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Editors' Notes

Greetings to all. We hope everyone who has had a new start at school, university, college or work has settled successfully to the new challenges.

Email Problems and Apologies

Parish News has been having some problems with email. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. We have always had an address which forwards to the editors. We try to use accounts that allow us to keep Parish News email apart from our personal email. However, recently some of the messages have been rejected. We have partly fixed this but there are still some people who seem to have emails returned. Hopefully we will be able to resolve these issues before Sue edits the next issue. However if you are unsure if your item has reached us, please check to be safe or ask us to send an acknowledgement so you know we have it.

Parking

Parish News has received photographs from an (anonymous) concerned local showing parking on the main road near the garage. The Editors themselves have noticed that it is becoming dangerous to drive near the entrance to Rossway at school delivery and collection times. We would like to encourage more people to walk to school—better for your health. If you come from a distance, then why not make the most of the offer of the Village Hall car park so you can park safely and walk the short distance from there.



Please note that the Parish Council update on page 8 has news about the parking and traffic calming work.

Celebrations

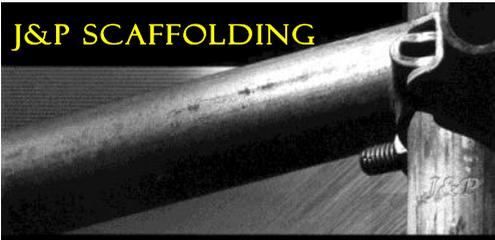
It has clearly been a good season for weddings and anniversaries. There were several featured last month and there are more again in this issue. Congratulations to all the couples and families.

Village Calendar

As mentioned in the item from the Photography group last month, there will be a village calendar available soon.

Photography group members have submitted photos taken in and around the Parish. The group shortlisted a selection and a small sub committee has been working to choose pictures appropriate to the seasons. The calendar should be available to buy from about the end of October. Look out for more information soon.

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Slip End & District Community Projects Group (CPG)

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



The Parish **website** is a great source of information on clubs, groups, local news etc - check it out at www.slipend.co.uk

The Chatty Club meets at the Frog & Rhubarb every Tuesday from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. If you are over 55 you are more than welcome to come, and you don't 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 Cooper on 01582 452722.



The Good Neighbour

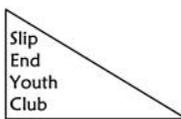
Scheme included leaflets with last month's Parish

News, so you know what is available to you. We have plenty of volunteers waiting to help, so please don't think that you are not entitled, give them a call!

07513 372 415

Slip End Photography Group

meets every third Tuesday of the month officially at the Social Club in New Street, pop along and sign up if you're interested - new members are always very welcome. For more information on joining, call Norman Homewood on 01582 452851



The Youth Club started back on Wednesday 10th September, and this quarter the workers have lots

organised.

- 1st October - Indoor Games Night
- 8th October - Early Pancake Night dot com
- 15th October - normal night
- 22nd October - Halloween Disco
- 29th October - Closed—half term
- 5th November - Closed
- 12th November - Christmas Crafts & Carol Singing Practice
- 19th November - Christmas Crafts & Carol Singing Practice
- 26th November - Carol Singing at Woodside Nursing Home, Helping with their Christmas Tree

£2 entry per child

This year we have secured 26 tickets for the pantomime Babes in The Wood at The Grove Theatre in Dunstable—tickets are £12. Please see Caroline Rizza for more details.

Sarah Minnighan - Chairman



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

Operation Christmas Child



It will soon be time to start thinking of the 2014 shoebox campaign and I thought it would be good to take this opportunity to

tell you about it. This year I have been lucky enough to be chosen to go on a distribution trip to help give out the shoeboxes to the children and will be travelling to Belarus with a team of volunteers in January 2015.

I have been helping with the shoeboxes now for just over twenty years, which first started when I was a leader at St Andrew's Sunday School. We were given a leaflet from Samaritans Purse which explained about Operation Christmas Child and gave instructions for making up a shoebox which would be taken by truck to Eastern Europe and given to a needy child.

It will be a wonderful, yet daunting experience but I am looking forward to the challenge. In these past years St Andrew's, along with friends, family and the Parish have sent almost 3,000 boxes to Eastern Europe

which is a wonderful achievement, so thank you to anyone who has made up a box, given shoebox

fillers or worked at one of our warehouses. For the third year, we have been lucky enough to borrow the facilities at Heathfield Community Centre (see some of the volunteers from last year) in Caddington and will be collecting, checking, packing and forwarding shoeboxes from the local area to our chosen country of Belarus. If anyone would like to volunteer or needs any information please contact me through Parish News or St Andrew's Church and I will be only too pleased to help you. Below are some of the children who received shoeboxes in Belarus last year and some of the children from St Andrew's with their shoeboxes.

Sue Briggs



Dates for St Andrew's Church—October

Sun 5th: 10.30am: Morning Praise: "The Peace"

Sun 12th: 8.30am: Said Communion: "I am willing"

Sun 12th: 10.30am: Morning Praise: "I am willing" (Band)

Sun 19th: 10.30am: Holy Communion: The Creed (Organ & singers)

Tues 21st: 11am: Caddington Hall care home service

Thurs 23rd: 9.30am: Morning Prayer

Fri 24th: 2pm: Woodside care home service

Sun 26th: 10.30am: Morning Praise: "Stand firm and see the deliverance of the Lord" (Band)

Little Stars for October

Weds 1st: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30am start:
Little Stars: New Testament People - Lois & Eunice

Weds 8th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:
Little Stars: New Testament People - Rhoda

Weds 15th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:
Little Stars: New Testament People - Lydia

Weds 22nd: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:
Little Stars: New Testament People - Onesimus

Weds 29th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:
Little Stars: Mega Makers Holiday Club

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

St Andrew's Church

Praying and living for Peace

Last time I wrote we were about to commemorate the beginning of the First World War. Now as I write my article for the October Parish News conflict and war is still very much in the news with especially horrific consequences in the Middle East.

How do we remain positive? How can we work for peace in our lives here? Conflict often stems from a sense of grievance – from an actual experience of injustice perpetrated by one cultural/religious/ethnic group on another. The Religious identity of a group of people is rarely gained outside their cultural experience. A particular race or religion is often blamed whereas injustice is the real cause.

Having said that there are some ideologies whether religious or political that have more of a tendency towards peace and tolerance than others. It is healthy for society if we can honestly seek to assess, with as much open-mindedness and love as we can, the nature of any belief or ideology without being accused of prejudice.

All this is very difficult to unravel, the issues and inter-relationships between religion and culture are very complicated, but the Bible does give us clear guidance about some good things we can do in the face of conflict around us.

We can pray for the leaders of nations, for wisdom and strength to do the right thing: We can love our neighbours: It is helpful to remember that most local Moslems are as

appalled by what is happening as anyone else. "The Luton Council of Mosques (LCM) wholeheartedly rejects and condemns all forms of killings whether indiscriminate or otherwise."

We can pray for God's forgiveness for those who have strayed from a path of love: We can support those who are in need, who have been affected by war and conflict:

At our last Ecumenical service where members of all the local churches of this area worshipped together we gave £139 towards the relief of Middle Eastern Christians who have been forced from their homes, often because of their faith.

The previous week at St. Andrew's we heard from Jenny Archibald, a former member of our congregation who is serving with a Christian organisation Medair in Jordan bringing practical relief to Syrian and Iraqi refugees who have fled the fighting. We were able to give £258 to provide food and sanitation packs.

Although we hear of awful events that we seem, at the moment, powerless to prevent nothing can stop us from choosing to do good and live for peace in our own spheres of influence where opportunities arise. In this we follow in the path of our Lord Jesus who entered into our world, without concern for his own safety in order to bring light into the darkness.

Cathy



Parish Council Notes

Traffic Calming

Last month, you may recall, I wrote of a meeting with the Highways Department, called to determine the works which should be included within the first phase of the Traffic Calming and Parking Project. The meeting did take place and a programme of works was agreed.

The work to be undertaken in the first phase of the project, should already have begun by the time you receive this issue and it will tie in with the resurfacing of New and Summer Streets. To begin with, the three speed tables, located at the lane giving access to the playing fields and Church, outside the Frog and Rhubarb and the third at the Citroen Garage close to Rossway, will be constructed.

Towards the end of October perhaps the beginning of November, the zebra crossings will be painted on the tables at the Garage and the lane and the beacon poles and lights will be fitted. During this period the new speed limits will come into effect in Upper Woodside close to the Plough, and Grove Road, also in Pepperstock from the M1 bridge to the 30mph sign in Front Street. The 30 mph boundary in Markyate Road will be extended out a short distance.

All of the parking restrictions will also come into force around then. The Parish Council appreciates some parking spaces will be lost and so parking bays in some areas will be introduced. The bays should ensure efficient use of the available space, highlight areas

available for parking that are not presently used and in themselves contribute to speed reduction. It is hoped that these bays will help mitigate the loss of some parking brought about by the parking restrictions. A further meeting is to be held with the Highways Department to establish exactly where the bays will be marked out.

Following on from these works will be the chicanes on Markyate Road. Depending on the detailed designs and estimates, which will not be available until after this issue has gone to press, some of the works may have to be deferred to the second phase.

Defibrillator

I am pleased to say the Parish Council was successful in its application for match funding from Central Bedfordshire to buy and install a defibrillator outside the Village Hall. Central Beds Council has gone out to tender for the equipment and so it is likely to be installed towards the end of December.

Cllr. Carol Brennan is heading up a small team, through the Community Projects Group, who will receive training on the equipment.

Ken Crossett, Chairman

31st October, 1 & 2nd November

Harpers are holding their regular Craft Fair
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support our local charity of Ava Mears'
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SLIP END LOWER SCHOOL



The new academic year is here! The pupils at Slip End Lower School have quickly settled into their new classes and it is almost as if we have never been away. Pupils have elected their School Councillors (pictured above) and we know they will do a fantastic job at representing the voice of the children at our school.

With the new year comes fresh challenges and opportunities. An exciting new National Curriculum has been introduced into schools and at Slip End we have already begun to learn a range of different skills and topics.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are now able to enjoy free, hot meals daily and the smell of roast potatoes drifting around the school certainly gets the taste buds tingling.

During the holiday, extensive works to the school's fire alarm and lighting systems were carried out; it is good to see the school building gradually being improved to cater for the needs of the children.

In the next few weeks we will be celebrating European Day of Languages and Harvest Festival. We look forward to being able to tell you all about them in our next article.

Amanda Howes

Head of School



Slip End Gardening Club

The August garden visit to Capel Manor Gardens, Enfield was our most popular trip to date, with 19 members attending. The visit was a follow up to the September 2013 Gardening Club meeting presentation by Dr Steve Dowbiggin, Principal and Chief Executive of the College.



Dr Dowbiggin gave us a guided tour of the horticultural college, grounds and gardens also details of the Manor's history, first established in the late 13th century. There was a colourful and scented oasis surrounding the Georgian Manor House and

Victorian Stables and 60 gardens to explore, including prize winning themed gardens, some of which you may recognise as previous RHS Chelsea Flower Show winners. Further information may be found on the Manor website:-

<http://www.capelmanorgardens.co.uk>

There will be a report on Sept. NGS Garden visit to "Dragons Glen" Clophill next month.

Next garden visit is:-

Sun. 19 Oct. - NGS Acer Corner. Wendover
(Meet 1.30pm Rising Sun Car Park)

PN Gardening Correspondent

GARDENING CLUB

**Monday 17th Nov
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1st Woodside Brownies

In July, we walked two miles to raise money for a library at the Nanbambo School in Malawi. On Wednesday 10th September we presented a cheque for £300 to Sue Tobin, their representative. She told us about the school and asked the girls to draw around their foot. This is the only way that the children at the school can get a pair of shoes as there are no shops within three miles. This does not seem a very good way to get a pair of shoes as they could prove to be too small or too big when they arrive!

Wise Owl

Caddington WI



OPEN MEETING We are inviting you to join us for a talk about Shackleton's Forgotten Men by Debby Horseman. Everyone is welcome, relatives, friends, including our menfolk. The date is Tuesday 21st October in the Baptist Hall at 7.30 p.m. £2.50 to include refreshments.

We had a good meeting in August with Dusty Roades talking about Country Customs. His tales of these were very interesting. For example, Plough Sunday in 1435 where a plough was brought into the church and blessed to Plough Monday where a plough is taken into the pub and beer poured over it. The year 1475 started Pancake Races in Olney and on November

11th 1703 a cannon was fired nearby St. Martins Church in Bletchley causing the windows to break. Small cannons have been fired each year since then. These customs are still performed now.

We have a Group Meeting in October with Eric Morecambe's daughter, Gayle Stewart, as our special speaker. This is an occasion where we get together with our other W.I. Groups. We are playing Darts matches, winning some and losing some. Keep practising ladies.

It was our 59th birthday party and, after being well fed, Martin Smith of "It Takes Two" came along to entertain us. Not much was needed to have us all singing along. His music was cheerful and we thoroughly enjoyed the evening. Joan Bean made a delicious birthday cake. A big thank you to her and the ladies who prepared the food. It was also nice to have four Presidents and other ladies from our Group come along too.

Now don't forget - Tuesday 21st October for the open meeting, everyone is welcome.



Look forward to seeing you.

Linda Edwards

Future dates:-

18th Nov Shelter Box with Derek Hardy

16th Dec Social Evening

60th Anniversary Congratulations

Grenville and Dorothy Williams will be remembered by many Parishioners. Amongst other things they were members of St Andrew's Church where Grenville was also the Organist. They moved from the Parish to Dorset but maintain links with many friends who are still here.

The photos show the occasion, in early September, of Grenville and Dorothy's 60th Wedding Anniversary when Eileen Crapnell and Susan Wiltshire represented the Slip End church community.

Susan chatting to Grenville



Eileen Dorothy and Anna



Peter and Anna deLange, (pictured below with the "Slip End contingent") also former members of St Andrew's, came down from Sheffield in order to join in the festivities.



Many congratulations to them from Parish News!

Friendship Club

Four "Committee Girls" enjoying the weather during the Day out to Bognor Regis.



Pictured are:- Josie Worsley, Maureen Coker, Joan Rimmel and Pam King.

(They deserve a rest after using their organising skills for the benefit of others!)

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Wedding Congratulations

You may remember that a few months ago we published a photo of Lisa Farr, who used to live in Markyate Road. Her mother Olwyn has sent this photo.

Congratulations to Lisa and Gavin Lee who celebrated their marriage at St. Andrew's Church on Saturday 26th July. The Bride looked stunning in her beautiful gown and the day was filled with sunshine and happiness. The service was followed by a fantastic reception at the White Horse in Tea Green. Family and friends would like to wish the happy couple a very happy future together in Australia .



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Gardening

Time to get the garden in order for the winter, the less glamorous jobs but nevertheless just as important if you want to be ready for next season. This month is the best month for laying turf for a new lawn; the turf will settle and root before the winter. Dig the site where you are going to turf, allow to settle then rake the surface into a coarse tilth, lay the turf and mow in the spring.

Remove all annuals before they become too bedraggled. Most hardy perennials should be planted this month unless the soil is very wet in which case wait for a dry spell, or the soil will compact where trodden on. Cut Dahlias down to about six inches above ground level as soon as the frost blackens the leaves, then dig them up using a fork and try not to damage the tubers, dry in a frost free shed for about a week and plant in shallow trays with just enough peat or ash to cover the tubers and keep slightly damp, shoots will appear next spring. Plant border Carnations and Pinks, space border Carnations about 15 – 18 inches apart and Pinks 12 inches apart.

Chrysanthemums can either be left in the ground to over-winter but do not cut the tops down until spring, or lift the stools, cut the tops down and plant them at the same depth they were growing at in a cold frame or greenhouse and take cuttings in the spring but do remember to label them before lifting. Gladioli do not fare well if left in the ground to over-winter so lift them about the second week of the month and dry them off thoroughly then cut the stem just above the corm, the roots can be removed as soon as

they are dry. Store them in a frost free environment and replant in the spring.

Sweet peas can be sown directly into the ground now or in pots from the middle of the month in a cold greenhouse, plant Tulips and Hyacinths this month and into November. Tulips planted earlier may be damaged by frost and may suffer tulip fire disease.

If you have a pond, towards the end of the month prepare for the winter by drastically thinning out underwater oxygenating plants and remove old water lily leaves. This will avoid the presence of a great deal of decaying vegetation on the base of the pond when the water is iced over, and will minimise the formation of toxic gases and prevent a shortage of oxygen. If the water looks dark green or blackish, drain off half the volume and replace with fresh water.

Towards the end of the month plant all types of hardy deciduous trees and shrubs but not in frosty weather or strong winds. Cut out the canes that carried this year's fruit from Blackberries and Loganberries and tie in the new shoots to a wire or frame. Complete the planting of Strawberries this month for fruiting next year and clear all rubbish from established beds.

If you are thinking of taking up an allotment, ring Derek Worsley 736892 or Steve Wickens 423622 to see what is available. The Gardening Club welcomes visitors to their meetings in the Village Hall. Make a note in your diary for 17 November and go along to hear Bev Bond talk about the Swiss Garden at Shuttleworth.

Russell

Sprout



We are now well and truly into the flow of the new Academic year. As always we have had a busy start to the year. The school has supported the Village Show where we made something new out of something old. During September we supported Jeans for Genes day raising money to help those with genetic disorders, dressed up with a European theme to join in with the European Day of Languages which is always celebrated at the end of September and Year 4 ran a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan.

As you read this, November may seem a little while away, however the annual Fireworks display run by our brilliant "Friends of Caddington Village School" will be taking place on November 7th at the school. Keep an eye out for the wonderful posters designed by the children and for ticket information.

In this highly technical world, have you ever thought about what we did before we had gadgets to do everything for us? Certainly in teaching we would now be lost without the technology we have. We asked some of our pupils if they thought that computers ruled the world and this is the very insightful view of one of our Year 8 pupils.

Do Computers Rule The World?

You may be thinking what do computers do, Well... They do a lot for me and you!

You see,

Computers help to cook our food,

They give us most of our research too!

In our travels they give us a helping hand,

Now we can travel sea and land!

I love chatting on facebook with my friends,

A world without computers would surely end!

However, when the internet started reality stopped,

And cyber bullying happened more often than not!

So step outside and get off your computer,

Get a breath of fresh air or ride around on your scooter!

So as you can see,

Computers don't rule this world, it belongs to you and me!

By Libby Wilding Year 8



Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations to Ian and Sheena Crossett who were married on the 22nd and 23rd August. Yes that's right they had two marriage ceremonies which was quite a feat for the two families to organise.



The first wedding was at St Andrew's, here in Slip End, and was followed by a wedding lunch in the Peter Edwards Hall. At 4pm that afternoon, there was an hour to transform the



Hall from a reception into a Hindu Mehndi evening. Many of the ladies arrived to have their hands decorated with traditional Indian Henna. Not to be out done the husbands and

boyfriends arrived to turn the evening into a tremendous party.

Next day in the Walled Garden Pavilion at Luton Hoo the couple were married again, in a



Hindu Ceremony. The ceremony was steeped in tradition and very emotional at times, especially when the part was reached when Sheena's family had to say goodbye to her formally. In times gone by the bride often left her village and travelled far away to live with the groom's family. For many girls this meant rarely, if ever, seeing their families again. However, to lighten things when Ian and Sheena got in the car to leave, the path of the car was blocked by several young girls who refused to move until the groom paid them. Ian's negotiating skills were well tested!

In the evening Ian and Sheena returned for a wonderful reception which was a mixture of both traditions. Ian and Sheena were in the same year at Manshead School and didn't really have very much to do with each other. However, all that changed three years ago when they met up again. Following their honeymoon in Mexico the couple returned to Peterborough where they now live.

Policing Information

In light of the recent increases in burglaries in the area, we felt we should include an extract from a recent Policing newsletter.

...August saw the passing out parade for 65 new Bedfordshire Police officers, the first in almost 4 years following a recruitment freeze. September will see another 34 new recruits start their training. In addition the number of Police and Community Support Officer is being maintained and their shifts have been reviewed so that they work more hours at times when they are visible in local communities.

Furthermore the volunteer Special Constabulary is being more than doubled to 500 officers. Special Constables have the same powers as their regular officer counterparts and they serve a minimum 16 hours a month, often much more.

Special Constables are also being used to support local policing teams.

Home Safety

Parish News was sent a rather long list of telephone numbers for energy and water companies in the UK. This has prompted this reminder... The numbers for your own suppliers can usually be found on your bills. Please note the numbers so they are handy if you wish to check on someone who calls at the door or if you are concerned that they are not who they claim to be.

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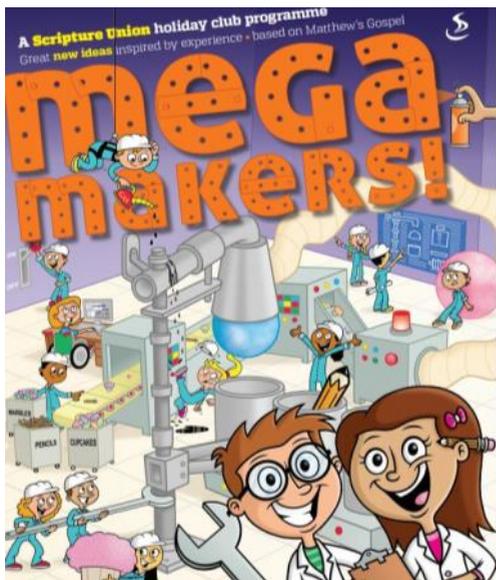
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Aley Green Methodist Church

Services and Diary dates for October

Sunday 5th

11.00am Morning Service - Rev Bob Forrest
11.00am Sunday School Communion

Tuesday 7th

7.30pm Bible Study - Rev Bob Forrest

Saturday 11th

12:00 - 2.30pm Autumn Fayre
In aid of Church Funds

Sunday 12th

11.00am Junior Mission for All Service
All Age Worship
Led by Jo Prowse, JMA Secretary.

Tuesday 14th

10.00am/12.00pm 'Cakes & Company'

Sunday 19th

11.00am Morning Service - Bob Squires
11.00am Sunday School & Youth Group

Monday 20th

7.30pm Fellowship Meeting
Led by Mike Bull

Wednesday 24th

7.30pm Coffee Evening in aid of
Keech Hospice Care

Sunday 26th

11.00am Morning Service - Michael Adams
11.00am Sunday School & Youth Group

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The August Coffee Evening raised £65 for World Vision and the pew envelopes £25.75

September was a very busy month for us at Aley Green. The produce of our two and a half allotments has been picked and turned into preserves or frozen for use later in the year. We have already stocked the store cupboard with our Christmas range of chutneys so they will be just right to use over the festive period. Our new season piccalilli is

flying off the shelves with most of the ingredients home grown on our leisure garden. I wonder why it's called leisure? It's jolly hard work planting, pruning, picking, watering, feeding etc!! Thank you to Team AG for your efforts.

Our preserve stall at the Rising Sun's Fun Day raised £72 for Church funds. We gave a donation towards their charity and a prize for the raffle.

We set out our preserves again at the Caddington Village Show and raised £200 for Methodist Homes for the Aged. The Macmillan Cancer Care stall raised £65. The Espresso game was won by Mrs Sybil Yeoman and the hamper raffle will be drawn at the Macmillan coffee evening.

The following Saturday we had **two** preserve stalls one in the village and one at an event in Harlington to help towards the running of our Church. Our Harvest Festival was held the following day and the sale of produce on the Monday with all money going to Water Aid. This amazing charity helps to provide safe water and sanitation in many parts of the world, something we take for granted.

We hope to see you at our Autumn Fayre, light lunches and refreshment will be served. There will be homemade cakes and preserves for sale along with stalls selling bric a brac, books, toys, puzzles, a tombola, raffle and games. Come along and join in the fun of the Fayre. We invite you to join us at our services and studies, you will be given a warm welcome. At our monthly Coffee Evenings we now serve hot apple pie and custard, so join us for dessert.



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around and  
about the  
area**

Above: Ava Mears opening Caddington Village show (she is supported by much fund raising in and around our Parish)  
Right: Lucky day—tasty winnings for Ann Meader from Aley Green Methodist Church



A photo taken by Roger Baker, a Photography Group member, of the Junction 10 Improvements from the bridge at Pepperstock





Left and below: Sue Briggs, with helper and her stalls at Caddington Show in aid of Operation Christmas Child



Left: Looking busy! Craft Workshop at St Andrew's Vicarage



Below: Party on the Green at Caddington including "Banned" —enjoyed by families in Caddington and surrounding areas.



Every parent wants the best for their child. Childhood should be exciting and fun but it is also a period of life when every new experience is an

opportunity to learn and grow. It is the most critical time for building a child's physical, mental and emotional foundations. Any parent would want to ensure that their child reaches their full potential and is given all the tools necessary to do so. Music plays a major part in this development.

Lynne MacLaughlan has been involved with music all her life. After working as a professional singer for over 20 years, Lynne became a mum in 2004 and realised that by singing to her children - James and Eva - at play time and during their most unsettled periods it helped calm and comfort them and she believed it made the bond between them even stronger.

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is grown old

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The light long summer  
is grown old.

*By Charlotte Zolotow from "A Year full of Poems"*

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It is time to start planning your Christmas festivities and the Frog & Rhubarb has its menus ready for both Christmas Parties, Christmas Day and New Years Eve. They are available from the pub or the internet at [www.frogandrhubarb.co.uk](http://www.frogandrhubarb.co.uk). To make your celebration extra special why not book for one of the pubs party nights when there will be a five-course meal and DJ for an extremely reasonable price. These are taking place on Fridays and Saturdays in December.

The Chatty Club has been meeting every Tuesday over the summer months. They were treated to a



wonderful barbecue with burgers, sausages, belly pork and chicken

along with plenty of salads and roasted new potatoes. As well as tea and coffee there was Pimms and lemonade – a great little surprise. After filling up on the barbecue, everyone still found room for cream and jam scones. One afternoon over the summer the club played dominoes and the following month made some origami animals.



**Chatty Club** meets every Tuesday at 2pm in the Frog & Rhubarb and anyone over 55 is welcome. They usually enjoy a lovely range of sandwiches, savouries and cake with as much tea and coffee as you like. The price is the same per person even on the monthly special food days. Hope to see you there.

## The Rising Sun

Diary dates:-  
 Mondays, Dominoes  
 Tuesdays quiz starts 9 pm  
 Thursdays darts  
 Friday Free juke box from 9pm  
 Saturday 11th karaoke with Jema  
 Saturday 25th live music with Banned  
 Saturday 1st November Hallowe'en Fancy

Dress with a prize for the best dressed Live music with 360.

The August Bank Holiday Fun Day was a great success and drew a great crowd to support Cystic Fibrosis. There was live music throughout the day. We had a wide range of stalls selling their goods; cake stalls, Gardening Club, Photography Club and many others.

One of the highlights of the day was the old style Market square stocks which was great fun.



People were nominated at a price then put in. A few of these were Phil Poultney, Mark Holdcroft and Justin Scranage. They were then locked in while children and adults pelted eggs, flour, and tomatoes and very wet sponges.

Our Landlord Adrian, as he had promised, said goodbye to his lovely long hair. The hair was plaited, straightened, put in bunches then finally cut off, then his head was



shaved. There were also two others who, on the day, were offered money to do the same. Getting into the village spirit, they had theirs shaved off too.



They were John Walsh and Tony Murray.

We would like to thank all of those that donated prizes for the raffle:- The Plough Woodside, Harper's, Slip End Garage, Woburn Safari Park, Town & Country, The Rising Sun and many more. It was great to see such a great community spirit in the village yet again.

Ann and Adrian would like to thank everyone who helped in whatever way for this event, with time or money, as it was such a success we have decided to make it a yearly event for other charities.

Thanks again for all your support.

## **The Plough**

See our website and advert for regular activities. Christmas menus now available. Ask us for details.

## **Slip End Social Club.**

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## Jason Cunningham

### *Supported by members of Slip End Social Club*

Before a crowded arena at Doncaster's Dome on 6th September, Jason fought Ross Burkinshaw for the Commonwealth Title. Ross was a late replacement for the holder, Martin Ward, who withdrew due to illness. (He allowed the contest to go ahead provided he would be able to challenge the winner.)

Cunningham dominated the action from the opening bell, testing his opponent accurate punches making him look both vulnerable and unsteady. However while Cunningham's overall superiority continued Burkinshaw began to illustrate his resolve and durability.

The fight was a great one for the spectators who roared their encouragement throughout as each man tried his best to outdo the other... At the start of the twelfth and final round each boxer was showing signs of wear and tear. My ringside card gave the verdict to Jason by two or three rounds but a split decision was announced and Burkinshaw then declared the winner...

In the aftermath, Jason was clearly very disappointed, it had been close at the end but looking at the contestants it was obvious which one had absorbed the most punishment. He assured everyone that he will bounce back strongly when he steps back into the ring on 29th November again at Doncaster Dome.

This will be another title bout, details to be confirmed. Both Jason and I thank you all for coming and giving such excellent support—the biggest from South Bedfordshire to date. We are sorry about the disappointing (and we think unfair) result but we will make it up to you next time.

*Tony Strong*

## Theatre and entertainment

Upcoming events in the locality include a production of *"Fiddler on the Roof"* by the Dunstable Amateur Operatic Society at the Grove Theatre in Dunstable on 10th and 11th October. DAOS are celebrating their 50th Anniversary this year (as is the chosen musical!) I am sure that many of you will have seen the well known film of the show and sung along with the songs. If you fancy a bit of nostalgia then go and see them in action.

Dunstable Rep have just started their new season of plays at the Little Theatre with *Table Manners* by Alan Ayckbourn (on until 4th October). The cast for this includes Matt Flitton.

The next show (21st –29th November) is an adaptation of *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* directed by Alistair Brown. This has a large cast and an interesting set. It looks to be an ambitious and interesting event.

For more details see:-

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

## Congratulations

The summer was a busy one for weddings in the Barker household. Following Jonathan's wedding, on which we reported last month, Richard Barker and Aggy Adamczyk celebrated their marriage at Horwood House in Milton Keynes.



Aggy is Polish and her parents travelled over specially for the occasion.

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Angie Vaughan also sent us information about a "Mad Macmillan Tea Party", with dancing included, which was taking place as part of the Macmillan Coffee Mornings on 26th September. This was one of quite a few similar events in the area.

We hope that we will be able to report on some of these events next month and find out how much they raised for this extremely worthy cause. Macmillan Nurses support cancer sufferers and their families and are funded through charitable funds raised.



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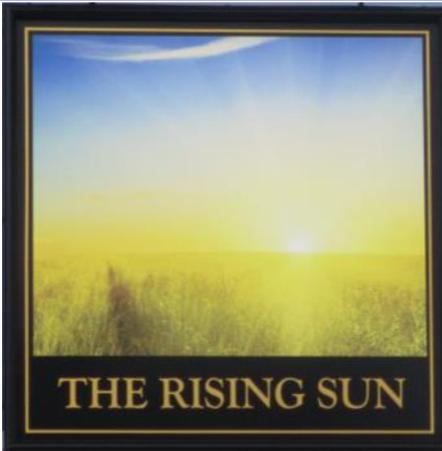
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Sat 11th Autumn Fayre Aley Green Methodist Church 12:00— 2:30pm  
Tues 14th CPG Meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm  
Sun 19th Garden Club visit Meet Rising Sun Car Park 1:30pm  
Tues 21st Caddington WI Open meeting Baptist Church Hall 7:30pm  
Wed 29th Youth Club closed for half term  
30/31 Holiday Club St Andrew's Church (see poster and registration form)  
Fri 31st Harpers Craft Fair 10am—3pm

**NOV**

- 1st/2nd Harpers Craft Fair 10am-3pm  
Mon 3rd Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm  
Tues 11th CPG Meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm  
Mon 17th Gardening Club Guest Speaker Village Hall 8pm  
Tues 18th Caddington WI "Shelter Box" Baptist Church Hall 7:30pm  
Sat 29th Craft Fayre Village Hall

**DEC**

- Mon 1st Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm  
Tues 9th CPG Meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm  
Tues 16th Caddington WI Social Evening Baptist Church Hall 7:30pm  
Christmas events to be listed soon... see Pubs for menu details

**Wheelie Bins:- Black Bins & glass:** Put out on Friday 10th, 24th Oct

**Green and Orange Bins:** Put out on Friday 3rd, 17th, 31st Oct



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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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