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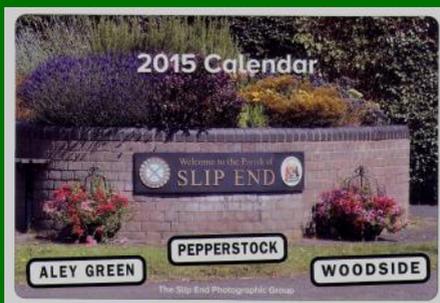
December

2014

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November has been a busy month!



Editors' Notes

Another year almost gone - the Parish News Committee would like to wish its readers a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Peaceful New Year. If you are going away, enjoy the break and if you are staying at home there is lots going on in the Parish.

This year has seen us welcome Harpers Foods to the village, which has been a great addition here, and the run-down premises of the old Half Moon has been revitalised. It is good to be able to pop down for a quick cuppa and a chat with friends, and do a bit of shopping at the same time. The council has finally started the work on the new road layout and we hope that will make a big difference to the village and slow the traffic down and make it a safer place to live. The dreadful state of Summer Street and New Street is currently being improved, which will make a big difference to its residents.

At the same time it has been very sad to lose important people from the village and some of our oldest residents. We do hope you will all continue to help the families who are still suffering; the first year without loved ones is a very difficult one. We are thinking of you.

Don't forget there is no issue in January—the editors have a well-earned break! We will publish a selection of Christmas themed pictures for you in February.



Places to go and things to do

As Christmas approaches you may find you have some free time - assuming you've managed your Christmas shopping. Here are a few suggestions. How about a trip to Waddesdon Manor, National Trust property the other side of Aylesbury. They have themed Christmas decorations in the house and a light trail in the garden. They are even open late evenings on Friday, Saturday and Sunday during December.

Why not get some fresh air and exercise and go for a walk. We have plenty of lovely countryside near us. Dunstable Downs, Ivinghoe Beacon and for a short walk you can head to and around Stockwood Park and treat yourself to a coffee at the Discovery Centre during opening hour. If you want to go further afield and like Paddington Bear there are 50 decorated Paddington Bear statues around London and there are trails to follow on the Visit London website. Some are around the Oxford Street area so you could even tie a trail in with looking at the Christmas lights.

Laughter

For many years two ladies who had a great love of theatre, used to hold rehearsals for their young charge in a rather run-down Church hall. Making sure the children could be heard was always a problem. "Now, remember to speak up," said one, "because my Granny's sitting right at the back and she is a little hard of hearing." What she did not expect was this quick reply, "Well, why doesn't your Granny just come and sit at the front?"

Sue Briggs (joint editor)

Remembrance

We were welcomed in Church on the 9th November by Danielle and Jack Kelly In their uniforms for the Remembrance Service at St Andrew's Church.



Linda Allnut leading the young Beavers



Many of our local councillors were there to lay wreaths after the Act of Remembrance when the names from the War Memorial were read out. Derrick Worsley looked very smart and it was very important to see our senior

citizens and the young members of the Church alongside the Brownies and Beavers and Sea Scouts who paraded and presented flags.



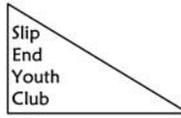
They shall grow not old,
as we that are left
grow old:
Age shall not weary
them,
nor the years
condemn.
At the going down of
the sun
and in the morning,

**WE WILL
REMEMBER THEM**





Slip End & District Community Projects Group (CPG)



The Youth Club has finished now until 2015. Thank you to our Volunteer Youth Workers Caroline,

Lise, Zoe, Ursula, Martin & Sejal for your commitment and hard work this last year. The club's final outing is on the 18th of this month to The Grove Theatre in Dunstable to see Robin Hood & Babes in The Wood. 29 Tickets sold out within weeks! Have a great night.

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



Christmas Gift - My thanks to the volunteers within the CPG who will be delivering the 218 tins of biscuits to our parishioners over the age of 65 who have lived in the Parish for 5 years or more, we could not have done it without you!

Andy & Debbie Prothero, Carol Beeton, Rosemary Wickens, Carolyn Martin, Veronica Williams, Simon & Carol Patterson, Pete Smith, Lise Poultney, and my other half Rob who gets roped in to all sorts!

And a BIG thank you to Paul Cooper & Gary from Holdsworth Foods for sourcing the biscuits for us.



Christmas Tree Light Switch On
We will be switching on the Christmas Tree Lights on December 6th at the Village Hall—keep an eye out for it!

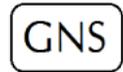
Santa's Post Box will be sited at the Social Club - children, bring along your letter to post so Santa knows what you want for Christmas.

And finally....

Thanks to everyone for your support in 2014. I hope you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2015.

**Merry
Christmas**

Sarah Minnighan - CPG Chairman



The Good Neighbour Scheme is having its Christmas Party on

Wednesday 10th December at the Village Hall. They've had a great year and still have plenty of volunteers waiting to help, so please don't think that you are not entitled, give them a call!

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Slip End Photography Group 2015 Calendar is now available! See the article in this edition for more details. It's available to buy for £4 and showcases the club's work

brilliantly.

Contact Carol Payne to purchase - carolyn_payne@btconnect.com.

For membership information call Norman Homewood on 01582 452851



Find us, 'like' us and be kept up to date with information about the parish - ***Slip End Parish Community page.***

The parish **website** is a great source of information on clubs, groups, local news etc - check it out at



www.slipend.co.uk



Its been a busy few weeks at the Caddington Community Centre checking and packing shoeboxes and we have completed three thousand boxes at the time of going to print! The boxes have been collected from all over Luton, Dunstable and St Albans.

Shoebox Sunday went well at St Andrew's Church and the children

couldn't

wait to make up their boxes.

The youth group also

did boxes on their Friday meeting and the local schools have also joined in the campaign so a big thank you to everyone who has made a box, contributed fillers or money towards the transport costs and to all the volunteers who have turned up at the warehouse.



are both excited, yet quite apprehensive about our trip there to help with the distribution of boxes. I will be reporting back in the February issue of Parish News to you all and will no doubt have a collection of photos to show at some stage



Amanda Dervley and I have completed our visa's for Belarus and we are on countdown mode until January 13th We



Volunteers from Heathfields

Sue Briggs

Dates for St Andrew's Church—December and January

Sun 7th: 10.30am: Cafe Church – Christingle (band)
 Sun 7th: 3.00pm: Bereavement Service (organ & singers)
 Sun 14th: 10.30am: Holy Communion – John the Baptist leads the way
 Sun 14th: 4.00pm: Family Carol Service (band)
 Tues 16th: 11am: Caddington Hall care home service
 Fri 19th: 2pm: Woodside care home service
 Sun 21st: 10.30am: Nativity
 Sun 21st: 6.00pm: Candlelit Carol Service (organ & singers)
 Weds 24th: 11.15pm: Midnight Communion (organ)
 Thurs 25th: 10.30am: Christmas Praise (organ)
 Sun 28th: 10.30am: Morning Praise – The word became flesh (Band)

January 2015

Sun 4th: 10.30am: Informal Communion – Wise Men Worship (musicians)
 Sun 11th: 10.30am: Morning Praise – Jesus is baptised (organ & singers)
 Sun 18th: 10.30am: Holy Communion – Jesus Adored
 Sun 25th: 10.30am: Morning Praise – St Paul is converted (Band)

Little Stars for December

Weds 3rd: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30am start:

Little Stars: Christmas Story - Angels

Weds 10th: Little Stars: Christmas Story - Shepherds

Weds 17th: Little Stars: Visit to Woodside Care Home

Weds 24th: (No meeting)

Weds 31st: (No meeting)



Little Stars for January 2015

Weds 7th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30am start:

Little Stars: Wise Men

Weds 14th: Little Stars: Old Testament Folk - Mordecai

Weds 21st: Little Stars: Old Testament Folk - Enoch

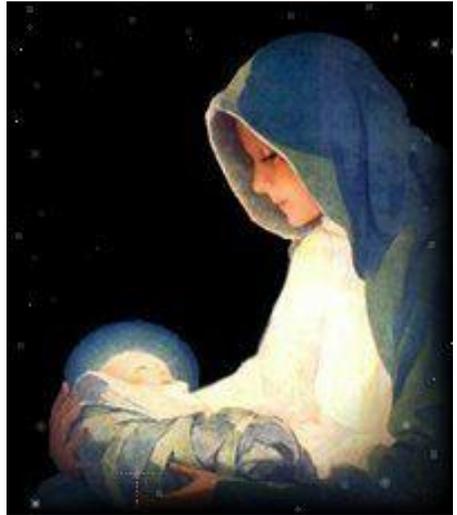
Weds 28th: Little Stars: Old Testament Folk - Jabez

**Little Singing Stars meet Tuesday mornings
at 10am prompt**

News from Cathy Pullinger

Dear all,

Once again we are looking forward to Christmas – that time when we celebrate the fact that God loves us so much that he sent his son Jesus into the world to be our Saviour. There is some national publicity material for Christmas that has been produced by the church for local churches to use which says Christmas begins with Christ.



Happy Christmas and God's blessings for the New Year,

Cathy and all at St. Andrew's

The word "Christmas" begins with Christ, and the festival begins with Christ. With Christ our celebrations are full of meaning and joy. I can think of nothing better to celebrate than the knowledge that God cares about our everyday lives so much that he came to share in them – to experience normal human life in Jesus. He is with us in the frustrations, the traumas, the misunderstandings as well as the richness of family life.

I urge you, don't let this Christmas get swallowed up with the wrappings of the celebration whilst losing the joy of the gift. We have lots of services at St. Andrew's over the Christmas period – you will be very welcome if you wish to come and remember why we have a Christmas, how it all began and celebrate with us, the birth of our Saviour.

Friendship Book of 1995

I dreamt of a world without sorrow,
I dreamt of a world without hate,
I dreamt of a world of rejoicing,
And I woke to find Christ at my gate.

I dreamt of a world without hunger,
I dreamt of a world without war,
I dreamt of a world full of loving,
And I woke to find Christ at my door.

I dreamt of a world without anger,
I dreamt of a world without pride,
I dreamt of a world of compassion,
And I woke to find Christ at my side.

I dreamt of this world of tomorrow,
I dreamt of this world set apart,
I dreamt of this world full of glory,
And I woke to find Christ in my heart.

by Francis Gay

Slip End Parish Council

Icy Roads, Snow, Sleet...the bad weather could be on its way but our gritter will be out in force!

A couple of years ago Slip End Parish Council and Caddington Parish Council made a joint purchase of a road gritter that can be attached to a vehicle to distribute salt on untreated roads.

The gritting will be done again this year if and when the weather calls for it; our joint aim being to grit the side roads, closes, avenues and streets that would not be treated by Central Bedfordshire Council.

Please Note: the gritting the two Parishes do is an ad hoc service which is outside of Central Bedfordshire's winter road maintenance programme and is not designed or intended to replace or supplement it.

Central Bedfordshire's Council salting network has been created so that roads carrying the highest amount of traffic, the highest risk of traffic and the highest risk of accidents are treated. In the event of snow, roads will be cleared by Central Bedfordshire Council according to these priorities.

For more information look on Central Bedfordshire Council's web page at <http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/travelling/roads-safety-and-highways/gritting-and-snow/default.aspx>

Helpdesk is 0300 300 8049

or e-mail them at

highways@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

New Street and Summer Street

The work has finally begun on re-laying the roads of New street and Summer Street. It has been a bit of a nuisance, especially when we were more or less housebound on one of the days but it did make a change to walk around the village instead



of driving everywhere! It will be great when it is finished!

Slip End Parish Crime Statistics for October 2014

Violence Against the Person – 1
Domestic Burglary – 2
Burglary Other - 0 Vehicle Crime - 2
Other Theft – 1
Criminal Damage – 1 Drugs – 0
Total – 7

ASB - 1 Violence Against the Person: Domestic related - no further details appropriate

Domestic Burglary: 1) Access via rear patio door and messy search conducted. Cash, Jewellery and Electronic items stolen (20/10/2014)
2) Access via forcing rear door whilst occupants on holiday. Tidy search and cash stolen. (27-30/10/2014)
Theft of Motor Vehicle – Vehicle Stolen while locked and secured in Front Street. Theft from Motor Vehicle - Front number plate removed. Other Theft – Theft of Pedal Cycle Criminal Damage – Damage to a car caused at Air parks while owner was away.



Charitable Giving

This term the whole school community has worked together to support a range of different charities.

On Remembrance Day, the children and staff gathered in the school hall for a special assembly. We watched a video of the 'Poppy Girls' singing their poignant, heart-warming song 'No Need to Say Goodbye', wore our poppies and held a two minute silence at 11am. Children belonging to Rainbows, Beavers, Brownies and Cubs also wore their uniforms to school.

Operation Christmas Child is once again being supported at Slip End Lower School this year. Shoe boxes filled with gifts have already begun to arrive at school and it is exciting to think that our boxes, along with hundreds of others will very soon be on their way to delight children in Belarus this Christmas.

Children in Need brought smiles and laughter to Slip End. Everyone dressed in Superhero costumes and donated money to this well supported and much loved charity. The above photograph shows our Year 4 class with 'Batman' – their teacher for the day!

It is essential that children grow up valuing the importance of helping others...as a community, we are certainly preparing them well.

Amanda Howes, Head of School

News from CVS December 2014



nativity, pupils will attend the church for a Christmas service and the choir has also represented the school at the Dunstable candlelight procession. We hope that you will have time to enjoy the stained glass houses which Nursery to Year 2 created and will be appearing very soon in the "Town and Country" window.

When we asked some of our pupils what Christmas means to them, these are some of their responses:

- ◆ *Christmas to me is a time when I get to see all my friends and family and appreciate the presents that I get.*
- ◆ *Christmas means something special to people and makes people smile a lot.*
- ◆ *I love Christmas because it's a time when you get to spend time with your family and give presents.*
- ◆ *I have a nice time playing with my new toys*
- ◆ *Christmas means to me that Jesus is born.*
- ◆ *Christmas is a joyful time for special people (everyone!)*
- ◆ *Christmas means to me that we get presents because the Wise Men gave Jesus presents when he was born.*

With these thoughts in mind all staff and pupils would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas.

It only seems like yesterday that the term started and here we are getting ready for Christmas. This term has, as ever, been immensely busy and extremely fruitful. It never seems to amaze us how generous our parents and pupils are. We have raised nearly £2000 since September for charities such as Macmillan Cancer, Genes for Jeans, Children in Need and The British Red Cross, as well as collecting shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

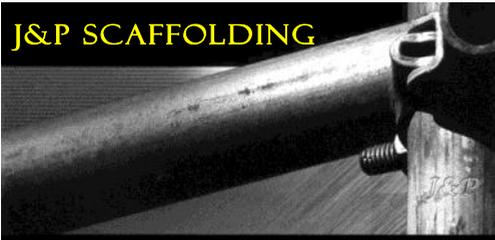
The Friends of Caddington Village School have donated computer Tablets to the school to enable our now famous Maths app to be used by even more children, as well as allowing other programs and more learning to take place. They tirelessly continue to raise money through such events as the fantastic Fireworks display and the Christmas Fayre.

We continue to be the school at the heart of the community, our pupils have been at both Remembrance services this year, the band played at the Fireworks, the choir sung at the Village light switch on, residents from Manor Court will be coming into school to watch the Reception classes

Rowena Baldwin with her class



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Tower of London poppies

everyone who receives a poppy is pleased with it.

I'm sure you have all seen the press about the beautiful ceramic poppies at the Tower of London and hopefully some of you have been along to see them for yourselves. This was a very brave and amazing project and became a sight to behold. 888,246 deep red handmade poppies, created a touching visual commemoration for the First World War Centenary. Each individual poppy representing a life lost in WW1. The planting began on 05 August this year and was finished by 11 November 2014. The amazing spectacle was entitled "Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red" and was positioned in the Tower of London's famous dry moat.



The chance to be so close to this beautiful exhibition was an amazing experience for us both. The team we were involved with had travelled from as far as Portsmouth and Chester. We even heard that some previous poppy pickers had come from as far away as Canada and even Australia!



On Monday, 17th November my friend Bev and I became two of the many thousands of privileged people chosen to go to the Tower to begin the mammoth task of carefully removing the poppies. We arrived at the Tower at our allotted time and underwent our Health and Safety briefing by one of the Historical Palaces staff. After being given our safety equipment of goggles and sturdy gloves we were taken to a very muddy moat to begin our session of carefully taking up each poppy and dismantling it ready to be sent to its new owner. To be able to be a part of this incredible project was so humbling. I hope

If you were one of the lucky people quick enough to purchase a poppy, I am sure you will not be disappointed, they are absolutely beautiful, quite heavy and very individual.

All the poppies were carefully pulled up, the stalks dismantled and all carefully loaded into boxes to be sent away for cleaning, re-assembling and finally being sent out. Perhaps if you are expecting a poppy, you could send the Parish News a picture!



Fiona Bloomfield

Slip End Gardening Club

Our last garden visit of the year on 12 October was to Acer Corner, Wendover. It was a Garden Designer's garden with a Japanese influence and large collection of Japanese maples. The enclosed front garden was Japanese in style, with lots of "Niger" bamboo. The back garden was divided into 3 areas: patio area surrounded by roses; densely planted area with many acers and roses; and the corner which included a productive greenhouse and interesting planting.



Ever wondered where to recycle those plastic plant pots? Previously the Wyevale Garden Centre, Tring, took them but alas no longer. They can be recycled at the following places:-

Harpenden Council Tip, Darkes Lane, Southdown

Dobbies Garden Centre, Bletchley

Frosts Garden Centre, Woburn Sands

Wyevale Garden Centre, Woburn Sands

GARDENING CLUB

Monday 19th January

8pm Village Hall

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Guests/Visitors £2 each

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in our Oak Function Room on:

Friday 28th November

Saturday 29th November

Friday 5th December

Saturday 6th December



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Christmas Poultry

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Caddington Village School places the highest priority on the safeguarding and welfare of children and this post is subject to an enhanced DBS disclosure check.



Patchwork and Quilting Classes.

729192 if you would like to come along and need more information.

Two years ago I completed my first Patchwork Quilt, which I might add holds pride of place in my spare bedroom. It all began with a few sewing classes and with the help and guidance of fellow quilters. I achieved much more than I thought I was capable of, and needless to say since then I have been hooked on sewing.

If you are interested in learning how to Patchwork and Quilt why not come along to a sewing group. There will be classes for beginners starting with the basics cutting and sewing and leading on to more advanced skills as you progress. The classes will begin the third Thursday in January 2015 (weather permitting) at 10.30am till 12.30pm at a cost of £10.50p per session which will entitle you to stay until 4pm to continue your own work if you would like to. So even if you are not a beginner why not come and join us.



Teresa Willson.

Edible Cleaners!

Get gleaming pans with ketchup

Rub a thin layer of ketchup on dull or tarnished copper or stainless steel pans. Leave for 30 minutes and then wipe off with a soft cloth.



Vinegar shines your shower



Mix pure white vinegar with same amount of water and pour into a spray bottle. Spray onto surface and wipe clean. (only use white vinegar and do not use on stone finishes, bronze or copper)

Goodbye to grease with a grapefruit

Cut a grapefruit in half, dip the cut end into salt and scrub the bottom of your greasy oven.



You can also use it on dirt-encrusted oven trays. Layers of grease instantly lifted!



The classes will be held at the Methodist Church Hall, North Driftway, Farley Hill, Luton.

You know what they say a "Stitch in time saves nine" but in this case more than nine and you can create something wonderful. Please contact Karen Harrop on 01582

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Caddington W.I. Editorial

We had an Open Evening in October and it was nice to see some menfolk join us.

Debby Horsman spoke to us about Shackleton's Forgotten Men and gave a real insight into what really happened with this expedition to Antarctica. Debby's story related to A. P. Spencer Smith who was distantly related to her - her grandfather's uncle - and this family relationship encouraged her to follow up the whole expedition. She has broken the expedition down into three stories of which we heard the one affecting A.P. as she called him. The arduous task of raising money, getting food and supplies ready, the weather conditions, lack of suitable clothing etc. caused a serious amount of grueling hardship to the expedition. This part of the expedition was not widely publicised.

To lighten up, our darts team is playing very well and winning several of their matches. Go, go, girls!

Put into your diaries Tuesday 2nd December when we are being entertained by The Dunstable Ladies Choir. This will be a light hearted evening warming us up ready for Christmas. Tickets are £4 each on the night and there will be our usual refreshments with cakes.

There are several interesting things to do and see during December and sees us with our usual Group Xmas event and social evening for all.

Christmas Wishes to you all.

We meet on the third Tuesday of each month at the Baptist Church Hall at 7.30 pm Do join us - you will be made very welcome.

Linda Edwards

Dates for the Diary:

16th December.....Social Evening

20th January 2015.....Palmistry for
Fun with Sylvia Kidby

Teddy Bear Line Competition

In last month's issue you may remember a picture of a model church. The model was built to add to the scenery and background for our garden railway.



The Teddy Bear Line is so named due to the small 8" bears which can be found riding around the garden in the trucks. We started with two or three and now have a larger collection (and more trucks to carry them). We asked for topical suggestions for names. There were a couple of replies as well as some on the line's Facebook page .



The winning name is St Theodore's. Theodore (Teddy) Roosevelt gave his name for use in naming the Teddy Bear. Another interesting suggestion was St Ursula's. Ursa means bear in Latin thus Ursula is little bear. It was a close run thing but those who helped vote for the winning name thought that the second option would require too many explanations!

Well done to Mary Barker who came up with the winning name. A suitable prize will be forthcoming shortly.

Alison Wilson

Neighbourhood Watch - Christmas Is Coming!

Christmas is coming folks! Tree's are going up, decorations are being hung, presents and being bought. This time of year we are all potentially more vulnerable to burglary, so here's a few tips to help keep your home safe this festive season:

Light Up Your Home

The days are shorter, burglars now have an increased window of opportunity to break in under the cover of darkness. Leave lights on, buy plug-in timers, invest in motion sensor outside lights. Light is great for deterring thieves and keeping them away from your property

Don't Invite Burglars Through Open

Windows and Doors

Before going to bed, make sure you secure all of the windows and doors in your home, this may mean switching the Christmas lights off, but it's just whilst you sleep. Outside Christmas lights are powered by an extension cord from the inside of the house, meaning a window will need to be ajar throughout the night to keep the lights running. Burglars have come to understand this, and may target these types of property more often.

Don't Showboat Your Possessions

Make sure anything of value, especially laptops/iPads/tablets, and also that Christmas presents, are kept away from the windows and out of site of any passers by. Your house is like a shop window to thieves. Also one thing many homeowners forget is that bins are an easy way of telling what's inside the home, or what somebody has got for Christmas. If you do happen to have packaging keep it inside until you can properly dispose of it.

Prepare Before Taking a Trip

Christmas is the time to see friends and spend quality time with family and it's common for homeowners to leave their homes unattended for a long period of time over the Christmas period. Try to make it look like somebody is still in the home. If you aren't friendly with your neighbour, try to be. It is good practice for you to ask them to clear any post left outside your front door and even park one of their cars on your driveway whilst you are away, giving the illusion that somebody is in the house.

Stay Smart

Make sure you are being smart with your property. If you have sliding doors or latch locks, make sure they are fully secured with additional lock systems, as these types of doors are some of the easiest to pick and enter without force.

Don't leave a key out for your family or friends. As convenient as it may be it's not worth the cost of replacing stolen goods from your home. Burglars have been checking under plant pots, doormats or any kind of garden furniture to find a key to the house for decades.

If you do see something that makes you stop and think then you call the non-emergency Police number 101 or if it's an emergency, 999.

Remember - If it looks wrong, it probably is wrong!



Public notice – Introduction of Dog Control Orders by Central Bedfordshire Council

1. Introduction

Central Bedfordshire Council (the Council) seeks to promote responsible dog ownership. They recognise that the vast majority of dog owners are caring and considerate as to the effect their dog has on others. One of the key issues in relation to promoting responsible dog ownership is tackling the problem of dog fouling – allowing a dog to foul and not clearing up after it.

The existing legislative framework concerning dog control and dog fouling is fragmented, limited in scope, and not fit for purpose e.g. significant types of land are not covered, or are covered by old bye-laws that are difficult to enforce and where a Fixed Penalty Notice cannot be issued.

2. Dog Control Orders

The Council consulted widely on introducing a range of new Dog Control Orders that are designed to meet local needs and that provide more flexibility in promoting responsible dog ownership. **The Council has made the following Dog Control Orders which came into force on 19 October 2014:**

1. The Fouling of Land by Dogs (Central Bedfordshire) Order 2014

This order will make it an offence for a person in charge of a dog to fail to remove dog foul.

2. The Dogs on Leads (Central Bedfordshire) Order 2014

This order will make it an offence for a person in charge of a dog to fail to ensure that it is on a lead of no more than 2 metres on any land to which this order applies.

3. The Dogs on Leads by Direction (Central Bedfordshire) Order 2014

This order will make it an offence for a person in charge of a dog to fail to put that dog on a lead, and keep it on a lead, by direction of an authorised Council officer, dog warden, site manager or park ranger.

4. The Dogs Exclusion (Central Bedfordshire) Order 2014

This order will make it an offence for a person in charge of a dog to permit the dog to enter or remain in an exclusion area.

Dog Control Orders provide exemptions in particular cases for registered blind people, deaf people, and for other people with disabilities who make use of trained assistance dogs. Additionally no offence will be committed if a person has a reasonable excuse for failing to comply with an order, or the person in control of the land has consented to his failing to do so.

The penalty for committing an offence contained in a Dog Control Order is a fine: alternatively the opportunity to pay a Fixed Penalty Notice of £80 may be offered in place of prosecution that can be reduced to £50 if paid within 14 days.

These orders seek to strike a balance between the interests of those in charge of dogs and those affected by the activities of dogs, bearing in mind the need for people, in particular children, to have access to dog-free areas and areas where dogs are kept under proper control, and the need for those in charge of dogs to have access to areas where they can exercise their dogs without undue restriction. It also recognises that any order made requires enforcement, and that the Council has a limited amount of resource available for this purpose. Enforcement will be carried out by authorised Council officers, dog wardens, and countryside site managers and park rangers.

Signs will be erected to advise those in charge of dogs of the relevant restrictions in their locality.

The Orders may be inspected by arrangement at The Council Offices, Watling House, High Street North, Dunstable, or copies obtained, by writing to Steve Barrett, Community Safety Operations Manager, at the above address; or by telephone by calling 0300 300 5639



THE CHRISTMAS ALPHABET GAME

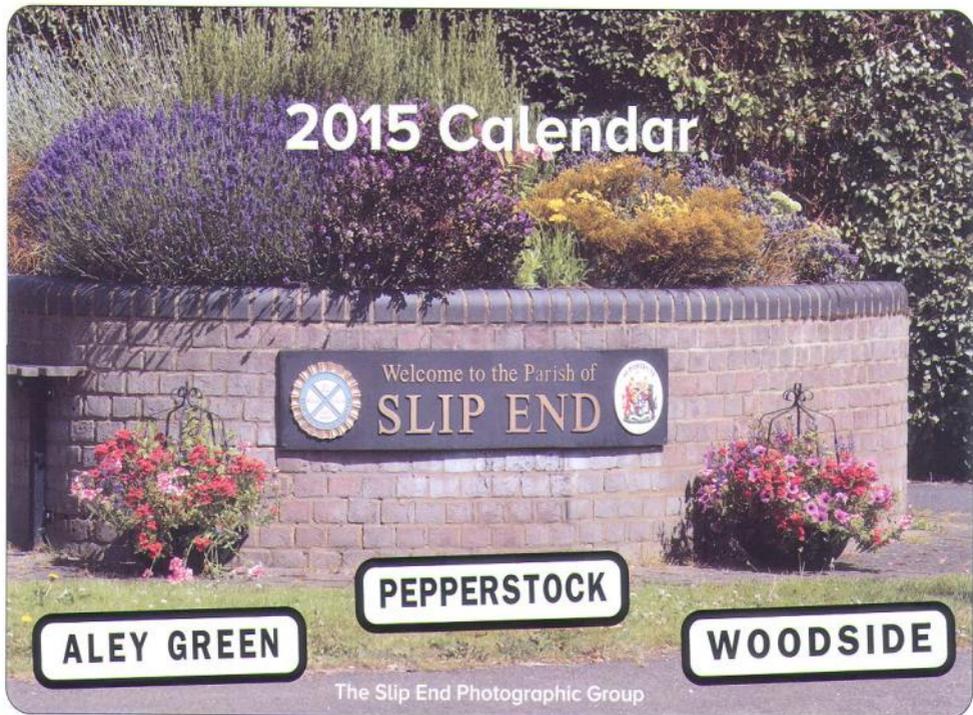
The answers follow the letters of the alphabet from A to Z with the answer to No 1 starting with an A and No 26 starting with a Z. Have fun!

1. The first witnesses to the miracle of Christmas
2. Heard in churches on Christmas day
3. Used in both decoration and illumination
4. What little girls may like to find under the tree
5. What we all do too often at Christmas
6. Where the stockings should be hung
7. What everyone should have for everyone else
8. Traditional Christmas decoration
9. We like real ones outside and artificial ones on the tree
10. Santa is supposed to be this
11. What a German child calls Santa Claus
12. Christmas parcels, when mailed. should always be
13. Girls like to stand under it
14. They get cracked during the Christmas baking
15. We gather around it to sing carols
16. St. Nick carries it
17. When kids are waiting for Santa they are
18. There are supposed to be eight of them
19. The old guy himself
20. The main course at dinner
21. At Christmas, it's a lucky child who has a rich
22. Beside turkey, we like a variety of
23. We hang it on the front door
24. Abbreviation for Christmas
25. In England, they always brought one home for Christmas
26. The way some folks walk after an overdose of Christmas spirits



Answers at the end of the Parish News





The Slip End Photographic Group has produced a 2015 Calendar for the Parish. The photos in the calendar were taken by members of the group in and around the Parish, except for one or two that were selected specially.

There are three or four pictures per month along with a page for notes and diary events. We tried to allow every member to be represented with at least one picture and hope that people will enjoy spotting the locations around our villages. The picture shows the front cover.



If you would like to look at or purchase a copy of the calendar (price £4) speak to anyone you know who is a member of the group, or contact Carolyn Payne: by email at Carolyn.payne@btconnect.com or telephone, 01582 733082



Aley Green Church

Services and Diary dates for December & January

Tuesday 2nd

7.30pm Bible Study - Rev Bob Forrest

Sunday 7th

Advent 2

11.00am Morning Service - Rev Bob Forrest

11.00am Sunday School Communion

Tuesday 9th

10.00am/12.00pm 'Cakes & Company'

Charitree Festival

Friday 12th 5.30pm - 8pm

Saturday 13th 11.00am - 4pm

Bacon Butties, Light Lunches, Tea & Coffee

Sunday 14th 2.00pm - 3.45pm

4.00pm Nativity Service

Rev Jenny Spouge

Monday 15th

7.00pm Fellowship Meeting

Led by Mike Bull then Refreshments

Thursday 18th

7.00pm Ecumenical Carol Singing on
The Village Green Caddington

Sunday 21st

Advent 4

11.00am Morning Service - Karen Drayton

11.00am Sunday School & Youth Group

Tuesday 23rd

7.30pm Carol Service Rev Phil Horner
Offering for Action for Children

Wednesday 25th

9.30am Christmas Morning Service
Led by Jean Forrest

Sunday 28th

No Service or Sunday School

2015 Sunday 4th

January Christmas 2

11.00am Morning Service -Covenant
Rev John Palmer

11.00am Sunday School & Youth Group

Tuesday 6th

7.30pm Bible Study - Group Discussion

Sunday 11th

11.00am Morning Service - Lesley Hopwood

11.00am Sunday School & Youth Group

Tuesday 13th

10.00am/12.00pm 'Cakes & Company'

Sunday 18th

11.00am Morning Service - Steve Rogers

11.00am Sunday School & Youth Group

4.00pm Ecumenical Service for Christian
Unity Rev Phil Horner

Monday 19th

7.00pm Fellowship Meeting

Led by Mike Bull

Sunday 25th

11.00am Morning Service - Steve Jones

11.00am Sunday School & Youth Group

In October we were busy packing shoe boxes to send to Link of Hope. We managed to send 49 boxes and raised the postage of £2 per box with a yard sale £70 and donations. The October Coffee Evening raised £45 for Keech Hospice Care.

Thank you to those of you who came to our Autumn Fayre, it was a sunny day and lots of people called in to browse and have refreshments. A total of £746 was raised towards the running of our church.

The Aley Green Preserve team has been hard at work stocking up for our Plot to Pot talks and various preserve stalls. We have a lovely selection of Christmas lines, ideal for Christmas gifts. Call in and choose from 10 varieties of Marmalade, flavoursome Jam, hot sweet and medium Chutneys, Jellies and of course our famous Piccalilli!!

We hope you will join us at our Christmas services and events, a warm welcome assured. With your help our church will be supporting 14 charities over the festive season May God grant you peace and joy this Christmas.

A Happy New Year from
all at Aley Green

God Bless You All from Team
Aley Green

Ann Meader



Aley Green Ladies with their produce at the Monday Coffee morning at Caddington Community Centre



Aley Green Methodist Church

Charitree Festival

Friday 12th December -
Sunday 14th December

Friday 5.30—8pm
Saturday 11—4pm
(Lunches, teas, cakes
Jams, chutneys)
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Sunday 2—3.45pm
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Gardening

Nearly Christmas folks, seems to come around quicker each year! November was fairly mild and the early part dry so hopefully you are up to date in the garden and can relax and enjoy the run up to Christmas, if not, there are a few things you could be doing.

Although difficult to do much in the garden at this time of year, if the weather is dry continue digging vacant ground and tidy up beds and borders. Prepare a site for runner beans by digging a trench and fill with alternate layers of manure, compost and soil, when full cover with soil and mark out with something so you know where it is.

Lag outdoor taps and drain hoses and spray guns until dry to prevent frost damage. If we have heavy falls of snow this winter knock the snow off the branches of trees and shrubs to prevent them from breaking under the weight of the snow. If you haven't done so already clean and lubricate mowers before putting away for the winter.

Damp leading to botrytis/mildew is the major problem in the greenhouse, so ventilate on dry days and reduce any watering to the absolute minimum.

Spray fruit trees with a tar-oil winter wash this month or next to kill eggs of pests laid earlier in the year. Tar-oil can be sprayed on all fruit except strawberries. Keep a check for mice damage amongst stored fruit and vegetables and also amongst autumn sown peas and broad beans and take appropriate action.

Remove fallen leaves from alpines and rockeries, fork over between plants with a hand fork and remove weeds. Sweet peas started under glass will require the

tips pricking out above the second or third pair of leaves to encourage side shoots to develop before planting out in the spring. Examine dahlia tubers, if shrivelled plunge in tepid water overnight and if any are starting to rot cut off damaged part and dust with flowers of sulphate.

Recycle as much waste as you can on the compost heap and burn any woody matter that won't break down, **but check carefully for hibernating hedgehogs before starting a bonfire.**

The seed catalogues are available now but remember, it is first come first served so get that order in as soon as possible. Remember when comparing a modern F1 hybrid against an older open pollinated type that the F1 will always mature in the same week, whereas the open pollinated varieties will crop over several weeks.

It's time to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, see you in February

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News from Woodside Home

Woodside Christmas preparations

The time of year is here again. The Christmas trees will be brought out and dusted down to be adorned with sparkling delights that our residents can enjoy. The Christmas cakes have been made and a new nativity scene is ready to stand in splendour.

We have a few treats lined up for our residents to be involved in .

On Wednesday 26th November we had an Elf and Father Christmas knocking at our door with members of the youth club to sing carols and start the process of dressing the tree. On Friday 12th December we have a pianist coming to entertain us for an hour and families and friends will be invited to join in the Christmas party fun.

On the 17th Little Stars will visit us and we look forward to welcoming them.

On Sunday 21st residents will have the opportunity to go to the Nativity Play at the church.at 10.30am.

Cathy at the vicarage will be inviting residents to an afternoon tea and I know some are looking forward to a date being confirmed.

Our dedicated nurses and care staff team want to wish all in the community a very Happy Christmas and thank you for their continuing goodwill towards us. A Happy Christmas and love from all our residents.

Janet Crawley



**Come along and meet
Jason Cunningham
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Read about Jason's latest fight under the Social Club news, later in this edition.



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Total amount raised on the fun day in August for cystic fibrosis was a £3,000

Entertainment for December

Saturday 6th Sons of the Late Connell

Friday 12th Tributes David Bowie Act

Saturday 13th Karaoke with Jema

Saturday 20th Banned

Wednesday 24th Disco with Martin

New Years Eve is a Bond theme night and we will have a Casino — Dress as a character from any Bond movie

We are now taking bookings for Christmas parties. Christmas Menus are now available so pop in and see them or visit our website

Adrian Ann and all the Girls would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas



The Plough

Firstly we would like to wish all of our customers a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

We would like to apologise to Margaret Duncan and Lynda Wyres for not

acknowledging that they were runners up in the Dominos league last year which they have reminded us about....many times! Lynda has been promised a trophy which would be in keeping with a runners up trophy and not a key ring which she is still waiting for!

Our thoughts are with the family of Fred Bodkin from Pepperstock, who sadly passed away in early November. Family and friends came to The Plough after the funeral service for a buffet and to remember the happy times and memories they shared with Fred.

Emma Buglar celebrated her 30th Birthday here with family and friends; they enjoyed a buffet and DJ. They all enjoyed the evening and celebrations! Happy 30th Birthday Emma!

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We would like to wish two of our staff members, Steph Stevens and Alisha Durant a Happy 18th Birthday! Also a Goodbye and Good Luck to Star Fitzpatrick who worked with Doug in the kitchen and has now left to work fulltime elsewhere.

It was also nice to see the church group of 20 persons from Aley Green for lunch in late October. Everyone said how much they enjoyed their food and service. We hope to see you all in the future.
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Slip End Social Club.

We can't believe it's that time of year already and we have a busy but exciting few weeks planned for the festive period.

Our entertainment starts at the children's Christmas party Sunday 14th December, a reminder to members who have purchased a ticket that we start at 5pm.

Our Christmas bingo for our members is on Wednesday 17th December. If you would like to play and join in every Wednesday ask at the bar for a membership form.

Christmas Eve entertainment is Jump and Jive disco where everyone is welcome!

Boxing night we have DJ Olly again all welcome for a boogie.

Saturday 27th - Quiz night. It is £2 per person and maximum 6 per team. All cash prizes start at 8 don't be late.

New Year's evening's entertainment back by popular demand - Lazy Dayz. A great duo for all the family. All members, and their family and friends welcome at no charge for entry and usual club prices for drinks.

Opening times

24th December	12noon-3pm	7pm -12 midnight
25th December	12noon -2pm	8pm- 10pm
26th December	12noon -11 pm	
27th December	12noon- 12 midnight	
28th December	12noon - 11pm	
29th December	12noon-3pm	7-11pm
30th December	12noon-3pm	7-11 pm
31st December	12noon -3 pm	7pm-1am
1st January	12noon -11 pm	

From the 1st January members can re-new their membership from 12noon. Only £3 for members/£1 for our retired members and free for our over 80's. New members welcome to join at £4 and £2 for retired persons.



We would like to wish all our members old and new a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Lainy, Kev and all the bar staff.

Jason Cunningham update

Jason returned to the ring on November 7th to face Hungarian Ignac Kassai over four three minute rounds.

The fight was staged in a plush suite at Doncaster's Town Moor racecourse and provided plenty of entertainment for the crowd. Jason dictated matters from the outset and his powerful jabs made their mark as they landed on his opponent frequently catching him out. While Kassai was durable he provided few threats to Jason who was confident throughout. Just after the start of the final round the referee called a halt to the one sided match and Jason was able to put his disappointment of the Commonwealth title behind him.

His next hurdle when he meets Jason Booth at Doncaster's Dome Arena on November 29th and will be reported next issue.

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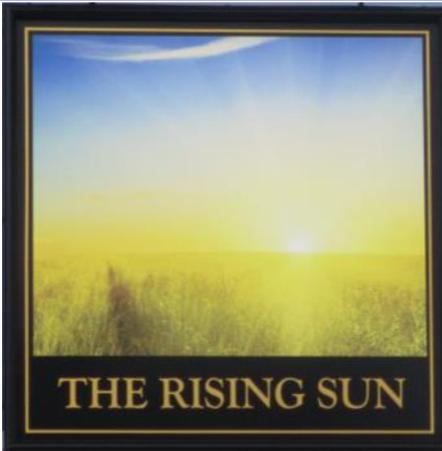
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- Mon 1st Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm*
 - Fri 5th Harpers Christmas Food & Wine Fayre 12 – 2*
 - Sat 6th Harpers Christmas Food & Wine Fayre 12 – 2
Jason Cunningham at Social Club from 6.30pm*
 - Tues 9th CPG Meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm*
 - Wed 10th Good Neighbour Scheme Christmas Party Village Hall*
 - Fri 12th Charitree Festival Aley Green 5.30–8*
 - Sat 13th " " 11–4*
 - Sun 14th " " 2–3.45*
 - Tues 16th Caddington WI Social Evening Baptist Church Hall 7:30pm*
- Check Church diaries for Christmas services in the Parish**

JANUARY 2015

- Tues 13th Cakes & Co Aley Green Church 10–12*
- Tues 20th W.I Palmistry for Fun with Sylvia Kidby.*



ANSWERS to quiz:
1. angels 2. bells 3. candles 4. doll 5. eat 6. fireplace 7. gift 8. holly
9. icicle 10. jolly 11. Kris Kringle 12. labelled 13. mistletoe 14. nuts
15. organ 16. pack 17. quiet 18. reindeer 19. Santa 20. turkey 21. uncle
22. vegetables 23. wreath 24. Xmas 25. yule log 26. zigzag



Bin collections for December 2014 and January 2015



Black bin and Glass

Fri 5th Dec, Fri 19th Dec, Sat 3rd Jan, Fri 16th Jan,
Fri 30th Jan



Recycling bins

Fri 12th Dec, Sat 27th Dec, Fri 9th Jan, Fri 23rd Jan



(Note The Christmas holiday collections are on Saturday not the usual Friday. January's dates have not been published but we are assuming that they run continuously from this year's dates and the modified Christmas collections)

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 and hopefully avoid any clash of dates for events!



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Doctor (Markyate Surgery) 841559	
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