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Grand Opening of Sawtry's First

Charity Shop

7 Greenways, PE28 5UR

On Saturday 27th April

Starting at 11am

Come and join in the fun !!

Normal Shop Hours

Monday - Thursday & Saturdays

9am - 4.30pm

Come and celebrate with us and find yourself a bargain too All proceeds from the shop will go to support the work of CARESCO in our local community

> For more information please contact the CARESCO Office on 01487 832105 or email office@caresco.org.uk



Exciting Children and Family portraits by **Tempest Photography**

Tempest Photography will be holding a

Children and Family Portrait session

Sawtry Preschool Playgroup, Fen Lane, Sawtry

Friday 10th May

3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.

THESE SITTINGS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Please telephone 01487 832433 or visit playgroup to make a booking.

A choice of different packs of photographs will be available

TO INFINITY AND BEYOND

SAWTRY CAMERA CLUB & ASTRONOMY SOCIETY

Are proud to present a special evening with the renouned astro photographer

Nik Szymanek and his team

Free admission to members of both clubs but all are welcome at a small cost of £1.00 per person per evening,

Venue: Sawtry Club, Gidding Road, Sawtry

Date & Time: 11th April at

7.30pm for an 8pm start



For More Information Call Dorothy on 01487 830550



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23 November	CARESCO	Fundraising Event at College	01487 832105	
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If you would like to have a date considered for inclusion please email the details along with a contact number to sawtryeye@caresco.org.uk with the subject 'Make a Date'. We cannot include regular meetings/classes as space will not allow, but we would love to know about the special events.

When your organisation fixes dates, do not forget to let us know. Don't wait for the next deadline. If you don't have access to email, then put it in writing and drop it into the CARESCO Centre or phone us on 01487 832105 (answer phone outside office hours). We reserve the right to decide which items to include.

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Sawtry Twinned with Weimar Welcome

There's so much to report on and find out about in this issue of the Eye! For CARESCO April is going to be a really big month as we open our charity shop in Sawtry, hopefully bringing a valuable added attraction to the village, as well as a much needed income source to the charity. Many of our readers do not realise that CARESCO is the organisation behind your village magazine, however you can find out more about us by visiting our website at www.caresco.org.uk where you can not only read about our history and current activities but also download back issues of the Sawtry Eye should you wish.

Looking at the Make a Date page, it is going to be a busy couple of months for a lot of local groups as the summer sports start up after their winter break and the spring fundraisers get under way. Before we know it, the Sawtry Carnival will be here, but before then there will be the selection night to choose this year's Court, don't miss out on the fun!

Have a good one.



Liz - Co-Editor



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SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR SAWTRY SCHOOLS

Summer Term 2013 Start of Term - 15 April

May Day, 6 May Half Term, 27 May – 31 May **End of Term 23 July**

Autumn Term 2013

Teacher Training Day, 3 September Start of Term - 4 September Half Term, 28 October - 1 November End of Term - 20 December

> Spring Term 2014 Start of Term - 7January Half Term, 7 - 21 February End of Term - 4 April

Schools have a number of training days available to take at their discretion. Please contact your local school for details. Or check the Cambridgeshire County Council website at http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/education

SawtryWI

7.30pm in the WI Hall, Gidding Road (Wheelchair Access)
Charity Number 229016

4th April Mrs Yvonne O'Neill - Sugarcraft

Ever wondered how to do fancy decorations on cakes - this is your chance to find out how!

Competition, continuing our HOLIDAYS theme, item beginning with I

2nd May

Resolution Evening –
also Gary O'Shea - Dangerous Occupations
Gary has been recommended to us

Competition, continuing our HOLIDAYS theme, item beginning with D

Visitors and New Members always receive a warm welcome. If you haven't tried the WI before, come along and meet us, have fun and go home with a smile!!

Regular features include: Bring & Buy stall, raffle and refreshments

Secretary: Ann Watson 01487 834035

President: Margaret Geary 01487 832925



Don't forget - during all weeks containing a bank holiday, collections will take place

ONE DAY LATE

HDC REFUSE COLLECTION

Sawtry and the surrounding villages have the same calendar for refuse collection, however the week day may vary.

To find out the exact dates for your property visit:

http://applications.huntsdc.gov.uk/ applications/refusecollection/ and enter your house number & postcode or call 01480 388388

GREY (LANDFILL WASTE)

(Week Beginning)

1st, 15th & 29th April 13th & 27th May

COMPOST (GARDEN WASTE) & DRY RECYCLING

(Week Beginning)

8th & 22nd April 6th & 27th May

For more information visit the Hunts District Council website at http:// www.huntsdc.gov.uk and look for the **Refuse & Recycling** link on the left hand side of the page.



Saturdays

9.30 am - 11.00 am

at Sawtry Methodist Church Green End Road, Sawtry

Where there are also cakes 8 refreshments on sale during the regular Coffee Morning

A range of Fairtrade food & paper available for sale on the day, or order from the catalogue.

No obligation, drop in any time to browse

Contact - Liz Coates 01487 830345

Or Visit

www.traidcraftshop.co.uk



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(6.5cm x 8.5cm)

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01487 832105

sawtryeye@caresco.org.uk



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To Celebrate CARESCO's 30th Anniversary

Quiz Supper

At the CARESCO Centre Saturday 27th April Start 7.30pm

Quiz theme:

The Last 30 Years

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Includes hot supper (Bring your own drinks)
& pud + quiz entry

(Max 4 people per team)





In aid of CARESCO Charity reg 1140728 Company reg 7513432 Tickets:

£8.00 each

Available from the CARESCO office Call 01487 832105

Or email office@caresco.org.uk

www.caresco.org.uk

You can raise money for CARESCO when doing your shopping online and it won't cost you a penny more. Visit our eStore at: http://www.spendandraise.com/CARESCO to see the huge number of retailers now included in the scheme.

By clicking on their links to our eStore, we will get a donation from the retailer when you make a purchase.



Thank you for your support

Farmers' Markets

Truly local food sold by the people who produce it.

HUNTINGDON

Alternate Fridays from 8am to 2pm in Huntingdon Market Square

5th & 19th April 3rd, 17th & 31st May

Organised by Huntingdonshire District Council with the support of Huntingdon Town Centre Partnership. For more information call 01480 450250 or email FarmersMarkets@huntsdc.gov.uk

PETERBOROUGH

2nd & 4th Thursdays from 9am to 2pm in Long Causeway

Organised by Peterborough City Council. For more information call 01733 452217 or visit www.peterborough.gov.uk

OUNDLE

Every 2nd Saturday from 8.30am - 1.30pm Market Street

For further information please contact Oundle Town Council - Tel: 01832 272055, email: otc@lineone.net

Farmers' markets are different because the food sold there must be from the local area and sold by the people who grow or produce it. Bought-in produce is not allowed. Buy fresh, high quality produce from the people who can tell you how it was grown or made.



SAWTRY LIGHT FACTORY HOLIDAY CLUB

5th – 11th August

At Sawtry Methodist Church Green End Road

For more details, contact Matt on 01487 830345



PRIZE BINGO

In aid of Sawtry Day Centre

12th April 10th May

Starts 7.30pm In the CARESCO Centre, Green End Road, Sawtry

Contact Pat Ayres 01487 832503

SAWTRY ANNUAL PARISH **MEETING**

Wednesday 22nd May

7.30pm at the Old School Hall, Green End Road, Sawtry

All Sawtry Residents Welcome

Contact Parish Council Office - 831771



St Neots & District Branch 01480 476696

Homing Day

Saturday 6th April 10.30am - 12.30pm

St Neots Community Centre Church Walk, St Neots

Come and meet the CP cats CP Goods and Bric-a-Brac stalls

Admission: Cat Food or Donation



All Saints Church, Sawtry Dance / Disco

Friday 7th June, 7.30 – 11pm at Sawtry Community College

Bring your own drinks and nibbles

Dave Whiskel disco music 101 all all as

Tickets £5, Family ticket £15 (2 adults + children 8-16) From: Isolde Whitmore 831260 & Sue Simmons 831055

TINY TOTS

Methodist Church Hall, Green End Road, Sawtry

Parent, Baby and Toddler Group Every Tuesday term time 9.30 – 11.00 a.m. Toys for all ages 0 to 4 years Activities/Crafts/Songs

£1.20 per family, First visit FREE Refreshments 10p

Come along and make new friends New members welcome

For more information call Louise 01487 832257

SAWTRY & DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

The Club are looking to recruit new members
The season starts on **Saturday 20**th **April**

For anybody interested the green will be open:

- Monday afternoons from 2.00pm
- Saturday mornings from 10.30am
 Other times by arrangement
 Bowls & tuition provided

Contacts: M. Rayson on 01487 830720

M. Urwin on 01487 830193



SAWTRY WI

In Aid of the WI Hall

Fashion Show from M & Co.

Friday, 24th May 2013 7.30 pm in the WI Hall

Come and see WI ladies modelling the latest fashions from M & Co. of St Ives

Tickets £6 available now from
Margaret Geary (832925)
Price includes glass of wine and savoury nibbles

Secretary: Ann Watson 01487 834035

President: Margaret Geary 01487 832925

Charity no. 229016



Sawtry Junior School Association invites you to their

Summer Fete

On

Friday 5th July 3.15 – 5.15 p.m.

For more information, or to book a stall (stalls need to be booked before 24th June - £10 per stall)

Please telephone the school office on 01487 830204



Sawtry WI In Aid of the WI Hall

BINGO

5th and 19th April 3rd, 17th and 31st May

Everyone welcome - Eyes down 7.30pm

SPRING AFTERNOON TEA Thursday, 18th April 2.30 to 4pm

Tickets £5 each from Margaret Geary (832925)

Bring and Buy Stall, raffle, cakes and books/jigsaws

COFFEE MORNING

Thursday, 16th May

10.30am - 12 noon £1.00 on the door

Bring and Buy Stall, raffle, cakes and books/jigsaws

Contact for events Ann Watson 01487 834035 Charity Number 229016

Cancer Research UK Event 2013

You've got a pound in your pocket. Do you want to do something extraordinary with it?

Saturday 27th April at Alconbury Memorial Hall, 1:30pm - 4:30pm

Lots of stalls including a raffle, tombola, letterbox sweepstake, rainbow arch, cake stall, book stall, 99p stall, "Make A Wish..." and much, much more!

Children's Poster Competition - Get your child to design a poster for the competition, the winner will be chosen by the celebrity who is opening the event. Leave your poster at the following address by 15th April 2013

Community Cookbook - Send a recipe for the cook book to mynextcharityevent@gmail.com or drop a recipe at the following address by 10th April 2013. The book will be available to buy at the Cancer Research UK Event

Book a stall for your business/craft work or book a car boot space to sell your old things. Call 01480 896602 or email mynextcharityevent@gmail.com to book. Booking is essential because there are limited spaces.

Donations wanted - Cakes, raffle or tombola prizes, bric-a-brac, books, posters etc.

Drop them to 25 Highfield Avenue, Alconbury Weston
Volunteers also wanted!

That pound in your pocket can change the world Prove its potential; donate it to Cancer Research UK

www.mynextcharityevent.webs.com - mynextcharityevent@gmail.com
@My_Next_Charity #OneMorePound

SAWTRY AND DISTRICT ASTRONOMY SOCIETY

The Astronomy Society meets at Greenfields Sports Building, Sawtry Fen 7.30pm for a 7.45pm start. Everyone is welcome.

11th April
Joint meeting with Sawtry Camera Club at
Sawtry Social Club
'Photographing The Night Sky'
Nik Szymanek
(Note <u>no</u> usual meeting on 26th)

31st May 'Mars Revisited' Jerry Workman

If the sky is clear you can look through telescopes at the moon, planets, stars and other objects, even see the nearest galaxy to us.

For more information please contact: -







Come and meet
Sawtry History Society
Archives and view their
archive material
at
Sawtry Library

SATURDAYS 10am—12.00am

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library



SAWTRY CRICKET CLUB FAMILY OPEN DAY



Saturday 4th May

Special cricket 'taster' sessions for junior players

Beginning at 11:00
At Greenfields, Sawtry, PE28 5XN
Followed by the 1st XI's first home game of the season starting at 13:00

There will also be refreshments (drinks/ice cream/BBQ etc) available all day, along with some fun games/challenges, bouncy castle, and prize draws

The contact for more information is lan Fowler on 07545 882994

SAWTRY LINE DANCE CLUB

Learn to line dance at your local class, no partner required



Everyone is welcome, come along and make new fiends, enjoy yourself and keep fit at the same time.

We're a friendly sociable class, dancing to all types of music; country, pop, contemporary

Held at Sawtry Community College, Fen Lane, Sawtry

Wednesday evenings (term time only)

Summer term starts 17th April Half-term 27th - 31st May (no class)

7 - 7.30pm - Beginners' Class 7.30 - 9.30pm - Improvers

£3.50 per session

Contact: Angela Foster - 01480 891283 Keith Geary - 01487 832925

Or Email: johnangie.foster4@virgin.net

Saturday 22nd June 11.45am - 4pm



Behind the Old School Hall & College grounds

Bigger and better than last year!!

- Fancy Dress Theme -1960's
- Loads of free entertainment and attractions for all
- Live music /acts in the arena
- Variety of stalls to suit everyone
- Meet Our New Carnival Court of 2013& Visiting Courts
- Lots more to be confirmed

Action packed Fun day for all ages come along and have a great family day out.

Carnival parade leaves the College at 11.45am
Come and line the New and improved parade route

From the front of the College, past Greystones, down Green End Road, up Beaumaris Road then out to the front of the College on to Fen Lane!

Fancy dress competition. Join the parade!!

Walk in the parade at your own risk, children must be supervised.

Click like on our Facebook page 'SAWTRY CARNIVAL' for more details!

SAWTRY 3RD SCARECROW WEEK 5th JULY TO 14TH JULY

ARE YOU READY? How are your plans coming along for the Annual Scarecrow week? This year will be a little longer (by popular request) as this will mean that visitors to

Sawtry will have two weekends to come and take part in THE SCARECROW TRAIL. Let's give them a beautiful display of our friends THE SCARECROWS and wouldn't it be nice if some of the businesses could take part in the fun of Scarecrow Week and help to make it bigger than ever? The application forms will be ready from the beginning of JUNE from the Council Office and the closing date will be the end of June. BE READY FOR THE INVASION of FRIENDLY SCARECROWS AND TRAIL BLAZERS.

For more details contact the Sawtry Parish Office on 01487 831771

Delia Riddle

Triathlon Man Size 48 to 38

Hi my name is Robert Suter but most people know me as 'Taxi Rob'. I've lived in Sawtry all my life so far. In 2012 I started a weight loss programme and I've lost 33% of my body weight through the help of the gym and other people. I've started my training to do the VIRGIN EXCEL SUPER SPRINT TRIATHLON on 27th July in London.

I wish to raise money for CARESCO and the Feast Supper so I've had some sponsor forms made. If you wish to help please contact me on 07850279917 or robert.suter@hotmail.co.uk or at CARESCO or the Feast Supper

Thanks, Robert Suter

Committee.



WELCOME TO THE SAWTRY CAMERA CLUB



We meet on the second Thursday of each month

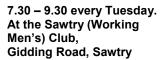
7.30pm until 9.30pm

At the Sawtry Club in Gidding Road

Everyone will receive a warm welcome young or old, male or female beginners or experienced we learn from each other

For more information please contact 01487 830186

CRAFT GROUP





If you love to knit, crochet or sew or in fact do any other type of craft, why not come along to the Sawtry Club on Tuesday evenings?

Meet others with similar interests, sit and chat, share your knowledge and experience or learn new skills. Bring along your projects or just come to chat.

Everyone is welcome, all ages and experience levels, male or female, young or old. No charge to come along, no joining, just turn up. You don't have to come every week and you can come and go as you please.

Drinks, including tea and coffee are available to buy at the bar.

For further info contact Carolyn on 01487 832682



SELECTION & CROWNING NIGHT

Friday 26th April at 7pm –Late

Sawtry Ex-Service and Working Men's Club, 10 Gidding Road, Sawtry, PE28 5TS

ALL GIRLS MUST WORK, STUDY OR BE RESIDENT IN SAWTRY

AGE: 5 - 8 **ROSEBUD** (Sawtry Carnival Day **only** 22nd June '13)

9 - 12 JUNIOR PRINCESS & JUNIOR QUEEN

13 - 21 SENIOR PRINCESS & SENIOR QUEEN

And be available for various dates/events during the year!! Please see entry form for dates

Entry forms can be obtained from school offices or emailing sawtrycarnival@hotmail.co.uk

DISCO AND RAFFLE

(ALL MONIES RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS THE CARNIVAL COURT)
ENTRY CHARGE: ADULT - £ 3; CHILD - £ 2

For more info contact Bev on 07902450272 E-mail: sawtrycarnival@hotmail.co.uk

DON'T FORGET TO VISIT OUR SAWTRY CARNIVAL PAGE ON FACEBOOK AND HIT LIKE

VOICES AND BRASS WITH GRIMETHORPE COLLIERY BAND

Saturday 20th April Starting at 7.30pm

At the KingsGate Conference Centre,

Parnwell, Peterborough PE1 4YT

Peterborough Male Voice Choir, Peterborough Voices and Peterborough Youth Choir join forces with the internationally acclaimed Grimethorpe Colliery Band - of *Brassed Off* fame - for a spectacular evening of voices and brass.

Not to be missed!

BOOK NOW: Tickets from £13 with special offers for families and groups available from Peterborough Visitor Information Centre 01733 452336 or online at www.peterboroughmvchoir.org.uk

STILTON CHEESE ROLLING

Monday 6th May 2013



High Street Stilton



Fun starts 10:30am
May King and Queen
Magic Dave
Local dance groups
Plenty of food and drink
Stalls and Sideshows



For more information ring Carol 07508502534 or visit www.stilton.org

Cambridgeshire Bobby Scheme Open Morning



At The Sawtry Police House 76 Fen Lane



Wednesday 17th April 10.30am - 12.30pm

Come and join us for coffee and cake and find out what our wonderful charity does:

Providing security advice and making people over the age of 60 feel more secure in their own homes. Come and see if you or a family member or friend could benefit from our service.

We will have on display some of the devices we use to secure a home

For more information please call 01480 413311

Letters ...



EILEEN HAWORTH

EILEEN HAWORTH passed away peacefully, at home with her family, on 23rd March 2013 (aged 67 years) after a long battle with cancer.

Eileen moved to Sawtry with her family in 1981 and enjoyed many happy years living down Buckingham Way and Scotney Way. Eileen enjoyed socialising in the village and was involved in many aspects of the community, including volunteering for CARESCO from the start.

Eileen, and her husband Raymond, moved away from Sawtry 9 years ago to enjoy retirement by the seaside - unfortunately this turned out to be much shorter than hoped.

Eileen is survived by husband Raymond, daughter Diane and son Matthew.

A service will be held at Alford Crematorium. Lincolnshire.

Please contact Matt on 07508 548694 for more details as they haven't been finalised at time of going to print. Anyone thinking of sending flowers would you please consider instead making a donation, in Eileen's name, to St Barnabas Lincolnshire Hospice (www.stbarnabashospice.co.uk) as they provided invaluable home care and support in the last few months.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR LOCAL OFFICERS....

There have been a number of concerns raised regarding speeding within the area of Green End Road, please be mindful of the speed limit when driving in the village. If there is anyone who may be interested in setting up a 'Speedwatch' scheme in Sawtry I would be happy to assist, if so please get in contact to find out more or visit

http://www.cambs.police.uk/roadsafety/speedwatch/

It has been brought to our attention recently that persons using mobility scooters are not always wearing high visibility garments when crossing roads, please could this be taken into account due the weather conditions at present, this will allow the users to been seen by other motorists. Thanks you for your cooperation in this matter. If you need to contact the police in an Emergency please dial 999 or dial 101 for all non emergency's alternatively you can remain anonymous and call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

Regards.

Pcso 7174 Emily Bryant

Huntingdon Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team, Mobex -7110979; Mobile - 07801 741783;

E-mail - emily.bryant@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Sawtry Eye Apr - May 2013



JOE THOMPSON

Mrs Rose Thompson and family would like to thank everyone who attended the funeral of Joe Thompson and for the generous donations to the Royal British Legion.

A grand total of £560 was collected.

Thank you to all.



Would like to thank everybody for their messages of sympathy, kindness and support during the sad loss of Elaine's Mum. It has been a great comfort to us.

A special thank you to Pam Tuplin for arranging our floral tribute.

Our thanks also to June, Eileen and all at the Co-operative Funeral Services

THANK YOU FROM CARESCO

We have been having a busy time at CARESCO of late – see details elsewhere in this issue – however we need to thank some people and organisations for their help and support during the past few months:

- Salon 42 who raised £63 serving seasonal refreshments to their customers in the lead up to Christmas
- **Upton Gardening Club** which has now sadly closed but made a donation of £100 from their remaining funds
- All Saints Church for two very generous donations of £491.50 from their own fundraising and an additional £500 from general funds
- **Slimming World** who donated the contents from their Syn Bin after Christmas in the form of chocolates and other naughty treats for future raffles and prizes
- Wellside Surgery for their donation of £100
- Maggi for organising the most amazing evening at the College for our Last Night of the Proms raising a staggering £2500!
- Lyn & Pat for organising our recent Afternoon Tea raising £240
- Sawtry Small Business Partnership for running a brilliant Race Night in aid of Sawtry First Responders and CARESCO

Thank you also to everyone who supported these efforts

CARESCO cannot continue to provide our much needed services to the local community without these additional sources of funding. We now receive a third of our income from local authority grant, a third from attendance fees and a third from fundraising.

Liz Coates, General Manager

CARESCO CHARITY SHOP

At last it's here, after months of hard work CARESCO is now opening its own charity shop in Sawtry. A huge thank you to everyone who has made this possible, we couldn't have done it without you!

Please bear with us as we get everything in place and our systems up and running, however we really need your support to make this venture work. Our vision is not only to provide a secure long-term source of income for the charity, but also a point of contact and information for the community. Please call in soon to see our setup and maybe find yourself a bargain.

The shop, at 7 Greenways, will be open Monday – Thursday and Saturdays, 9am – 4.30pm. We will need a steady supply of donations once we get going, but please only when the shop is open. If you would like to someone to collect donations from your home, this can arrange one by calling the CARESCO office on 01487 832105. Please remember that we can only sell items which are in a good clean condition and that we have a limited amount of room. We are also able to sell small electrical items which are new or in very good condition.

Our thanks to all who have made the shop possible, there are too many to name everyone. Here are just a few to be going on with who have made donations or provided their services for free:

- Linda & Barry for the vision and their endless energy
- Warren Duff for the painting
- Dulux for the paint
- Claire Holbrook for the survey & advice
- Buckles Solicitors for the legal support
- Almary Green (Financial Advisors) for paying the deposit
- Miss Selfridge's for the jewellery display stands
- · Fire Assist for their fire audit
- M&D Flooring for providing cover for the back of the shop
- Luminus for the donation of £250 (for start up costs)
- · Luminus for various electrical items to sell
- Sawtry Co-op Funerals for donation of £25 (for prizes)
- The 40 or so volunteers who will staff the shop
- · Everyone who donated equipment
- All who have given items to be sold





Based on the school site in Middlefield Road, Sawtry, the Centre offers activity sessions and services for families in Sawtry and the surrounding villages

All of our activities are free to all parents/carers of children birth to 5 as well as for expectant mums' and dads'

Come along and have fun! Why not check out our website to see what's on at

www.sawtrychildrenscentre@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or call us on 01487 830618



NEW RESTAURANT OPENS

Local MP Shailesh Vara officially opened the new restaurant Shampan Masala in Sawtry on Saturday 16th March.

Shailesh Vara, Member of Parliament for North West Cambridgeshire, along with owners from other Sawtry Businesses, kindly gave up some of his family time on Saturday to recognise and support a new business opening their doors in Sawtry.

Once the ribbon was cut to signify the official opening of the restaurant, Shampan Masala's owner Ayna Yasin treated those attending to a selection of dishes.

Attended by Ralph Maloney, business owner of the Business Networking Cambs, David Blackett, owner

of Sawtry Marquees, Sawtry Newscabin owner

and others.

9 Greenways, Sawtry PE28 5UR Tel: 01487 83 11 00

www.shampanmasala.co.uk for menu & customer reviews

> Picture shows Shailesh Vara MP (third from right) and Ayna Yasin, owner of Shampan Masala (fifth from the right)

Photo by Jane Maloney



SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY

On the 21st February Andrew Mortlock gave a very interesting talk on the History of the London Brick Co. He brought just a fraction of his memorabilia which has been amassed over many years.

The origins of London Brick goes way back to 1889 when J.C Hill a developer was building houses in the London Brick Co. Oxford Clay was deposited millions of years ago with high amounts of organic material which helped in the process of brick making, leaving behind many interesting fossils. Hand cut in the early years using spades, and pick axes, boys and young ladies formed the bricks before placing in the huge kilns, a job now done by robots. The indent in the brick called the 'frog', so called because it looked like the horse's hoof, also called the frog. A mould for the Royal Wedding of Charles and Diane, was also displayed. In 1939/1940s millions of bricks went to airfields to build air raid shelters. In 1936 Phorpres Sports and Social club formed, activities included swimming, snooker, football, tug of war, cricket and a rifle club to name a few activities. Phorpres House, still standing on the bridge was once the Coffee Palace. In 1951 the first Italians came over to boost the population in the brick indus-

On the 23rd February the Sawtry History Society opened their Sawtry Archive in the Library for all to see, it was well attended. Alan Stevens, Associate Principle of Sawtry Community College came along, also Caroline Clifford from Huntingdon Library/Archive and brought with her some interesting records involving past locals.

The next meeting is on Thursday 18th April at 7.30, WI Hall, Gidding Road, Sawtry. A slide show by Alan Bottell titled 'Where did your Street get its name?' Come along and find out, all welcome. Contact 01487 830054.

Q. Why is a brick like an egg? A. Because they both have to be laid.





As you all now know, CARESCO is opening a Charity Shop.

This is going to be a great project for Sawtry but CARESCO's Nearly New will still be operational for all of you who would like to sell your clothes through us. If you would like to be one of our new customers and have nearly new clothes, toys and house-

hold items that you no longer use and that you would interested in selling, then please come to see us (or contact us on the e-mail address below). We will try to sell your items and if we do, you receive 60% of the sale price! It really is as simple as that - Nothing to it as we do all the work!!!

And you don't have to be a selling customer to purchase any item from Nearly New - just drop in and see what we have on offer as stock changes every week.

A little bit of information - Due to the upcoming change in logo on the Junior School jumpers, we will no longer be accepting school items with the old logo. We still have some to sell if any of you are looking for items for the short term.

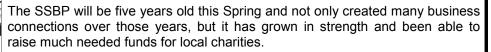
We are open from 9am - 11.30am in the CARESCO Centre. The Coffee Shop is also open and children are welcome.

Nicole, Gill, Clair and Doreen nearlynew@caresco.org.uk

SAWTRY SMALL BUSINESS

www.sawtry.net

www.ssbpartnership.org



Having taken over the sawtry.net website and merged it with their own, the opportunities for local groups and individuals have become much more accessible. Local news is very much needed for the site as well as club details and programmes of events. Each local group can have their own page which they can update themselves allowing the local community (and the rest of the world!) to know what is happening within that club or future activities.

If you have yet to take a look at the site please do as it is updated and used regularly.

The new site also gives everybody access to local trades and businesses with each SSBP member having a detailed description of what services are available. The Partnership is open to any business large or small and membership is only £50.00 a year. This gives every member marketing opportunities via the website and a Directory which is distributed door to door in Sawtry and surrounding areas.

If you have a local business and would like to find out more about what the Partnership might have to offer you please take a look at the web site. Contact Ralph Maloney, Chairman on 01487 832683 or email ralph.maloney@ssbpartnership.org

We really are a friendly bunch and look forward to meeting you!

SAWTRY FEAST SUPPER CLUB

Not long now until our 65th Supper! The invitations will be delivered to you April/May. If you accept and then closer to the date are unable to attend please contact me on 07976874579 giving as much notice as possible.

If you have not attended in the past and would like to attend, please would you kindly contact me so I can put you on our waiting list.

We have recently held two successful fundraising events, the Bingo and the Body Shop Pamper Night and we would like to thank all those people who attended and supported the Sawtry Feast Supper Club. We would also like to thank the Motorcycle Club for their generous donation.

We have booked our next Pamper Night for 4th October and our next Bingo will be held on 24th October. More details will be supplied closer to the events.

Kind regards

Jo Chapman (Alexander)

SAWTRY IN BLOOM

- is going solo this year, without Anglia in Bloom. This means a small financial saving, no portfolio or judges, and allows us to concentrate on the flowers. A new large planter will replace the seat on the Green, for a much better display.

If there are any green fingered people with a little time to spare, or a few spare bedding plants, who would like to help the In Bloom team maintain the various planters and flower beds.

Do please contact the chairman Mick Rayson 830720

WELLSIDE SURGERY NEWS

Survey Results

Thank you to all our patients who took time to take part in our recent survey. The focus of the survey this year was our level of service provision on Wednesday afternoons. This has tradi-



tionally been a half day closing, although we have been providing limited services on this afternoon for some time. I would like to take this opportunity to share the following points which takes into account the responses we received.

Dispensary Opening Times

Dispensary is now open on Wednesday afternoons from 3-6pm.

Wednesday Afternoons

A full range of services will be provided on Wednesday afternoons including the following:

- Routine and/or emergency GP appointments
- · Nurse appointments
- Reception services including collection of prescriptions
- · Dispensary services

Afternoon Closures

The majority of respondents felt that it was appropriate for us to have monthly half day closures which we would in turn use to facilitate staff training, engagement in local commissioning events, etc. We presently anticipate such afternoons being on a more occasional basis. To date, the following afternoons have been booked. We may either close entirely on these afternoons, or provide only a limited service. In both cases, in the event of an emergency you should call the surgery for further instructions.

Wednesday 22nd May 2013

Thursday 18th July 2013

Tuesday 17th September 2013

Thursday 17th October 2013

Wednesday 15th January 2014

Thursday 13th February 2014

I hope that our increased provision of services on a Wednesday afternoons will be beneficial to our patients.

Mrs Claire Wright, Practice Manager

Wellside Surgery, Sawtry, Tel: 01487 830340



SAWTRY ST JOHN AMBULANCE

Sawtry St John Ambulance Badgers and Cadets are looking for new leaders to enable them to continue meeting each week. If you are interested in getting involved in youth work please contact Maureen on 01733 770264. All potential leaders are interviewed, CRB checked and take part in Child Protection training and other training.

The Adult Sawtry St John Ambulance group are looking for new members interested in learning first aid skills. The team assists at a number of local events and provides vital skills which can help others within the local community.

If you are interested come along on a Monday evening at 20.15 hrs at the Youth and Community Centre (behind the Old School Hall), Green End Lane, Sawtry.

SAWTRY SHOW 14th September

Time to plan your vegetable growing, practice for the culinary classes, and work on those arts and crafts.

The list of classes was in the last Eye, and the full schedule will be out in June.

Janet Spencer 01487 208676

AN EYE ON NATURE

One of the wonders of spring, only shared with a few places on the Atlantic coast of Europe is a sea of bluebells in our ancient woodland. As you enter the wood on a sunny spring morning you will smell the perfume then an incredible iridescent blue haze stretches away under the trees. It is a magical sight not to be missed.

Our native bluebell, Latin name Hyacinthoides non-scripta comes from Greek mythology and is named after Prince Hyacinthus. As he lay dying, his lover the god Apollo shed tears that marked the new flower's petals with the letters AIAI (alas) as a sign of grief. The second part of the name, non-scripta, comes from the fact that British bluebells do not have AIAI on their petals. All a bit confusing so let's just enjoy them for what they are.

Do not mistake the native bluebell with the 'garden' variety, the Spanish bluebell. They are bigger and have lighter coloured flowers which are radially arranged on the stem. One other feature the native bluebell has is creamy white pollen on the stamens whereas the Spanish type has distinctive blue anther.

Bluebells have a stronghold in the British Isles which boasts 25% - 50% of the world population. This area of the country has a good number of bluebell woods, all with their own charm. The wood I look after for the Wildlife Trust, Lady's Wood, can't be beaten for the 'wow factor'. Although I am a bit bias on that one. A carpet of blue awaits the visitor with the distinctive overpowering perfume which invades the senses.

We can also enjoy a good 'bluebell fix' by walking up the hill above Sawtry to Aversley Wood. Follow the stream which feeds the pond for the best patch which stretches up the slope.

For people with more limited mobility I suggest Gamlingay Wood which is owned by the Wildlife Trust in Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire & Northamptonshire (details below). Parking is just outside the wood and the surface is flat and not too muddy, depending on the weather.

The best time to visit any of the local bluebell woods is mid-April to the first week in May. It is now becoming very difficult to predict when flowering is at its best due to the vagaries of our climate. We all remember the weather last year which had a profound effect on the flowering season. I recorded blooms out from 18 March to 5 June in Lady's Wood. In more recent years the season has been over by the second week in May.

So my advice is to make several visits to avoid missing one of Britain's greatest wildlife spectacles. For more information about the Wildlife Trust BCN visit: www.wildlifebcn.org, Facebook.com/wildlifebcn, twitter@wildlifebcn

Martin Baker

SAWTRY FEAST PARADE

This year the feast parade and service will be held on Sunday 2nd June which will be the Diamond Jubilee of the Coronation in 1953. Hence the theme will be based on the Coronation.

It is anticipated that the parade will leave the layby outside the Post Office on Green End Road at 16:30 and will proceed, led by a piper, to the Old School Hall. The service will be held at 17:00 in the car park at the rear of the Old School Hall and Somersham Town Band will be playing for the service and afterwards. Should it be wet the service will be in the Old School Hall.

Please make an effort to keep this free and attend. Final details will be posted on the village notice boards.

TREE WARDEN

By the time this reaches you, there should be a new tree on the Green, a Jubilee oak, originated in a Royal Park, as a fitting finale to Jubilee year. It is small but should establish better for it. The substantial guard was specially made for HDC to give to parishes and incorporates the number 60.

Janet Spencer 01487 208676

NEWS FROM SAWTRY LIBRARY

Sawtry History Society

On Saturday's come and view their collection of photographs, documents and much more from 10am – 12am if you wish to know more about the history of the village.

Family History Day School at Huntingdon Library

Know the basics but want to progress further? Then this session may suit you. The session covers:-Finding and using Parish Registers.

- Occupational records and trade directories
- Military Records
- > Poor law and criminal records.
- Practical sessions using Ancestry & original records.

It is being held on Saturday 20th April 10am – 3.30pm. Cost is £25 per person.

To book a place please ring 03450455225, call into Huntingdon Library or email caroline.clifford@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Summer Reading Scheme

Are you aged 12 – 16 with some free time this summer?

Sawtry Library will looking for young volunteers to help with our Summer Reading Challenge and to assist with art and craft activities and special events.

If you are interested please give your contact details to a member of staff.

Rhymetimes

Rhymetimes are now being held on a weekly basis at Sawtry Library on a Wednesday Morning between 10 – 10.30am. All babies and young children welcome so come along and join in the fun.

OPENING HOURS FOR SAWTRY LIBRARY

Monday CLOSED Tuesday 4.00 - 7.00

Wednesday 9.30 - 12.30; 2.00 - 5.00

Thursday CLOSED
Friday 2.00-5.00
Saturday 9.30-12.30



To renew Books: 0345 045 5225

To renew or Request Books www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

Pam Goodwin

HUNTINGDON GRAFHAM WATER LIONS CLUB SAFARI 2013

Huntingdon Grafham Water Lions Club announce that their Annual Safari Walk, a sponsored walk around Grafham Water will take place on Sunday 19th May this year.

This will be the 34th year that the local Lions Club have organised the walk and they hope for plenty of interest from local Charities, Clubs and Individuals interested in raising money for their own worthy cause. Walkers retain 90% of the money raised and 10% is donated to the Lions Club for their chosen charity, which this year is Macmillan Cancer Support.

The Lions Club deal with all of the organisation required for a successful day, all participants need do is to obtain sponsors, do the walk and collect the money. Last year's walk raised almost £6000 for local charities. The main beneficiaries were: - CARESCO, Sawtry, who won the Lions Charity Shield, for the most money collected by a group, Macmillan Cancer Support and Acorn Cancer Support Group,

St Neots. The Lions Charity, CARESCO, received an additional £600 which was the 10% contribution made by participants, to the Lions Club.

A further 10 groups were represented on the walk, held annually on the third Sunday in May.

Any groups or individuals interested in taking part should contact Lion Bernard Dable on 01480 810704. Previous participants who normally receive information by e mail are asked to telephone Lion Bernard due to the catastrophic loss of his e mail information.

Lions Clubs work together to help others in their local community and further information about the organisation can be found at www.lionsmd105.org

For further information please contact Lion Bernard Dable 01480 810704

Going Green

Living as we do at some distance from London, the introduction of 'Boris Bikes' may have passed us by but over February half term my family were staying with a relative in London and our daughters had a chance to ride one. Whatever your view of the Mayor of London, the bikes seem to be a great success. By paying an annual fee, residents can borrow a bike from one of the many docking stations dotted around the city and ride around the capital, returning the bike to another docking station once they have arrived at their destination (for details of the scheme look for 'Barclays Cycle Hire' on the Transport for London website).

I know it was still a novelty for us, but it certainly encouraged our girls to be more active, if only for half an hour and we saw lots of other people using them as we had a look around the sights.

Closer to home, wouldn't it be wonderful if more of us walked or biked around our villages? Shouldn't it be the norm where possible for shorter journey's? One recommendation is to not use the car for any journeys which take less than 20 minutes by foot or bike. It's all too easy to just jump into the car and pop up to the Co-op/post office/library or to do the school run but by changing our lifestyle just a little, we could have a huge impact on our own general health before the lack of exercise becomes an epidemic.

Apparently, according to a recent report in the Lancet, inactivity is now causing as many deaths as smoking while latest figures suggest six in 10 men and seven in 10 women are not doing the recommended levels of physical activity and the figures are little better for children.

If walking or cycling became the easy option, not to mention cheaper or free, then perhaps more of us would make the effort. The impact would I'm sure be felt in our general health as well as many other ways. We would see and speak to each other more, feel safer with more people around and fewer cars zooming about and benefit from the cleaner air.

On a national scale, there must be savings for the health service as we all become fitter which could be invested in our environment with bike lanes, bike racks, better footpaths and possibly bike-hire schemes not to mention improved traffic calming such as reduced speed limits. I certainly wouldn't fancy cycling around London, but our villages should be much safer if people are sensible, wear bright colours, helmets and use their lights.

So, as the weather improves, why not get on your bike?

Eco Apprentice

SAWTRY CHORALE www.sawtrychorale.co.uk

What connects a fictional city in Iowa, an imaginary tropical island, King Arthur's Court and Baltimore? Answer: They are all settings for musicals - "The Music Man", "South Pacific", "Camelot" and "Kiss Me Kate" respectively. A further link is that all of these shows feature songs which are in Sawtry Chorale's summer programme.

Among the other items in the programme are folk songs from Hungary and Northumberland and well-known numbers from "Cats", "A Little Night Music" and "The Fantasticks", the world's longest running musical which opened off Broadway in 1960 and ran for over 17,000 performances.

All of the items chosen by Musical Director, Shirley Allen, are just right for an entertaining and enjoyable summer evening of music. Two concerts have now been definitely booked and discussions are continuing for a possible two more. Rehearsals are progressing well with the choir working hard on the new pieces.

Saturday 1st June will see the choir performing at The Abbey Church of St Mary the Virgin and St Botolph, Thorney, near Peterborough in aid of the fabric fund. On Friday 28th June at St Andrew's Church, Great Staughton we will be singing in aid of Great Staughton Surgery Patient Participation Group.

Sawtry Chorale is a friendly and inclusive choir and we are always looking for new members - sopranos, altos, tenors and basses. We rehearse for 2 hours on Wednesday evenings during term-time. Come along to the Methodist Church Hall in Green End Road, Sawtry at 7.45pm. You will be most welcome. There is no audition and no requirement to read music.

We are always pleased to receive requests from local churches and charities for fund-raising concerts.

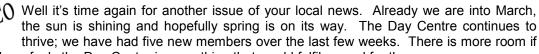
More details about Sawtry Chorale and our up-coming concerts can be found on our website. You can also visit our photo gallery.

Hazel Rea

Sawtry Chorale



Wednesdays & Thursdays at the CARESCO Centre



anyone out there feels the Day Centre is something that would fulfil a need for them.

Our programme of entertainment is an ongoing project, by the time this issue goes out we will have had a welcome return visit from Kate and Brenda the ladies singing duo from Peterborough and we have booked our first outing for lunch in April to The Eaton Oak in Eaton Ford. We had a delicious meal there at Christmas and thought it was worth a return visit. Our local historian Alan Bottell is coming in May to our club to show a film on the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge's wedding.

As I am always saying volunteers are very important to us and the unsung heroes of the Day Centre, many of them have been with us for a long time and without them we would have a hard time functioning. We also welcome two new volunteers Aileen and Vicki and the extra help is invaluable as the age of our members increases along with their requirements.

It is also a little known fact that the hard work that goes into making CARESCO what it is, is done by people who are not even seen and the money raised to get much needed equipment and keep the Club Room maintenance up to scratch and modernised is down to the trustees who come out to attend meetings and find out what the Club needs and how these goals can be obtained. They give of their time freely to rise to the challenge, indeed we owe a them a great deal and we all cannot sing their praises highly enough, this place does not run itself.

Our latest acquisitions are a shower, new chairs for the Club Room and going down in a few weeks is a much needed new floor to replace the original carpet that is old and no longer serviceable or up to the job given the amount of wear it has had from the variety of clubs that use the room.

That's all for now

Gill Robinson, Deputy Manager

For more information, please pop in during a session, call 01487 832105, email daycentre@caresco.org.uk or visit www.caresco.org.uk

SAWTRY COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS GROUP

Public Sited Defibrillators

The location of the public sited defibrillator is in the final stages of being confirmed. With all your hard work and kind donations we are hoping to have this sited in the next few weeks. Once in location we shall be offering FREE awareness sessions to tell our residents, what a defibrillator is, how it works and how you can gain access and use it in a cardiac emergency.

SSBP Race Night

We would like to offer a huge thank you to the members of the SSBP. By the time this article goes to press, the race night will have been and enjoyed. Lots of tickets have been sold and I'm sure we are going to have a great night whilst raising money for not just the Responders but our much loved CARESCO also.

The Next Challenge

The Sawtry Responder girls have been challenged to complete the 'Ladies Driving Challenge'. This event has been organised by the Fire Fighters Charity raising funds for the benevolent fund. We will be dual raising for both charities on this event. On Sunday 12th May at the Alconbury airfield the Sawtry Responder team will be challenged to complete the driving course in fire engines, tractors, rapid response cars, buses and many more weird vehicles. Please dig deep and sponsor us at our just giving page

https://www.justgiving.com/account/teams/sawtrycfr

All Monies raised in the upcoming events of 2013 will be used for our annual refresher training, a second defibrillator and also to promote new members to the team.

We would like to thank the ladies of the Sawtry WI, who have kindly donated £33.00 to our charity pot. Thank you for picking us for your donation.

New Recruits

We are looking for new members to join the Sawtry Responder Group.

If you would like more details please contact Jane on 07885422257 or drop us an email @ sawtrycfr@hotmail.co.uk

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

No doubt it will now be widely known that sadly, we have lost three of the Branch over the last four months, just before Christmas last year we lost John Steward, Ex-Serviceman and staunch member of the Legion and a Poppy Appeal Organiser for many years. Also we lost Joe Thompson in February, an ex-serviceman and staunch member for many years and then in March John Nichols, a civilian member for many years and an ex-standard Bearer (for another Branch), a Poppy Appeal Collector for the last six years and always keen to help out in any way. All will be sadly missed but 'We Will Remember Them'.

On a happier note, with regard to our proposed trip to the Houses of Parliament on 23^{rd} May, we have filled our allocation of forty people for this guided tour and we have a 53 seater coach that we would like to fill, therefore we have spare seats for anyone who would care to join us just for the trip into London for a day's sightseeing and/or shopping and we are charging £15 per seat. Should someone have to drop out from the tour, there is a chance that you could fill that vacancy. We intend to leave from the Ex-Service and Working Men's Club at 9am and hopefully be dropped off in the Whitehall area at around 11am. We need to be in place in time to clear security and to commence a guided tour at 2.15pm. We anticipate leaving London at approximately 4pm.

Also for the intended trip to the Arboretum in the summer, date yet to be announced, we have twenty one bookings. This will probably be a 53 seater coach again which we would like to fill and the cost will be £12 /£15.

Our Bingo nights are being well attended and all are welcome, see future planned dates on the Make a Date page in this issue, and we had a very successful Quiz Night in February. The Sawtry Carnival will take place again on Saturday 22nd June at which we will have two stalls, one for sales and/or donations and one for the purpose of recruiting new members.

A reminder to all serving and ex-service personnel residing in our area, The Royal British Legion is here to provide you with support in many different ways. You have a Branch in Sawtry and we have approximately sixty members. We hold our meetings on the first Monday of the month (except August) in the concert room of the Sawtry Ex-Service and Working Men's Club on Gidding Road, at the new time of 7.30pm. We need more members and we need more members to get involved with the committee. As a Branch we would like to continue the flow of events that we started a couple of years ago but the age group of our current committee is 60 to 85 and therefore, we need some younger people to share the load and bring in new ideas.

All serving and ex-service personnel are entitled to request assistance from the Royal British Legion, based on the criteria of having received at least seven days pay.

For further information you can speak to any member or contact any of the numbers listed below.

County Welfare Officer 01480 478520

Allan Fowler, Poppy Appeal Organiser 01487 830806

HELP WANTED: We are looking for a small area of room? Space where we might be able to store a few items and obviously have access to them, if anyone could offer us anything please contact Allan Fowler

SAWTRY LOCAL FOOD CHALLENGE: 30 MILES FOR 7 DAYS

Is it possible to eat only food which has been produced locally? I'm going to find out, and for a week in May I'll be aiming to eat only 'local' food, ie grown or produced within a 30-mile radius of Sawtry (30 miles is the limit used by farmer's markets to define 'local' produce). In line with others who have tried this challenge in other parts of the country, I'm allowed up to five non-local items, which cannot be sourced locally (in my case, this may include coffee and bananas).

I know that there are some outlets for local food in Sawtry itself, both in private gardens and in some shops. I've been collecting information about local suppliers from farmers' markets and using the 'bigbarn' website. There's been a lot of interest in local food recently: buying locally might ensure that beef is beef (and not horse). Buying locally should also reduce our carbon footprint because the food is not transported for miles and miles. And I'm looking forward to tasty, seasonal food – and having fun in the process. As a Christian I believe that 'the earth is the Lord's' and that we need to look after it and conserve God's world for those who come after us.

I will be writing about the project for a course I'm doing, and if there is sufficient interest I hope to make what I discover about local suppliers more widely available in Sawtry. I'd love to hear from anyone who may have tried this before and has any hints, or if you know of any sources of local food that I might not have heard about. You can contact me via wardrosie@btinternet.com or on 01487 830215.

Many thanks, Rosie Ward

EASTER THOUGHT

I hope that by the time the 'Sawtry Eye' comes out, the weather has improved. As I type this, there are floods on the water meadows at Huntingdon and the gritter lorry has just gone past my house. There's been snow, hail, sleet and fog. It feels as if Spring is some way off, but we know it will arrive....eventually!

One of my favourite Spring flowers is the crocus. They are so vivid - purple or gold or white. They've grown through the soggy, cold soil and have braved the wind and the rain, and all that the weather has thrown at them. Every year, they show up again in our gardens, giving us such pleasure. They make us think of the new life on its way once more.

Easter celebrates Jesus rising from the dead, bringing new life to us. We can know him as we go about our daily lives. Just as he walked around Israel twenty centuries ago, he still walks with us now. If we turn to him he can warm our lives with the light of his love. His warmth is a lot more reliable than our English weather!

May I wish all readers a very happy Easter.

Katy Dunn Sawtry Methodist Church

ST NICHOLAS PARISH CHURCH CHURCH ROAD, GLATTON

SUNDAY SERVICES

April			
•	7 th	9.00 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
	14 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion
	18 th	10.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	21 st	9.00 am	Holy Communion
	28 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion
May			-
•	5 th	9.00 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
	12 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion
	16 th	10 00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	19 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion
	26 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion

Plant Sale

There will be a plant sale on the Village Green on Saturday 11th May from 10-3pm. A good time to purchase your bedding plants, perennials and vegetables for the summer. All funds are for the replacement of the Chancel Roof.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS RING THE RECTOR:

Please phone Rector Rosie on (01487) 830215 with any general enquiries or notices you would like included, or if you wish to have prayers said for anyone.

Glatton website for more information. glattonparish.wordpress.com

REMEMBRANCE

The Sawtry and District Branch of the Royal British Legion remember the fallen throughout the year. In February and March we particularly remember:

APRIL		
Private Bertram David HAYNES	19 April 1917	Sawtry
Private James STAPLETON	19 April 1917	Sawtry
Private Reuben GRAY	23 April 1917	of Wood Walton
Private James REID	6 April 1918	Great Gidding
Private George Henry COLBERT	12 April 1918	Holme
Private Frank WILLIS	24 April 1918	Holme
Trooper Reginald ELSOM	23 April 1943	Sawtry

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MAY		
Private William WRIGHT	3 May 1917	Sawtry
Private Arthur YEOMANS	3 May 1917	Great Gidding
Private Archie ROWELL	13 May 1917	Sawtry
Private Charles William BODGER	5 May 1918	Old Weston
Private Leslie Charles REDHEAD	20 May 1940	Great Gidding
Private George Joseph William GINNS	28 May 1943	Sawtry
Lance Sergeant Robert KETTERINGHAM	29 May 1944	Sawtry

When you go home tell them of us and say For your tomorrow we gave our today.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH CHURCH CHURCH CAUSEWAY, SAWTRY

SERVICES

April	7 th	8.00 am 10.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP) All Age Worship
	14 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion
	17 th	10.30 am	Mid Week Holy Communion
	21 st	10.00 am	St George's Day Parade Service
	28 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion
May	5 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
-		10.30 am	All Age Worship
	12 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion
	15 th	10.00 am	Mid Week Holy Communion
	19 th	10.30 am	Morning Prayer
	26 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS

The Annual Church Meeting of All Saints' Sawtry is being held on Sunday 14th April, after the morning service.

The meeting is an opportunity to hear about what has gone on in the life of the church in the last year, to elect representatives who will make decisions over the coming year, and to look ahead to the future.

The meeting will elect churchwardens and PCC members. The size of the PCC depends on the number of people on the Electoral Roll; there are nine elected representatives on the PCC. For more information about the PCC see the leaflets available at the back of All Saints.

Please pray for this time of preparation, for the meeting, and that the people of God's choosing would be elected.

SAS KIDS' CLUB

The SAS Kids Club will meet at 10.15am on the 14th and 28th April and 12th and 26th May at the home of Alison Scott (48 Newton Road). After school Adventurers Club will meet at the Sawtry Infant School on Tuesday 23rd April and Tuesday 21st May 3.00 - 4.30 pm.

SATURDAY OPENING

The Church is open every Saturday from 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Do come along and see your Church and enjoy a cup of tea and a chat - a warm welcome awaits you.

PLANT SALE

A bit of a change this year as the event will be held over Saturday and Sunday, the 4th and 5th of May on Green End Road. More details closer to the time but please think about potting up a few extra seeds or cuttings to donate and don't forget to come along and buy!

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT THE RECTOR

Contact Rector Rosie on (01487) 830215 or <u>wardrosie@btinternet.com</u> with any general enquiries or enquiries about baptisms or weddings, if you would like a visit, you have any questions about the Christian faith, or would like to have prayers said for anyone.

ALL SAINTS' IS HERE FOR YOU!

All Saints' Church, in Church Causeway, meets for worship in a much loved building on a site where Christians have worshipped for more than 700 years.

The Church of All Saints' is a symbol of the presence of God in this place. Everyone is welcome to All Saints' because God invites us. And so the church is there for all the residents of the village – for celebrations, such as special services, baptisms and weddings, and for sad times, such as times of bereavement.

Websites: <u>www.sawtryallsaintschurch.co.uk</u> www.achurchnearyou.co.uk

SAWTRY METHODIST CHURCH

Green End Road, Sawtry

Rev Katy Dunn Tel 01480 830314

** Please note that Rev Katy will be on Sabbatical from 1st June to 31st August ** If you need to contact a minister during that time, please call Rev David King on 01480 453857

Sunday Services

Morning Worship at 10.30am Sunday School at 10.30am

Special Services

Holy Communion Service

7th April – 10.30am Led by Rev Katy Dunn

All Age Worship

21st April – 10.30am Led by Katy Salmon

Holy Communion Service

5th May – 10.30am Led by Rev Katy Dunn

All Age Worship

19th May – 10.30am Led by Simon Cooper

Come and join us

Monday United Fellowship

Alternate Mondays starting at 2.30pm Open to all 8th & 22nd April and 6th & 20th May



Saturday Coffee Mornings

9.30 – 11 am
including Cake Stall
All proceeds towards the building fund
Traidcraft goods also on sale



ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY, SAWTRY

Sunday Mass: 9.15am Women's Institute Hall Gidding Road, Sawtry.

There is a House Mass on the last Wednesday of each month and a weekly Prayer Group. For further details of these and for any other enquiries,

please contact Ann Morris, 01487 832143

We are served by the Roman Catholic Parish of St Luke's 26 Benyon Grove, Orton Malborne, Peterborough, PE2 5XS

Parish Priest: Fr John Minh 01733 370877

Email: <u>saintlukesparish@yahoo.co.uk</u>
Website: <u>www.saintlukesparish.org.uk</u>



Hunts CO2Y Homes Huntingdonshire District Council's Free Home Insulation Scheme

Rising fuel prices can mean that householders are reluctant to heat their homes as much as they used too and this can lead to a number of problems with damp and condensation. Condensation is considered to be the main cause of mould in properties and the incidence of condensation increases when there is poor heating, poor insulation and little ventilation in a property. The use of paraffin and LPG heaters can also increase the levels of condensation in a property.

One of the easiest and quickest ways of saving money on fuel and reduce the impact of condensation is to make sure you home is well insulated. Insulation will help keep your home warmer for longer during the winter and can help keep your home cool in the summer. A typical home can lose up to 30% of its heat through walls that are not insulated and a house can lose a similar amount of heat through the roof if you don't have enough loft insulation. A booklet on managing condensation can be downloaded from the Council's website: 'Controlling Damp and Condensation in Your Home'.

Huntingdonshire District Council has created the Cosy Homes scheme to help improve properties across the district that currently have little or no insulation. Since the scheme started in the summer of 2010, 142 homes have benefitted from improved insulation and have received cavity wall insulation and/or loft insulation.

If you or a member of your household receives an income or disability related benefit you may be entitled to free insulation through the scheme. Please call 01480 388388 to check your eligibility and to apply.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Put a SPRING in your step: The Fire Service has devised a simple checklist for residents to run through this Spring:

Smoke alarms – Make sure you have a working smoke alarm on each floor of your home.

Practise your Home Escape Plan if a fire were to occur at night.

Ring 999 in the event of a fire – Don't attempt to tackle it yourself.

Instructions – Read safety instructions for DIY tools carefully to avoid accidents.

Never attempt complex DIY electrical wiring yourself.

Get free home fire safety advice by logging on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk.

- Be hoax aware during school holidays: Making a hoax call to the emergency services is a criminal
 offence and we are asking residents, especially parents, to make young people aware of the consequences of making a hoax 999 call.
- Diary dates: Open evening for those thinking about becoming an On-call firefighter at any station in Cambridgeshire. Monday, 15April, 7-9pm at St Ives Fire Station. March Fire Station on-call firefighter recruitment day, Saturday, 20April, from 10am until 3.30pm.
- Log on to <u>www.cambsfire.gov.uk</u>. Like our fan page on Facebook by searching Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue, and follow us on Twitter @cambsfrs.
- To find out if you are eligible for a free home fire safety check, call 0800 917 99 94.



STOP SMOKING! START LIVING!

If you or anyone you know decides to make the first step to going smoke free, then we'll help you or them the rest of the way.

Contact CAMQUIT on 0800 018 4304 or www.camquit.nhs.uk or text KICKBUTT to 80010

TAKE ON A NEW CHALLENGE IN 2013 AND RAISE MONEY FOR A LOCAL DISABILITY CHARITY

Are you looking for a new and life changing experience with a feel good factor?

If so, there are a variety of exciting challenge events that you can take part in to raise money for local disability charity Papworth Trust.

You could try a sponsored run, bike, ride, trek or sky dive – perhaps you fancy climbing Mount Kilimanjaro, cycling from London to Cambridge, or taking part in the scenic Thames Path Challenge walk. Papworth Trust's experienced fundraising team will be on hand to support you all the way.

All money raised through challenge events will go towards helping local disabled people. The Trust offers essential support and advice for disabled people, families and carers.

'Rest assured you will have a real adventure - whether you choose a challenge hiking in the mountains, trekking through a jungle or cycling from London towards beautiful Paris. You'll also be helping others at the same time," said Andrea Chupacova, Community Fundraiser at Papworth Trust.

'You will meet likeminded people, see beautiful places and get to know new cultures if you choose a challenge abroad. It will be tough at times, but that's what makes it so worthwhile and memorable!'

To find out more, please contact Andrea Chupacova on 07764 784463 or email andrea.chupacova@papworth.org.uk

FALLING VICTIM TO FALLS? FALLS ARE NOT INEVITABLE WITH AGE

It is estimated that a third to a half of the people aged over 65 falls each year. Even when a fall does not cause a serious injury like broken hips, the fear of falling again can lead to reduced confidence, self imposed limitations to mobility, depression and loss of independence. Nevertheless a fall in the elderly can be prevented and the risk reduced by following the simple four E's.

Evaluate - assess your risk of falls. This is best done by a health professional specializing in falls. Have your eyes tested. Eat a healthy, balanced diet and reduce alcohol intake. Have your medication reviewed by your GP and wear appropriate footwear.

Exercise - get active and engage in regular physical exercise. Do exercises that improve your balance, strength, coordination and endurance.

Environment - identify fall hazards inside and outside your home. Remove clutter and trip hazards and improve lighting.

Use assistive aids such as walking aids and fit grab rails where needed.

Educate - Understand your risk of falls and continuously take action to reduce them. Make falls prevention a way of life.

Specially designed rehabilitation programs can prevent or reduce the risk of falls.

If you have unfortunately fallen and broken a hip a rehabilitation program can help you regain your independence.

Falls Assist UK
Supports Active Ageing
www.fallsassist.com



MORE CHOICE IN SOCIAL CARE

Social care is provided to people who have been assessed as having substantial or critical support needs with personal care, getting meals, managing medication and staying safe.

If you need social care the County Council will arrange your care for you, but they now have a duty to offer and provide Direct Payments. Direct Payments are an alternative way of getting the care and support you need. They are cash payments made directly into a Direct Payment bank account so that you can use the money to make your own social care arrangements.

With a Direct Payment you have more choice, control and independence about how your care is organised. If you would like to find out more about Direct Payments visit the Your Life, Your Choice website at: www.yourlifeyourchoice.org.uk, pick up a leaflet from your library, phone adult social care enquiries on 0345 045 5202, or contact the Cambridgeshire Direct Payment Support Service on 0845 6000 684.



APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2013 GREEN HEART COMMUNITY AWARDS ARE NOW OPEN.

Huntingdonshire District Council is once again seeking applications for the annual Green Heart Community Awards. These awards recognise the groups and individuals who have been working so hard over the past 12 months helping to improve the envi-

ronment in Huntingdonshire.

Having already held three successful Green Heart Awards we are hoping that this year's will be even bigger. The residents in Huntingdonshire have been busy in helping to improve our environment and we want to recognise and celebrate their achievements in 2013.

We want to find out about what has motivated the people of Huntingdonshire to take environmental action, what has been helpful to make their projects successful and what challenges they have faced and overcome along the way.

These awards recognise those community groups, individuals, schools and businesses who are getting together and making a real change in their community by reducing their environmental footprint. From energy projects, wildlife and nature schemes to sustainable growing schemes and environmental awareness raising events, to getting ideas off the ground, there are people out there who are making a difference, people with bright, innovative and scalable ideas.

Entries are invited under six main categories:

- · Best primary school
- · Best secondary school/college
- Best business environmental project
- · Green volunteer of the year
- · Best wildlife or nature initiative
- Best Environmental Project

An awards ceremony will be held where four short-listed nominations for each category will be invited to attend, with winners being announced at the event.

You may nominate yourself or be put forward by a third party, and anyone can enter as long as they can demonstrate that they have managed, or been involved with an environmental project that has engaged and benefited their community.

You can download your entry pack at www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/greenheartawards.

The deadline for entries is Friday 26 April. For more information please call 01480 388843.

WHAT CAN YOU DO WHEN RETAILERS FACE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY?

With recent news of well-known high street retailers facing financial difficulty, you may be wondering what to do if goods you have paid for are not delivered or they are faulty and the company goes into administration.

Trading Standards have put together the following advice to help you to protect your money:

Credit Card Purchases

When buying goods or services with a cash price of more than £100 but less than £30,000, it is advisable to pay for at least part of them with a credit card. That way, if the retailer is unable to deliver the goods or there is a fault with them, the card provider will be liable for the goods too.

Debit Card Purchases

If you pay by debit card, the provider (bank) or Visa/Mastercard terms may help with any claims you may have. However, unlike a credit card, this differs between providers so you should be clear about what assistance you will get for non-delivery or faulty goods. The card agreement will state any terms you need to meet for claims - such as timescales for reporting a breach of contract by the retailer and any evidence you must provide. If you meet the terms for making a claim but are unhappy with the card provider's response you should follow their own complaints procedure.

For both credit and debit card purchases, if you remain dissatisfied with the card provider's response you can raise the matter with the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk who will decide if the complaint was valid and award damages if applicable.

Buying by PayPal

The same procedure for claims for debit card payments also applies to PayPal payments as, although PayPal aren't a bank, they are signed up to the FOS. Other money transfer services have similar terms to PayPal but may not be signed up to the FOS for dispute resolution. You are therefore advised to check their terms.

Cash or Cheque

If buying goods by cash or cheque then unfortunately this is a case of 'buyer beware'.

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Cont'd... Another common concern for consumers is the validity of gift cards or vouchers for a company that has entered administration. Unfortunately these are accepted only at the discretion of the administrators. There is no express right to use them - even though they are effectively cash.

If you require any further advice or information about any of the matters in this article please contact our partner, Citizens Advice Consumer Service, on 08454 040506. For business advice and support contact 0345 0455206.



Wildlife Trust - Huntingdonshire Local Group

www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/

The Beautiful Bluebells of Brampton Wood

Sunday 28th April.

George Cottam, warden of Brampton Wood, will lead the walk with local botanist, Lynne Farrell. George and Lynn will be delighted to lead us through this ancient woodland where a rich variety of flora can be seen. Their aim will be to highlight the changes that have occurred since our winter walk and will include the beautiful scent, colour and freshness of the bluebells that encapsulate the essence of a traditional English spring.

Everyone is most welcome to attend. Please meet at Brampton Wood Car Park, Grafham Road, Brampton at 10.30 am, GR TL 184698. Park in the Trust car park.

Cooper's Hill Nature Reserve

Sunday 19th May.

Cooper's Hill is a nature reserve on the greensand ridge that stretches across from Leighton Buzzard in the south-west to Gamlingay in Cambridgeshire. Gwen Hitchcock, who is an Ecology Officer with the Wildlife Trust will show us areas of heather, growing together with lime, birch, oak and gorse scrub, and also the north-west corner that supports acidic mire and ponds where willow carr is found.

Everyone is very welcome to attend. Please meet at 10.30am at the layby immediately west of the entrance to the Rugby Club on Woburn road (B530), Ampthill, grid ref TL028 376.

Anyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend. Suggested donation: £2.00 members; £2.50 non-members. Please visit the web site for more information www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk or Phil Clark on 01487 822835

Part of the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Peterborough. Registered Charity No: 1000412



ENOUGH FOOD FOR EVERYONE IF...

This year could be the beginning of the end for global hunger.

Why now?

The world produces enough food for everyone, yet nearly one billion people go to bed hungry every night and more than two million children die every year because they can't get enough to eat.

We've made progress in other areas, but hunger is still the great scandal of our age. All around the world, even in the UK, people are struggling to feed their families.

In 2013, our government has promised to provide 0.7% of national income for aid and to host a Hunger Summit. We must make sure they keep these promises. In June, the world's most powerful leaders will meet in the UK at the G8. This is our best opportunity to tackle hunger. We must make IF happen.

What do we want?

The food system is broken. In 2013 we want our leaders to act on the four big issues that mean so many people do not get enough food. IF they take these steps, it will change the future for millions of children.

Aid - Enough Food For Everyone IF we give enough aid to stop children dying from hunger and help the poorest families feed themselves.

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- Tax Enough Food For Everyone IF governments stop big companies dodging tax in poor countries.
- Land Enough Food For Everyone IF we stop poor farmers being forced off their land and grow crops to feed people, not fuel cars.
- Transparency Enough Food For Everyone IF governments and big companies are honest and open about their actions that stop people getting enough food.

Together, we can make IF happen.

Who is involved?

We want millions of people to share the message "Enough Food For Everyone IF..." so that, together, we'll be too loud for our governments to ignore. Behind the scenes, the campaign has been joined by over 150 organisations - such as Oxfam, Traidcraft, Christian Aid, Comic Relief, Age International, Salvation Army, Fairtrade Foundation - a number that's still growing.

Where to find us

We'll update our website http://enoughfoodif.org with news and information throughout the campaign. You can also sign up for email updates by completing the simple form online.

We're on all the major social networks too, which means you can get the very latest by following Enough Food IF on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Tumblr, Google+, Pinterest, Flickr and Instagram so be sure to find us on your favourite.

Our email address is info@enoughfoodif.org.

Our contact address is:

Enough Food For Everyone IF, John Smith Drive, Oxford, OX4 2JY.



At some point soon it may be warm and dry enough to Sawtry Motorcycle Club dig the old motorcycle out of the back of the garage where it's been hiding behind the broken washing machine (that mind any enough to chine (that might get fixed one day and used as a spare, or not) and from under last year's plastic Christ-

mas tree. Or is that just me? Anyway we're all looking forward to a decent year of motorcycling and decent motorcycling weather. The club now has two members who are racing now and there will be lots of news about their exploits in the next issue as their first race was rained off. The club plans to attend (hopefully) some of the more local race meetings to cheer them on. Details of the event dates can be found at www.chrisclarkeracing.co.uk.

If you have a motorcycle or are thinking of buying one then joining the Sawtry Motorcycle Club now makes even more sense as we have negotiated a cut price MOT for only £20 (normal price £29.65) on production of your SMCC club card at UFO Motorcycles in Huntingdon. As the SMCC membership is £10 it means you are getting all the benefits of the club for only 35p...! That has to be the bargain of the year. If you have more than one bike the saving to you is huge... it's a real no-brainer.

And talking of the benefits of the club, we're having a bike trip down to the Alexandra Palace Motorcycle Show over the weekend 20th-21st April stopping off first for breakfast at the famous Ace Café with breakfast provided for all club members who turn up. And NO you can't invoice us for the breakfast if you decide to go the week after Mr Ives.... it didn't work last year and it won't work this year either. Details of the show can be found at http://www.classicshows.org/allypally. It may say "classics show" but there is a lot more to see as well.

Another trip that will be well worth making is the Billing Bike Fest (20th and 21st July). Full details of this event can be found at http://www.billingbikefest.com.

We have made no plans for any trip away this year so if any of you can come up with a cunning plan as to where to go (and it's physically possible) then pop in to see us on any Tuesday evening at the Greystones. There are rumours that a few members are making covert plans for 2014 involving the Isle of Man TT. The trip should be around five to seven days, as our previous ten day trips there resulted in many bank accounts haemorrhaging and several major liver failures. The dates for the TT are 25th May until 7th June so if you are thinking about it then talk to us and start saving.

That's all for now apart from the usual warnings at this time of year.... 18 PSI isn't usually considered a safe tyre pressure for a front tyre so check those tyre pressures before setting off.

Stay safe

Simon

SAWTRY AND DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

Once again it is time to look forward to the start of a new bowling season. The green has been a hive of activity this winter with new concrete ditches and brick paths. This has improved the whole appearance of the green and will reduce the maintenance in the future. All club members owe a huge vote of thanks to the guys who have given up a lot of their time and worked so hard.

This year we have Derek Deller as County President for the E.B.F. so we wish him an enjoyable and successful year.

Junior member Toby Furzeland is to be congratulated on winning the English Bowls Youth Development Award at St Neots Indoor rink. Well done Toby.

Our usual social activities have been curtailed this winter due to work on the green but we did hold our Easter bingo on 16th March, a popular chocolate evening.

DATES FOR DIARIES

Saturday 6th April **QUIZ NIGHT** 7.30pm Saturday 20th April **OPENING DAY** 2.00pm Sunday 5th May **E.B.F. CHURCH SERVICE ALL SAINTS** ma00.8 Tuesday 7th May **COFFEE MORNING** 10.00am Saturday 25th May **RACE NIGHT** 8.00pm

Please support these activities so that we can continue to maintain and improve our Club.

Any enquiries Mr Rayson Tel No 01487 830720

Mrs Urwin Tel No 01487 830193



SAWTRY FOOTBALL CLUB

An F.A. Charter Standard Club

Recent Results

1st Team, sponsored by Greystones PH

February 2	Scott Gatty Cup	Sawtry	3 - 4	Riverside Rovers
9	League	Sawtry	2 – 5	Long Sutton Athletic
16	League	Sawtry	5 – 1	Hampton Sport
23	League	Ketton	2 – 3	Sawtry
March 2	League	Sawtry	0 – 2	King's Lynn Town Res
9	League	Stamford Belvedere	1 - 4	Sawtry

Reserves, sponsored by The Bell PH

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February 2	League	Stilton Utd Res	1 – 6	Sawtry Res
9	League	Sawtry Res	4 – 3	Riverside Rovers Res
16	League	Sawtry Res	4 - 1	Stilton Utd Res
23	The League Shield	Sawtry Res	0 - 7	P'boro Sport Parkway A
March 2	League	Riverside Rovers Res	1 - 3	Sawtry Res

Forthcoming Fixtures at Greenfield

March 30	League	K.O. 14:00	1 st Team	V	Sutton Bridge Utd
April 4	League	K.O. 18:30	1 st Team	V	Maccasports
23	League	K.O. 18:30	Reserves	V	Wittering
May 4	League	K.O. 14:00	Reserves	٧	Oakham Utd A

For more information, match reports, player profiles, etc. visit the club website at www.sawtryfc.co.uk

Mike Patchett

SAWTRY FISHING CLUB

Season Tickets and Day Tickets available

Work on lake on-going but very much improved, including new swims.



Contact Jim or Charlie for tickets or for more details on: 07955071589 (Charlie)

07825444520 (Jim)



TANG SOO DO KARATE AND KICKBOXING

Members of the Dragon Black Belt Academy International and the European Tang Soo Do Federation

Championships

Sawtry Open Tang Soo Do Championships 24th March - 140 competitors with 36 categories biggest Sawtry Championships ever!

Yong Ki Do Championships 13th April

International Tang Soo Do Championships Rotterdam 16th November **Sawtry Open Tang Soo Do Championships** 24th November 1pm – 4pm

Videos and Photos

Add me "Mark Adlington" as a friend on **Facebook** and see the latest videos, pictures and information For **YouTube** "Mark Adlington" (There is more than one Mark Adlington but this should work) Students can now learn via the internet plus normal classes.

Class Information

Tuesdays Tang Soo Do Karate/Kickboxing 6pm - 7pm Sawtry Leisure Centre - 5 spaces left Sundays Tang Soo Do Karate/Kickboxing 10.30am - 11.30am Sawtry Leisure Centre - 7 spaces left

Seminars

Bill Super Foot Wallace 18th May | Master Ed Byrne (14x World record holder in Breaking) May Film Star **Cynthia Rothrock** Seminar Coventry | Grandmaster Adlington Sawtry 24th August Grandmaster Bowman 30th June | Open seminars contact for details.

Recent Promotions

All students passed their last belt test, well done guys!

Next Coloured belt test 7th April & 9th June in Sawtry - Sawtry Leisure Centre - 10.30am.

Instructor Grandmaster Mark Adlington UK rep.

8th Dan Ki Do Karate, 7th Dan Tang Soo Do Karate, 5th Dan Haedong kumdo, 5th Dan Kickboxing

Contact

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SAWTRY COLTS

As the long winter of football continues with numerous postponements for waterlogged/frozen** pitches there have been some matches to report with the latest results for the Colts teams shown below:

The Under 9s have had 2 wins and 5 defeats and currently lie second behind the runaway leaders. The Under 10s have lost their last five matches and currently prop up the league. In February the U11s finally played their first match since mid-November and, not surprisingly, after their extended winter break lost 7-2. They have since had 2 wins and 2 defeats keeping up their record of not having lost 2 matches in a row all season. They sit mid-table with the inevitable games in hand of all the teams above them.

The U12 Blues have won 3 and lost 2 including wins against both Godmanchester sides.

The U12 Yellows have had 4 heavy losses but recently picked up their first point with a 1-1 draw – onwards and upwards. The U12 Girls lost to Estover and Priory, both teams they had beaten earlier in the season, but got back to winning ways by beating Ramsey 3-1 – they remain 3rd in a very competitive league.

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Cont'd... The U13s have lost 8-2 to St Neots and 7-0 to Alconbury, 2 of the top 3 teams in their league and are currently bottom. The U14s have played just the two cup matches of late winning 4-0 against Parkside and then going out of the cup to the odd goal in a 5 game thriller. They are just below mid table in the league with at least 4 games in hand of the teams just above them.

The U15 Blues have had 4 wins and 2 defeats since the New Year with all of them closely fought matches and are in 5th place in the league. The U15 Yellows have won 6 games on the bounce with 51 goals scored and only 2 conceded. They have only 3 matches left and, without wishing to jinx them, have a good chance of being promoted as league winners. The U15 Girls have had 1 win (their 2nd of the season), 2 draws and 2 defeats and are competing well in the league with still 11 matches to play.

The U16s have had 2 wins and 3 defeats and sit mid-table; the U16 Girls, due to only have a small squad of girls to call upon, have only had the 2 matches, both defeats, and with 9 matches left sit just below mid table. The U18s had 2 wins and 3 losses and sit comfortably in mid table having a solid 1st season after moving up from U16 last year.

As you can probably gather most teams, as of mid-March, have still got almost as many games left to play as they have played such has been the effect of the winter weather this year. Success on the pitch has been limited but all teams play with great heart and are a credit to the village.

A few teams, notably the U13s and U16 Girls, are struggling for numbers so if anyone is interested in getting involved in Colts football have a look at the website @ www.sawtrycolts.co.uk where all the manager's contact details can be found.

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With the new season fast approaching, the pre-season practise nets are now well underway enabling the winter cobwebs to be dusted off bowling arms and bats. The practise sessions are held at Sawtry Leisure Centre on Sunday afternoons between 15:15 and 17:15 and are always open to any new players. From April there will also be specialised coaching sessions for the Under 11 and Under 15 teams held at Greenfields every Friday evening from 18:00. So if you or your children are interested in taking up cricket for the summer - whether you have played before or not - then please come along or contact Ian Fowler on 07545 882994 for more details.

Opening home fixtures for the 2013 season:

	1 st XI	2 nd XI	Under 15's	Under 11's
Thursday 2 nd May			Peterborough	
Saturday 4 th May	Warboys			
Sunday 5 th May		Khalsa		
Tuesday 7 th May				Waresley
Thursday 16 th May			Warboys	
Saturday 25 th May	Orton Park			
Monday 27 th May				Buckden
Saturday 1st June	AK 11			
Thursday 6 th June			Orton Park	

All games are played at Greenfields starting at 13:00, and spectators are always welcome.

There will also be a special 'Open Day' held to mark the first home game of the season on Saturday 4th May. So why not bring your children down to Greenfields to take part in some cricket taster sessions from 11:00, and enjoy some of the refreshments and entertainment being held throughout day.



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