

Parish News

**November
2018**



**Aley Green Pepperstock
Slip End Woodside**

Editors' Notes

So many local societies and support groups rely upon volunteers in order to continue with their work to build a healthy community. On the opposite page you will see that at PN we are losing two of our longest serving helpers to whom we offer our thanks and appreciation.

Other groups also constantly seek new faces to maintain their help which is so valuable. I think of the Good Neighbour Scheme which needs additional helpers to give much needed assistance to the less able members of our village. The Brownies and others supporting younger people always need your active support.

As always it seems that the same few offer their time and support. In so doing they improve other's lives and get much pleasure for themselves Why not think what you might do to give something back to this lovely place. No, please don't pass on without at least giving some thought to what you could do to help. If you are

not sure whom to contact refer to the listing at the end of this magazine. I am sure you will receive a warm welcome. Have you noticed how often it's the ladies who offer to help?

Come on Chaps, you have masses of experiences to offer.



As this issue comes to your door there are plans for villagers to remember the bravery of others during two World Wars and conflicts before and after. There are many items covering these events as you read on.

Keith Holme Co Editor

A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO OUR LOYAL DISTRIBUTORS

It is with much sadness and pride that we say goodbye to two of our most loyal and supportive distributors of the Parish magazine.

On the left is Maureen Womersley who has, for around 20 years, distributed the magazine for the whole of Pepperstock covering some 111 properties. She would like to thank all those who have helped her over the years. On the right is Dot Reid, formerly of the “Paper Shop” who says she can’t remember, but it must be at least 30 years since she started delivering to part of Markyate Road.

The Parish News presented each of them with a “Thank You” orchid plant which it is hoped will grow and remind them of their contribution to our community. To both of you we say a big **THANK YOU** and from all of us at Parish News we wish you well in the future.



BUT, ON A CELEBRATORY NOTE,

On 30th September the baptism of Alfred (Alfie) Michael Cox took place at St Andrew’s Church. Our photo shows the happy family after the service with Mum Tamsyn, Dad Craig and Baby Alfie in a beautiful family Christening robe with big sister Gracie. Family and friends attended the service and afterwards celebrated together at their home in Summer Street.



Slip End Gardening Club



The last garden visit for the year was in mid September to **The Manor House Garden, Stevington**. It was a wonderful time of year to visit to see how the special Autumn light created such a marvellous atmosphere on the ornamental grass borders, as you weaved your way through the paths. Golden grasses of various kinds were joined by towering miscanthus, tall solidago, wispy purple verbenas, and lots and lots of echinaceas, as well as pinks underplanted with blue Geranium Rozanne and sedums. The bees and butterflies loved them all. Many of the late flowering clematis were looking really good. The orchard was rich with fruit including colourful crab apples, delicious apples, and damsons. There were still many edible flowers to use from the edible flower garden and elsewhere including marigolds, mint, coriander, basil, hollyhocks, roses, garlic chives, phlox, delicious fennel flowers. All delicious to use in the kitchen.

Valerie Church

At the September meeting a presentation was made to Val, a founder member and committee member of the Gardening Club. She was instrumental in setting up the Village Plant Sale and Open Garden Events. She was wished good luck with her move to South Devon to be near her family.



The Guest Speaker at our meeting was Sara Croft, who gave an interesting presentation on "The Woodland Trust". It was established from humble beginnings in 1972 by founder Kenneth Watkins OBE. It now has over 500,000 members and supporters and more than 1,000 sites, covering over 26,000 hectares, all over the UK. It protects and campaigns on behalf of this country's woods, plants trees, and restores ancient woodland for the benefit of wildlife and people. Their vision is a UK rich in native woods and trees, for people and wildlife.



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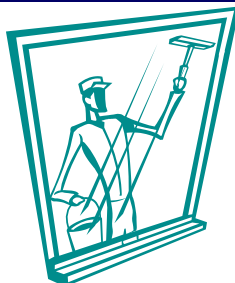
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In a previous issue we re-printed some items from a Special Edition of Parish News published in 1989 recording the lives of Slip End and Pepperstock residents. Here are some more excerpts.

**AMAZON was the name of a river
somewhere in South America!**



A twisted chain stitch sewing machine for making straw hats from plaited straw (C1880).

Slip End could boast about its shops and businesses. At a time when this record started, 100 years ago, the main industries were farming and brick making with many tradesmen working on the Stockwood Estate. The districts around Luton and Bedfordshire generally were, since the beginning of the 17th century, the British home of the straw-plait industry. The straw of certain varieties of wheat cultivated in that region was, in favourable seasons, considered to be the best since it was possessed of a fine bright colour, tenacity and strength. Only part of the sheaves were suitable and after extensive processing were used in the manufacture of hats.

They had Super Markets!

The village had a full range of shops. Front Street boasted a Village Minimarket. Run by Balbil and Narnanja Baines who converted the business from the original butchers and grocery store. Their application to open a Fish and Chip shop was turned down despite support from 200 residents!

The Post Office and Corner store located on the corner of Front Street and Markyate Road was a valuable asset. The Post Office, was a particularly useful facility. Who wished to travel to Harpenden or Luton to buy a stamp or TV licence? A place to post a parcel or get a dog licence was greatly valued.

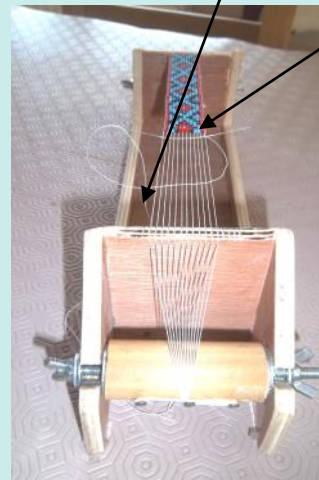
Tom's Shop, originally the local bakery, with the ovens then still in the cellars, was now the village newsagents. A deceptively small shop was crammed with magazines, cards and sweets. It was located on the corner of what is now The Rising Sun car park and Church Road where it had once been the site of a café enjoyed by the locals and visitors alike.

THE HOBBY PAGE

This time we have a pastime which has given many hours of relaxing pleasure to one of our readers, Ben Sear. As told to Keith Holme

I discovered Indian Beading by accident and I am delighted to have done so, but just what is it?

It is difficult to explain the process despite it being very simple and easily learnt. It involves setting up a loom and threading beads in the order demanded by your paper plan, pressing these beads into the gaps between each stretched loom string and then taking the needle back through holes in the beads to rethread through small holes in each bead. This row is then woven onto the emerging pattern. Some pictures might help



Rather like knitting you progress down each line of the pattern setting beads from your stock until the length required is reached.

Beads are in sizes from 2mm upwards and in an infinite range of colours, shapes and design allowing an unimaginable range of possible ideas to be made.

When you have become competent using the basic method you can decide just what you are going to make.

Bracelets, belts for men and ladies, neck-ware and all manner of individual, unique items as presents which you can be sure nobody else will be giving.

And the other huge advantage when hobbies and handicrafts can be costly –this pastime is not!

A loom will cost from about £8 upwards and beads are £2 for the basic coloured type. Tools including those with which to work with leather and fabric bases are also under £10 each. A starter kit available on the internet will set you back about £30. Of course you can pay more but that is only necessary when you are happy to have chosen this hobby. **I am happy to tell or show you more. Call me on 07984855557**

Slip End Book Club Update

In September we met to talk about “**The Man I Think I Know**” by **Mike Gayle**, which we all enjoyed. The October choice was “Force of Nature” by Jane Harper, we read her debut novel “The Dry” last year and thoroughly enjoyed it.

As a few of us have other activities we are going to trial a change of time. We will meet in the Frog and Rhubarb at about 8:30pm on the dates given rather than the earlier 8pm. If you'd like to join us, grab a copy of the book and come along. We are quite informal and numbers vary from month to month. Otherwise, please search for our Facebook group "Slip End Book Club".

The books for the next few months are as follows:-

Nov 27th The Little Stranger by Sarah Waters

Dec 11th Three Things About Elsie by Joanna Cannon

Jan 29th The Forgotten Guide to Happiness by Sophie Jenkins

Like to know a little more? Call Alison on alison@tyalyn.org

Is it just a coincidence?

As the application to build a new massive incinerator to process multi-national waste comes before the Council, the Government has issued this for our consideration!

Recycle Week 2018 - It's the biggest one yet!

Recycling does more than save resources, it also helps us as a council to save money to spend on other services. It costs us more to dispose of waste via your black rubbish bin than reuse items from your recycling bin.

See what you can do to make a difference during Recycle Week.

The October Parish Council Meeting

The meeting took place on 2nd October at the Village Hall with Cllr Paul Cooper in the Chair. Report by Keith Holme

There were no matters raised by the public and the meeting moved to Planning Matters. There had been an amended application regarding the production unit proposed by Harpers and known as Ashridge. The application had been amended to include a different roof which would make for an improved appearance. Councillors could see little difference and there was a discussion about its exact location. Expressions of concern that this represented a building on Green belt land were made again. Councillors returned the application to Central Bedfordshire Council without additional comment. The retrospective application to erect an ATM machine and signage was dealt with similarly. Full planning applications on page 13

There was an extended discussion about the installation of Hanging Baskets around some of the lamp posts in the village next year. Some 30 posts would be chosen and Cllr Minnighan felt consideration about the suitability of floral decoration of the Kissing Gates and County signs should be made. However, for the time being, only lamp posts will be considered. There have been offers of financial aid to carry out this work from a local business.

Discussions about how the replacement gritter, operated in conjunction with Caddington PC, would proceed. The replacement of Playground equipment is still planned for next year. Cllr Minnighan and Mr Andy Prothero would be looking at available and suitable items for comment and selection. Cllr Patterson told the Council that the Good Neighbour Scheme Christmas Party would be on 12th December. Mr Prothero was asked to review the condition of footpaths around St Andrews Church and report back.

Concerns about the significant increase in crime in Slip End and Caddington were expressed and the lack of response from Bedfordshire Police regretted. Cllr Stay felt that the pressures on the Force arising from exceptional policing matters including the requirement to protect the community from possible terrorist activity in the area had come at time of significant financial constraint and made for an extremely difficult management situation. His personal view was that some consideration of joint operations with other Forces may have to be considered.

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The Friendship Club Slip End

We are the Friendship Club of Slip End, now in our 53rd year, a community of older people enjoying companionship, friendly chat and regular contact. We have bingo sessions at the Slip End Village Hall as well as organised coach trips to interesting places, and lunches (some complimentary) in local Slip End & Woodside locations all year round. Our next coach trip, which we are all looking forward to, is to Gloucester Quays Victorian Christmas Market in Gloucester on 19th November, and has been so popular that we have had to hire a bigger coach!

Just under 30 members of the Club met up on Thursday 11th October at The Frog & Rhubarb for a complimentary lunch that we occasionally hold. Over a lovely buffet meal, we caught up with each other's latest news, and the hum of our friendly group chatting away filled the air. The quality of the food was excellent, and our thanks go to Paul Cooper of The Frog & Rhubarb for their excellent hospitality and service.

If you'd like to meet us, come along on a Thursday afternoon to the Slip End Village Hall for 2pm for two hours of bingo and a chat, with tea/coffee and biscuits.

Membership costs only £10 a year and is open to anyone from Slip End and surrounding villages and then you, too, can benefit from the membership privileges.

If you want to know more about the Club, then please call Ann on 07753635654.



All about Planning

Planning applications submitted within the Parish since August 2018.

Application CB/18/03205/Full. Submitted 20/8/18

Land adjacent to Ashridge, Pepsal End Road, Pepperstock, LU1 4LJ

Erection of production facility with associated office and parking.

Awaiting decision following amendment

Application CB/03137/Full. Submitted 28/8/18

49 Front Street, Slip End, LU1 4BP. Revise roof to central infill extension and additional extension.

Awaiting decision.

Application CB/18/03357/Adv. Submitted 4/9/18

1 Markyate Road, Slip End. LU1 4BU

Retrospective application for installation of ATM installed through a steel security panel to the far right hand side of the side elevation.

In Consultation

Application CB/18/03358/Full. Submitted 4/9/18

1 Markyate Road, Slip End, LU1 4BU. As above, but with the addition of “Free Cash Withdrawals bespoke surround above ATM Blue LED halo and illumination to the surround”

Await decision .

Application CB/18/03510/Full Submitted 17/9/18

78 Woodside Road, Woodside, LU1 4DQ. New detached double garage.

Awaiting decision

Application CB/18/03517/LDCP Submitted 17/9/18

Cobblers Gold, Mancroft Road, Aley Green, LU1 4DG. Ground side floor and rear extension, loft conversion with hip to gable roof extension, garage conversion with alterations to main dwelling.

Application registered and awaiting decision

CB/18/03682/Full Submitted 1/10/18

66 Woodside Road, LU1 4DQ. Demolition of existing stables and outbuildings and erection of one new detached dwelling.

In consultation

Application CB/18/03710/Full

175 Woodside Road, Woodside. LU1 4LU. Single and two storey extension

In consultation.

**Further information on all planning matters available at:
planing@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk**

ALEY GREEN METHODIST CHURCH

Services and Diary Dates November

Sunday 4th

10.30am Morning Service ~ Steve Jones

10.30am Sunday School

Saturday 10th

8.00am Prayer Breakfast

Sunday 11th

Remembrance Sunday

No service at Aley Green

We join with the other village churches at
All Saints Church Caddington at 10.50am

Tuesday 13th

10.00am ~ 12.00pm 'Cakes & Company'

10.30am ~ 11.00am Little Lambs

Sunday 18th

9.30am Morning Service ~
Rev. Nigel Bibbings

Monday 19th

7.30pm Ecumenical Fellowship-
Jo Prowse

Sunday 25th

10.30am Morning Service &
Communion Rev. Nigel Bibbings

10.30am Sunday School

Wednesday 28th

7.30pm Coffee Evening in aid of
Leaders of Worship & Preachers Trust

Sunday 2nd December

4 pm Ecumenical Advent Service
at Aley Green Methodist Church

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We had an enjoyable Harvest Festival at Aley Green and we were able to take three large boxes of canned and packet food to the Salvation Army in Dunstable. We are most grateful to all who gave so generously. A reminder that our church will be closed Sunday 11th, Remembrance Sunday to let us attend All Saints Church.

We will be out and about with our preserves in the lead up to Christmas,

There are several special chutneys, The Ecumenical Harvest Supper held at the Baptist Church was well supported by over 50 people, who tucked into a ploughman's supper followed by desserts. The evening was rounded off with entertainment from a 'Ohanalele' Ukulele band.

There is an ongoing collection of items for the Luton Foodbank at our church and we manage to send 60 to 70 items most months. The Little Lambs Club had their Harvest celebration at the October meeting, bringing tinned goods which boosted our donation. We will be out and about with our preserves in the lead up to Christmas. There are several special chutneys, jellies and marmalades for the festive season. They do make lovely Christmas presents and can be gift wrapped if required. **See us at Caddhist on Thursday 22nd November and at Caddington Care Coffee & Chat on Monday 26th November.**

Our Coffee Evening this month will be raising funds for the Methodist charity, Leaders of Worship and Preachers Trust. Do pop along and join us for lots of chat, a few laughs and plenty of coffee and tea. **Make it a date Wednesday 28th.**

Our Little Lambs Club for pre school children is held on the 2nd Tuesday each month, 10.30am. meeting in the upper schoolroom. The children listen to a bible story, sing songs and enjoy some craft activities, then it is playtime for the little ones and coffee and chat time for mums, nanas or carers. There is no charge and you can turn up as and when you can. There is always a warm welcome waiting for you at Aley Green Methodist Church. Do join us.

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## Gardening Notes *from Russell Sprout*

At the time of writing this article the weather seems to have finally made up it's mind that it's autumn. You should by now have been able to do some tidying up jobs in the garden getting it ready for winter and have spared a thought for the wildlife and not been too ruthless! Ventilate the greenhouse on sunny days if you still have tomatoes ripening, but close them in the afternoon to help keep in some heat. Alternatively, pick your tomatoes and bring them inside to ripen off. White fly can be a problem at this time of year so fumigate with an HCH smoke or spray to eradicate this problem.

Clear up any fallen leaves and add them to the compost heap, or use them to make your own leaf-mold (but do check that they don't have black spot). Roses planted this month will get off to a good start but only plant them as deep as the old soil mark on the stem. Climbing and rambling roses need to be planted at least fifteen inches away from a wall to avoid lack of water to the roots. Lift tender plants like fuchsias, begonias and geraniums, and bring inside to over-winter if you haven't already done so.

If you have a pond finish preparing for winter by removing old leaves and thinning oxygenating plants. Leave foliage on marginal reeds and rushes as a protection against severe weather. Protect the pool against falling leaves by covering it with small-mesh netting. Overhaul pumps used for waterfalls and fountains, removing submersible types from the water and storing them in a dry place.

Check dahlia tubers for drying out and if they appear shriveled soak them in tepid water for the night. Remove any parts of the tubers that start to rot with a sharp knife and dust them with flowers of sulphur. Check chrysanthemums left in the soil for water logging and insert a fork to its full depth to aid drainage. Stools taken in over winter should be kept moist but not wet. Gladioli corms can be cleaned up any time during the winter and any that are diseased should be discarded. Try to grow gladioli in a different position each year to stop dry rot, fusarium rot and botrytis. Continue to plant border carnations and pinks during mild spells and complete planting tulips and hyacinths as soon as possible.

Blackcurrant bushes will require some of the old wood removing but leave as much new growth as possible, treat gooseberries in much the same way. If you are planting fruit trees, then prune back by about two-thirds of the young shoot straight afterwards. Prune blackberries, raspberries and loganberries cutting out all this year's fruiting shoots and tie in new ones and cut out any weak ones. Continue digging as ground becomes vacant and leave for the frosts to break down over the winter. Don't be too zealous, remember that wildlife need somewhere to overwinter and don't forget to **check that bonfire for hedgehogs before you light it!**

If you are interested in an allotment now would be a good time to ring Derrick 736892 or Steve 423622 to see what is available. The next Gardening Club meeting at the village hall is **Monday 19 November**, the speaker is **Chris Thorne from Aylett Nursery** talking about how to look after your Christmas plants. You don't have to be a member visitors are welcome for a small charge of £2.

*Russell Sprout*



## Dates for St Andrew's Church - November

Sunday 4th: 10.30am: Cafe Church – Peace and Reconciliation

Sunday 11th: 10.30 am: Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 18th: 10.30am: Holy Communion - Shoebox Sunday

Tuesday 20th: 11am: Woodside Care Home Service

Sunday 25th: 10.30am: Informal Communion – Christ the King

## Little Stars for November

Every Wednesday parents, babies and preschool children gather in the family room at St. Andrew's for chat, a story, crafts and songs – all based round a simple Bible story or theme. All are welcome and we are very relaxed about timing if the morning doesn't pan out quite as expected. If you are new to the village or new to motherhood do come along, you will receive a warm welcome.

We serve refreshments from 10am and the session starts at 10.30am.

In November we will meet on the following Wednesdays: 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

You may have noticed there is now a **FREE** cash machine at the shop. We are warned that we need to make full use of it, or it may revert to charging.



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## KEECH HOSPICE

The Hospice would appreciate any used postage stamps. Please save and drop into one of their Charity shops.

Thank you



# Slip End Village School

After the very sunny summer break, we are all back at school and everyone has been as busy as ever since we all returned in September.

Everyone has settled back into learning and we are all looking forward to a wonderful, busy year ahead.

We have already supported two charities this term. The children (and the staff) put on their denim for 'Jeans for Genes Mufti Day' for which we raised a brilliant £130 for this worthy cause.

We also had a great turn out for our Macmillan Coffee morning – our school hall was packed and we raised almost £250! We were extremely pleased with the contributions from everyone – thank you.

On the same day we were very lucky to have a visit from Paralympian Alastair Patrick-Heselton who hosted a sponsored sports event in the school hall. All the staff and Alastair were impressed with how the children tried their very best and enjoyed the event. We look forward to finding out how much money has been raised for new school sports equipment.

Our ever fabulous Friends of Slip End Village School have (as always) been busy raising funds for the school. They recently hosted a Race Night at the Village Hall, a fancy dress Scary Disco for Hallowe'en and a Year 6 cake sale! We're sure it will continue to be a busy time as we run up to the Christmas break which seems to be approaching rapidly!

Helen Brind

Head of School

## **GARDENING CLUB**

**Monday 19th November (8pm Village Hall)**

**Guest speaker- Chris Thorne**

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## World War 1 Memories from the notebooks of John Dove

This extract from my Grandfather's notes was written about the kit and uniform—during the winter of 1915-16!

Alison Wilson

*"The cold weather forced us to put on extra clothing and we were issued with a sheepskin or goatskin coat (what the ladies term half-length). These were in every colour and style imaginable and gave one the appearance of a Robinson Crusoe but they were very warm even if they did harbour fleas and other pests and we should have fared very ill without them. Mine was a chic black and white goatskin with long straggling tails and a fringe!*

*I didn't need much extra clothing myself – I was sufficiently warm-blooded as a rule to keep me from being too starved, [Ed. Northern term meaning cold or chilled] though I was issued underpants and more, a woollen cardigan, a big scarf and woollen helmet. Some of the chaps wore any amount of additional waistcoats, cardigan jackets and jerseys and I remember counting the different articles worn by one of my section once. He had fifteen layers of it. On the top of all this came our knee length greatcoats – weighty and thick (and more so when wet!), our equipment pouches filled with cartridges, gas-mask, additional bandoleers of cartridges and our waterproof capes. We wore our rubber thigh-boots whenever it was necessary to do our work outside. At other times we wrapped up our legs in sandbags or old newspapers and odd bits of waterproof tape, groundsheet or tarpaulin or anything we could find. We looked like some gargantuan prehistoric monster grovelling and grubbing in the mire and it's hardly necessary for me to say it was all most damnably uncomfortable and miserable.*

*Imagine us floundering about in the mud and water in this rig-out (with the addition of a rifle and pack sometimes) or trying to crawl through the narrow doorway of a funk-hole in the bottom of a trench or, worse still, trying to get at some obscure portion of our skin to scratch. It was too difficult sometimes, that latter, and we had to rub ourselves against the battens of a trench, like an old sow in a sty, to get a bit of relief."*

## On 11<sup>th</sup> November St Andrew's

will be holding a service of Remembrance, which coincides with the centenary of the end of WW1. The village's war memorial is within the church. At the service the names of those from the parish who died in the two World Wars will be read out.

On 11<sup>th</sup> November 1920 an unidentified British soldier killed on a European battlefield during WWI was buried in Westminster Abbey. There are four Bible verses inscribed around edges of the tomb, which speak of sacrifice and hope.

**'Greater love hath no man than this' (John 15:13)** These are Jesus' words to his followers: 'My command is this: love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.' Jesus showed the extent of his love by dying on a Roman cross.

**'In Christ shall all be made alive (1Cor 15:22)** reminds us that death is not the end. Jesus died and rose again, so we too can have life beyond the grave.

**'The Lord knoweth them that are his' (2 Tim 2:19)** helps us to understand why Jesus died. His death means we can know God personally.

**'Unknown and yet well known, dying and behold we live' (2 Cor 6:9).** This emphasises the power of the Resurrection.



These words, literally set in stone, remind us that we are known by a loving God who gave his Son so whoever believes in him will have eternal life with him.

We are also hosting a special community display as advertised here. This looks beyond remembering to peace and reconciliation.

***O God, may the times that we have to take up arms in defence of what we believe to be right never blind us to the continuing need to search for a better peace, that all may live in peace promised us by Jesus our Lord. Amen***



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# This Christmas

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Saturday 8th December  
midday-2pm

### Carol Singing

Join Luton Choral Society by the Luton BID Christmas tree on St George's Square as they spread some festive cheer.

Saturday 15th December  
11am-4pm

### Santa in Luton

Meet Santa and his Christmas elves, stilt walkers, jugglers and dancers as they wander through Luton town centre, meeting and greeting families and shoppers.

Saturday 22nd December  
midday-2pm

### Carol Singing

Traditional Christmas carols as The Big Hat Factory Choir perform on St Georges Square.



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# Slip End Parish Christmas Biscuits 2018

The Parish Council, through the Communities Project Group, will be giving a superb box of biscuits again to all qualifying residents at Christmas. Please bear in mind that to be eligible for your Christmas gift you need to have **lived in the Parish for 5 or more years and have reached the age of 65**. Only one tin is given per household.



Please help us to keep the list up to date .

**If you are newly qualified, or know of somebody who previously qualified but is no longer resident, please contact Simon Patterson on**

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## **RIISING SUN RUNNERS**

Caddington and Slip End (CSE) runners recently celebrated their first anniversary . We meet at 8pm on Wednesday evenings at the car park by The Rising Sun in Slip End. Runs are typically 7km and take in several routes around Slip End and Caddington.

If you'd like to join us sign up on our

**Facebook page or call Pete on**

**07587189260.**

## St Andrews Church *HARVEST SUPPER*

Our Harvest Celebrations began in the traditional way with a Harvest Supper, held at the Village Hall on Friday 28 September. Thank you to all those who donated delicious food and helped serve it on the night.

Entertainment this year was provided by "Reflections" a talented guitar duo supported by their wives as backing singers. A programme of over 80 tunes from the 50's & 60's was provided enabling everyone to "shout out" what they wanted to hear. This proved very popular and everyone enjoyed singing along and tapping their feet in appreciation of the excellent musicians. A good time was had by all.

During the evening we discovered that one of the guitarists was married at St Andrews Church 40 years ago and the other had his 21st birthday at the Village Hall! They perform for all occasions and to book contact Sandra 07815 680329.

### *HARVEST GIFTS*

Thank you to the children of our school and members of the St. Andrew's congregation who donated gifts of produce, which was used on Saturday morning to decorate the Church for the Harvest Thanksgiving service. Flowers provided by the Flower Team were also used to decorate the church for the Harvest celebration. Thank you also to those who packed and delivered over a hundred individual gifts on Monday morning to people living in the Parish, including a box of "goodies" for the residents of Woodside Care Home. A special thank you to Year 6 children and staff of Slip End School, who took time out to assist the Volunteers, in distributing the gifts. We were fortunate to be able to donate produce to the Luton Foodbank, N.O.A.H. and Azalea, three charities supported by the Church.

Sue Lyons Jan Buttery



You may have read the comments made at the Parish Council Meeting (see page 10) about difficulties faced by Bedfordshire Police and so we have included figures below showing September crime reports over the wider area

**Aley Green**

Burglary - Business And Community – 1  
 Attempted Burglary - Residential – 1

**Slip End**

Theft from a motor vehicle – 7  
 Interference with a motor vehicle – 3  
 Sending letters etc with intent to cause distress or anxiety – 1  
 Other criminal damage to a vehicle ( – 1

**Pepperstock**

Burglary - Business And Community – 1  
 Assault without Injury - Common assault and battery – 1

**Woodside**

Other criminal damage to a vehicle – 2

**Caddington**

Interference with a motor vehicle – 7  
 Assault without Injury - Common assault and battery – 3  
 Theft from a motor vehicle – 3  
 Attempted Burglary - Residential – Dwelling – 2  
 Other criminal damage to a vehicle – 2  
 Unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle – 1  
 Burglary - Business And Community – 1  
 Theft if not classified elsewhere – 1  
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Parish News in December

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## Operation Christmas Child



We are approaching that time of the year again with the start of the local shoebox campaign. I have been helping with shoeboxes for over 20 years now and visited Belarus in 2015 to help with a distribution, which was a most rewarding trip. We have already begun making crafts and wrapping shoeboxes at Andrew's Church, and if you would like to make a special connection to a child overseas, here is what to do:-

\*Your precious shoebox will be sent overseas and given to a needy child.

\*Volunteers will help to give out the boxes in deprived areas, schools and hospitals regardless of background or religious beliefs.

It is an unconditional gift of love for a child. If you need a shoebox leaflet please contact me. Items can be donated if you do not wish to do a box.

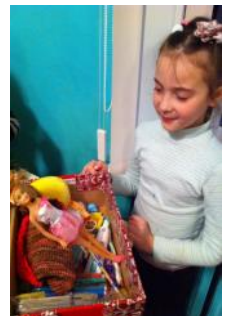
\*Wrap an empty medium shoebox and lid separately. Choose the age group (2-4, 5-9, 10-14) and choose boy or girl.

For any further information contact me ([cowells83@aol.com](mailto:cowells83@aol.com)) or at St Andrew's Church. Contact detail on page 34.

By Sue Briggs

\*Fill it with new gifts, for example:- cuddly toy, stationery, toiletries, wrapped sweets, hat, gloves and scarf, special toy for a boy or girl, small ball, and a greetings card/photo of yourself and finally £5 towards transport.

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## Luton Hoo Estate Walled Garden

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Money raised will help put a new roof on the third propagation house. Entry is via the A1081, between Luton and Harpenden. Take West Hyde Road/Newmill End turning and turn left into entrance gate, follow the signs to the Walled Garden. LU1 4LF. There is no entry to the Walled Garden from the Luton Hoo Hotel.

**Coffee & Cake Afternoon**

Tea & Coffee

Danceathon

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**When: Sat 3rd of November**  
**Time: 1:30pm - 3:30pm**  
**Where: Heathfield Centre, Caddington**

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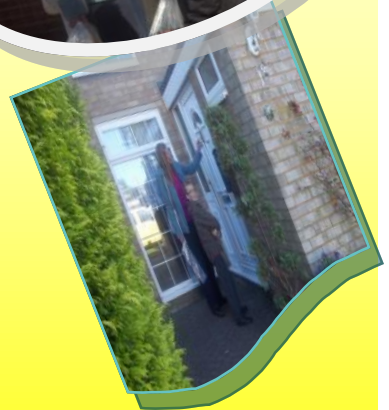


Luton Hoo

The Walled Garden project began in 2001. We now have an excellent team of over a hundred volunteers working in different groups depending on their interests, including assisting at our Summer Open Days, working with the Research Group to uncover the history of the Walled Garden and the Luton Hoo Estate, and working within the Gardening & Conservation Groups

## Village Harvest Festival

Some of the gifts and plants that were distributed to villagers and a photo of Alan Buttery and Steve Lyons with some of the cans donated to the Food Bank from the Church and the School.



Photos from the school with Rev Cathy Pullinger and children from year 6 as they walked around the village with the harvest distribution.

## BOXING

On Saturday, 24th November at the DOME, Doncaster  
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*Diary - If you would like your events included, please contact the Editor*

## NOVEMBER

- Sat 3rd Coffee and Cake Afternoon Heathfield Centre 1.30 to 3.30 Help local charity
- Mon 5th Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm
- Tues 6th Caddington WI Talk Baptist Church Hall 7:30pm
- Sat 10th WW1 Community Exhibition St Andrew's Church 10:30am—4pm
- Sun 11th Remembrance Sunday -Attend a service or join the silence at 11am
- Fri 16th Charity event -Murder Mystery Night — see poster for details Oct PN
- Mon 19th Gardening Club Guest Speaker Village Hall 8pm
- Tues 20th Photography Group Members Night Social Club 8pm
- Fri 23rd WI Group Christmas Meeting — Kensworth

## December

- Mon 3rd Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm
- Tues 4th Caddington WI Social Evening Baptist Church Hall 7:30pm
- Fri 13th Santa Visit (if you have been good)
- Sat 14th Santa Visit
- Tues 18th Photography Group Christmas party Social Club 8pm

## January

- 21st Gardening Club AGM Village Hall 8.00pm

## **Bin collections for November**

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