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Editor's Notes

Finally, we have seen a few sunny days so are hoping they will continue through the summer holidays. For anyone who is going away we wish you a happy and relaxing holiday. No doubt many of our students and graduates are eagerly waiting their results and we look forward to hearing all the good news. Remember to send in your graduate photos please after your graduation.

PLEASE NOTE there is no issue in August so items for September to editors by 15th August please or before if possible. We are only too pleased to have your reports in early as it gives us more time to edit the magazine, so would be grateful for your understanding on this, Thank you

Sue Briggs and Alison Wilson

A little poem from The Friendship Book follows, which is very true.

There isn't much point in nursing a grudge,
For the one who will suffer is you;
It clouds all the sunbeams that make life
worth while.
And blights every happiness too.
So bury it deep as you possibly can,
Dig with a smile on your face,
And you will find where that grudge used
to rankle and burn,
A flower will grow in its place.



Stop Press:

Parish News has just received a letter from Beryl Abbott, a resident of Woodside as follows; 'I would like to say how delighted I am with the help of GNS. I have been unwell for the last few weeks and they have taken me to hospital and doctor appointments, and have been to pick up my medication. I am very grateful for their help'.

Slip End School: Summer Fair

For a touch of summer go along to the Tropical Luau at Slip End School on Saturday 6th July from 1pm until 3.30pm. Join in the activities, taste the Caribbean Food, try out the Limbo, and enjoy all the fun. There is a something for everyone.

See poster below



Slip End United win the Ted Zipfel Trophy at Carrow Road

Slip End United finished the season in style with a resounding 5–1 victory over East Anglian Combination side Thetford Rovers on Saturday 25th May 2013, to win the Ted Zipfel trophy, played at Carrow Road, the home of Norwich City.

Slip End was always in control after good inter link play from Carl Inns and Ryan Keeble resulted in a penalty, which Newman Carney made no mistake with after just 8 minutes. The lead was doubled 15 minutes in when the impressive Alex Howells' crashed home a 25 yard volley, which was then followed when Newman Carney lobbed the stranded keeper from fully 35 yards. Slip End was playing some fine football and almost extended their lead when Joe Batham hit the post and a Carl Inns' shot was well saved, then Cam Nagle scored a sublime 4th just before the break.

The second half continued in similar vein when Rory Nagle's perfect through ball sent Cam Nagle clear who lobbed the keeper in fine style. Deon Putnam went close with a free kick, Seb Prothero had a shot well saved before Thetford Rovers scored a consolation goal 5 minutes from time. Club Captain Joe Flemons received the trophy on behalf of his jubilant team mates who celebrated a memorable success. Newman Carney so impressed on the day that he has now had two offers of professional football, one from Cambridge and the other from Dagenham & Redbridge, so whilst SEU lose him next season, they wish him all the luck!

Slip End is recruiting players for next season - anyone interested in joining the club can contact:- The manager, Steve Inns on 07515687160 or stepheninnsy@hotmail.com

Back row, left to right: John Parmenter, Alex Howells, Newman Carney, Joe Batham, Seb Prothero, Craig Short, Deon Putnam, Carl Inns, Cam Nagle, Steve Inns (Manager)

Front row, left to right: Antony May, Ryan Keeble, Ryan Cowley, Ray Barratt, Rob Bigwood, Joe Flemons (captain) Rory Nagle, Callum Caulfield (mascot)

Peace in the Garden



The washing, ironing and daily chores
Have all been completed here indoors.
Into the garden where the afternoon heat
Will be so welcome and a restful treat.
The deckchair is placed under a tree
To relax with a book and nice cup of tea.
Oh, this feels good; I close my eyes
But no sooner done than a swarm of flies
Bombard my face and irritate my skin
And the buzzing sound makes a dreadful din.



The whining and barking of a
neighbour's hound
Joins a chorus of mowers, an
unmelodious sound.



Why am I sitting under this tree?
To relax with a book and nice cup of tea.
I try once again to have a short slumber
But I'm called to the phone, "Sorry
wrong number."
Back in the garden and what do I see?
A wasp doing breast stroke in my cup of tea.
I love the heat and worship the sun
So I'll grit my teeth and just pretend it's fun.

*(sent in by J.L.Treacher of Woodside,
many thanks)*

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Jason Cunningham & Tony Strong



My sponsorship of boxer Jason Cunningham arose following a visit to St Paul's Academy in Hull (who trained Olympic Gold medal winner Luke Campbell). I went there to see an evening of professional boxing but my real motive was to seek advice on some technical aspects of a thriller I am writing in which boxing features on the undercard. After chatting to various personnel there I was asked whether I may be interested in sponsoring one of their boxers in a new scheme they were then launching. While I said no initially, back at home I decided to call them and request a CV on two of the boxers seeking support.

Once I read Jason's CV I was hooked on the idea. His record as an amateur up to a year earlier was absolutely immaculate. He had won all the major ABA titles and had also

landed their exclusive Elite trophy, the highest honour that could be won.

I decided immediately to take Jason on and since we met last September he has won 3 fights, including the 4th round stoppage of former British and Commonwealth title contender Usman Ahmed at Doncaster's Keep Moat Stadium on May 11th. This made 8 wins out of 8 fights since turning professional. It was this last encounter which landed him his first Belt, the International Masters, which he kindly donated to me!

In July Jason will be fighting for the English Flyweight crown and his opponent will be Scott Gladwin. Jason is an excellent boxer in which his pace and punching power is matched by dedication and determination, the latter two qualities can always be witnessed in his strenuous daily training routines. He fights for his family including two young daughters (Madison and Hailey), his coaches from St Paul's and a fast growing legion of fans.

I fully expect him to take the Flyweight title and later this year we both feel that the British and Commonwealth titles are well within our sights. Jason, aged 23 years lives in Doncaster and visits South Bedfordshire regularly. We have set up a business together – Pure Instinct, to help promote his career. We started with a launch of Team Cunningham sportswear which proved popular with his supporters. Plans are in hand for more merchandising.

If anyone is interested in seeing Jason fight or would like to know more about our forthcoming sportswear issues please call me – on 07739295228 or see me most weekend lunchtimes at the Slip End Social Club. I look forward to meeting you there.

Tony Strong

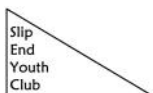


Slip End & District Community Projects Group

The Projects Group is here to be the voice and support for all the groups and associations in the parish. We meet every second Tuesday and open to any resident in the parish. You don't have to come along every month, but your ideas and views are important to us. Come along, we are a relaxed bunch and drink is available!

The Chatty Club meets at the Frog & Rhubarb every Tuesday from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Paul serves a great meal. Once a month he organises an event, the last one being a talk about the home front. If you are over 55 you are more than welcome to come, and you do not have to be there every week, you can 'dip' in and out, and buffet style food and hot drinks are available for £2.50! If you would like more information call Paul on 01582 452722

Slip End Camera Club is going strong. The club meets on the third Tuesday of the month at The Social Club, newcomers are more than welcome! For more info call Norman Homewood on 452851.



The Youth Club is going from strength to strength, with an average of 30 children attending each week. Our PCSO's popped along last month to have a chat with the youngsters and let them sit in the police car and have a go with the 'blues and twos!' We welcome children new to the parish to the youth club, entry is only £1 per child per week. There is a tuck shop, and lots of things to do including Wii games, crafts, bingo and competitions.



The Good Neighbour Scheme is a scheme for anyone within the parish who is over 18 and needs

help. It is not aimed at a specific age range and could prove useful to anyone who maybe lives alone and has broken a leg or arm, or anyone who cannot drive at the moment due to an accident. Likewise, if you have a relative who lives in the parish but you live further away, it could prove to be the peace of mind you need with a group that can help when you are not available.



**The dedicated GNS contact number is
07513 372 415**



Don't forget about the Slip End Parish Community Page of Facebook – find us, like us and be kept up to date with meetings, entertainment, crime information, photos from days gone by, and much more

We understand that the Village Hall Management Committee is delighted to offer the Car Park for parents to park in when they drop off and collect their children from school on weekdays. This will hopefully encourage the short walk to school and reduce the congestion in and around the school location.



The Free Activities day at the Playing Fields went really well, thanks to everyone who attended and showcased their organisation or group, I hope you got some new members! Also my thanks to Lise, Caroline, Karen and Ursula from Youth Club, Simon & Carol Patterson, Maureen Wormersly, Andy Prothero and Nick Cox and the Cubs for helping to deliver the leaflets through the parish. Thank you also

to St Andrew's team of volunteers for helping with the refreshments. Delicious.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 10th September 2013 (we don't meet in August) at 7.30pm at the Social Club. Everyone is welcome!

Sarah Minnighan, Chairman

Gardening Club

The first visit of the year in April was made to the Millhouse, Mill Lane, Welwyn under the National Gardens Scheme. The listed millhouse has a semi-walled garden bordered by a Venetian bridged millstream and mill race. This romantic garden has ancient apple trees under planted with an abundant display of tulips and white narcissi. These set off a garden full of perennial promise; within nestles a stylish summerhouse, a hidden parterre and productive potager.



In May nine members visited Kerrie and Pete's garden at 43 Mardley Hill, Welwyn which they opened for the first time under the National Gardens Scheme. Kerrie and Pete previously lived in Prebendal Drive, Slip End where they had a beautiful little garden. Now they have a much larger garden, which, in just 4 years, they have transformed into a plantaholics paradise, with only about 3 mature trees from the



original garden remaining. With trees, shrubs, interesting planting and many unusual plants, fish filled pond and free range Peking bantams, this garden is a real delight. It will be open again on Sunday, 11th August, and well worth a visit. Entrance £3. Plants for sale and fantastic teas! Forthcoming garden visits below:-

Sun. 21 July - NGS Beeson End Gardens

Harpenden Entry £5 Teas

Sun. 11 August – NGS Flaxbourne Farm,

Apsley Guise Entry £5 Teas

Sun. 1 Sept. – Frithsden Vineyard, Hemel

Hempstead. Entry £5 Teas

(Meet 1.30pm Rising Sun Car Park)

A little story from Francis Hector

Years ago, before transistors were invented and in a village with no electricity, everyone had a battery radio set. A friend of mine used to deliver weekly a small rechargeable battery for the valve heaters at a cost of sixpence a time. One couple asked him to look at their radio which was not working. He knew little about radios, but agreed to have a look. Opening the stiff cardboard back he found it full of mouldy bread crusts. The couple had always said how good their 3 year old son was in eating all his crusts but they didn't know that when he was sitting in his high chair in the kitchen he was pushing them down the back of the radio!!

Thanks Francis—a good story, Editor

Parish Council Notes

High Speed Broadband Update

Around this time last year, part of the Parish had access to high speed broadband. However, this left the rest of us a bit 'miffed' and many attempts had been made by residents to find out from BT when the rest of the Parish would be connected. The Parish Council had been in touch with Olivia Garfield the Chief Executive at Open Reach. Reading between the lines my impression was that there was some debate as to the financial viability for Open Reach to connect up another box but that has never been confirmed. Over then to Central Beds for as you may recall the Government set up the grant scheme, Broadband Delivery UK, This is to enable rural locations to have access to broadband at speeds of not less than 2 Mbps .

Cllr Wenham, who is the executive member looking after the project, gave us an update recently, "As you would expect there are many Parishes across Central Beds Council in a similar or worse position to Slip End with regard to High Speed Broadband. Over the last two weeks I have raised Slip End's situation again with BT and hope for a response soon. Central Beds Council's own BDUK project has now entered its tender phase and responses from providers including BT are expected in August. We hope to award the contract during quarter 3 this year with installation over the next three years. Pending the tender responses we do not know which addresses will benefit from the BDUK grant which is designed to enable

superfast access to 90% of dwellings across the CBC area." For the time being at any rate we will need to keep our fingers crossed that all the Parish will be included in the 90%

The Cross Roads Grand Prix?

I have not quite decided yet if Formula 1 has set up a second British Grand Prix or are we such an unwelcoming place, people can't wait to pass through? The speed data shows that the highest speed recorded in Markyate Road was 85 mph and you would have seen it had you been around at 5pm. Had that vehicle not knocked you down the two coming in, from the opposite direction at 8.45pm doing 70 mph may have.

Or perhaps we frighten car drivers, one individual managed to reach 80 mph at 7pm heading towards Newlands Road whereas one person coming in on Church Road from Newlands at 12.45 in the afternoon reached a sedate 70 mph. Front Street, saw its highest speed one morning at 8am when 65 mph was reached in the 30 mph zone coming towards the cross roads. 65 mph was the highest speed for vehicles going in the opposite direction achieved by no less than seven vehicles.

These were the highest speeds recorded in the week beginning 16 April. I am sure you will find that as frightening as I do. I will leave it for the exhibition to show you the rest of the data which frankly is equally startling. In the next issue, which will be September, I will speak about the speed data for lower and Upper Woodside. (cont.....)

If you are new to the Parish you may not be aware of the traffic calming and the inconsiderate parking debate.

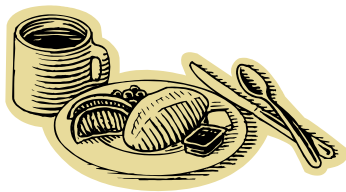
Some of the history of this and the steps the Council is taking were described in the November and December issues of Parish News. These can be viewed on the Parish website www.slipend.co.uk

Ken Crossett Chairman

Chatty Club

In May, Chatty club enjoyed a lunch of fish, chips and peas washed down with plenty of teas and coffee. Many thanks to Paul for the excellent food and for providing it at just £2.50. The club is planning special lunches and events over the summer including a guided tour of Luton Hoo walled garden. Please give the Frog & Rhubarb a call if you would like to know what is going on.

Chatty Club meets every Tuesday at 2pm. The group is open to everyone in the parish over 55, so pop along with friends or to make some new ones. You don't have to go every week so it can be an occasional social. There are sandwiches, savouries and cake with as much tea and coffee as you can drink for just £2.50. Check the Parish News each month to find out what special events the club has planned.



Slip End Playgroup - Village Hall



Playgroup Fun Run and Open Morning with Freya and Aimee above.



We offer Preschool Education and care for children below school age and over 2 years. Spaces available for immediate start. Mondays, Tuesday and Friday 9:30 - 12:30 (lunch club till 1:30) Thursday 9:15 - 12:15

A big Thank You to all who came along to our Open Morning and Fun Run. It was a great success.

If you didn't make the open morning but are interested in sending your child to playgroup, please call Pauline on 01582 416201 to arrange a time to visit.

****We now offer funding for Children from 2 to 4 years****



Recent Feedback

"Children are engaged and motivated learning to work together. They play independently and interact with other children, developing a positive attitude to play and learning. Children are happy and secure in the setting"

Dates for St Andrew's Church during the Summer

July Sun 7th: 10.30am: Informal Communion "The freedom of simplicity" with the Climate and Justice Group (organ & singers)

Sun 14th: 8.30am: Said Communion "Psalm 8"

Sun 14th: 10.30am: Morning Praise: This service will include a time of outdoor (optional) meditation on God's beautiful world (band)

Tues 16th: 11am: Caddington Care Home

Fri 19th: 2pm Woodside Care Home

Sun 21st: 10.30am: Holy Communion "I am among you as one who serves"

Summer series on the word of God: With lots in the service suitable for children.

Sun 28th: 10.30am: Morning Praise: "The word is like food and drink - sweeter than honey" (band)

August

Sun 4th: 10.30am: Informal Communion "The word is like a mirror"

Sun 11th: 10.30am: Morning Praise "The word is like a seed planted in our hearts"

Sun 18th: 10.30am: Holy Communion "The word brings repentance"

Sun 25th: 10.30am: Morning Praise "The word is a sure foundation" (band)

Sun 1st September: 10.30am Informal Communion "The word is like a sword"

Summer holidays with the Little Stars

We will continue to meet each
Wednesday at 10:30am but be out and
about weather permitting! If raining
meet in Church.

Wednesday 31st July

Discovery Centre in Stockwood Park

Wednesday 7th August

Games at St Andrews

Wednesday 14th August

"Big Picnic" at St Andrews

Wednesday 21st August

Fun at Slip End Playground Swings

Wednesday 28th August

Games at St Andrews

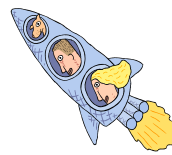
Wednesday 4th September

Discovery Centre in Stockwood Park



The 2013 Autumn half term holiday club is due to be held on Thursday 31st October and Friday 1st November at St Andrew's Church.

Full details in the September Parish news but for now be sure to book the dates, so that your children can enjoy two fantastic fun filled days!



God's gift of Holidays

I have recently returned from a week's holiday staying with my sister and brother-in-law in the Lake District. I spent a wonderful week walking in beautiful countryside, chatting, eating food I hadn't prepared, worshipping in a church I wasn't responsible for, reading and a couple of trips to the theatre. Oh yes and a train journey! What could be better! All wonderfully relaxing and refreshing and I returned with batteries fully charged for the final half term before the summer school holidays.

Holidays were always part of God's plan for us. We are not made to work all the time! A balance between work and rest, expending energy and re-creative leisure was built into God's pattern from the beginning. He himself rested after the work of creation and enjoyed what he had accomplished.

God gave to his people a Sabbath, one day in every seven when there was a break in the routines of existence and the opportunity to worship him, to have time to focus on the bigger picture, to learn and grow spiritually. This was time to enjoy being community, to spend time with family and friends.

Then there was an annual cycle of festivals described in the Old Testament when his people could have longer periods to remember the ways in which he had blessed them in the past and to return to him in the present. Some of these were serious religious festivals, with lots of soul searching and recommitment. Some were much more light hearted and sound like lots of fun. Some of them meant going to Jerusalem where there was the excitement of

travelling with friends, of joyful processions and ceremonies in the temple. In Deuteronomy, Moses commands the people to set aside a tithe, a tenth of all the produce of the fields, then go to Jerusalem and with the tithe "Buy whatever you like, cattle, sheep, wine or other fermented drink... then eat there in the presence of the Lord and rejoice." (Deuteronomy 14v26) It sounds to me rather like a command to have a party!

Our modern word holiday comes from the Old English word Haligdaeg, literally Holy Day, a day that God gave to his people, a day to draw close to him, and rejoice in him.

I hope that you are able to enjoy some "time out" over the summer, and whether you go away or not, you are able to enjoy God's creation, enjoy family and friends, have time for reflection, rest and re-creation and to enjoy it as a gift from God.

At St. Andrew's we do less over the summer – so that those who work very hard over the year can take time out too. We have a break from Kidztime and Care Home and other extra services but our normal worship at 10.30am each Sunday morning continues. Maybe as part of your Holy Days you could take the time to come to church to thank him for work and also to thank him for his gift of leisure.

Have a wonderful summer, Cathy



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Aley Green Methodist Church

Services and Diary dates for July/August

July

Tuesday 2nd

7.30pm Bible Study - Rev Bob Forrest

Sunday 7th

11.00am Morning Service - Rev Bob Forrest

11.00am Sunday School

Tuesday 9th

10.00am/12.00pm 'Cakes & Company'

Sunday 14th

11.00am Sunday School Anniversary

Led by Jo Prowse & the Children

Wednesday 17th

7.30pm Coffee Evening In aid of
Action for Children

Sunday 21st

11.00am Morning Service - Martin Wallis

11.00am Sunday School

Sunday 28th

9.30am Morning Service - Mrs Jean Forrest

Note earlier start time. Sunday School closed
for the summer holiday

Monday 29th

7.30pm Fellowship Meeting - Mike Bull

August

Sunday 4th

9.30am Morning Service - Rev Bob Forrest

Sunday 11th

9.30am Morning Service - Rev Phil Horner
Communion

Tuesday 13th

10.00am/12.00pm 'Cakes & Company'

Sunday 18th

9.30am Morning Service - Mrs Liz Higgins

Sunday 25th

9.30am Morning Service - Rev Phil Horner

Wednesday 28th

7.30pm Coffee Evening In aid of
World Vision

September

Sunday 1st

11.00am Morning Service - Rev Bob Forrest

Sunday 8th

11.00am All Age Harvest Festival Service
Rev Phil Horner

Our May Cakes & Company was very well supported by Village and Circuit friends. We opened the doors at 10am with the smell of bacon and coffee in the air. People browsed over the bric-a-brac stall, moved on to the cake stall, selecting their favourites and on to the preserves, finally purchasing a raffle ticket before going through to the lower school room to indulge in bacon butties, sausage rolls and cakes with tea and coffee. It was lovely to see so many friendly faces and to have the support of the other village church members. Thank you to those people who supplied the rolls, bacon, sausage rolls and pasties, who made and gave cakes and special thanks to those who gave their time to help set up the stalls, run them, to the kitchen 'staff' and to the *clearer uppers* who packed away and put everything back to normal. A fantastic £375.00 was raised for Christian Aid. Thank you all. We added pew envelopes of £72.00 and the Ecumenical service offering at Aley Green the following Sunday of £51.70.

Sadly our refurbishments in the church have suffered a delay, we are having a problem refitting the carpet. It seems to be a bit short which ever way we try it and we are so far unable to obtain the same pattern to fill in. The cost of a new carpet is prohibitive so we continue to search for a solution.

Please note that from Sunday 28th July our summer services will be at the earlier time of 9.30am and last for about 45 minutes, giving us the rest of the day to enjoy the sunshine (hopefully).

We continue to hold Cakes and Company and Coffee Evenings through the summer, do pop in, there is a safe children's play area in the upper school room for the young ones and comfy chairs for mums! We pray that if you are going on holiday or just holidaying at home, you have an enjoyable time and feel relaxed and rested.

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Ask yourself a few questions...

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Do you have your boiler serviced?

Do you spend time maintaining your home?

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Service of Thanksgiving at St Paul's Cathedral



Janet Buttery & Sue Lyons were recently invited to attend the special service at St Paul's to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Royal Voluntary Service. They have both worked voluntarily for the WRVS for several years; helping in the charity shop in Dunstable; delivering meals to the housebound and various other tasks. They both had a wonderful day.

Janet and Sue with some of the other volunteers from the area, pictured in St Paul's

WVS—The Army Hitler Forgot

Has the question ever been put to you
Can you tell me what the WVS do?
Oh yes! Of course they drive a car
Serve cups of tea from a Canteen Bar.
With such duties light, in a gentle way,
They easily pass the livelong day.
No, no! They are wrong and must be told
Of the different story we now unfold.

We camouflage, "Make do and Mend"
Knit, Sew and Wedding Dresses lend,
Rest Centres, Information and CAB
Red Cross messages, Salvage and VCP.
Overseas gifts for those "Bombed Out"
A boon to our country without a doubt,
Meals for the Land Army, and Home
Guard as well,

National Savings the Exchequer to swell,
Billeting, Hospitality, the Child's
Clothing Exchange,
Are some of the activities within our range

Our days are full with routine work,
And the dullest job we never shirk.
Yes, with willing hearts in the Isle of Wight
We "Stankonovite" from morn to night.
And if our efforts can shorten the war
By just one day, well that's worth
working for.

And if we are tired and weary, we
don't care a jot,
For we are part of the
"Army that Hitler Forgot"

*(just some of the verses by Mrs S Needham,
County Organiser for the Isle of Wight)*

VILLAGE HALL

Refurbishment Work

To start this year's work programme the floors in the extension, loos and passageway have been completely reworked. Some idea of the overall improvements to significantly enhance the appearance of the hall, can be seen in the extension, where one of the wall panels has been repainted in clean, neutral colours to complement the new floor. Thanks to those who have commented positively on what has been achieved so far; there is universal opinion that the ghastly 'terra cotta' will soon disappear! Decoration and work on the floor in the body of the hall will be undertaken in the summer.

A solution to 'Shortfalls'

Several of our vital organisations have been suffering as we all have with huge increases in costs during the present economic situation. Those organisations have been, and will continue to be, supported by the Village Hall, which operates a policy of reduced rates for local groups. However, VH has suffered more than most while hire fees received from local groups have withered well below even discounted VH rates. Result has been a deterioration of a previously healthy VH bank balance to a dangerously low level!

The dichotomy is to find a solution which will not cripple our vital local organisations yet seek to restore VH contingency funds which will be needed when unforeseen essential work is required. The VH management committee members have been scratching their heads about this and solutions are becoming apparent.

Having grasped all that, the reader may wonder how funds for refurbishment have been forthcoming? A good question: the answer offers great hope to our local organisations.

Generous grant assistance has been received by the VH in 2013. The Community Projects Group led the way with a grant for refurbishment of £2500 and then another grant to meet hire charge 'shortfalls' by local groups. These were followed by a refurbishment grant of over £5000 from the Bedfordshire & Luton Community Foundation. The lesson is that more grant aid should be sought all round in order to help meet running costs, both for the organisations and the VH

We would be pleased to discuss this at length with groups and organisations which, like the VH, are struggling with funding in these difficult days.

Fun evening at the VH!

The VH hosted a very pleasant occasion in May when 70 of us of all ages, turned out to be entertained by Peter Smith's Ukulele Ensemble. The programme suited all tastes with much 'singing along'. Peter's congenial chat ensured a happy evening, supplemented by a Fish 'n' Chip Supper put on by the CPG. Thanks go to Peter who led the initiative for the evening and to the CPG team for helping out.

Work in Progress

*During the half term break contractors were in dealing with the floors in the Village Hall. The work overran a little causing cancellation of a Play Group session. The VHMC apologises for the disruption and trust that the improvements in the appearance of the VH will be for the better for everyone in the slightly longer run. Work will resume over the summer with attention to the main floor and eagerly anticipated re-decoration. **The tired, unloved 'terra cotta' will go at last, to be replaced by lightness and brightness. One panel has been repainted already, in a couple of tones to allow the VHMC to decide what's best.***

David Kingston (VHMC)



Herts County Show



Local farmer Felix McDaid scooped top honours with his young Aberdeen Angus bull "To Bee". At only 16 months old he won a 1st in his class, breed male champion, best of breed and Aberdeen Angus champion on a glorious sunny Saturday at the Redbourn showground.

Well done Felix!

July/August 2013

The school year has almost ended and we are preparing to say goodbye to pupils and eagerly waiting to greet new pupils in September. The achievements of this year are too numerous to mention here. So much has taken place with lots of visits, both here and abroad, new community activities, theatre visits, sports events as well as learning and using the new maths app which has seen our school featured in local and national press articles. We look forward to sharing more with you at the start of the new academic year.

Until then we wish you a relaxing and enjoyable summer. For all our latest news and events please see our website www.caddingtonschool.net or follow us on Twitter @caddingtonvs

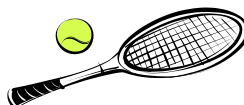


The Sounds of Summer – Onomatopoeia

by Emily Page (Year 7)



Crunch crunch, crunch, crunch!
The sound of runners running.
Splosh splosh splosh splosh!
The sound of swimmers swimming.
Wack, wack, wack, wack!
The sound of balls hitting the tennis racket.
Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh, whoosh!
The sound of the javelin in the air.
ROOOOOOOOOAAAAARRRRRRR!
The sound of people screaming.
Boof, boof, boof, boof!
The sound of chairs flicking.
Clip, clop, clip, clop
The sound of people leaving.
Ch, ch, ch, ch!
The sound of the lights going out.
.....the sound of nothing.



Gardeners' Special

Everything seems to be late this year because the winter went on for so long. As a matter of fact I am sitting here writing this in a jumper instead of a T-shirt and the central heating is still coming on in the mornings! The few odd warm days we have had seem to have started things moving in the garden and hopefully, by the time you are reading this, summer will be here.

In the greenhouse tomatoes and cucumbers should be bearing fruit; a liquid fertiliser should be applied every 7-10 days to encourage the fruits to ripen. Blackcurrants can be pruned after fruiting, cutting out the old wood, tie in new shoots of blackberries and loganberries but keep them separate from the fruiting shoots. Summer fruiting raspberries can be cut down as the fruiting canes are finished, but leave the new shoots because they will bear next year's crop. Tidy up the strawberry bed when the fruits are finished.

Complete planting of leeks this month as well as late Brussels sprouts, winter cabbage and spring broccoli, also plant swedes by the middle of the month. Keep pinching out the side shoots of tomato plants (except bush varieties) to get decent size fruits. If the weather is hot and dry and there isn't a hose-pipe ban, then water the lawn regularly, aerate by spiking with a fork as this will help the water penetrate well below the surface where it's needed to keep it looking green.

Gladioli will not need staking for normal garden use but keep well watered and weed free. Irises can be divided and replanted this month and cut the top half of the leaves off to avoid wind damage. July is the month when lilies are at their best and unless you want to save the seed they should be dead-headed as the flowers fade, water carnations and pinks if the weather is dry. Early this month sow sweet williams and wall flowers for colour in the spring. Rock gardens will

look somewhat drab from now until autumn but best to keep the weeds down to prevent the alpiners from being overwhelmed. Patio containers and hanging baskets will require watering at least once a day and deadhead to keep them looking their best.

Deadhead roses on a regular basis to encourage a second flush in the autumn and keep an eye out for greenfly, black spot, mildew and rust. Tie young stems of dahlias to their supports with soft string or raffia and if large blooms are required then disbud the lower buds to get long stems for cutting and arranging in a vase. Chrysanthemums can be treated the same way, but spray varieties should be left, although stake and tie-in shoots to avoid wind damage. Prune deciduous shrubs such as Jasmine and Philadelphus after flowering by removing spent flowers and weak shoots.

You should now be enjoying the fruits of your labour as plenty of fresh vegetables, such as lettuce, carrots, beetroot, potatoes, cabbage and broad beans are large enough to harvest and the garden should be in full of colour as mother nature amazes us once again, so till next month, happy gardening.



Russell Sprout

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Slip End School Update

Welcome to another update from your village school as we approach the end of the Summer term and school year.

Celebrating Music

At Slip End we love making and sharing music and this term there have been a number of musical moments to celebrate. Currently Year 4 pupils have been learning to play the Ukulele's with Mr Peter Smith. They are enjoying the opportunity to learn this instrument and performed at the Summer Concert. We also have a number of talented pianists and singers who are being taught by Elaine Branden. They regularly perform and share their talent with the whole school during assemblies and concerts and we are very proud of their achievements. Over the course of this year we have children who are taking exams and some individual success stories including Amy Lester who performed in Pantomime at the O2 Arena and Fimi Odutayo who came 1st in a singing Festival in Bedford. Well done to all of you!

Sustainability to Bikeability

We enjoy growing things in our special greenhouse at Slip End and last year we are delighted to say we won a National competition by growing the heaviest single potato in the 'Potatoes for School' competition sponsored by the Sun newspaper. Out of 17,000 schools that entered, we won! We were privileged to be visited by Peter Seabrook who was interviewed by the School Council before he presented us with our prize. We have entered the competition again this

year and our crop is almost ready to harvest. Fingers crossed!

With the environment ever present in our minds some of our School Council members were taken by Mr Brown on a bitterly cold winter's morning to Heartswood Forest, Sandridge. They joined forces with the Eco Team from Caddington Village School and between them they all they planted 200 trees to help the forest thrive.

Year 2, 3 and 4 had a fantastic opportunity to learn a skill which also helps the environment – Cycling. Mr Chris Jenkins visited the school and spent several days teaching many of our children the basic skills required to cycle safely. The children were presented with certificates during a special assembly.



Children receiving their cycling certificates

Science Club

Our annual Summer After School Science Club is up and running and as always is a roaring success with 40 children from Year's 1-4 attending each week! It is led by Mrs Casson and Miss Carroll and the children have great fun whilst learning through many practical activities which are always hands on and often very messy!



These include: Exploring ways to tell the difference between a hard-boiled egg and a raw egg, making lava lamps, floating and sinking activities and the ever popular rocket making as can be seen in the picture above!

Superheroes Day

This term the Early Years Unit has been thinking about 'people who help us'. Projects of this nature allow children to think about the community in which they live and consider the roles people play in their lives. Plus there is the opportunity to have visitors come along and enrich their learning by telling them first hand about particular subjects.. This time the children had a veterinary nurse come into school who told them all about how animals are looked after when they have to stay with the vet. She gave them lots of interesting things to play with, so they could practise being vets too. They have also thought about other people whose job it is to help, such as firemen, police officers, doctors and nurses. After much consideration of all these different roles they decided that the most important people in their lives who help them are their parents. They also thought about other people who help them and decided that Superheroes just had to be on that list too. They had a

week thinking about Superheroes and their super powers. As part of the fun they all came to school dressed as their favourite Superhero, or a Superhero they had made up themselves. They had lots of fun pretending to have special powers and making up new characters of their own. As you can see from the photo below, some of them already had a favourite costume to wear. It was great to see their lively imaginations creating Superheroes with special powers where the sky definitely was not the limit!

We even had our very own Iron Man



Staff Updates

At the end of this term we are very sad to be saying goodbye to two dedicated and supportive members of our team who will be leaving our school.

Miss Carroll – She has been a teacher at Slip End for 5 years now taking the Year 4 classes. Prior to teaching she had travelled extensively and spent 3 years as a Diving Instructor in the Turks & Caicos Islands. This wealth of life experiences soon fed into her teaching and she regularly offered the children wonderfully enriching experiences. One highlight was when teaching a topic about the Antarctic she organised for the children to go on a special expedition. They had to plan it, create and use their own maps, then pack and manoeuvre sledges across the field. This was followed by setting up and resting in a 12 man tent. All of which occurred on one of the hottest days of the year –Typical British weather—you just can't win!

Miss Carroll has been involved in many school activities and her most notable is introducing and leading the Year 4 residential trip to Hautbois House in Norfolk. This fantastic opportunity has been loved by all pupils and adults who participated. It is without doubt a major highlight of any child's time here at Slip End.

Mrs Allnutt – She has been an active member of the team at Slip End and the wider community for over 31 years! She began as a parent helper when her sons were in Year 1 and she has worn many hats and carried out many roles since then. Whilst she had supported in classes across the school for many years it was 13 years ago that she

became employed as a Teaching Assistant within the school. She had been a lunchtime supervisor at Slip End since soon after starting her time here and this is a role she has held for 26 years! The start of her Teaching Assistant role led her to end her Crossing Patrol duties which she had performed for 15 years. Mrs Allnutt has seen many changes over time and has continued to support the school with enthusiasm and passion throughout. She has worked with many Head teachers, teachers and even more pupils, and is known within the community by all. We are sure that we will continue to see her at Slip End and for the time being she plans to continue leading her Beavers Group at the school.

Both Miss Carroll and Mrs Allnutt have always been incredibly supportive of the school and are fantastic team players. They will be missed by all. We wish them all the best in their futures and thank them sincerely for their hard work and efforts here at SELS.

As they leave we would also like to welcome two new members onto the staff team at Slip End.

Mr O'Brien – After his departure from Planet Sport and Slip End last summer we are delighted to welcome him back as a full time member of staff at Slip End. He is going to deliver PE lessons and also offer a wide range of sports activities and opportunities to the children.

Miss Holding – We welcome Miss Holding as a new teacher to the school and we hope she enjoys being a part of our wonderful family here at SELS.

Another Year Moves On

This is the time of year that heralds the end of the children in Year 4's time at SELS, (see photo on cover page). We always ask them what their favourite memories are and share those with you. I think you will see from their quotes that they have made memories that will last a lifetime. In their own words...

Fimi: The Diamond Jubilee Party in Year 3 wasn't the greatest success at first but that changed with us smiling when the sun came out. Excitement flew through everyone as the big party began and we ate lots of cupcakes.

Lily-Rose: In Reception, I remember the sandpit where we used to make sandcastles. My teachers were Mrs Turner and Mrs Casemore and I liked them.

Blake: In Year 1, we had to copy some Van Gogh paintings. It was hard to copy it, we had to look at the painting really carefully and have a go. Of course, mine was the best!

Joel: In Reception we played in the sandpit and the boys played a game against the girls to see who could dig the deepest hole. The boys always won.

Amy: In Year 3, we made moving monsters. It took a long time but finally we made them. There's more – a Jubilee Art Competition which I won! It needed a careful hand.

Sean: In Year 4, we had World Book Day. All the teachers came as Wally and we had to find them. It was fun!

Ben: In Reception, we got to play in the sandpit, but only if it was sunny. We had to find a treasure box with necklaces inside.

Ashleigh: In Year 1, we got to play with the Lego and learned about Florence Nightingale.

Matthew: In Year 3, we had a party for the Diamond Jubilee. Everyone was happy and had a great time at the party. Mrs Plummer dressed up as the Queen.

Loucas: In Reception, Adam and I hid all of the toys and I remember getting told off for it! But mostly, I remember meeting all of my friends.

Adam: Going to Hautbois in Year 4 was the best thing we have ever done in this school. We did zip wire, archery, rock climbing and low ropes. The food was great

Elfie: In Year 4, we learned about World War Two. We even had an evacuation day where we all had to dress up like evacuees!

Chloe: In Year 2, we went to Gullivers Land. Amy and I went in the boats and Amy's hat fell off!

Reece: In Year 4, I loved Hautbois. There was chocolate cake, low ropes and a zip wire. I had so much fun there that I wish I could live there. Could I?

Before the end of term the children will enjoy a special leavers' assembly and party as a celebration of their time here. We wish all of Year 4 the very best as they move on to their new schools. We hope they have enjoyed their time with us, having made many friends and happy memories along the way.

We hope you have enjoyed reading about the school. Look out for more news in September or check our website for updates www.slipend.beds.sch.uk

Emma Peppiatt & Sandra Collins

Baptisms at St Andrew's Church



It was lovely to welcome the families of Luke, Gracie, Lily-Rose and Amy to their Baptism's on 9th June at St Andrew's. Although it was quite cold the children all took to the pool bravely and after the service celebrated with their friends and families



On Father's Day, Café Church supplied the hot breakfasts. There was a Sports theme with many of the congregation wearing their sports clothes (see photo) The dad's and children enjoyed games in the Church and an interesting games quiz. Danielle with handstand and Brian Church with his ancient racquet pictured above.

Please help find a cure for James

James Dodd,

the four-year-old grandson of John & Wendy Barton of Markyate Road, has been diagnosed with a rare and life-limiting illness called Mitochondrial Disease.

James was born a healthy happy baby but a severe bout of tonsillitis when he was just three years old caused him to have a seizure. This triggered off inside him the symptoms of the rare condition.

His mum Angela Barton, who was born and went to school in Slip End, says his mitochondria, the 'batteries' which power all of his cells, don't function properly. He needs to take a cocktail of vitamins 3 times a day. She said: "Most people do not know about the disease, it is very rare. It isn't a



Lily Foundation, which not only provides support for sufferers' families, but also funds research into finding a cure for this disease.



Twenty-four of the family's closest friends and relatives, including James's dad Iain, have formed a team called "The Stupid Peddlars" cycled from London to Brighton in June, and will do so again in September. They have so far raised more than £5000. Wendy's friends at Slip End Line Dancing Group have generously donated £115 in sponsorship. If you would like to donate please do so at www.justgiving.com/stupidp

For more info on Mitochondrial Disease please visit www.lilyfoundation.org.uk

Alternatively, please contact John and Wendy on 01582 416115.

From the Friendship Book of Francis Gay

Can you spare a moment
have you time to care?
Comfort for one who's lonely
Someone's sorrow share?
Friendly thoughts are priceless
In this world today,
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as you pass this way.



good outlook for James, so we don't know how long we have with him. No-one can tell us. Currently there is no treatment available for James so those around him are completing two sponsored bike rides for The



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Happy 65th Anniversary Muriel & Wally



Congratulations to Muriel and Wally who celebrated their 65th anniversary on June 5th. They can be seen above on their wedding day in 1948 when they were married at Biscot Trinity Church, in Luton.

They have both given much of their time and energy to help the village, and been involved in lots of committees for which the people of Slip End are very grateful.



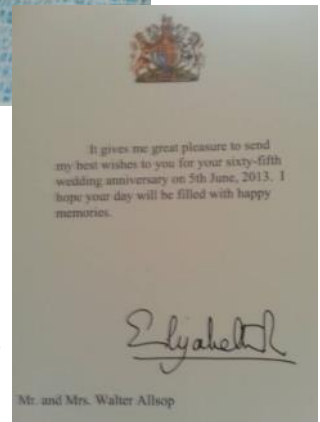
They have four sons and a daughter and a large extended family with many of them living nearby, whilst three of the sons

and three grandsons continue to work for Allsops, the building firm that was started by Wally in 1950.

They were thrilled to receive a special card from the Queen congratulating them on their 65 years of marriage, see below.



65
Sapphire
years
of
married life



Well done from all at Parish News

One by one each year flew by,
since you both said 'I do'
Sixty five years of memories,
shared by the two of you.
From big events and holidays,
to simple daily pleasures.
Some tearful times along life's way,
some joys that can't be measured.
One by one each year now gone,
but still they are yours forever.

Each and every memory,
of sixty five years together.

We started with the Annual Meeting and Christine Allsop was welcomed on to our committee. Sue Martin was again voted President, Sallie Stonestreet, Secretary and Linda Edwards, Treasurer. The rest of the committee all have duties so we should have a good year.

Andrew Davis came along from Woburn Country Foods to tell us all about the business which operates in Haynes. He told us that the W.I. helped with getting British Pork into our shops as there was opposition from other European countries. He emphasized we should all be buying British Pork. Their sausages are 80 per cent pork and beef is hung for 28 days as against 7/14 days from a supermarket. He prepared several delicious tasters of their dry cured bacon, Pork and Cumberland sausages. You will find Woburn Country Foods at our local Farmers Markets and can also purchase from Haynes and other local outlets including Frosts at Woburn.

Our competition of Your Favourite Recipe was won by Jean Ship. The Rose Bowl was presented to Sue Taylor who had the most points in our competitions for the whole year with Carol Jones coming second and Jean Ship coming third.

Members had a good day out in Staffordshire visiting the Arboretum. They found it very emotional. The staff were very hospitable and, although the day was very cold particularly on the train which took them round, they really enjoyed their cream tea later.

Our Coronation Tea Party was held on Tuesday 11th June at the Baptist Church Hall. What a wonderful occasion it was. Bunting everywhere - so many cakes we never thought we would get through them. Dennis Martin kindly showed the Queen's Coronation from the 1950's - very nostalgic for those who remember the occasion. There was a Sales Table and Raffle too. The whole hall was full of people chatting to their friends and enjoying the refreshments. A big thank you to the W.I. committee ladies, who put on a splendid display.

The Darts Team has played one match and although they lost, they are only one game down in the league. We wish you all good luck after doing so well last year.

A trip to Ashridge is planned for August together with a cream tea.

Our President, Sue Martin, went to Cardiff for the AGM. After an arduous journey they arrived at their hotel. Sue's Report contained reports on all the speakers and events. Our Resolution to keep the High Street shops open was passed. We have a new President, Janet Langley. Sue enjoyed the weekend being among 6000 other W.I. Members who sang Jerusalem at the start of the meeting. It is proposed to form a W.I. Choir from around the country.

Off the Beaten Track with Jenny Goff was our topic for June. Jenny went to China for seven months and spent a lot of time teaching English and also spent quite a time visiting other parts of the country. China is a huge country so travelling takes many days to get from one place to another. She stayed in Oiyang in the south which was very primitive. Jenny was given an apartment with a washing machine and french-style loo, and very bare necessities to live with. There are no refrigerators, heaters or luxuries at all. Because of the climate the Chinese wear coats all the time in the winter (even at school). Fresh food is bought daily. Fruit and vegetables are aplenty and chicken, eels and frogs were at the market. We saw many photos of the children at the private school together with the grandparents who look after the babies while the parents work. Education and English are the priorities. The children have names like 'dusty, sunny and windy'. No cars - just bicycles! A very interesting talk with very informative pictures.

Competition of the Prettiest Rose was won by Joanne Sherwood.

In July we have Colourful Personalities with Judy Oliver and our Competition will be a Colourful Scarf - I am sure you all have one.

If you would like to join us we meet on the third Tuesday of each month at the Baptist Church Hall starting at 7.30 p.m.

Linda Edwards

Diary Dates: 16th July:

Colourful Personalities with Judy Oliver

20th August: The Role of a Funeral Director with Malcolm Jones

17th September: Birthday Meeting



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Pub Pages



The Plough during May & June

Helen Burling celebrated her 50th Birthday Party with her friends & family. Her partner Mo had organised a surprise party for her. We arranged the music for the night which was DJ Jim Carway from Diverse FM. They enjoyed a BBQ and a Buffet. Everyone had a brilliant time. Happy 50th Birthday, Helen.

Steve 'the Lorry' also celebrated his birthday with us. Steve is a regular customer at the Plough. Doug put on a buffet and everybody had a good afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Herd from Markyate hired the marquee for their daughter's christening. The weather was great. Everyone had an enjoyable afternoon.

Mr. & Mrs. Jarvis from Markyate celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary with family. They all enjoyed a 2 course meal in the restaurant. They all said what a wonderful evening they had.

Karen Lester from Slip End organised a christening for her daughter Amy, who is the grand-daughter of David & Judy Jarvis also from Slip End. They invited 50 guests.



A finger buffet was supplied. The weather was wonderful. All had a great day.

Mr. & Mrs. Masters from Dunstable arranged a Family Sunday Lunch for Mr. Masters birthday. They have been to The Plough many

times for different occasions, and always say how nice the food is and how friendly the staff are.

We would like to wish Ann & Adrian all the best as they take over The Rising Sun.

The Rising Sun

As some of you may know The Rising Sun is now under new management and has undergone an exciting new refurbishment! Ann and Adrian the new owners are very much looking forward to meeting you all, and hope you will join them for a drink soon.



The Rising Sun will also launch a fantastic new menu in the next few weeks so keep your eyes peeled for all the latest deals and offers. Not only are Ann and Adrian planning on launching a great new menu they also have plans to showcase some great new entertainment each weekend. So lots to look forward to!

We hope to see you all soon!



I popped along to chat to Ann and Adrian recently and they have great plans for the pub and are keen to become very involved with village life. They are currently living above the premises with friend Nigel, who is helping Adrian with the renovations for the time being. In September the pub will close for a short spell while the Brewery carries out a full refit, inside and outside.

They welcome any suggestions from the parish as to what they would like, and are already planning entertainment for the weekends. Future plans include a Beer Festival, Quiz nights and even a Golf Society so do call in and say hello and give them any thoughts or ideas you might have for the future.

Sue Briggs, Editor

SEADA (Bingo)

On Saturday 8th June two coaches, with mostly Senior Citizens, left Slip End for Great Yarmouth. We enjoyed a comfort stop at the Stud at Newmarket. If you ever go that way then I can highly recommend it.

We arrived at Great Yarmouth at noon, it was cold and windy but the rain kept away. Everyone then went off to do whatever they wanted to do, meeting up at 4pm for fish, chips or salad. We left at 6pm for a nice leisurely journey home, driven by two excellent drivers.

The money that pays for the outing is raised by Bingo on a Thursday evening at the Village Hall so, if you are stuck for something to do, pop along. You will be sure of a warm welcome. Other money raising events are the car boot sale at Easter and Christmas draw.

Gillian Plummer, Secretary



1st Woodside Brownies

We have 18 girls at the moment, as this is all we are allowed with the number of helpers we have. The girls have been working hard on their Toymakers Badge with some good results. Some of the girls have also done their Cyclist and Computer badges at school. We are looking forward to our outing to Paradise Park, Broxbourne in July before we break for the holiday.

The leaders are:-

Paula Fowler (Brown Owl)
Debbie Farmer (Tawny Owl)
Gillian Plummer (Wise Owl)
Courtney Fowler (Young Leader, Baby Owl)

Gillian Plummer, Wise Owl

Farley Hill Methodist Church

'That's Entertainment' gave an excellent performance on Saturday 8th June at FHM's Buffet Concert. The group sang numbers very popular with the audience, who joined in enthusiastically. Valerie, the compere led the audience through an excellent story in support of the music. Lord Bill McKenzie of Luton proposed the vote of thanks to the cast and Reverend Julie Bradshaw thanked the team of helpers for the excellent buffet. Rose Orumy presented Lady McKenzie with a bouquet of flowers.

Gill Jardine's cottage pie was well received at the June Lunch Club where John and Molly Hawley were congratulated on 61 years married bliss. Molly received flowers from Ken. July Lunch Club on Wednesday 10th 12.30 for 1pm is ploughman's and salad followed by fresh fruit salad and cream. £3.50 and free raffle ticket.

On Saturday 13th July 7pm the Annual Charity Concert takes place - this year FOOD BANK is the chosen charity. Luton's new Mayor Councillor Sheila Roden will be present with dignitaries and representatives of Food Bank. The Bedfordshire Police Choir will, as usual, 'do the honours'. Admission, as for the first concert eleven years ago £3.00 and £2.00 concession. There will be a retiring collection for those who can pay more.

The excitement over the Annual Mystery Tour is building up. Where to this year? No clues from Ken except advice to make sure passports are up to date. *Ken Cameron*
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for more photos and report
to follow next issue

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

JULY

Mon 1st Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7:00pm
Sat 6th Tropical Luau at Slip End School 1 to 3.30pm
Tues 9th CPG Meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm
Mon 15th Gardening Club—Visiting Speaker Village Hall 8pm
Tues 16th Camera Club at Social Club 7.30pm
Caddington WI Baptist Hall Colourful Personalities 7:30pm
Sun 21st Gardening Club Garden Visit meet Rising Sun Car Park 1:30pm

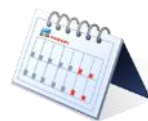
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No Parish Council meeting in August / No CPG meeting in August
Sun 11th Gardening Club Garden Visit meet Rising Sun Car Park 1:30pm
Tues 20th W. I The Role of a Funeral Director — Baptist Hall 7.30

SEPT

Sun 1st Gardening Club Garden Visit meet Rising Sun Car Park 1:30pm
Mon 2nd Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7:00pm
Tues 10th CPG Meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm
Mon 16th Gardening Club -Visiting Speaker Village Hall 8pm
Tues 17th Caddington WI Baptist Hall 7:30pm Birthday Meeting
27th Harvest Supper—Village Hall details TBC

31st Oct & 1st Nov Space Academy Holiday Club St Andrew's Church



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