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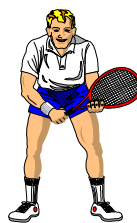
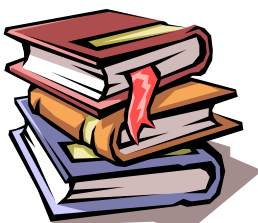
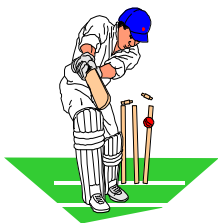


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In loving memory of Edna Galbraith

1929—2012



Many of you will remember Edna, who sadly passed away on 1st August whilst living at The Lady Spencer Home in Houghton Regis where she spent her last four years and received excellent care.

Edna Howe as she previously was, lived in Slip End for most of her life, having been born in Markyate Road, the youngest of eight children. She attended the old Slip End School in Front Street as a young child, and apart from a short spell when she moved to live near the airport whilst working, was truly a Slip End resident. She met her future husband Jim whilst working as a copy typist at Napiers, the Air & Nautical Engineering company, and they were married at St Andrew's Church in 1953. Jim was from Scotland and they spent many happy hours walking miles together around Inverkirkaig, in the Highlands.

Edna loved all sorts of music which she shared with her children and grandchildren, and particularly enjoyed the Birdie Song by the Tweets which she taught them, with the actions, was played as a farewell at her memorial service. Jim and Edna had two children, Ian who now lives in Poole and Elizabeth who lives at Woodhall Farm in Hemel. They have 5 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Edna turned her hand to many different jobs

including book-keeping at the Hat Factory in Guildford Street; housekeeper to the Speirs family, where she looked after their children and sometimes the 'cows' when they escaped! She was a dinner lady for many years at Slip End School where she made many friends. She would also help the children who had difficulty with their school work, so it is likely there are still people in Slip End who have a lot to thank Edna for.

Edna loved flowers and her memorial service was like a garden, with many flowers and everyone wearing bright colours and not black, at the request of Jim.

She will be greatly missed and remembered fondly by everyone who knew her.



Rest in Peace Edna

'I Know You' - by Andrea Cook

I know you, I know I should. But my memory
is not so good.

The light is soft, my mind's a haze, I can't
remember my own days.

One more bad day, then I'm set free, my mind
is clear, I'm back to me!

The light is bright, His face shines through.

Well done good and faithful servant...

I know you.

Gardening Club

On a pleasant Sunday afternoon the Sept. visit was to Wrest Park, Silsoe. After decades behind virtually closed doors, its treasures overgrown and largely unknown, English Heritage is reviving Wrest Park, one of Britain's largest and most important 'secret gardens'. It is a wonderful 90-acre historic landscape and French-style mansion which will take its rightful place amongst the country's great garden attractions - and give locals and visitors to Bedfordshire a superb new day out. Members strolled in the recently restored Italian and Rose Gardens and enjoyed the numerous reinstated historic pathways, discovering the garden buildings, pavilion and statues. The next visit is given below. Thurs. 18 Oct. Arley Arboretum (Theobalds Coaches) £27 (Concessions £26)

At the September meeting, Stuart Philips gave an interesting and enjoyable presentation/demonstration on "The Mysteries of Pruning" after which he answered questions.



**SLIP END
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Monday 19th November
8pm Village Hall
Guest Speaker:
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Astrid Pearl Castell
28th August 1950 – 05th August 2012



Astrid was a lovely person who always went out of her way to help others, not just in her work as a carer, but in her daily life. A selfless character who would always put others first before even thinking of herself. Originally born and raised in London, one of five children it was after she gave birth to her twin boys Adam and James, that she moved to Slip End to start her family life, originally in Claydown Way then later moving to Markyate Road.

She worked in a few different places during her time in Slip End whether it be baking goods at the Caddington Co-op, or one of the three carer jobs she had during her later years. She really enjoyed caring and would always go the extra mile to help her clients out and ensure they received the best possible care.

Astrid was a social butterfly and was known by many throughout the community. Whether it be from dressmaking, catering, cake making, one of the two darts teams she was a member of, or one of the three local weekly bingo events she attended, one of which she helped run for around 6 years.

Astrid was an avid reader and often used to pick up a book and not put it down until she finished. She loved gardening. Like many she also enjoyed her soap operas. Astrid always had a smile on her face and was always known as a bit of a joker and brought smiles to many

faces. Astrid was a lover of animals and over the years had many pets, from rabbits to snakes to African land snails - all creatures great and small. However in her final years she had three cats whom she has left behind, who sorely miss her constant love and attention.

Sadly, earlier this year Astrid was diagnosed with an aggressive type of cancer. The battle Astrid had was very short, however, she never had any pain throughout and she fought right up to the end when even then, her selfless nature shone through and she waited 'til all her family and loved ones were out of the room before she died, to save hurting anyone.

She meant the world to her two sons, Adam & James who have said life won't be the same without her and she will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Adam and James would like to say thank you to everyone who sent their condolences. How amazing it was to see all the people at her funeral who have in one way or another been touched by Astrid's good nature at some point in her life, as well as those who helped us in any kind of way over the past few months, and to those who helped to cater for the funeral,. It was greatly appreciated during these difficult times.

Astrid's remains have been buried in the garden of remembrance at Aley Green Cemetery and visitors are always welcome to go and spend a little time with her

Beloved mother, sister & friend to many

*He saw the road was getting rough
And the hills were hard to climb.
So he closed your weary eyelids
And whispered, 'Peace be Thine'.
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.*

(Author unknown)

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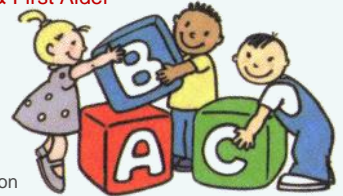
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Congratulations to all



Well done to two members of the Day family of Crawley Close in Slip End. Sue has completed an Early Years Degree at Northampton University, achieving Early Years Professional Status. Many residents probably know Sue and her husband Bob. She worked for some time at the playgroup in the Village Hall, so is well known to Mums, Dads and children alike.

Son Jamie went to Slip End, School then on to Ashton Middle and Manshead School. He then got a place at Cambridge University to study Chemical Engineering. He has achieved a 1st Class MA and is now working in London.



Sam Parry, of Prebendal Drive has also graduated. He was another Manshead School pupil. At University he was President and Captain of Water-polo, he swims at regional level and as a junior was a county tennis player competing at Wimbledon until tennis elbow made him change to swimming. He graduated from U.A.E. Norwich with a 2.1 in Mathematics, and has just been offered a job as a trainee data analyst.

And another graduate in the making. Very well done to Juliet West – who got 8 A*'s and 3 A's at GCSE level at Manshead School .She is now at Roundwood Park Sixth Form, and is hoping to study Medicine at University. Excellent results Juliet.



St Andrew's Church Dates for October 2012

Wed 3rd:10am: Little Stars "Hannah & Samuel" - Activity: A growing child

Sun 7th: 10.30am: Informal Communion and Confirmation with Bishop Richard "Born of the Spirit" (All the musicians)

Wed 10th: 10am: Little Stars "Daniel in the Lion's Den" Activity: Lion Masks

Sun 14th: 10.30am: Morning Praise "Building up the body" (Band)

Tues 16th: 2pm: Caddington Care Home Service

Wed 17th: 10am: Little Stars "Jonah" Activity: Making a big fish

Thurs 18th: 9.30am: Morning Prayer (short quiet service of liturgical prayer)

Fri 19th: 2pm: Woodside Care Home Service

Sun 21st: 10.30am: Holy Communion "Unconditional Love"

Wed 24th: 10am: Little Stars "Adam & Eve" Activity: Garden display board

Sun 28th: 8.30am: Said Communion "Relying on God"

Sun 28th: 10.30am: Morning Praise "Relying on God" (Band)

Wed 31st: 10am: Little Stars "Samson" Activity: Temple

November: Thursday/Friday 1st/2nd Nov: 10am – 3.30pm: Holiday Club

Little Stars: we are meeting at church again after our weeks of being out and about during the summer, We look forward to welcoming all mums and careers with pre-school children and mums-to-be too! We open with refreshments and chat at about 10am, and hope by 10:30 to be into the session of story, crafts, singing etc . However just come as and when your little darlings are ready!

Some of the St Andrew's workers receiving their certificates on 2nd September during the service.



St Andrew's Church - Words from Cathy

Hi everyone,

Just as there are different seasons in our yearly cycle, so there are different seasons in the life of the church. The autumn term for us is a term for welcoming many people into church. Coming back from our holiday which we enjoyed with our two delightful little granddaughters we went straight into two lovely "Christenings" in which six children in all were brought to God in baptism.



Freya and Anna enjoying the sand for the first time.



*Cohen James Casemore at his baptism
on 9th September*

At both services we read – from two different passages - about how Jesus took children into his arms and blessed them. There are many accounts in the gospels of him healing sick or troubled children. The welfare of children is absolutely central to the heart of God, and we are saddened and appalled when this is not expressed in the life of the church. At St. Andrew's we are completely committed to the wellbeing and loving nurture of the children who are connected to the church. We pray that all children may grow up knowing the love and protection of God.

This year we have completely updated our Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. This has involved renewing CRB checks where necessary, enabling everyone involved to come to a training session about our good practice guidelines, writing job descriptions for every role, interviewing every worker to ensure that everyone is committed to our policy and following up references for new workers. On the 2nd September those of our workers who were present received certificates to show that they have fulfilled all the requirements.

We are now busy planning for our holiday club at the end of the October Half term – there is a booking form available in the Parish News. It's on an Olympic theme and there will be lots of action, exercises and races, blind football with blindfolds, crafts, songs, as well as stories to help children learn about and grow in the Christian faith.

Do enrol your children if they like to have lots of fun. Places still available

Then on 7th October at 10.30am we are welcoming the congregation from St. Hugh's Lewsey and Bishop Richard, the Bishop of Bedford, as well as friends and family of the candidates, to our partnership Confirmation service. I think that the church will be packed and we will put out every seat available.

Continued overleaf

Candidates, both young people and adults, will confirm their promise to follow Jesus and the Bishop will pray for each of them and ask that the Holy Spirit will confirm in their hearts the wonderful promises he makes to each person who give their life to him. It's going to be a wonderful service and I'm sure we can squeeze in everyone who would like to come along.

Happy Autumn, Cathy

Baptism of Cohen James Casemore



Melissa and Elliot with baby Cohen



Godparents and parents with Cathy

Many friends and family joined Melissa and Elliot for the baptism of Cohen on the 9th September, led by Rev Cathy Pullinger. After the service they enjoyed a buffet lunch at The Frog and Rhubarb.

'Suffer the little children to come unto me'

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Community Projects Group

It was back to business for the CPG and, amongst other business, the following items stand out from last month's meeting.

Youth Club

During the Summer Holidays, Karen Bracey had organised a Youth Group which gathered weekly at the Peter Edwards Hall. She reports good numbers of 8 to 12 year olds took part and the feedback had been very positive. Karen feels that the youngsters should meet regularly, perhaps extending to an older age group. She would need help from volunteers to take turns on a rota.

The CPG agreed to explore possibilities for a permanent Youth Club to begin in the New Year, given volunteer support and availability of the hall.

Good Neighbour Scheme

This forms part of the Parish Plan and was scheduled to be launched late in September. News of that will appear in a later issue of Parish News. Prior to the launch, 25 people had expressed interest in taking part and it was anticipated that a committee would be formed to start the scheme rolling.

Neighbourhood Plan

Ken Crossett reported that, following the workshops and meetings involving members of the Prince's Trust Team in the summer, their report was well on the way. The Trust has been allocated further funding which should enable further involvement with our Parish, as we move forward towards a Referendum.

And finally

Sarah Minnighan reported that the loss caused by cancellation of Village Day in the 'summer' amounted to just £330. This is to the credit and generosity of those who planned to provide their services, also to Sarah who put in many e-Mails and phone calls.



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Dahlias will need cutting down when blackened by frost to about six inches above the soil, then lift and store upside down for approximately a week to allow the sap in the stems to dry out. Place in shallow boxes and just cover with damp peat and store in a frost free shed or greenhouse and check regularly through the winter. When chrysanthemums have finished flowering cut down to six inches, label and lift them, then either plant them in the greenhouse border or cold frame or plant in boxes of peat and store in the greenhouse and take cuttings in the spring.

Gladioli corms should be lifted and dried out for a couple of weeks and then cleaned and stored for next season. Sow sweet peas in pots and place in the cold frame or greenhouse, water sparingly to avoid rotting, protect from slugs and mice (so plant extra ones to replace any losses).

Complete planting of flowering bulbs such as tulips and hyacinths. Gradually reduce watering Canna lilies to dry off and then store them beneath the staging in the greenhouse, but do not let the compost dry out completely, protect from slugs. Clean and fumigate the greenhouse to remove pests and keep disease free, wash flower pots in disinfectant if you are to reuse them. Prepare sites for trees and shrubs of all kinds to be planted at the end of the month and during November, such as hedges, evergreens, fruit trees and bushes. Cut out canes of blackberries and loganberries that have fruited and tie in the new shoots that will carry next year's crop. Complete planting of strawberry runners and tidy up established beds. Plant out spring cabbages early this month, cut and store any remaining marrows. Lift beetroot twist off tops and store for winter use. Clear the ground of crops as they finish and dig over as the weather permits incorporating manure where needed and leave the ground rough for the frost to break down over the winter. Vegetable prices are set to rise sharply this winter, so try taking an allotment now for next year's crop, it's good exercise and will save you money, the phone number is in the Parish News so make that call. *Russell Sprout*

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Caddington Village show

Boxer Graham Earl opened the show



First prize in the craft section went to Caddington resident Sue Sowley for her clever tapestry and well done to Linda Edwards (ex Slip End)— pictured in the next column for 3rd prize with her beautiful patchwork baby blanket.

There are some very clever people around!



John Sergeant from The One Show, got a 3rd for his flower arrangement

*Tombola for Operation Christmas Child
with Teresa, Sue & Lyn*



*Tony & Teresa
Willson on hand
to help*



Preserves for sale!

*Ann Meader from Aley Green
with plants and veg.*



Little Evie—enjoying the fun



Delicious hog-roast



*Clown Bebo—making balloon animals
and entertaining the children*



Location
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Location



Slip End and Caddington have both been featured on national television in the last few weeks—can you believe it?

First Channel 4 Location, Location, Location with Kirsty and Phil was shown featuring a house for sale in Summer Street.

The young couple seemed a bit apprehensive at first, but really liked the house and the character features inside. Unfortunately they decided on a house in London Colney, which was nearer to their workplace in St Albans.



radishes and got the coveted 1st prize (although there were only two entries). Mike Diliger attempted jam making and did very well, coming an impressive 2nd out of 10 entries. Unfortunately Matt Allwright did not receive a prize for his cupcakes, but they looked very good and after handing some around to visitors they all agreed he should have got something for his efforts.



*Anita Rani
with her
rosette and a
radish*

Next came the BBC 'One Show' who had contacted the committee of the Caddington Village Show to see if it would be possible for some of their presenters to enter different sections of the Show. At first the team thought it was a joke but no, it turned out to be true, and The One Show duly arrived to do some filming on a wet and rainy day in Caddington before the actual date.

What a wonderful day it turned out to be with approximately 600 people visiting on the day. See some of the photos on the previous page. The show wanted to see how difficult it would be for their presenters to try their luck at gaining that prestigious 'red certificate' for 1st place. They all did very well with John Sergeant gaining a 3rd prize for his flower display; Anita Rani tried her hand at growing



*The One Show team with their
produce before the show.*

The sun shone and everyone agreed what a great day it had been. Well done to the committee; Sally Ryan, Louise Treleaven, Sarah McCaughey, Christiane Astridge and all their willing team of helpers. It certainly will be a day to remember for the residents of Caddington — I might even enter something myself next year. It certainly was a good advert for the show.

Sue Briggs, Editor

Yes, it is that time again and we are hoping to have a bumper year in 2012. Hats are being knitted and boxes covered in preparation and St Andrew's is getting



ready for Shoebox Sunday on 18th November. If you want a leaflet or would like to donate fillers, toys, stationery, gloves etc for this very worthy cause please contact Parish News or St Andrew's Church and we will be pleased to help you. We are waiting to hear if we are getting a small warehouse in Dunstable to help pack and check the boxes this year and should have some news by next month, so watch this space. Give a child some 'Love in a Box' this year, it will be a wonderful gift for them.

We had a tombola stall at the Caddington Show for Operation Christmas Child and did very well. That will enable St Andrew's Church to make up lots more boxes for the children this year. Thank you to everyone who bought a ticket and we hope you enjoyed your prize. If you need any further information on this worthy cause take a look at their website -

<http://www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk/>

Caddington Women's Institute

Our Birthday Party in September was enjoyed by everyone. A big thank you to Stephanie and helpers for the delicious Salmon en croute, potato salad and green salad. The sweets were delicious too. Our entertainment for the evening was Close Harmony. They looked very pretty in their pink tops and black trousers. They sang songs from nursery rhymes, musicals, etc. We all joined in some of the chorus's including 'Under the Old Linden Tree'. Jo Lesley played the piano and his own piece too, a real treat. Our competition for this month was a 6" table decoration and it was won by Stephanie. The birthday cake in the next column was made by Carol Jones a delicious dark



chocolate masterpiece, Thanks very much Carol.

Our darts team won their last match five-nil. Last month they just lost a match fighting over a Double! Well done girls, keep it up. They practice on Monday and Friday evenings if anyone would like to join them.

In August we had a very interesting talk by the Cinnamon Trust by Avril Jarvis who told us all about the Trust and its purpose, which must be very reassuring for people to know that their pets will be looked after once they are unable to cope. The Trust has volunteers all over the country who will even walk dogs and foster pets when owners are away. Our competition was a piece of animal jewellery - won by Christine Allsop. In October we have Meets and Entertains at our Federation Meeting in Flitwick, a Group Meeting with two firemen speaking about their profession and a trip to the National Arboratum.

For Christmas we are taking a coach trip to London to see the Lights with a meal, of course! Our meeting in October will be a talk by Vivienne Barrett on Living with Thalidomide and the competition will be a Spooky Mask. Get your thinking caps on and design something for the night. We have a lot of fun at our meetings. Do come along and visit us, you will be made welcome We meet on the Third Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m. Baptist Church Hall, Caddington. Look forward to seeing you.

Linda Edwards

Harvest Supper — September 2012



Harvest Supper time again, and it was great to see so many people enjoying the food, company and community singing. Rev Cathy Pullinger welcomed everyone and thanked the team for organising the event.



Some of the folks enjoying themselves and catching up with old friends.





It was good to see so many people from the village (and beyond) enjoying the supper. Cathy reminded us that she has been here for over a year now, so doesn't feel such a new-comer. How quickly that time has gone.



Thank you to the musicians who kept us entertained.



Thank you to some of the team above, who organised the food, served it up and also got the hall ready. Many of the ladies went home with an extra treat of one of the bunches of flowers that were on the tables.

Editors Column

Well, what a brilliant few months it has been for all the country with the amazing Olympics and Paralympics. I went several times to the magnificent park and stadium that was built on wasteland, and it really was a sight to behold. The volunteer games makers went out of their way to make sure everyone enjoyed their day and I don't think I ever saw a miserable volunteer.

How different this world would be if everyone could follow their example and help each other with a smile and friendly face.



Gill Downs and I went along to the stadium to watch the athletics when the Paralympics were on and we were lucky enough to see Aled Davies win gold in the Discus—the whole stadium erupted and he walked round most of the arena posing for photos and signing autographs—he said afterwards it was the furthest he had ever walked! Well done to all

the athletes who competed and put on such a great show, including all the opening and closing ceremonies—not to be forgotten.

Sue Briggs

The Heart of Friendship

Friends are patient and kind,
they are not jealous or boastful,
they are not arrogant or rude.

Friends do not insist on having their own way,
they are not irritable or resentful
they do not rejoice at wrong,
but delight in what is right.

Friendship bears all things,
believes all things,
hopes all things
endures all things.

Friendship never ends.

(adapted from Corinthians 1)

Church Ladies With Typewriters

Those wonderful Church Bulletins! Thank God for church ladies with typewriters. These sentences (with all the BLOOPERS) actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services:

- The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.
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- The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.
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Caddington Twinning Association

Chairman's Report

I took over as Chairman in November 2006. Terry Oliver was my secretary for a few years—a great team I think. During the 6 years there were 3 visits from Caddington to Oststeinbek, and 6 visits from Oststeinbek to Caddington.

In December 2009, the Committee of the Oststeinbek Twinning Association all resigned, and the Town Council took over the running of the organisation. Since then we have successfully had 2 Youth Exchange Trips. But now, it is time for me to stand down as Chairman, as I have other commitments that are more demanding! It has been a wonderful 6 years, and I hope to still have connections with the lovely village of Oststeinbek.

I would like to thank my Secretary, Shirley Coomber, who has been a great right hand man through thick and thin. Also thanks go to all my committee over the years, and the members and supporters.

The running of the CTA has been handed to the Parish Council, who will continue the link with Germany

Signing off for the last time

Tschuss Kay

Farley Hill Methodist Church

The seventh anniversary of the Lunch Club was celebrated in fine style with a very good attendance. The event began with a toast to 'THE CLUB' with fruit punch prepared by Margaret Woolston, followed by Happy Birthday Dear Club and the Grace said by Harry Sullivan Pastor at World Wide Church of God. Roast beef and all the trimmings followed by trifle were excellently prepared by Gill Jardine and Iris Boucher. 'Shine Jesus Shine' was sung and this was followed by a

rendering of 'We're a Couple of Swells' by the Confused Dot Com singers (Tina Hayton and Ken Cameron). A longer than usual Lunch ended with the singing of Jerusalem, and all eventually headed home after a most enjoyable event. Sheila Lathwell performed on the piano

We have all have been looking forward to the 50th anniversary service of the church on the 22nd September and the return of former ministers and old friends. Linda Allison is flying in from Canada and will arrive with old friend Mary Penman. The Church will be full with Reverend Geoffrey Fletcher, Reverend Baron Leslie Griffiths, and Reverend Julie Bradshaw conducting the service.

After the excitement of Saturday it was decided Sunday would be very low key with a celebratory lunch.

Ken Cameron 07852424628

kenneth@xlnmail.com

Friendship Club

The Club had a very enjoyable day on the 10th September when 36 members went on a coach trip to Southend in glorious sunshine (we had rain here that day!).

Their next trip is to Eastbourne on October 8th and if you would like to go, ring Pam King on 01582 452978 for details (approx £12 for a day out—can't be bad) Pick ups from Slip End and Caddington.



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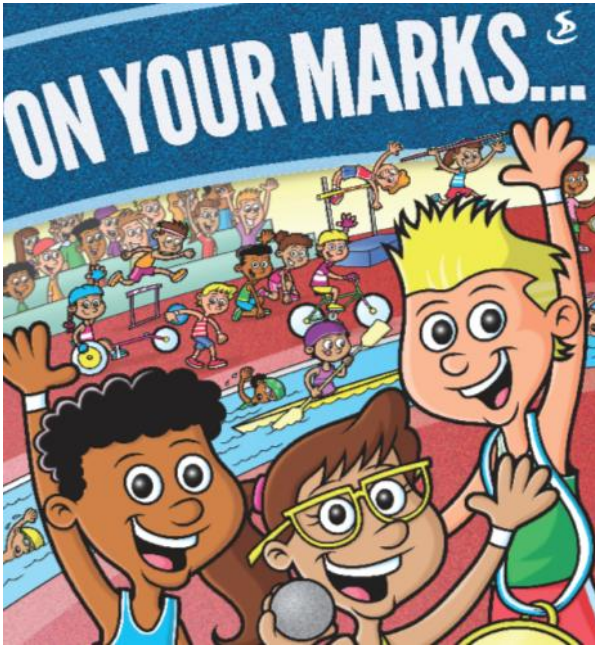


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We would also wish to advise you that this year we would appreciate a minimum donation of £10 per child but this is for BOTH days

For more details contact either

Mary (738435), Jill (452539) or Lynne (723029) however further details and consent forms will be distributed on

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Pub Pages



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Social Club

Slip End Social Club held a darts, pool, crib and dominoes competition to raise money for Help for Heroes. A local soldier hero came along to join in and shared his story how the charity has helped him!



(photo Kevin, Lainy and Craig Winspear)

“My name is Private Craig Winspear from 23 Pioneer Regiment. I was injured by an IED whilst on a route search in Helmand Province back in December 2011. As a result of this I lost both of my legs from the knee down and sustained other injuries to my hands and body.

I was flown from **Camp Bastian** to Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham within 24 hours from the blast. I woke up on Christmas Eve with my family and girlfriend by my bedside. I spent two months in hospital recovering before being moved to Headley Court where I will be for two years in rehabilitation. This is where I learn to walk again on prosthetic legs and build my strength up. Help for Heroes has helped me by installing a ramp outside my house for wheelchair access and the facilities at Headley Court. Help for

Heroes supports our injured servicemen and women with all aspects of recovering.

I would like to say a big thank you to Slip End Social Club and their customers who raised a £1000 for help for heroes. Great nights!”

Frog and Rhubarb

The Friendship Club visited the Frog & Rhubarb recently for a fish and chip lunch. Over 30 members enjoyed their meal and afterwards, a member of the Bedfordshire Police Partnership Trust came along to talk to them about the Bobby Scheme. The primary aim of the scheme is to provide elderly or vulnerable people with advice, support and practical help in improving their home security. Members of the club found the advice very helpful with many of them signing up for a free home visit to help improve their security.

It’s been a month of celebrations at the Frog with the pub hosting three 30th birthdays, an engagement party, a golden wedding and a Christening. If you have an upcoming event, pop into the pub and speak to Paul about holding it at the Frog. There is no hire charge and they offer a range of sit-down meals and buffets to suit every pocket. They even offer a party package with decorations and nibbles included for free.

The Frog & Rhubarb has a computer with Internet access, free for all customers to use and free WiFi for use by those with laptops or smart phones.

Takeaway food is available from the Frog every day 12noon – 10pm. They have a fantastic range of dishes at chip shop prices.

Forthcoming Events @ The Frog

Christmas may still seem a long way away but now is the best time to start planning your festivities. The team at the Frog have put together a premier Christmas party menu

which is available at the pub or website www.frogandrhubarb.co.uk

You can be guaranteed the very best quality food prepared by the pub's team of chefs on Christmas Day. The five course gala dinner has an amazing choice of dishes including the traditional favourites. Let the whole family have a relaxing day while someone else does all the work. Space is limited so book soon!

If you like wine, you'll love the Frog & Rhubarb's wine tasting night. On the 27th October, you can choose any six glasses of wine, including one glass of Champagne, from the pub's extensive wine list and enjoy them at your own pace. Tickets include a cheese board and tasting notes to guide you through your selections. The evening will cost £20 per person and places can be booked at the pub.

The date of the Charity Race Night has changed and will now take place on Saturday 17 November from 8pm. The Frog & Rhubarb is hoping to beat last year's amazing total of over £400 that was donated to the school. This year all the money raised will be donated to support those living with Cystic Fibrosis. Bets will be £1 each and you can back as many or as few horses as you like. The prizes are all cash and include a £60 tricast fund. There will be eight races throughout the evening and the betting is really simple. If you are a novice, staff will be on hand to help you out with any questions so don't be afraid to pop along and join the fun from 8pm.

Up to date information on events and offers are on the website www.frogandrhubarb.co.uk

Rising Sun

Parish News would like to wish Lily and Dave congratulations on the 175th anniversary of the Rising Sun and hope all the celebrations went well for the Beer Festival.

On Saturday 27th October there will be a Robbie Williams / Michael Bubl  tribute act— tickets will be available at the pub.

There will be a Hallowe-en party on Wednesday 31st October for the children (in aid of FoSels) Tickets will be £5. Luckily this year it has fallen in the half term week so don't forget to get your costumes ready.



Look out for the leaflets that have been posted recently to all the houses in the village and don't forget to use your 20% off voucher for meals at the Rising Sun.

A new Autumn/Winter menu will be out in October.

Sunday nights at the Pub is fast becoming a Community Village evening when many folk seem to appear for a friendly chat and drink (some whilst walking the dog!). Lily serves free cheese and biscuits and roast potatoes etc for all. Check out the Friday nights also when there are free snacks of the day and good company on tap!



From October, on Thursday and Friday lunchtimes there will be a special choice of fish and chips with tea or coffee for £4.50

The Christmas menu will soon be available so remember to call in for your copy and see what is on offer.

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Parish Council Notes

Beleaguered Slip End Parish? That's how it felt when I returned from holiday and began working through my Council post.

The First envelope I picked up, was the revised master plan for the expansion of the Airport to accommodate an increase in passenger numbers from 10 to 18 million per year. For those who missed the exhibition in the Village Hall a few days ago you have until the 12 October to view and comment on the document at www.london-luton.co.uk/masterplan

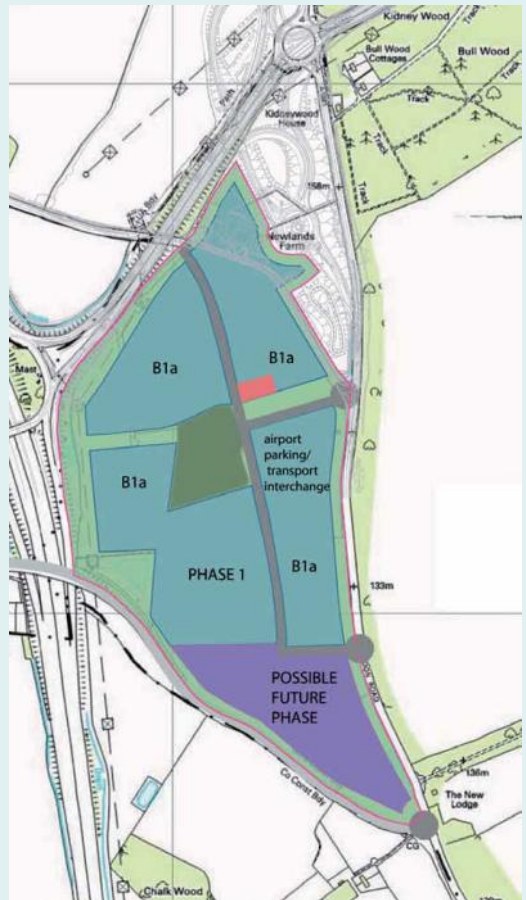
Second envelope, contained the Project Update document for the M1 junction 10a "Improvement Scheme" Again various exhibitions were held locally for this consultation which ended on the 21st September. The next stage begins in November when there is a preliminary meeting which is the beginning of the examination stage. You may still be able to see details at www.luton.gov.uk/m1j10a

Third envelope, was a letter from Savilles on behalf of the land owner, Legal & General informing me of their thoughts to build on the land between the M1, & A1081 and the motorway spur road to almost Half Moon Lane.

This proposal will include, "A high quality business park, buildings to announce a gateway to Luton, R&D/innovation sector, aviation strategic employment site, public transport interchange, possible airport parking, café restaurant and shop.

Representatives of Savills attended the September Parish Council Meeting, during questioning they confirmed there was nothing in the proposals for this Parish and they acknowledged the additional traffic that it would generate on our roads. Cllr Ruth Gammons remarked that we are not a gateway to Luton and that we do not want to see the building line of Luton extend to our border destroying the green belt divide.

The representatives confirmed there were no proposals for the land they also own behind



Summer Street from Church Road to Pepperstock. "Yet" I suspect, was the omission from their answer.

Should a decision be made to proceed with the scheme there will be full public consultation.

While there may be a few benefits in these schemes, overall they are a serious threat to our quality of life. All of them are outside the Parish, which means we are only able to take part in the consultations.

This all highlights the need for our neighbourhood plan which will give us the legal framework to control what happens in our Parish.

Ken Crossett, Chairman

Aley Green Methodist Church

Services and Diary dates for October

Monday 1st

7.30pm Fellowship Meeting - Mike Bull

Sunday 7th

11.00am Morning Service - Rev Bob Forrest

11.00am Sunday School

Tuesday 9th

10.00am/12.00noon 'Cakes & Company'

Saturday 13th

12noon Autumn Fayre

Stalls ~ Cakes ~ Preserves ~ Lunches

Sunday 14th

11.00am Morning Service - Tony Head

11.00am Sunday School

Tuesday 16th

7.30pm Bible Study -

Rev Bob Forrest

Sunday 21st

11.00am Morning Service - Rev Phil Horner

11.00am Sunday School Communion

Wednesday 24th

7.30pm Coffee Evening

In aid of Keech Hospice Care

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Sunday 28th

11.00am Junior Mission for All

All age worship led by Jo Prowse

JMA Secretary

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September is always a busy month for Aley Green Methodist Church, we had our Harvest Festival celebration on the morning of the 9th and in the afternoon we hosted the Ecumenical Harvest service, followed by afternoon tea. Carole Bull was our auctioneer on the Monday when the produce went under the hammer for Water Aid raising £181.10. A raffle at Cakes & Company added a further £30, bringing the total to £211.10. Our pew envelopes raised money for the Methodist Relief & Development's Harvest Appeal,

Our two stalls at the Village show raised £165.00 for Action for Children and £93.60 for Macmillan Cancer Care.

Recently all the Methodist Churches in our Circuit have been checked by an expert for the presence of asbestos, sadly we were one of four churches found to have some in our premises. Whilst it is quite safe unless disturbed, the sub committee to the Church Council decided that it must be removed at all costs. We need £3,000.00 to meet the cost of removal so all money raised at our Autumn Fayre will go towards the work. Do pop along on Saturday 13th from midday and browse the bric-a-brac, books, stalls and games. Cakes and preserves will be on sale, with light lunches, tea coffee and snacks. As always you will be given a warm welcome and you will be helping us towards our first thousand!

Love and prayers from all at Aley Green

Ann Meade

#### **Harvest Festival 2012**



## **DIARY** - *If you would like your events included, please contact the Editor*

### **September**

*Sat 29th Rising Sun 175th anniversary: Beer Festival and Live Music*

*Sun 30th Rising Sun 175th anniversary: Beer Festival and Live Music*

*Sat 29th Party Night Frog and Rhubarb*

### **October**

*Mon 1st Parish Council Meeting Village Hall—7.30pm*

*Sat 6th Tennis Club Quiz Night Peter Edwards Hall*

*Mon 8th Friendship Club trip to Eastbourne*

*Tues 9th CPG meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm*

*Tues 16th Caddington WI Baptist Hall 7:30pm*

*Sat 27th Robbie Williams/Michael Bublé Tribute act at Rising Sun*

*Wine Tasting at Frog & Rhubarb*

*Wed 31st Halloween party at the Rising Sun for the children*

### **November**

*Thurs 1st St Andrew's Holiday Club*

*Fri 2nd St Andrew's Holiday Club*

*Mon 5th Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7.30pm*

*Tues 13th CPG meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm*

*Sat 17th Charity Race Night Frog & Rhubarb 8pm*

*Mon 19th Gardening Club Village Hall 8pm*

*Tues 20th Caddington WI Baptist Hall 7:30pm*

### **December**

*Mon 3rd Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7.30pm*

*Tues 18th Caddington WI Baptist Hall 7.30pm*



**Don't forget to advertise your events here!**

Please contact us with details of events to add to our diary so that everyone in the community can read about what is on in the Parish.





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### Schools:

|                           |        |                                  |        |
|---------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|
| <b>Slip End Lower</b>     | 720152 | <b>Caddington Village School</b> | 726058 |
| <b>Streetfield Middle</b> | 613421 | <b>Ashton Middle</b>             | 663511 |
| <b>Manshead Upper</b>     | 679400 |                                  |        |

### Churches:-

|                              |                           |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>St Andrew's Church</b>    |                           |
| <b>Rev. Cathy Pullinger</b>  | 725061 or<br>07425 148046 |
| <b>Wardens: Tony Willson</b> | 482681                    |
| <b>Susan Wiltshire</b>       | 727477                    |

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|                                    |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|
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| <b>Senior Steward: Ann Meader</b>  | 733668 |

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|                                       |                                |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
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|                                   |                                           |
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