



SAWTRY EYE

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ART *in the hall*
Exhibition
"featuring our local artists"

in
Winwick Village Hall

on
April 22nd & 23rd 2023

time
11 till 4pm
Refreshments available

Contact details: for further information
Alison German tele: 07889681705
or
Elle Wallace tele: 07825664664

SAWTRY'S CORONATION SCARECROW TRAIL



**Sunday 30 April
to Monday 8 May**

Make your scarecrow of our King from any decade and dress him as regal as you like.

*Let's get as many Kings
visiting Sawtry as possible*

*Entry forms are available from the
CARESCO Charity Shop
or download from our website*

**£2 entrance fee per entry by
Monday 23 May
to be included on the route**

**Contact Jacqui on 07599 987168
or fundraising@caresco.org.uk**



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**MON 8 MAY
9AM - 1PM**



**COME AND
JOIN THE
FUN**

WHAT IS THE BIG HELP OUT SAWTRY?

In honour of the King's Coronation, Sawtry will be hosting THE BIG HELP OUT a day to volunteer your time to our wonderful village.

Register to participate, pick a task, meet new people and most of all, **HAVE FUN!**

ON THE DAY

Meet 9am at All Saints Church, Bacon Roll, Tea / Coffee, Briefing.
Administer Chosen Task. Return 1pm. Sawtry Champions Award Ceremony. **DONE!**

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

Litter Picking / Spring Clean Inside Church /
Groundwork Outside of Church / Street Sign Cleaning

HOW TO REGISTER: Message us via Messenger
e-mail: thebighelpoutsawtry@yahoo.com Call: 07841 625139

If you are moving house, please leave a recent copy of Sawtry Eye for the new occupiers - Thank you

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1 April	Sawtry & District Bowling Club	Easter Bingo	07903 841708	22
1 April	Sawtry Cricket Club	Get Set Weekend	07943 526379	23
3 - 10 April	CARESCO	Easter Hunt	01487 832105	8
6 April	Sawtry RBL	Easter Bingo	07864 296519	4
7 April	Sawtry Churches Together	Good Friday Walk	01487 506217	5
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7 - 13 August	Sawtry Light Factory	Children's Holiday Club	01487 830345	15
3 September	Sawtry Walk to Run	Sawtry 10 Mile Road Race	07703 174937	23
16 September	Sawtry Show Committee	Sawtry Show	watts204@hotmail.com	26

ADVERTISE YOUR COMMUNITY EVENT HERE

If you would like to have a date considered for inclusion please email the details along with a contact number to sawtryeve@caresco.org.uk with the subject 'Make a Date' or phone us on 01487 832105 (answer phone outside office hours).

We reserve the right to decide which items to include.

CARESCO is not responsible for the accuracy of the above information.

Please check with the individual group concerned.



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Cambs PE28 5UX

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Welcome...

Well didn't we get some exciting weather in March! I thought for a while there that my daffs were going to retreat back underground again, then they just seemed to have been flattened by the snow, but given a couple of days of sunshine and up they've jumped to brighten my garden and promise that winter is all but over.

The next big event for our country will be the coronation of our new King, in May with the bonus of another Royal Bank Holiday. Look out for details of how Sawtry Parish Council are planning on helping all to celebrate the day itself, closely followed by the Big Help Out on BH Monday. Come along and get involved.

Be good to each other

Liz - Co-Editor



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SAWTRY FOODBANK



We are extremely grateful for all the donations of food we are receiving during these difficult times.

The following is a list of items we particularly need currently :

- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Pasta
- Tinned Chopped Tomatoes
- Tinned Fruit
- Rice Pudding
- Custard
- Long-Life Fruit Juice
- Squash
- Instant Coffee
- Cereal

Donations need to be well in date please. We can't accept fresh, frozen, chilled or home-made items or any alcohol.

Collection points include: CARESCO Centre, Local Churches, Sawtry Social Club, Gt Gidding Store, Sawtry Co-op Foodstore.

For more information please call 07743 593863

Email foodbank@caresco.org.uk or visit www.caresco.org.uk



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SCHOOL TERM DATES

Summer Term 2023

Start of term 17 April
Half Term - 29 May to 2 June
End of term 19 July



Autumn Term 2023

Start of term 1 September
Half Term - 23 to 27 October
End of term 20 December

Spring Term 2024

Start of term 4 January
Half Term - 19 to 23 February
End of term 28 March

NB Academies are responsible for setting their own holiday dates and may not match those set by Cambridgeshire County Council. Schools have a number of training days available to take in addition at their discretion. Please contact your local school for more details.

Information taken from www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/education



HDC REFUSE COLLECTION

LANDFILL WASTE (GREY)

(Week Beginning)
3 & 17 April
1, 15 & 29 May

GARDEN WASTE (GREEN) & RECYCLING (BLUE/GREEN)

(Week Beginning)
10 & 24 April
8 & 22 May

To find out your exact dates or for more information visit <http://www.huntsdc.gov.uk>



Your Kind of Music presents

'Stilton in Tune'

Our monthly concerts continue and we sincerely hope that you can join us at some time. Please note the change of date for our May concert to avoid the Coronation weekend.

Sunday 2 April Lewis Scott
Sunday 21 May Ian Griffin (note change of date)
Sunday 4 June Andrew Nix

All shows commence at 2.30pm (doors open 1.45pm) at Stilton Pavilion, High Street, Stilton, PE3 7RA
Finishes around 5pm with 30 minute refreshment break and raffle
Entrance £10 with refreshments included.

Support live music!

More details will be provided on Facebook pages for the area.

For further details please contact
Tony Oliver on 01480 474282 or 07918 602600
or email tony.oliver5@btinternet.com



SOUNDS GOOD

Come and join us for all things musical and the spoken word

We meet on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month, from 1.30 to 3pm
At the CARESCO Centre

14 & 28 April
12 & 26 May

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Please contact the CARESCO office on 01487 832105 for information

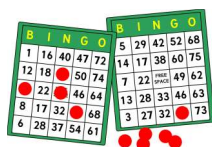
There is a charge of £2.00 per session, refreshments included

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SAWTRY & DISTRICT BRANCH



EASTER BINGO

At Sawtry Social Club,
Gidding Road, PE28 5TS



Thursday 6 April
Eyes Down 7.30pm

All Welcome
Profits to Sawtry Branch
Registered Charity No: 219279



Saturday 22 April, 4.00 - 6.00pm
Saturday 20 May, 4.00 - 6.00pm

At All Saints' Church,
Church Causeway, Sawtry, PE28 5RD

Bible themed activities and crafts, story and song, followed by supper.

Messy Church is for all ages and families of all shapes and sizes!

If under 16, you will need to bring an adult with you

To find out more, contact Ali Scott
childrensministry@allsaintssawtry.org.uk
or go to our website
www.allsaintssawtry.org.uk

Otherwise just turn up!
No charge, but donations welcomed

We look forward to seeing you!

SAWTRY CAMERA CLUB

The Camera Club meets once a month, on the third Thursday of the month, at the Sawtry Social Club in Gidding Road, 7.30pm start.

The members have a variety and a wide range of different makes and types of cameras.

So if you would like to join us you might have a bridge camera or a small digital or maybe use the camera on your phone, it doesn't matter all are welcome. You must download your images to a USB stick.

If you would like to join us, please email me at sawtrycameraclub@gmail.com and each month you will be sent the subject title for the monthly meeting.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Neville Diss



CHATTERBOX

**Drop-in sessions
for family carers**

**A friendly drop-in
where you can get help.**



**Chat & relax
over a cuppa.
Guest speakers
& Carers
Assessments**

**Every 2nd & 4th Monday
between 2.15 - 4.15pm**

**Come and join us
No meeting on Bank Holidays
24 April & 22 May**

**At the CARESCO Centre,
Green End Road,
Sawtry, PE28 5UX**

**For more information email:
office@caresco.org.uk
or call the
CARESCO Office 01487 832105**

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SAWTRY CRAFT BUDDIES

**We meet every Thursday evening
at Sawtry Social Club
From 7 - 9pm**



We are a small social group who love to craft.
There are hot & cold drinks
available to buy at the bar
and excellent lighting for working in
Bring your own craft or just come for a chat



**Any queries please contact
Karena on 01487 830601**

Sawtry CARNIVAL

**Saturday 10 June
12 noon - 5pm**



SAWTRY WI HALL Available for Hire

Gidding Road, Sawtry PE28 5TS

Regular or occasional events welcome

Recently refurbished, accessible,
clean and bright kitchen, new fridge,
microwave, outdoor space, excellent lighting,

Wi-Fi - Capacity 70

**sawtrywihall@gmail.com
Instagram: Sawtry_WI_Hall
Sawtry WI Hall | Facebook**



Walk with Jesus in Sawtry

On Good Friday - 7 April

Starts at 10am from

All Saints' Church, Church Causeway

to walk through the village, pausing to hear readings
describing the events of the first Good Friday

Arriving around 10.30am at

the Methodist Church, Green End Road

for a reflective service

followed by a fish & chips lunch from Rumbles

All are welcome to join this thoughtful walk and service

BOOK STALL AND COFFEE MORNING

At Winwick Church

**Monthly, second Saturdays
8 April & 13 May**

10.00 till 11.30am

**The Church is open for everyone to come along
and enjoy a cup of coffee and cake and browse
our extensive supply of second-hand books**

Donations invited in exchange for the above
Proceeds to go to the Church



**For more information
please contact :**

**Sue Fowler
01832 293215**



SAWTRY STEPPERS MODERN & TRADITIONAL LINE DANCE CLASSES

This style of dancing is suitable for all ages and fitness-levels, bringing with it physical and mental benefits and is a great way of making new friends.

I am a dance Instructor and Choreographer with 25 years experience and a member of the Best Western Dance Academy.

I run classes for Beginners, Improvers and Intermediates in the Old School Hall, Sawtry and Glatton Village Hall. I organise socials and holidays for my dancers and am available to teach at events.



Line Dancing

**For more information contact
Julie Gillmore**

On 07939 070 406

Jcgillmore@sky.com

**Or ask to join
Sawtry Steppers on Facebook**

- STEP RIGHT UP -

Sawtry
CARNIVAL

Join us this June
for a Circus
themed
celebration!

- Entertainment (including live band)
- Food Stalls
- Parade



- Rides
- Stalls
- Licensed Bar

SATURDAY 10TH JUNE 2023
12PM-5PM

www.sawtrycarnival.co.uk
Follow us on Instagram and Facebook: Sawtrycarnival
don't miss it!
Sawtry Village Academy- PE28 5TQ/ Old School Hall- PE28 5UY
Sawtrycommittee@gmail.com



CHARITY SHOP
Happy 10th Birthday to us!



On the 27 April our CARESCO Charity Shop will be 10 years old! It's wonderful to see how the shop has grown since it first opened its doors back in 2013.

Our team of volunteers has also grown but still includes 11 of its original members. We always offer the best bargains money can buy and hope you will be enjoying us for another 10 years!

If you haven't visited us yet please do pop in, there's always a warm welcome, which is free of charge! Thank You for your continued and much needed support -. from the Shop Team.



SAWTRY SHOW

Saturday 16 September
At Sawtry Village Academy



Full details and classes can be found on page 26

CARESCO's 80s Disco

We came, we danced, we had a fantastic time! Thank you so much to the huge number of people who came to support us at the recent 80s night. It was wonderful to be able to put on a big event again after such a long time and the atmosphere was electric.

Our thanks go to DJ Dave Wisker for putting on so many good tunes that had everyone dancing from the very start. Our thanks also go to Rob and Wendy Suter from Sawtry Cars and Kari and Ray Jones for their sponsorship for the evening.

The time went so quickly and we're already thinking of the next one, so watch this space.

Jacqui, Fundraising Manager, CARESCO

Contact Jacqui on 07599 987168
or email fundraising@caresco.org.uk

www.caresco.org.uk



LITTLE SAINTS



Every Thursday in term time

9 - 10:30am (doors open 8:30am)
Methodist Church Hall,
Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

A safe play space to enjoy adventures with 0 - 5 year old's and all those who care for them.

From each session you can expect: Bible Themed Crafts, Story-time, Refreshments, Singing, Prayer and lots of fun!

If you care for a little one as a parent, grandparent, carer or childminder, come along and join the fun.

£2 donation per family

For more information please contact
Alex Dyball

littlestaintssawtry@gmail.com
or call 01487 506217

afvbcARMED FORCES & VETERANS
BREAKFAST CLUBS**SAWTRY****www.afvbc.NET**

Welcome to the Sawtry Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club.

We are a group of veterans and serving members of His Majesty's Armed Forces and part of a growing network of Breakfast Clubs in the UK and Worldwide.

There are no commitments or subs, just pay for your breakfast. So come to a great place and meet like-minded people for support, chat and banter.

Our Breakfast Club meets

**Every 2nd Saturday of the month
from 09.45****at The Greystones Public House, Sawtry**Interested? Then please register on our Facebook group *Sawtry Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club*[\(https://www.facebook.com/groups/afvbc.sawtry/\)](https://www.facebook.com/groups/afvbc.sawtry/) orEmail sawtry.AFVBC@Gmail.com**ROYAL
AIR FORCE****SAWTRY INFANT SCHOOL**

It has been a busy term! We had a wonderful World Book Day and it was fantastic to see so many witches, wizards, animals and princesses, to name but a few, around school. The children participated in a 'shelfie' challenge taking photos of themselves in front of their bookshelves at home. They loved seeing these in a slideshow during our World Book Day assembly, which included photos of the staff too.

We held a popular Book Swap and raised over £70 to be spent on creating a more diverse range of texts to promote acceptance and respect for differences. Teachers have enjoyed choosing texts that we can use in school.

We have also enjoyed celebrating Comic Relief for which the children dressed up as Little Miss and Mr Men characters. Thank you so much to everyone who has supported us in raising funds for this wonderful charity!

We have lots of events to look forward to in the summer term including trips to the beach, the Sawtry Carnival, a joint sports day with Sawtry Junior Academy, as well as all our induction events for our new intake of children who will be joining us in September. After our very popular Summer Fayre last year we have decided to host this again on Sunday 9 July and we welcome everyone to attend. If you are interested in having a stall at this event, please contact the school office. Stalls will be £10 to hire tables.

Yasmine Trace, Interim Headteacher**Contact us on 01478 830678, or pop in****Fairy Trail
Thurning Feast Spinney**

THURNING VILLAGE, NR OUNDLE, PE8 5RE

SAT 13th / SUN 14th MAY 12-5PM

LOTS OF BEAUTIFUL FAIRY HOUSES TO SEE!

PROFESSIONAL MAGICIAN, FAIRY QUIZ

MINI FAIR RIDES, FACE PAINTING, CHILDREN'S
CRAFT ACTIVITIES, BBQ**TICKETS £5 per person**

(Children under 3 years free!)

Includes field car parking

& family picnic areas

All proceeds donated to

St. James' Church with a donation

to Alzheimers Society

STRICTLY NO DOGS PLEASE. FAIRY TRAIL NOT
SUITABLE FOR WHEELCHAIR USERS

Enquiries:

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Alison Pilkington alisonajp@aol.com

An invitation**All Saints' Church, Conington
invites you to join them****On Sunday 21 May
at 3pm
for Evensong****CLOSURE OF
SAWTRY GARDENING CLUB**

On the brink of Spring, Sadly, I have to announce the closure of Sawtry Gardening Club. The current committee all need to stand down due to other commitments and unfortunately no one has been identified to run the club. So, after many months of looking for alternatives we need to take this step and disband it. All remaining funds will be donated to CARESCO. The majority will go towards on-going minibus maintenance with the remainder helping to buy new plants and flowers for the CARESCO Centre's garden.

We have had some great fun over the years, so if anyone is interested in restarting the club themselves, please make contact via CARESCO.

For now however, Farewell and Happy Gardening.

Penny Litchfield

EASTER HUNT

Monday 3 April to Monday 10 April

Join in our free hunt around Sawtry

To be part of the fun:

- 1) Download the free trail sheet from www.caresco.org.uk
- 2) Follow the trail
- 3) Find all the letter clues
- 4) Unscramble the words

- 5) Write them on the sheet
- 6) Add your details
- 7) Claim your prize!

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To claim your prize, bring your completed sheet to the CARESCO Centre on **Wednesday 12 April between 10 and 11am** and exchange it for a sweet treat.



HOLME YOUTH CLUB

We recently did a check on our membership and found we had 63 members on role who currently attend about 12 different schools, so we really feel we are achieving our aim of helping young people get to know other youngsters from the village, keep in touch with old friends or socialise with their school friends in a safe, friendly environment away from their homes.

Our visit to Flip Out was very well attended and a good time was had by all. Our sincere thanks to those who supplied the transport to and from Peterborough, we very much appreciate your generosity and know our members would not be able to attend places like this without your support.

Once we are back after Easter we should be able to spend some nice evenings down in the school field, with kind permission of the Headteacher, giving the opportunity to have a good kick about in a nice open space instead of the confines of the village hall car park.

Membership of Holme Youth Club is open to school years 5 - 10 who live in Holme or attend or have attended Holme School. If you meet our membership criteria and would like to see what we are all up to pop round to the village hall between 6.30 and 8.30pm on a term-time Friday and check us out.



For further information please consult our Facebook page @HolmeYouth or website Holmeyouthclub.co.uk or email holmeyouthclub@outlook.com

Renee Mitcham



PRIZE BINGO on Sunday 16 April

At the CARESCO Centre, Green End Road, Sawtry
Eyes down at 2pm

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Refreshments and Raffle

01487 832105 office@caresco.org.uk
www.caresco.org.uk

Charity No: 1140728 Company No: 7513432



SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY

We are now opening the History Archive on the Saturday following our Thursday meetings, in the Community Centre access via the library, from 10:00 to 12:00.

All are welcome, search census records and view old documents relating to the Sawtry area.

The subject of our January meeting was *Huntingdonshire Criminals Transported to Australia & Their Crimes* presented by Annie James, Local Historian & Family History Researcher. A really good insight into the attitudes of society in the 18th Century to crime and punishment. The system actually worked out to be a much more positive future for some of those who were transported as they prospered better in the new lands than they would have done at home. Conditions on board ship were pretty grim, as they had been on the prison hulks that preceded them, many died on the voyages although some returned having served their time.

Our February meeting saw *The Great Whyte Tunnels in Ramsey* presented by Clive Beeke, Ramsey history enthusiast. An in-depth look at the water system that takes the river under the street known as the Great Whyte. 'Whyte' comes from the Anglo Saxon for dock or docking area. The river was open and used for trade, it was the main artery for Ramsey Abbey. Ironically it was used to transport the stone from the Abbey to Cambridge for University building projects after the dissolution. Although the river is at times not much more than a large stream, in the winter of 2020 it flooded the golf course and at one point entering the tunnels it was 18 feet deep.

The proposed tour of Cromwell Museum and Courtroom in June has been revised to be the return of our Sawtry Abbey Walk, look out for details.

We now have a programme planned to the middle of the year:

- 20 April Stuart Orme *Local Links to the Sinking of the Titanic in April 1912*
- 18 May Chris Carr *What The Romans Did For Us... In The Kitchen*
- 17 June Sawtry Abbey Walk

Please visit our website www.sawtryhistorysociety.co.uk where you can read our local history articles. There is also a link to our archaeology page, and you can follow us on Facebook.



The History Society meet at 7:30pm on the third Thursday of the month
in the Methodist Church, 9 Green End Road, PE28 5UX.

For info call Chris Merton 01487 831441 - www.sawtryhistorysociety.co.uk



Wildlife Trust for
Beds, Cambs
& Northants

Huntingdonshire Local Group

Portholme Meadow on Sunday 16 April and Saturday 22 April at 10.30am

Dr. Pat Doody will lead these walks focusing on one of Portholme's specialities, the Snakeshead Fritillary. We also hope to see and hear corn bunting and skylark. Please meet at the entrance to the meadow at Godmanchester Lock, TL241704. What3words: amused.finished.bulky. Nearest postcode PE29 2NB.

Brampton Wood on Sunday 23 April and Saturday 29 April at 10.30am

Our annual bluebell walks will last for approximately 2 hours. The walks will be led by George Cottam and other Wardens. We will look at the rich variety of spring flora, focusing on the bluebells. We also hope to see and hear the wonderful birdsong at this time of year. Please meet at the Visitors Barn, near Brampton Wood Car Park, Grafham Road, Brampton, nearest postcode PE28 0DP. GR TL 184699. What3words:skinning.rhino.headboard.

**Please note that paths at both sites are very uneven and likely to be muddy.
Parking is available, but it is limited. There is no charge, but donations are welcome.**

For more information please contact George on 01480 450809 or george.cottam@virginmedia.com.

Everyone is most welcome to attend

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



Harry Milford (2004)

QUINTUPLICATION - PART FOURTEEN UNDER YOUR FEET

In the years in question, 1963 to 1993, when the village quintuplicated, land was forever being dug up and sometimes this revealed interesting history. In 1977, Harry Milford wrote the following for our Parish Directory:

'It is known that an ancient tribe called Hirstina, who liked to live in wooded districts, inhabited the Woodwalton and Upwood area. Sawtry had a Romano-British settlement South East of Tort Hill and the area is full of the possibility of interesting finds.

Some old maps show a roadway running across fields where now Newton Road and Manor Drive are sited. It was exposed about two feet below the present ground. After a lot of searching and digging I found several different types of pottery and half of a polished slate axe-head of the Neolithic Period, about six or seven thousand years old. It would be nice to think that this was dropped by a Sawtry Neolithic man and not carted there with stones brought for that road.

Under the soil I also found, 2 ½ feet down, a large pot jar. Inside it were some bits of bone, shells and two flint tools. A pot like this, found in Castor, is known to be of Roman origin. The only coin I found here was an Elizabeth I sixpence. These coins were used by shepherd boys as engagement rings since they were so thin they could be wrapped round a girl's finger.

At the side of a pond at the East end of the field I found many clay pipes, stems and bowls. This was a rubbish dump belonging to a 17th Century dwelling whose foundation and cobbled yard I traced close by.

While the foundations for the Infants School were being dug I had a look round. I found some glass pottery and some rusty metal but nothing of any worth. Down in the newer part of Louth Way I found an old button of the type that was used on Red Coat Soldiers' tunics.

Before the Chequers pub (on the Green) closed, and much to the amusement of the customers and passers-by, I dug that garden from end to end. I found two coins. One was a lead cast Greek token, at one time coated with silver. On the obverse was the Goddess Diana with her hounds, and the reverse had two men shooting snakes with bows and arrows. The other coin was a Roman tetrodactyla, minted in Alexandria for use in Egypt 283-5 AD.

And in my own garden I have dug up some green and brown glazed pottery which is 12th Century. There are many other interesting finds by others and these are (or were) on show."

Maurice Dybeck - Former Sawtry resident and first Warden at Sawtry Community College

(with help from former Sawtry resident Harry Milford).

Harry has published a couple of books based on his childhood memories of growing up locally, "Harry's Story" and "Harry's Pictures".

[Editor's note: Our thanks to Maurice for sharing his fascinating insight into Sawtry's past with his Quintuplication series, sadly this is the last instalment.

I'm sure we have all learned a lot.]



Maurice Dybeck (2022)

SAWTRY WI

Charity number 229016



Sawtry WI is currently accepting new members and welcomes all women of any age or background to our monthly members meetings held on the first Thursday of each month. We have speakers on a variety of topics, friendship, fun and cake! Contact us if you would like to come as our guest free and you will be given a warm welcome. Please ask if you would like a copy of our programme.

Being a member of WI can be a rewarding experience and WI has a lot to offer. WI membership is £46 per year and works out at just under £4 per month. At Sawtry WI you get a varied programme of events, eleven monthly meetings with speakers and activities, newsletters and a monthly magazine. In addition you get access to our annual party, coffee mornings, afternoon teas, events, outings, social groups, group meetings, a virtual WI with speakers that meets entirely via Zoom and 'Denman', the WI's own on-line college of learning offering activities and crafts at very low prices. WI members have so much to choose from including the opportunity to become involved in our Huntingdon & Peterborough Federation, National WI meetings and awareness raising campaigns. There is also the opportunity to become involved in the community of Sawtry.

We continue to hold the following social groups which are open to anyone in the community to join or drop in for a cuppa and chat: Weekly Knit and Knatter group, Monthly daytime Sewing, Patchwork and Quilting group, Monthly evening Tea, Craft and Chat group.

The WI offers women the opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and campaign on wide-ranging issues. Our National WI vision is to be Growing and Relevant; Bold and Inspiring; Inclusive and Flexible.

Sawtry WI meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month,
7pm at our WI Hall, Gidding Road, Sawtry, PE28 5TS

Jacqui Svensson, President

For further information: email: sawtrywi@gmail.com

Instagram: [Sawtry_WI](#) [Sawtry WI](#) | Facebook <https://sawtrywi.wixsite.com/sawtrywi>

NEWS FROM SAWTRY LIBRARY

Sawtry Library offers a range of services and activities. You can use our free pcs to access the internet and you can print and photocopy for a small charge. For children we run regular sing-along sessions as well as a Lego Club. Along with a wide range of books in the library you can also use your free library account to access e-books, e-audio, newspapers, magazines and reference databases such as Encyclopaedia Britannica. You can also research your family history for free with Ancestry.com.

Bouncing Bunnies Easter Craft - Wednesday 12 April from 10:30am - 12:00pm

Come and make your own bouncing paper bunny ready to spring into Easter at Sawtry Library. £1 per child, booking essential.

Coronation Crafts - Saturday 29 April from 10.30 - 11.30am

Celebrate the King's Coronation by making a crown and flag at Sawtry Library ready for the big day! £1 per child, drop in.

New Teenage Books

We are updating our teenage section in Sawtry Library and are expecting a delivery of brand-new books for teenagers very shortly! These books are popular choices on BookTok and will be made into a new BookTok display so please keep your eye out for these.

Rhymetime - Wednesdays 10.30 - 11.00am (term-time only)

Come and join in with some popular songs and rhymes at our weekly Rhymetime sessions for children under 5. FREE drop in event.

Lego Club - every Saturday morning from 10.00am - 12.00pm

Get creative and constructive at our Lego Club. Drop in anytime throughout the Saturday session, Suitable for children aged 4+, 50p donation appreciated.

Bus Pass Assistance

Is your Bus Pass up for renewal? Do you need to apply for your first Bus Pass? If so, pop into Sawtry Library and staff there will be happy to help you complete the online application form.

Social Media

Please look at our social media pages for information, updates and events. You can find us on Facebook by searching for 'Cambridgeshire Libraries' and on Twitter we are @cambslib.

Opening Times

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	3.00pm - 7.00pm
Wednesday	10.00am - 1.00pm; 2.00pm - 5.00pm
Thursday	Closed
Friday	3.00pm - 5.00pm
Saturday	9.30am - 12.30pm

**Paul Smith,
District Library Assistant,
Huntingdon, Yaxley and
Sawtry Libraries**



DEFIBRILLATOR UNIT FOR CONINGTON

Conington Parish Council are very pleased to announce that we now have a defibrillator unit in the village, which has been installed outside Flats 3 - 9, Church Road.

The unit can be accessed by dialling 999 in the first instance; if a heart issue is suspected the responder will advise as to the location of the unit, and give out the code needed to unlock the cabinet door.

We would like to sincerely thank all the people who have helped to make this happen:

Firstly, enormous thanks go to the charity Gemma's Hearts for kindly donating the unit to us.

Many thanks also go to Chorus Homes and Places for People for letting us site the unit on their building and assisting with access.

We are also extremely grateful to David Hall of DJ Hall Electricals for installing the unit for us.

We hope that the residents of Conington will feel reassured knowing that we now have a defib unit in our village.

Penny Cooper
Conington Parish Council



SIMON BYWATER DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLOR

It has been a busy few months again since my last update, with Huntingdonshire District Council (HDC) and Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) both setting their annual budgets for next year.

I've also been dealing with countless other issues including the sad proposals by CCC to close Gidding Primary school, which has effected many families in Sawtry. Thank you to those residents who spoke with me at the Children and Young Peoples Committee in March.

I would like to say a massive thank you to everyone in our community who has helped in providing our warm spaces in the village through the winter. Please do take a look to see how they may be able to help and support you.

Finally don't forget about the Sawtry Big Help Out 2023 (see front cover) which is happening on the morning of 8 May. It will be a fun-filled morning helping out and meeting other friendly volunteers. The goal is to help make our village look great. Take a look at the Sawtry Big Help Out 2023 Facebook page or email thebighelpoutsawtry@yahoo.com for further info.

Please be assured I'm continuing to give a strong voice for Sawtry and our surrounding villages. Don't forget you can get more info on what I'm doing on my Facebook page Cllr Simon Bywater "Sawtry & Stilton" Cambridgeshire County Council | Facebook

Contact:
simon.bywater@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
or 07984 637553



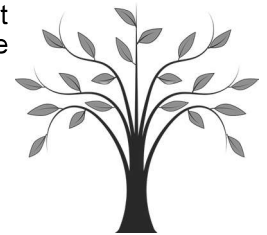
HOLME WI

Sadly, our March meeting was to be our last one. Unfortunately, Holme WI has now closed as we were unable to replace our President, myself, as I wished to stand down from the role. The WI rules are we cannot continue without a President and a committee. So, once the formal part of our evening was completed, we decided we would bow out with a social evening that included a fantastic buffet provided by The Admiral Wells pub, quizzes provided by one of our members, a rather lovely cake decorated in our WI colours, alcoholic fizz and every member leaving with a goody bag. Committee won the quiz, which was rather tricky, and everyone enjoyed themselves despite the sad occasion. It has been a privilege to be President of Holme WI for almost 8 years and I certainly never expected to become President after only two years as a member. It has been a fun but sometimes challenging role, but I felt my time as President had run its course. There is a glimmer of hope as we have voted to suspend at this time which means everything is in place should someone decide to reopen the group within a period of 3 years.

Our Knit and Knatter and Book Club groups will be continuing, which is very good news, as this keeps members in touch with each other. Knit and Knatter group has been very busy knitting hats, blankets and baby clothes which have been parcelled up and sent off to the Ukraine. Chemo pouches have also been sent to the local hospitals. Thankfully, Knit and Knatter will continue and so all their hard work knitting for worthy causes is set to continue. We recently planted a commemorative tree in Holme village, the tree of choice being a Rowan and it was planted on a rather damp February morning.

Thank you to everyone for your support over the years, let's hope we are resurrected within 3 years!

Alison McGuinness
President



HOLME COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH



Roadworks around the area are still causing a lot of extra traffic to come through the village so our campaign has been very busy. It is heartening to see we have dropped from the 30% of traffic speeding to 15% but that is still too high for our liking, so we will continue with our efforts to reduce it even further.

We still find some drivers are amazed they are considered to be speeding, and stop to tell us so, as, although they are doing 45 mph in a 30 mph zone, they are "slowing down" so are not speeding.

With the very inclement weather over the past few weeks we have been finding things a bit unpleasant and are very much looking forward to the warmer weather and light nights so we can expand our campaign in more pleasant conditions and cover the "rush hour" sessions up to seven o'clock. Hopefully we will succeed in discouraging some antisocial driving through our village.

If you feel you have an hour or so to spare each month and would like to support our campaign please contact us and have a chat about how you can join us.

For further information please email
csw.holme@btinternet.com

PLEASE SLOW DOWN THROUGH OUR VILLAGES



FILMS THROUGH THE YEARS QUIZ SHEET

£1.00 PER COPY

Available from the CARESCO Charity Shop and the CARESCO Centre

All proceeds to support the work of CARESCO

Prize: Hamper of Goodies

Closing date: 4 May (may the fourth be with you!)



Registered with FUNDRAISING REGULATOR



meeting needs in our local community

CARESCO DEBATING SOCIETY

Structured discussions on the issues of the day



As there were not many people at the first meeting in March, we have agreed to try starting the Debating Society again in the Autumn.

Email: office@caresco.org.uk

Tel: 01487 832105

www.caresco.org.uk



Kim Summerfield

MUDDY BOOTS: FACTS ABOUT HUNTS RAMBLERS

Origins of the Group

We understand that it was set up some time in the 1970s. The founder is given as Dr Willem Hertzog who was noted for treating Josef Jakobs, the last German spy to be executed in the Tower of London. Jakobs was captured on a farm near Ramsey. He had a broken ankle and Dr Hertzog was called to Ramsey police station to examine him. For more information, see: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Josef_Jakobs

Makeup of the Group

We currently have over 200 members but not all of them join us on our walks, (If they all did, it would be something of a challenge for our Walks Leaders!). We usually have around 20 to 30 participants at our weekly rambles but the number of regular or occasional walkers is much greater. Most of our walks occur at weekends which allows a greater range of people to take part.

Nervous About Joining an Established Group?

There is a wealth of information on our local website, <https://huntsramblers.org.uk/> about how to prepare and what to expect on the day. People can get in touch with us via the 'Contact Us' feature on the website or email huntsrambler@gmail.com. The Walks Programme gives details of upcoming rambles and the contact name and number of each Leader for specific advice on their walk.

Once at the walk, the Leader provides a briefing of the route and any hazards. Any new walker is introduced at this time and once under way they inevitably find themselves attached (socially) to a regular walker or a small group. Of course, many find comfort in a group walk without the need to join in a conversation: this freedom to walk alone develops organically.

Interested?

Anyone can come along and try one or two walks for free before becoming a member.



AN EYE ON NATURE

Nature makes us feel good; it's a fact. Sitting in my lounge with a cup of tea watching the inseparable Bluetit pair feeding together on my bird feeders and going back and forth to their nestbox, waiting for Spring gives me great joy.

The incredible excitement of seeing a Badger as it nervously pokes its head out of the sett entrance hole as dusk approaches, or the cubs playing and coming up to my feet to investigate me! Hearing the dawn chorus starting sometime after Christmas makes me think of Spring and all that nature in its infinite wonder will bring cuts through the dull cold days of January and the biting east wind in February.

The great thing about living in villages like ours is that we share our space with wildlife. It just takes a moment in a busy day to stop and observe the Red Kites as they float effortlessly over our houses, or the Sparrows all jumping in the birdbath like a rugby team after a match. There is even a word for love of nature (there would be!): **Biophilia**.

Don't take my word for it, scientific studies have shown that being in nature does the following:

- Improves brain function
- Helps depression
- Reduces high blood pressure
- Chemicals given off by plants support our immune system

You may have heard of 'forest bathing', for me it's just another name for a slow amble and a sit in a (favourite) wood. I have been doing it for many years before the fancy title. Believe me, after four hours in Aversely Wood listening to the dawn chorus, marvelling at the iridescent blue of bluebells as the sun strikes them at first light and hearing ravens croaking overhead, what more do you need to feel good? It's all there for us and we don't even need to leave our homes.

Martin Baker

The views expressed in this article are solely those of the author

For more information on our local wildlife, contact the Wildlife Trust:

Phone 01954 713543, or visit www.wildlifebcn.org



THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SAWTRY & DISTRICT BRANCH

The Royal British Legion supports our Armed Forces community, including serving and ex-serving personnel and their families.

The Sawtry & District Branch meets on the first Monday of each month in the Sawtry Social Club at 7:30pm. We are in need of new active members to keep our Branch going. The village is full of serving military personnel and veterans and we would really love to meet you and chat. You do not have to have served to be a member; we would welcome all those interested to join. So please come along, or you can contact us, details below.

Upcoming Event:

- RBL Easter Bingo
Thursday 6 April at Sawtry Social Club
(see page 8 for details)

Poppy Appeal

The 2022 Poppy Appeal total now stands at £9243.49. Thank you for all your donations.



For more information, please email:
Sawtry.secretary@rbl.community,
visit our Facebook page: Sawtry RBL
call Billy on 07864296519 or you can visit
www.britishlegion.org.uk/

In memory of Pete Scott



Pete Scott was a much loved member of the Sawtry community who died in November 2019 aged 61.

Pete loved a quiz and was a keen Thursday- night quizzier at Sawtry Social Club. To remember Pete – and have fun – his quiz team friends and family are holding this event with all proceeds going to Sue Ryder Thorpe Hall who looked after him so well in the last 6 weeks of his life.

If you knew Pete please come along and remember the good times we had with him. If you didn't, you'll be equally welcomed so come along and have some fun.



On Friday 19 May
7.30pm

Buffet

At Sawtry Social Club
Gidding Road, Sawtry

£3 per person
Teams of
up to 6 people

in support of

Sue Ryder
Thorpe Hall
Hospice

Raffle

Contact Ali Scott 07506411507 for more info.
No need to book, just turn up on the night!

CAMBRIDGESHIRE & HUNTINGDONSHIRE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY



If you would like to learn about your family history, then the Cambridgeshire & Huntingdonshire Family History Society is for you!

We have been helping people trace their ancestors and transcribing and preserving local records in Cambridgeshire since 1976. In 2020 we merged with the Huntingdonshire Family History Society and since then have been busy transcribing all their records to make them searchable on our website.

We passionately believe that family history can be a rewarding, interesting and sociable hobby for ALL ages. We can help you trace your tree, whether your ancestors came from Cambridgeshire & Huntingdonshire or further afield. If you are a beginner, we will show you where to start and if you are a more advanced researcher, we can help you progress further.

You will meet like-minded people and make new friends at our monthly "trace your ancestors" research surgeries, currently held in Cambridge, Bar Hill, Ely, March, Huntingdon & St Ives and at our talks on a wide range of interesting family and local history topics which are held in person and on Zoom.

Our talks for April and May are:

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| • 15 April | Mike Petty - Vanishing Cambridgeshire | 2.15pm - 3.30pm |
| • 19 April | The History of Family Photography and Dating Old Photographs | 7.30pm - 8.45pm |
| • 13 May | History of Cambridge Townscape | 2.15pm - 3.30pm |
| • 17 May | Alan Ruston Nonconformity for Family Historians | 7.30pm - 8.45pm |

The Research Surgery in Huntingdon will take place on 26 April and 24 May at the Huntingdon Archives 1pm - 4pm.

Membership starts from only £7 per year and you will receive a jam-packed quarterly journal full of tips and news, a wealth of local knowledge, access to members-only records that you won't find anywhere else online and free membership to the University of Cambridge library.

So, if you have always wondered about your family history or you've hit a brick wall, why not get in touch?

For more information, see our website www.chfhs.org.uk, email us at secretary@chfhs.org.uk
or join our Facebook page: CambridgeshireFHS

SAWTRY CORONATION PICNIC IN THE PARK

You are warmly invited to join Sawtry Parish Council in celebrating the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III on Saturday 6 May at the all-weather, Coronation Picnic in the Park, on the backfield at Sawtry Village Academy from 9.30am to 4pm. There will be a huge TV screen, 10 metres by 5 metres, showing the televised events of the day. Gates will be open from 9.30am for you to bring your own chairs or blankets, and don't forget your picnic! Entrance is free to all, with free hats, flags and pens available when you arrive. There will be a quiet area with a smaller projector screening of the events in the Old School Hall for those who want to join others for the celebrations but would like a less busy atmosphere.

We are encouraging children and young people in the village to decorate their own crown at home and to join us at 2pm for the Crown Parade where each participant will show their creations in a lap of the venue and receive a special commemorative gift. There will be some activities and food stalls and we are inviting people to contact us should you be interested in having a stall for the day.

Details are available on the Sawtry Parish Council website and Facebook page including a link to a crown template.

We are offering guidance that dogs should not be brought as there will be a short daytime firework display at the end of the celebrations, time dependent upon the King appearing on the balcony. We would also like to make this a waste-free event.

We are in need of volunteers to help us on the day for a range of activities: setting up and clearing away, marshalling, helping with the distribution of free gifts and many other roles. If you would be happy to help, thank you so much! Please contact me via the details below. Training will be provided.

We want to make this a day to remember for years to come so that people can say, "I was there!"

For more details about stalls, volunteering, or the events on the day, please email: admin@sawtry-pc.gov.uk or call 01487 831771

Cllr Tracey Bingham



WELLSIDE SURGERY NEWS

Covid Booster Vaccinations – Spring 2023

As you may already be aware, the government have recently announced that there will be another Covid booster vaccination for particular groups of vulnerable patients. This programme is due to start early April. At the time of writing, we are not yet able to confirm how patients will access this vaccination as local delivery plans have not been finalised. We will publicise more information as soon as it becomes available via our website and posters in the practice.



Repeat Prescriptions

As many of you will already be aware, we have recently had to close our practice dispensary. As a result, we no longer have a dispensary team to manage the repeat prescription requests coming into the practice. For considerable years now we have operated on a request turnaround time of 48 hours (2 working days). Please be aware that as of **March** our turnaround reverted to our contractual requirement of **72 hours (3 working days)**. Please bear this in mind when submitting your request.

If you are not already placing your repeat medication requests online we would ask you to consider doing so if you are able to. This may result in a quicker turnaround time, reduces the possibility of errors and provides a fully auditable trail in the event of any queries. You can place your orders via the NHS App or see our reception team for an application form.

Zero Tolerance Policy – a gentle reminder

Sadly I have had cause to write to a small number of patients recently reminding them of the way in which we expect all members of the practice team to be treated.

Please may I remind everyone that we observe a zero tolerance policy to any form of abuse being directed any member of staff. This includes the following:

- Offensive language or swearing
- Verbal abuse of any kind
- Racist comments or stereotypes
- Threats of or actual physical harm

Easter Opening Hours

Friday 7 April	Bank Holiday – Closed
Saturday 8 April	Closed
Sunday 9 April	Closed
Monday 10 April	Bank Holiday – Closed

If you need urgent GP care during this period please dial 111 to access the NHS 111 service.

Mrs Claire Wright, Practice Manager
Wellside Surgery, Sawtry - Tel: 01487 830340



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Health Trainers -
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Healthy You

Healthy You - Supporting Cambridgeshire and Peterborough residents health and wellbeing... **it's FREE**



Healthy You is a free service for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough residents who are looking to make changes to their lifestyle. So, whether you want help to stop smoking, lead a more active lifestyle, lose some weight, or simply take advantage of the NHS Health Checks we offer, we can help.

We can support you to make simple changes and create achievable goals to help you improve your health and wellbeing. We will provide you with the tools, encouragement and motivational support every step of the way.

Take a look overleaf at how we can support you
and how to get in touch...



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Healthy You

Eat well, lose weight, feel better



The most important reason to lose weight is to make you feel better. Being overweight or obese puts you at higher risk of developing Type 2 Diabetes, cancer, or having a stroke or heart attack.

We know that losing weight is not always easy, but Healthy You is here to help. We have **FREE** adult weight management groups across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough as well as online groups.

Find out more overleaf...



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Helping you to manage your weight



Join Our **FREE** Adult Weight Management Programme

- We offer both face-to-face and virtual groups across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough
- Groups run once a week for 12 weeks, each session lasts for 60-90 minutes
- Healthy eating advice and discussions followed by an exercise based activity session
- Support with setting achievable goals to help you with positive lifestyle changes and sustainable weight loss
- Our friendly, inclusive groups are led by Nutritionists and Physical Activity Specialists

What else do we offer?

If our 12 week programme isn't for you, you may be eligible for a 12 week referral to Slimming World or Wellness that Works (formerly Weight Watchers)

Eligibility

- Anyone aged 16+ who lives in Cambridgeshire or Peterborough
- Or registered with a GP in Cambridgeshire or Peterborough.
- Your BMI needs to be equal or greater than 25



For more information on our range of **FREE** Services

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Email: healthyyou@healthyyou.org.uk or

visit www.healthyyou.org.uk



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EMERGING FROM THE PANDEMIC

As we started to emerge from the pandemic, I thought a lot about how we could mark that season in our churches, how we changed, how we grew, how we adjusted, how we hoped, how we loved.

Kathryn Dailly is a gifted textile artist and creates in her spare time. I particularly love her work. As the churchyard had been such a special part of our growth in lockdown and throughout the pandemic I wanted to reflect that and bring some of the outside in. I spoke to Kathryn about an idea I had to make new banners for the altar at All Saints', a way of remembering the season we were emerging from. She has created two stunning banners, incorporating the theme of nature. The Bible text across both reads:

'But those that wait for the Lord shall renew their strength' (Isaiah 40:31a)

I choose this scripture as it speaks of what we did and continue to do as a church and benefice. Trusting in God to renew our strength in all times and seasons for so many different reasons. The banners detail two trees, in different seasons. There are 12 birds and over 200 unique leaves across the two banners, highlighting the different journeys we have all experienced, no one the same.

We as a church family have waited and the Lord renewed our strength, we grew in ways we didn't expect, the seasons came and went and came and went and came and went.

Throughout it all we waited and even when we wobbled, God exceeded expectations and did immeasurably more than we could possibly think or imagine.

So this is why we have new banners in our church, as we remember and look forward, a visual thanks to God for steadfast love.

As we reach the third anniversary of the pandemic being declared, we would love to invite you to come and see the banners. The church will be open all day between 10am and 4pm on Sunday 16 April, with the morning service at 10.30am. From 11.30am there will be refreshments served.

Reverend Canon Becky Dyball and all the Church Family



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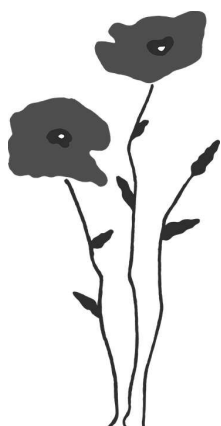
The Sawtry and District Branch of the Royal British Legion
remember the fallen throughout the year



REMEMBRANCE

APRIL		
Private Bertram David HAYNES	19 April 1917	Sawtry
Private James STAPLETON	19 April 1917	Sawtry
Private Reuben GRAY	23 April 1917	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

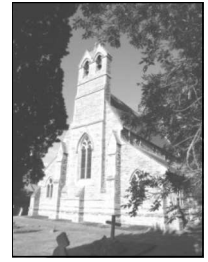
MAY		
Private William WRIGHT	3 May 1917	Sawtry
Private Arthur YEOMANS	3 May 1917	Great Gidding
Private Archie ROWELL	13 May 1917	Sawtry
Private Charles William BODGER	5 May 1918	Old Weston
Private Leslie Charles REDHEAD	20 May 1940	Great Gidding
Private George Joseph William GINNS	28 May 1943	Sawtry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



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




**ALL SAINTS', SAWTRY, ST NICHOLAS', GLATTON
& ST GILES', HOLME WITH CONINGTON
PARISH CHURCHES**



BENEFICE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

For latest service information and online service links please visit www.allsaintssawtry.org.uk

Date	All Saints', Sawtry	St Nicholas, Glatton	St Giles, Holme
Sunday 2 April Palm Sunday	10.30am - Holy Communion	9.00am - BCP Morning Prayer	9.00am - Holy Communion
*****	<i>Please see separate</i> listing for Holy Week		*****
Saturday 8 April	--	--	2.30pm - Coffee and Cake followed by 30@4.30pm service
Sunday 16 April	10.30am - Holy Communion with Church open till 4pm for coffee, cake and to view the new banners	--	9.00am - Holy Communion
Saturday 22 April	4.00pm - Messy Church	--	--
Sunday 23 April	8.00am - BCP Holy Communion 10.30am - Parade Service	9.00am - Holy Communion	--
Sunday 30 April	--	--	9.00am - Benefice Holy Communion
Sunday 7 May	10.30am - Commemoration Service for the Coronation	9.00am - Commemoration Service for the Coronation	9.00am - Commemoration Service for the Coronation
Saturday 13 May	--	--	2.30pm - Coffee and Cake followed by 30@4.30pm service 4:30pm - BCP Evensong
Sunday 14 May	10.30am - Service of the Word	9.00am - Holy Communion	--
Saturday 20 May	4.00pm - Messy Church	--	--
Sunday 21 May	10.30am - Holy Communion	--	3.00pm - Evensong at All Saints' Conington
Sunday 28 May	8.00am - BCP Holy Communion 10.30am - Morning Prayer	9.00am - Holy Communion	

BCP A much loved traditional service using the 1662 prayer book*

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Monday 3 April	9.00am - Morning Prayer 9.00pm - Compline	--	--
Tuesday 4 April	9.00pm - Compline ** At Sawtry Methodist Church	9.00pm - Compline ** At Sawtry Methodist Church	9.00pm - Compline ** At Sawtry Methodist Church
Wednesday 5 April	--	--	9.00pm - Compline
Thursday 6 April Maundy Thursday	10.30am - Chrism Eucharist ** at Ely Cathedral	10.30am - Chrism Eucharist ** at Ely Cathedral 7.30pm - Maundy Thursday Service	10.30am - Chrism Eucharist ** at Ely Cathedral
Friday 7 April Good Friday	10.00am - Walk of Witness starting at All Saints', Sawtry	10.00am - Walk of Witness starting at All Saints', Sawtry	10.00am - Walk of Witness starting at All Saints', Sawtry
Sunday 9 April Easter Day	10.30am - Holy Communion	9.00am - Holy Communion	--



SAWTRY METHODIST CHURCH

9 Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX



COFFEE MORNINGS

*Open Saturdays
from 9.30am to 11am*

*Drop in for light refreshments,
a chat with friends
all proceeds to the church*



We would love to see you!

SUNDAY WORSHIP

*There is a service either in the building, online,
(using Zoom), or both every week*

SPECIAL SERVICES

Tea Breaks

Sunday 2 April & 7 May at 4.15pm

Easter Day Holy Communion

Sunday 9 April at 10.30am

Led by Rev Pam Siddall

Holy Communion

Sunday 21 May at 10.30am

Led by Rev James Bamber

***For details of other services,
how to login via Zoom
and for other services
please check our website
or call 01487 830345***

Come and join us, all are welcome

Sawtry Monday Friendship Group

Meets fortnightly from 2.00 – 3.15pm in the Church Hall

Next meetings 3 & 17 April and 15 & 29 May

*Come and join this happy informal gathering, swapping experiences, recipes,
maybe even clothes (a swishing session)*

Quantities of coffee, tea and cake available (of course!!)

Contact Margaret Wilson 07794 607985 for any queries



For more information, please contact Rev James Bamber on 01480 453857

Email jjamesbamber@gmail.com, or via www.sawtrymethodist.org.uk

Find us on Facebook - SawtryMethodistChurch

WE HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR

Dear Friends,

Spring is springing. Around the garden growth is happening – it is a hive of activity for plants, insects, birds and animals! It won't be long before the bees will be joining to cacophony declaring new beginnings and fresh hope.

Thinking about bees reminds me of a story of a little girl who was going on a journey with her dad. All was going well until a bee flew into the car. The girl cried out in panic because she was allergic to bee stings. Calmly her dad pulls over catches the bee and then lets it go again. 'Why did you do that?' cried the girl. Her dad held out his hand, 'It's ok - I took the sting!'

Easter is a great time for us to remember that on the cross Jesus took the sting for us - we have nothing to fear from any stinger that might come our way, no matter what form it may take. In Paul's first letter to the church at Corinth we read the following:

"Where, Death, is your victory? Where, Death, is your power to hurt?' Death gets its power to hurt from sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ! So then, my dear friends, stand firm and steady..."

(1 Corinthians 15: 55 – 58)

In the light of all Jesus achieved for us on the cross and beyond, may we live courageously and gratefully, proclaiming not simply with our lips but with our lives, the glorious truth 'He's not dead. He is alive.'

Alleluia! Easter love and blessings,

Rev James Bamber



HUNTS COMMUNITY CANCER NETWORK FEEL GOOD DAY

When: Our doors will be open between 10.00 and 14.00 on Saturday 15 April.

Where: Come and join us at Bradbury House, Mayfield Rd, Huntingdon, PE29 1UL.

We are having a "Feel Good Day"!!

HCCN want to encourage EVERYONE to come along, even if you are already taking part in our activities. We want to publicise what we do so that you can share your experiences with people you may know that would benefit from our support through their cancer journey. With this in mind your family and friends are very welcome too.

We have 10 of our activity leaders present. They will be providing information about their specialties and maybe even doing mini taster sessions! They will be talking about the positive benefits of Pilates, Beauty & Massage, Active Lifestyles, Men's Group, Yoga, Living Well with Cancer, Tai Chi, Reflexology, Women's Group, and Line Dancing.

There will be tea, coffee and biscuits on tap and a sandwich with fruit lunch from about 12.00.

RSVP to me, to book your place, by 5 April please - gill@hccnthecharity.org

Bring your friends !

Charity reg no. 1163051



SAWTRY TABLE TENNIS CLUB

As of April, up until the School Summer Term, the club will only be meeting on a Monday evening.

Mondays are split into three sessions:

- 5:45pm to 6:30pm – Junior Development Session
This session is a fun and structured session with coaching.
- 6:30pm to 8pm – Open Play Adult Session (Invited - U18s)
- 8pm to 9:30pm - Open Play Adult Session (Invited - U18s)

Both the second and third sessions are Open Free Play and are for adult players, plus the stronger junior members who have been invited or passed the club's grading.

Booking is required to attend any of these sessions, so please don't just turn up. To book, see details at the bottom of this article. Bookings are on a first come, first served basis.

Other Club News - The club has joined up with Easyfundraising. This means when you shop online from over 7,400 brands, you could be donating money to the club for FREE. By donating to the club, it can keep session fees low, while at the same time raise funds so the club can offer more dedicated coaching sessions to more of our members. To help the club raise funds with no cost to yourself you can register using our QR Code.

League News - The league season has now come to a conclusion. Both of our league teams have found it hard, but they have really enjoyed playing and improving their match play. The "A Team" came second and the "B Team" came fourth in Division 2.

Now the club is asking our members if they would like to play in next season league, which is due to start in October 2023.

General Information on the Club - The club is a not-for-profit community-based table tennis club, where members can play some leisurely or competitive table tennis. The club is open to anyone over the age of 7 and all abilities are welcome. Normally the club will be open on a Monday and Tuesday evening, but from April to September the club will only be open on Monday nights. Players need to pre-book onto a session in advance.

There are no Membership Fees, only Club Night fees: Adults - £3.00, Junior (under 18s) - £2.00 per session, per night. Under 16s will need to be accompanied by a responsible adult while at the club.

The club meets at: - Sawtry Junior Academy, Middlefield Road, Sawtry, Huntingdon, Cambs. PE28 5SH.

To keep up to date with what the Club is doing check out our website or Facebook:

www.sawtrytabletennisclub.org.uk

[@SawtryTableTennisClub](https://www.facebook.com/SawtryTableTennisClub)

If you are interested in joining us, please feel free to contact the Club via email:
welcome@sawtrytabletennisclub.org.uk



SAWTRY AND DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

As the snow descends upon us, we are gearing up for the new season, starting with our traditional 'Opening Day' on Saturday 22 April, when members compete for the Kelvin Cooper Trophy.

League and friendly fixtures have been decided, and County Competition opponents drawn, so we are all raring to get out on the grass and get some fresh air into our bodies again.

New players are always welcome and we will be participating in the Bowls England 'Big Weekend' on Saturday 27 May, when the gates will be open for anyone new to the game to come along and give it a try. All equipment will be supplied, just wear some flat soled shoes or trainers. If anyone is interested, then please get in touch so that we can make sure we have everything you need. It doesn't matter who you are, or how good you might be, everyone will be welcome. We have some disabled equipment to hopefully help those that may need some assistance to bowl, including a grass specific wheelchair.

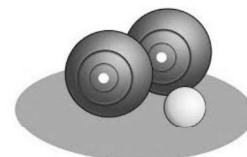
However, if you can't wait until 27 May, or won't be around, pop down any Friday night in May and there will be someone to help you give it a try. Failing that just pop in anytime the gates are open and speak to someone there.

Our Junior Coaching sessions are moving from Wednesdays to a Saturday morning and will be looking to start in June. If any new Juniors are interested in attending, please get in contact (details below).

Before we open fully for the season, we will be holding a couple of social events:

- **Easter Bingo** - Saturday 1 April at 7.30 lots of Easter goodies and choccies to win.
- **Quiz Night** - Saturday 15 April at 7.30 All Welcome. £3 per person, which will include a light supper of soup and bread. Maximum of 6 in a team. Not got a team! - we will try to find you one on the night.
- **Coffee Morning** - Tuesday 25 April at 10am

Finally, if anyone is able to help in early April with some light work around the green to make it look nice for the new season, then please get in touch.



Any Queries contact - Club Secretary Kevin Bowers - Tel No 07989 503740

Visit our Facebook Page - search 'Sawtry and District Bowling Club'

Our website :- <https://hugofox.com/community/sawtry-and-district-bowling-club-8948/about-us>

Or search for 'Sawtry and District Bowling Club'



SAWTRY COLTS

It's been a busy last couple of months for Sawtry Colts teams with home matches now taking place at Sawtry Village Academy as well as at Greenfield.

The Under 9 (U9) Blue Sox have had some excellent results of late with the players really developing in their first season on a bigger pitch. Particular congratulations to Oscar S and Lucas B who recently both scored their first goals for the club. A great effort from both of them and the team as a whole.

The U12 Blues, despite the vagaries of the weather of late, have managed to almost finish their season with only one league match remaining. They are currently best of the rest as they sit third behind the two runaway leaders of Godmanchester and Ramsey. Recent results have included 7-1, 2-1 and 5-0 wins as well that rare thing in Colts football a 0-0 draw against Priory.

The U13s have had an excellent first season of 11-a-side football and currently sit third in their league with 5 matches left. Wins of 6-2, 12-1, 12-0 and 9-0 are testament to that with their only loss of late being 4-1 against league leaders Eunice Huntingdon.

The U14s are another side who are in third place - three wins against March Academy - 5-2, 6-0 and 6-0 - as well as 3-2 win against Priory, gaining revenge for an earlier 4-1 loss, have been their league results since January. A loss to a strong Chatteris side meant they exited the cup at the quarter final stage.

The U15s form has picked up this year with a draw against Needingworth being followed with their first league victory against Offord. In between those two games they had a great result knocking league leaders Kimbolton out of the cup winning in a penalty shootout after a 1-1 draw. Unfortunately Priory were too strong for them in the next round as they also departed at the quarter final stage. A loss to a much improved Stilton side is their only defeat in the league in 2023.

The U16s are another side whose results have improved this year. They have bounced back from a heavy loss in the cup, with a weakened side, to claim victories over Godmanchester and St Neots in the league. With six matches remainin,g they are hopeful of picking up a few more wins before the season ends.

Hopefully the worst of the weather will now be behind us and those teams with matches remaining will be able to get them played either at Sawtry Academy or Greenfields.

Just a reminder that the annual Sawtry tournament will take place over the weekend of the 1 & 2 July at Greenfield, pop along if you want to see some good football.

Brian Craig - sawtrycoltsfc.co.uk



SAWTRY CRICKET CLUB



We are fast approaching the 2023 season, with our first game taking place on Saturday 22 April, at home to Upwood. This will be played at "The Pavilion" in Alconbury Weald, where we will also be hosting an open day. 7 - 11 year olds are invited to a taster training session between 10 - 11am and children aged 11+ are invited to a session between 11 - 12pm. The senior fixture will then start at 1pm, where refreshments and food will be available during the afternoon.

To prepare for the season, we will be having a "GetSetWeekend" event on Saturday 1 April. Any volunteers in the morning at Alconbury Weald would be most welcome to join us! We will be preparing the square and outfield for cricket, organising equipment and building our new sightscreens.

With four open age teams, as well as Teams for five junior age groups aged between 5 - 15, there will be plenty of opportunities for people of all ages to play cricket this summer! We will be announcing our outdoor training programmes soon, so please keep your eyes peeled on our club website (www.sawtry.play-cricket.com), and on our social media channels (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram) - @SawtryCricket. You can also keep up to date on our matches and see a variety of club news on these outlets too!

Ian Fowler



For any queries, contact John Dudley – Tel No. 07943 526379 or email sawtrycc@yahoo.com

SAWTRY WALK TO RUN

We are starting our next 0 to 5K 10 week none to run program on Tuesday 9 May, it's FREE to join and is led by English Athletics-qualified run leaders.

You don't have to wait until May to come and try the club as we welcome all abilities at any session and you have four weeks to decide if you want to join, it's £20.00 for the year. We run on a Tuesday and Thursday from outside Academy Leisure at 7.15pm and St Judith's Field car park at 8.30am on Sunday mornings.

On the first Sunday of every month we hold a Mental Health Walk for the whole community from different locations in the village. Times and locations are put on Facebook's Sawtry Scene and yes, 4-legged friends are welcome too :)

Cold weather and dark nights have not stopped us this winter with 54 different members attending club runs this February. We're all looking forwards to the lighter nights for our club runs and getting out into the countryside.

So far in 2023, we've had members running at Burleigh House 7, Cambridge ½, Oundle 10, Stamford Valentines 30K and the Cambs X-Country with lots more happening throughout this year.

On Sunday 3 September we host our second **Sawtry 10 Mile Race** and this was well supported by local business and runners alike in 2022. This officially measured and timed event is part of the Cambs Road League, so there will be a variety of people competing with a cut off time of 2.5 hours, so we cater for all abilities. Sawtry Village Academy are kindly hosting the event again. If you'd like to volunteer to help with the event your support would be most welcome. Hosting such an event is not a small undertaking and showcases the best of Sawtry to people from a wider area.

David Bartle, Club Chair

Call David on 07703174937 or contact Fiona Hurst our membership secretary at fionahurst@hotmail.co.uk for details.

More info at www.sawtrywalktorun.co.uk or our Facebook page: Sawtry Walk to Run



Running - it's much more fun than you might

SAWTRY GOLF SOCIETY

February saw our society return to a local course at Orton Meadows in Peterborough for the 3-club challenge, this is always an interesting game only having three clubs to play with, but ironically its always a high scoring one, so who needs 14 clubs? The day's winner was the returning Neil Bohonis after a break nursing an injured shoulder with 39 points, three clear of Dave Gadsby and Jason Bohonis with David being second on countback.

In March 30 Golfers headed to Stoke Rochford near Stamford on what is regarded as one of the most challenging courses we play, for most it was a struggle with scores in the mid-twenties, but three players all scored well ahead of the field on 38 points, coming out on top was Jack Gadsby he beat Mark Lindsey and Conner Wilkinson on countback.

With half the season now nearly completed, the leadership table has taken shape with Doug White currently leading on 195 points, five ahead of John (The Guzzler) Lindsey with Doug Bailey a further two points behind.

Sawtry Golf Society accommodates local golfers from scratch to 54 handicaps.

Membership is only £15 for the year, if you are interested contact us on our Facebook page or ring our secretary Dave Gadsby on 07834 386632



JUST FOR FUN!

EASTER WORD SEARCH



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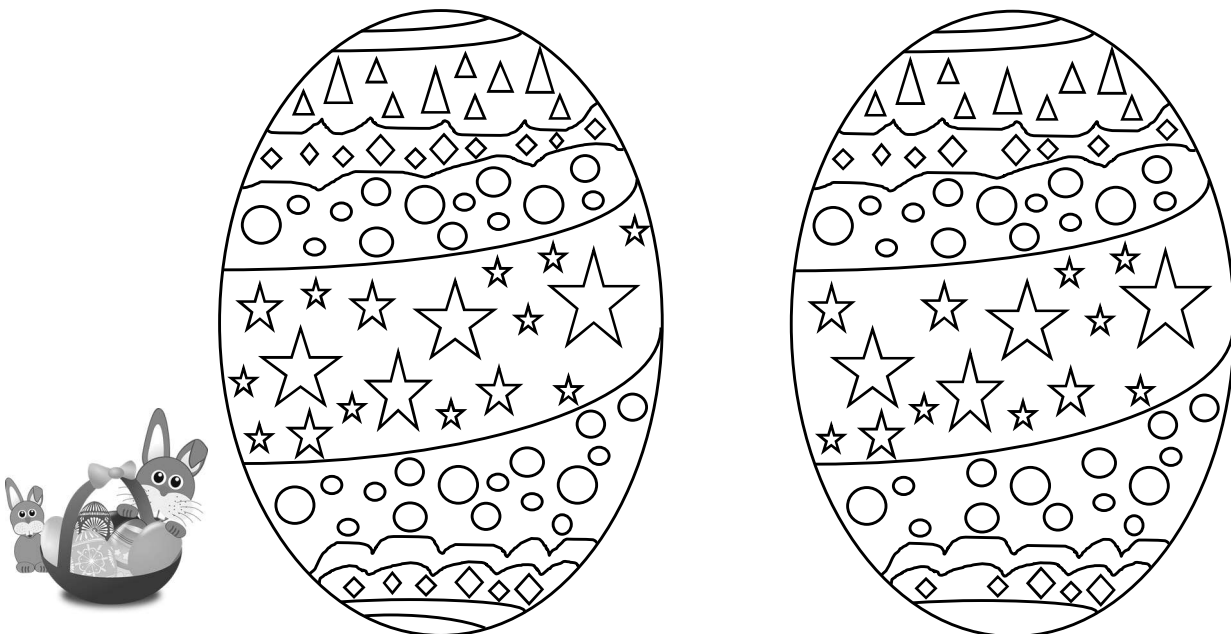
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EASTER SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

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USEFUL CONTACTS

Doctors / Pharmacy

Wellside Surgery, Sawtry - 830340

Lakeside Healthcare at Yaxley - 01733 240478

Sawtry Pharmacy - 832558 (Boots)

Children's Groups

Beavers/Cubs/Scouts - 01480 581072

Girlguiding, Sawtry (Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers & Y.L.) - 07342 046564 / 07704 875881

Village Groups

Sawtry Camera Club - 07494 067666

Sawtry Chorale - 07870 248897

Sawtry Gardening Club - 07598 431308

Sawtry History Society - 830715

Sawtry Motorcycle Club - 834190

Sawtry Women's Institute - 07841 647345

Sport Clubs

Merton Kenpo Academy I MKA - 07753 228439

Sawtry & District Bowling Club - 07989 503740

Sawtry Colts - www.sawtrycoltsfc.co.uk

Sawtry Cricket Club - 07943 526379

Sawtry Fishing Club - 07436 016188

Sawtry Football Club - 831403

Sawtry Golf Society - (Secretary) - 07834 386632

Sawtry Junior Cricket Club - 830581

Sawtry Badminton Club - 07976 054613

Sawtry Table Tennis Club - 815566

Sawtry Tang Soo Do (Karate) - 07783 674797

Sawtry Walking Group - 832407

Sawtry Walk To Run - 07703 194937

Churches

All Saints' Church, Sawtry (Rectory) - 506217

St Benedict's Catholic Community Sawtry - 830680

St Luke's Catholic Church Peterborough - 01733 230464

Sawtry Methodist Church - 830345

Pre-Schools / Schools

Buttons & Bows Pre-School - 01487 833010 / 07483 942826

Sawtry Infant School - 830678

Sawtry Junior Academy - 830204

Sawtry Village Academy - 830701

Emergency Numbers

Electricity 24hr Helpline & Emergencies - 0800 7 838 838

Gas 24hr Helpline & Emergencies - 0800 111 999

Police (Non-Emergency) - 101

Samaritans Day/Night - 01733 312727

Other Services

Cambs Bobby Scheme - 01480 413311

Cambs Libraries Contact Centre - 0345 045 5225

Citizens Advice Bureau, Huntingdon - 0344 245 1292

HACT (Community Transport) - 01480 411114

Huntingdon Delivery Office - 03457 740 740

Sawtry Social Club - 830462

Sawtry Old School Hall / Parish Council - 831771

Sawtry Post Office - 208460

Sawtry Sports & Leisure Association - 831797

Sawtry WI Hall - 07763 438409

Sawtry Youth & Community Centre - 831542

www.safelocaltrades.com - 0800 014 1832

CARESCO

Car Scheme - 07810 476979

CARESCO Centre - 832105

Charity Shop - 208026

Community Support - 07873 187843

Green End Day Club - 07743 216746

Sawtry Foodbank - 07743 593863

The Cave - 07851 803482

SAWTRY AREA CODE - 01487

If you would like to add a new number to the list or you have spotted a wrong number then let the CARESCO team know on 832105