don't wave back)

Matt Spinks,
Club Vice-Chairman

*More info at www.sawtrywalktorun.co.uk or
our Facebook page: Sawtry Walk to Run*



Running - it's much more fun than you might

Sawtry Table Tennis Club

Club News

From now through to the beginning of September, the club will be closed for our Annual Summer Break. The club will reopen on Monday 1 September for our AGM, followed by a Club Night Session. Other Club Nights dates and times will be published on our website and Facebook Page. See bottom of article for details.

On Monday 1 September, starting at 6:45pm to approximately 7:30pm, the club will be holding our Annual General Meeting followed by an Open Play Adult Session with invited Under 18's Members from 7:30pm.

Our AGM will be held at our club's venue: - Sawtry Junior Academy, Middlefield Road, Sawtry, PE28 5SH.

Everyone is more than welcome to come and listen to what the club has been up to over the past year, then your more than welcome to play some table tennis straight after this.

Once the club reopens and the Junior Development Sessions restart as of 8 September, players/members only have to pre-book if your child is wanting to attend our Junior Development Sessions.

General information on the club

The club is a not-for-profit community-based table tennis club, where members can play some leisurely or competitive table tennis. The club is open to anyone over the age of 7 and all abilities are welcome. The club is open on Monday evenings but runs Term Times only and not on Bank Holiday's.

Fees are payable on the night and can be paid by Card or Bank Transfer prior to playing, as the club is going cashless.

All Under 16's will need to be always accompanied by a responsible adult while at the club.

The club meets at the club's venue: - Sawtry Junior Academy, Middlefield Road, Sawtry, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire. PE28 5SH.

To keep up to date with club news, or to get more information about the club:

E: - welcome@sawtrytabletennisclub.org.uk

W: - www.sawtrytabletennisclub.org.uk

F: - [@SawtryTableTennisClub](https://www.facebook.com/SawtryTableTennisClub)

T: - 01487 804040





USEFUL CONTACTS

Doctors / Pharmacy

Wellside Surgery, Sawtry - 830340

Lakeside Healthcare at Yaxley - 01733 240478

Sawtry Pharmacy - 832558 (Boots)

Children's Groups

Beavers/Cubs/Scouts - 01480 581072 or
gsl@1stsawtryscoutgroup.org

Girlguiding, Sawtry (Rainbows, Brownies, Guides,
Rangers & Y.L.) - torthilldistrict@gmail.com

Sawtry Woodcraft Folk - sawtry@woodcraft.org.uk

Village Groups

Sawtry Chorale - 07796 972580

Sawtry History Society - 831667

Sawtry Women's Institute - 07841 647345

Sport Clubs

Ki Kong Tang Soo Do - 07585 950923

Sawtry & District Bowling Club - 07989 503740

Sawtry Colts - www.sawtrycoltsfc.co.uk

Sawtry Cricket Club - 07943 526379

Sawtry Football Club - 831403

Sawtry Golf Society - (Secretary) - 07834 386632

Sawtry Greenfields Fishing Lake - 07426 334079

Sawtry Junior Cricket Club - 07943 526379

Sawtry Badminton Club - 07976 054613

Sawtry Table Tennis Club - 804040

Sawtry Tang Soo Do - 07864 260338

Sawtry Walking Group - 830167

Sawtry Walk To Run - 07703 174937

Churches

All Saints' Church, Sawtry (Rectory) - 506217

St Benedict's Catholic Community Sawtry - 830680

St Luke's Catholic Church Peterborough -
01733 230464

Sawtry Methodist Church - 830345

Pre-Schools / Schools

Buttons & Bows Pre-School -
833010 / 07483 942826

Sawtry Infant School - 830678

Sawtry Junior Academy - 830204

Sawtry Village Academy - 830701

Emergency Numbers

Electricity 24hr Helpline &
Emergencies - 0800 7 838 838

Gas 24hr Helpline & Emergencies -
0800 111 999

Police (Non-Emergency) - 101

Samaritans (24 Hours) - 116 123

Other Services

Alcoholic Anonymous - 01603 621128

Cambs Bobby Scheme - 01480 413311

Cambs Libraries Contact Centre -
0345 045 5225

Citizens Advice Bureau, Huntingdon -
0344 245 1292

HACT (Community Transport) - 01480 411114

Huntingdon Delivery Office - 03457 740 740

Sawtry Social Club - 830462

Sawtry Old School Hall / Parish Council - 831771

Sawtry Post Office - 208460

Sawtry Sports & Leisure Association - 831797

Sawtry Youth & Community Centre - 831542

www.safelocaltrades.com - 0800 014 1832

CARESCO

Car Scheme - 07810 476979

CARESCO Centre - 832105

Charity Shop - 208026

Community Support - 07873 187843

Green End Day Club - 07743 216746

Sawtry Foodbank - 07743 593863

The Cave - 07851 803482

If you would like to add a new number
to the list or you have spotted a
wrong number then let the
CARESCO team know on 832105

SAWTRY AREA CODE - 01487