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SAWTRY FIREWORK DISPLAY

A professional display for all the family

Thursday 5th November At Greenfields, Straight Drove, Sawtry

Gates Open	6pm
Bonfire Lit	6.30pm
Fireworks Start	7pm

This year's display is by CABRIDGE FIREWORKS - Be Early.

Tickets are available from:- Paul Cox, Cooper's Garage, Best Friends Vets & Sawtry Parish Council Office

Prices:	Adults	£3.00 (£4.00 on the gate)
	Children (4-14)	£2.00 (£2.50 on the gate)

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PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FIREWORK DISPLAY
Voluntarily run by Sawtry Sports & Leisure Association

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** No fireworks to be brought into display (including sparklers) **

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Saturday 3rd October

9 - 12pm

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28th November 2009

6.30pm

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Clerk@sawtry-pc.gov.uk

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All proceeds to go towards the work of CARESCO



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Individual 15 minute pamper sessions available

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at £3.00 each when booked in advance or £4.00 on the night

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Welcome

It's going to be a busy autumn, if all the notices in this issue are anything to go by. A lot of community groups have already got events planned and meetings organised. There are fundraising events which need supporting and groups looking for new members, so you don't need to feel bored. And if nothing on offer takes your fancy, why not start preparing for next year's Sawtry Show? Thanks to the hard work of the Show committee, this year's was a huge success with a record number of entries in a wide range of categories from orange curd to oil painting, from carrots to cross stitch. Begin planning that veg patch now!

We've lots of useful information as well and don't forget our advertisers at the back, without whom the Eye would not be possible. If you do use any of our local tradesmen, do please remember to tell them where you saw there advert.

Enjoy those autumn colours and walking in the leaves

Liz Coates

Liz Coates - Co-Editor



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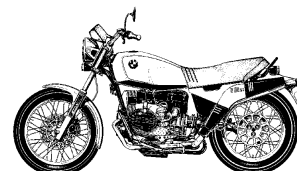
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SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR SAWTRY SCHOOLS

Autumn Term 2009

Half Term - 26-30 October
End of Term - 19 December

Spring Term 2010

Start of Term – 5 January
Half Term - 15 to 19 February
End of Term – 1 April

Summer Term 2010

Start of Term – 19 April
May Day 3 May
Half Term – 31 May – 4 June
End of Term – 22 July

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>



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

HDC REFUSE COLLECTION

Sawtry, Conington, Glatton & Upton 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)

5th & 19th October
2nd, 16th & 30th November

COMPOST (GARDEN WASTE) & DRY RECYCLING

(Week Beginning)

12th & 26th October
9th & 23rd November

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.



Sawtry WI

Sawtry WI meets on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in the WI Hall, Gidding Road (Wheelchair Access)

1st October

Affairs of the Heart - Jill Collinge

5th November

AGM

3rd December

An Audience with Queen Victoria - Jackie Tevlin

Visitors & New Members Welcome

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

Secretary 01487 832925

Registered Charity No. 229016



Sawtry WI

Gidding Road (Wheelchair Access)
Registered Charity No. 229016

As a celebration of Sawtry WI's 90th birthday

An exhibition of members

Art & Craft work will be held on

Friday 20th November

2pm – 6pm

And Saturday 21st November

10am – 4pm

Everyone Welcome, Admission Free

Secretary 01487 832925

Sawtry WI In Aid of the WI Hall

BINGO

2nd, 16th & 30th October
13th & 27th November
11th December
Eyes down 7.30

COFFEE MORNING

Thursday 15th October
10.30am – 12 noon
£1.00

Raffle, Bring & Buy, Cakes & Books

SOUP & PUD LUNCH

Thursday 12th November
12 noon - 2pm
Ticket £4.00

Raffle, Bring & Buy, & Books

CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA

Thursday 10th December
2pm – 4pm
Ticket £2.50

Raffle, Bring & Buy, & Books

Contact for events 01487 831793

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3 October	CARESCO	Car Boot	01487 832105	Front Page
3 October	All Saints, Sawtry	Harvest Supper	01487 830089	18
10 October	Wellside Surgery	Flu Clinic	01487 830340	15
11 October	Tree Warden	Seed Collecting	01487 830527	12
15 October	Sawtry WI	Coffee Morning	01487 831793	4
16 October	Sawtry Pre-School Playgroup	Tempest Photos	01487 832433	7
17 October	All Saints, Sawtry	Vocal Academy Concert	01487 832949	17
31 October	Fairtrade Group	Traidcraft Sale	01487 830345	6
31 October	Sawtry Holiday Club	Light Factory Special	01487 830345	17
31 October	Feast Supper Committee	Hallowe'en Ball	07976 874579	7
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12 November	Sawtry WI	Soup & Pud Lunch	01487 831793	4
14 November	All Saints, Sawtry	Christmas Bazaar	01487 838949	17
19 November	Feast Supper Committee	Feast Supper Bingo	01487 830571	6
20-21 November	Sawtry WI	Art & Craft Exhibition	01487 832925	4
20 November	Sawtry Pre-School Playgroup	Christmas Bingo	01487 832433	6
20 November	St Nicholas', Glatton	Cheese & Wine	01487 830215	19
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2010				
22 January	Carnival Committee	Carnival Extravaganza	01487 832410	-
6 – 12 June	Sawtry Parish Council	Sawtry Feast Week	01487 831771	-
8 June	Feast Supper Committee	Sawtry Feast Supper	01487 831316	-
12 June	Carnival Committee	Sawtry Carnival	01487 832410	11

If you would like to have a date considered for inclusion please email the details along with a contact number to caresco@sawtry.net 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.

CARESCO is not responsible for the accuracy of the above information. Please check with the individual group concerned.

Farmers' Markets

Truly local food sold by the people who produce it.

HUNTINGDON

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

2nd, 16th & 30th October
13th & 27th November

5th Saturday Special on 31st October

Organised by Huntingdonshire District Council with the
support of Huntingdon Town Centre Partnership.

For more information call 01480 388640
or email HuntsFarmersMkt@aol.com

PETERBOROUGH

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

Organised by Peterborough City Council.

For more information call 01733 452217
or visit www.peterborough.gov.uk

RAMSEY

Every 4th Saturday from 8.30am—2pm
Great Whyte

For further information please contact

The Ramsey Town Centre Partnership:

Tel: 01487 813612 email: rampart@btinternet.com

OUNDLE

Every 2nd Saturday from 9am to 2pm
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.

You are invited to view



TRAIDCRAFT
Fighting poverty through trade

Saturday

31st October 2009

9.00 am - 3.00 pm

at **Sawtry Methodist Church**
Green End Rd, Sawtry

Traidcraft plc is a Fairtrade company who sell crafts, foods and papers from the Developing World. There will be a **wide** range of stock on sale, including Christmas cards.

No obligation,
drop in any time and see.

Contact:

Liz Coates 830345



(Registered Charity No: 1029997)

HO HO HO

It's that time of year again!

CHRISTMAS BINGO

The Sawtry Preschool Playgroup
Christmas Bingo is being held on

Friday 20th November

**At the Old School Hall, Green End
Road, Sawtry**

Eyes Down at 7.30 p.m. sharp

Come along with your festive spirit
and
Christmas cheer to enjoy the night
and
possibly win some fabulous prizes

Prize Bingo

In aid of Sawtry Day Centre

20 November

Starts 7.30pm

In the CARESCO Centre,
Green End Road, Sawtry

Contact Kath Allport on
01487 831123



Feast Supper Bingo

Thursday 19th November 2009

At Sawtry Ex-Service Men's Club

7pm Doors Open

7.30pm Eyes Down

For more information please contact
01487 830571

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Happy 1st Birthday

Aila Green

On 29th November

Love Mummy & Daddy,
Nanny, Grandad & Auntie Sara xxx xxx



Hallowe'en Ball



In aid of Sawtry Feast Supper

Saturday 31st October 2009

At

Sawtry Ex-Service Men's Club

8pm until late

£3.00 per person

Formal evening wear or Halloween costume

John Robb disco & Raffle

Contact Jo Alexander on 07976 874579

Proof of ticket required for entrance on the night



Registered Charity No: 1029997

Exciting Children and Family portraits
by Tempest Photography

Tempest Photography will be holding
a Children and Family Portrait session

At Sawtry Pre-School Playgroup,
Fen Lane, Sawtry on

Friday 16th October 2009

3.00 p.m. to 5.30 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 photo-
graphs will be available.

Prices from £15

Friends of Sawtry Community College

CHRISTMAS BINGO

Saturday 29th November

in the College Main Hall

Doors open 7pm

Eyes down at 7.30pm

Refreshments and raffle.

Everyone welcome

All fundraising will go towards on-going refurbishment of
the College Hall and supporting student awards

Any queries please contact Hazel Parmenter on
01733 243056.

Funtime

Every Tuesday during school holidays
(except Christmas)

Next meeting: 27th October 09

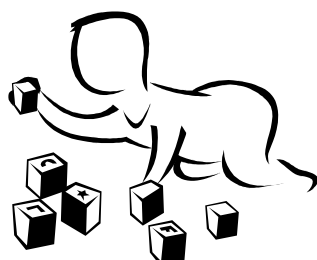
9.30 - 11am

In the Old School Hall

£2 inc refreshments

For more information call Kirsty
on 01487 834436 or 07837101154

playStop Playgroup



Every Wednesday 9am - 11am (school terms only)

At the Youth & Community Centre, Green End Road, Sawtry
Everyone welcome from bump to school age

Come and play in a safe and friendly environment
We are a friendly group, with lots to do for everyone
- crafts, activities and song time.

First visit is free, £1 per family
Enjoy a cuppa, meet new friends, and play

Contact Zoë 07926648638

LOCAL PRODUCE MARKET

Local people making food with local ingredients
who sell their produce directly to you

THURSDAY 3rd December

8 am - 2 pm

OLD SCHOOL HALL, Green End Rd, SAWTRY

For more information please call Diane or Sally at the Parish Council Office on 01487 831771

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.



30th October 2009

The Great China Eclipse
Jerry Workman



27th November 2009

Beagle
John Thatcher



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: -

Bernard Dean 01487 832251

Dave Woodhams 01487 831921

SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY and THE COMMUNITY ARCHIVE

Programme for the Autumn

15th October

Christine Morris on Family History

19th November

The Huntingdon Cycle Battalion

December

No meeting

Meetings take place at 7.30 every third Thursday of the month at the Women's Institute, Gidding Road, Sawtry. Everyone is welcome.

Free for Members, £1.00 for Non-members.

Contact 07984 94538

Tiny Tots

is under new management

Tuesday 9.30-11.00am

Methodist Church
Green End Road, Sawtry

Toys for all ages up to 4 years
Activities/Crafts/Songs

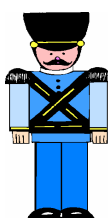


£1 per family

Includes refreshments
First visit **FREE**

**Come along and make new friends
New members welcome**

For more information call
Hannah on 01487 831120
Sara on 01733 248 222



Letters ...

THANK YOU FROM...

Molly Chivers and family wish to thank friends and neighbours for their kindness while she has been unable to get out. Thanks also to the carers who have been coming in to help her, and especially to Rita who is always there for her.

Jane Joyce would like to thank all her friends for the help and support after her hip replacement at Hinchingbrooke hospital and a special thanks to Canon Malcolm and Rev Sandra Griffith.

Lyn & Pat would like to thank everyone for their help and support with the Afternoon Tea to raise funds for **CARESCO** which was held on 8th September.

The total raised was **£166.50**

Write to Sawtry Eye: 'Letters', CARESCO, Green End Road, Sawtry, Huntingdon, Cambs PE28 5UX



Or email caresco@sawtry.net with subject 'Letter for Sawtry Eye'

PLEASE SEE STATEMENT FOR SUBMITTING LETTERS ON PAGE 3

Bill Seeger

Grace and family would like to thank all friends and neighbours for their kindness and support at the sad loss of Bill, a much loved husband, dad, grandad & great grandad.

Bill passed away peacefully on 24th June in Hinchingsbrooke Hospital after a long battle with Alzheimer's.

Thanks to Malcolm, Rector of All Saints Church for his support and thank you for all the lovely floral tributes.

Grace Seeger & Family - Gidding Road, Sawtry

Race Night Thanks

Well she's done it again! A huge thank you to Jacqui Heddington and the Sawtry Golf Society for all their hard work in organising the Race Night & Auction at the Club on 19th September. Thank you also to everyone who supported the evening & gave so generously. It was a brilliant turn out & a great atmosphere.

Thanks to all the sponsors for the evening & to the local businesses who donated raffle prizes and items for the auction.

All funds raised will be donated to CARESCO.

Liz Coates - Manager, CARESCO

Retirement Thanks

From Mrs Gregory: I would like to take this opportunity of thanking parents, staff, past and present, and children of Sawtry Infant School for all their good wishes, flowers and presents that I received when I retired from Sawtry Infant School this summer. If you happened to come into the office on the last day of term, I was in there but hidden behind all the lovely bouquets and balloons!! So thank you all very much from my heart, it has been a pleasure to go to work each day for the last 29 years and to be a part of the wonderful work that goes on in the education of the children from our village. Good luck to you all.

Also, could I please thank everyone who had a part in organising the Feast Week Supper. I was lucky to be old enough this year to attend and what a wonderful evening it was. Great food and service, great entertainment and great company. Thank you all very much.

Eileen Gregory - Green End Road, Sawtry

From Miss Bennett: Just a note to thank you so much for sending the Sawtry Eye to me. What a humbling experience to see such things in print! I'm sure you will understand when I say I was completely overwhelmed with the cards, gifts and good wishes I received during my last few days at school. So many happy memories!!

Sue Bennett

Upton Charity Concert

Upton Village organised its fourth Charity Concert on 22nd August when Evelyn Glenie hosted the evening with guests Graeme Humphrey and the female barbershop quartet Simply 4.

The church was packed to the rafters, with over 175 people supporting the proceedings, which consisted of a selection of percussion, piano and vocal harmony pieces, followed by a cheese and wine buffet afterwards.

Although funds are still being collected, it is anticipated that a figure in excess of £3,000 will be raised. With this money, we have been able to make substantial donations to East Anglia Children's Hospice and CARESCO as well as two local playgroups. The remainder will be used to support St. Margaret's Church and Upton Village Hall.

We would like to thank all those people in Sawtry and surrounding villages who supported the concert and we are already looking forward to 2011!

Malcolm Alder - Co-ordinator

Thanks

A huge thank you from all at CARESCO to everyone who helped to make the Upton concert such a success. We were delighted to be one of the organisations chosen to receive part of the proceeds.

Liz Coates - Manager, CARESCO

Dog Fouling

I invited visitors to take a walk on the field footpath from Deerpark Rd towards Glatton, imagining my dismay when we couldn't walk, talk or enjoy the scenery because we were too busy picking a route through dog mess.

Bags are provided by the parish and there is a bin available, BUT people still don't clean up after their dog and are therefore spoiling it for everyone else. I fear it will eventually become so disgusting that the dog owners who don't clean up will move on to despoil another area for the community.

Please clean up after your dog so that we can all enjoy Sawtry's wonderful environment.

M Urwin - Deerpark Rd, Sawtry



NEW TO YOU AT NEARLY NEW

9 - 11.30am Fridays (term time only)

In the CARESCO Centre

DON'T DONATE YOUR CLOTHES TO RANDOM CHARITIES - bring them into CARESCO and make yourself some money for your unwanted items. 60% of the sale price is yours to keep!

It's been a hectic start to this term here at Nearly New. We are currently taking in any Women's, children's and babies winter items and have a good range for purchase.

For any of you that are looking for spare school uniform, we have quite a large selection of both Junior and Infant schools to choose from.

I must say a big thank you to Sarah for teaching me the ropes (I hope I do you proud) and also to Margaret, Claire and Gill for volunteering to help.

So come in and have a look and grab a coffee while you're there!

Nicole, Margaret, Claire and Gill

P.S - If anyone has any spare Trouser/Skirt hangers, they will be gratefully received!!

Sawtry Show

12th September 2009

A big thank you to all who took part.....competitors, stewards, committee members, judges, sponsors, demonstrators and all of you who came along on the afternoon of the Show.

Moving to the college for more space proved to be successful and we are grateful to Mr J Stewart, the College Principle and his staff for their help and support.

There were more competitors this year (92) and more class entries (474). Well done all of you who competed. We hope you will be entering again next year. We would particularly like to encourage youngsters to get involved.

A new committee will soon be convened to organise next year's Show. If you would like to join this group, or if you have any ideas or suggestions for classes, please let the Parish Clerk know (tel 01487 831771).

Trophy Winners '09

The Photography Trophy	Mr Barry Dupee
The Wine & Beers Cup	Mrs Sheila Harland
The Art & Craft Cup	Mrs Anke Chandler
The Cookery Cup	Mrs Moira Close
The Cooper Shield (Fruit & Veg)	Mr Graham Chandler
Overall Junior Winner	James Chandler
Overall Adult Winner	Mrs Anke Chandler

Babs Sullivan - Chairman

W e l c o m e t o t h e

SAWTRY CAMERA CLUB

We are a like minded group of photographers who like to try and improve our hobby.

We use film, digital and video formats.

All are welcome, young, old, male or female, novice or expert (We hope to learn from the experts)

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month

At the Methodist Church Hall in Green End Road Between 7.00pm and 9.30pm

A free cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit will welcome you.

For more information phone 01487 830186, 830550 or 832251

Get involved in the Sawtry Carnival 2010!

The date for next year's Sawtry Village Carnival is **Sat 12th June** 2010. This will be at the end of Feast Week.

Local charities & groups raised over £3600 collectively for themselves this year on Carnival day and for the good of the village, not to mention all the fun that was enjoyed by all who came along and we thank you all.

The Carnival committee 2010 is being formed and needs your help!!

If you are a retired tradesperson or someone with skills that could be useful in planning such an event, the committee would be pleased to hear from you. Or if you really enjoyed the Carnival and would simply like to volunteer for the day itself we have a number of roles that need filling.

Please come to our next meeting which is in the Old School Hall study 7pm Tuesday 17th November 09.

A big thank you to Sam Bottomley who worked very hard organising the Grand Draw for 2009. Sadly she is stepping down from the role this year, so we need someone to take her place. A treasurer is also needed who can liaise with the Parish Clerk. We would also love a web page! So please ring if you can help. Carnival meetings are approx once a month on a Tuesday evening.

Telephone Gill Tanner (secretary) 01487 832410 email: gill.tanner@hotmail.co.uk or Eileen Shearer (chairperson) 01487 832814

Date for your diary

"A Carnival Evening Extravaganza"

Slide show of Carnival Day 2009 plus free glass of wine and nibbles!

Friday 22nd January 2010
7.30pm - 9pm

Presented by The Sawtry Carnival Committee and Sawtry Camera Club

All welcome (including well behaved children!)

Come and re-live the carnival & see all the photos taken courtesy of the Sawtry Camera Club back in June.

We hope as many villagers as possible and groups will attend.

So come and meet the committee

Your local children's hospice needs **your** help.

The Milton Children's hospice is looking for
Collection Box Organisers and Publicity Officers.

Both roles would involve a few hours a month and full training will be given.

Your help will enable us to ensure that we can continue to provide care to children with life-threatening conditions and complex health care needs and support to their families

If you are interested in becoming part of the children's hospice at Milton and would like to learn more about the work of EACH please come along to our Volunteer Open Day on Monday 12 October 2009 from 3pm-6pm.

Places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment. Contact

Nicky Jackson or Beccy Turner on 01223 205180 or email nicky.jackson@each.org.uk to book your place and to answer any questions.

Registered charity number 10692894



UPTON GARDENING CLUB

The Club held the first meeting of the winter on 16th September - in accordance with our accepted tradition the speaker was Sue Stephenson from 'Puddle Paddock'. Sue is always an entertaining speaker, and didn't fail us this year with her talk - she didn't give it a title, but it was very instructive on what was basically the way to get the most out of your plants - i.e. extending the flowering season and increasing your stock for next year.

Next months speaker, on 21st October will be Jenny Edrich, who will give in illustrated talk on 'Wild Flowers of East Anglia'.

Visitors are welcome at a small charge of £1 for the evening.

We meet at Upton Village Hall on the third Wednesday of every month, at 7.30pm - if further details required contact **Ian Plum on 01832 293599**.

TREE WARDEN REPORT

As the season shifts to a blustery autumn the hedgerows are heavy with jewels of elderberries, rosehips, sloes and blackberries – all can be made into delicious jams, puddings and decoctions that give us a timely vitamin boost to ward off winter colds. Check out some recipes, then go for a walk in the woods or down quiet footpaths to gather nature's free ingredients – but leave plenty for the birds.

Horse chestnuts have again been badly affected by leaf miner and bleeding canker and are looking very dry and brown. Fingers crossed for a better year next year for them, though the experts are gloomy about their long-term future. I can't imagine children growing up without conkers.

Elms have not fared well either; many of our younger elm trees died of Dutch elm disease this summer and will have to be felled. Resistant varieties are being offered to schools and I hope that our schools will partake in this Conservation Foundation project.

At the schools I will be replacing the failed willow stems in the fence with the rampant growth from the Junior's willow structure, plus more from Holt Island.

As for tree planting, I am making plans for the free trees that parishes can get from the District Council, and to encourage them to plant more on the many green spaces in the village which are under their ownership and management. Many of the trees are raised at their Godmanchester nursery by volunteers, from seed gathered in local woods. On Sunday October 11th you could help gather seed in Aversley Wood. Meet in St Judith's car park at 2.15pm, and enjoy a reward of tea and cake in the wood about 4pm!

Janet Spencer - 01487 830527

ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

Congratulations to all allotment holders, the Village in Bloom judges visited the allotments and the allotments have been given a Special Award. Well done everyone for that little extra effort to have the allotments clear and tidy.

The allotment Association AGM was held at the Old School Hall on Wed Sept 3rd, attendance was a little disappointing as only 16 of the 35 allotment holders came along.

The committee remains the same except that I am now the elected secretary.

Minutes of the AGM are available by email from daphne.bacon@mypostoffice.co.uk or give me a call and I'll drop a copy off to you. If you have an email address, please let me have it so that future communication can be sent in that manner.

Discussion took place re joining the National Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners Ltd but it was felt with less than 50% of holders attending it would be unfair to commit all holders to an extra £2.00 per year for membership. More information about the Society can be found at www.nsalg.org.uk. Ballot forms will be sent shortly to all allotment holders so a decision can be made.

Reminder that 2009/2010 rents are now due, currently there is no increase but please be aware that rent will increase by £2.00 per full allotment for the 2010/2011 season.

Dick Bacon - Plot 19A – Tel 01487 833076

Going Green

We've finally got our hens!! One Saturday back in July our family piled into the car and drove to a small village somewhere the other side of Kings Lynn to pick up our ex-bats (hens that were formally living in a battery farm). Our converted shed standing ready in the garden, the attached run complete, and a cardboard box with appropriate slits cut in the sides sitting in the boot of the car.

When we finally arrived there were a few volunteers from the Battery Hen Welfare Trust and a lot of somewhat moth-eaten hens in a pen. Once we'd identified ourselves & paid our donation to the trust, three hens were unceremoniously picked out of the flock and popped into our waiting box and we became the proud owners of ex-bats.

Once back home, the three girls were lifted gently out of the box into their new home and there they stood, remaining frozen to the spot and looking terrified. Not surprising really given the traumatic day they'd just had. After a life lived in a small cage with no daylight or fresh air, they had been rescued early that morning by the BHWT who had given them a health check and a manicure. They'd then spent time in the pen awaiting collection and a distressing couple of hours in a box in our boot. Now they'd been put into an unimaginably large space (an old 6' X 4' garden shed) and five people were expectantly waiting for them to look grateful!

Two months later the hens are unrecognisable. They have adapted to the new routine, are confident, even bossy when they want something, and are known to grumble if we're late letting them out in the morning. Anyone who goes out into the garden is greeted with enthusiastic clucking and the hopeful expectation of some titbits. They quickly trashed all the greenery in the run so lovely constructed for them and now expect to be let out into the garden each afternoon to spend a happy few hours wandering around looking for creepy crawlies or other yummy things to eat.

A lot of scraps don't now make it to the compost bin; the girls will squabble over anything thrown into the run for them and have proved to be particularly partial to bruised or mouldy soft fruit. We've wasted hours watching their antics.

And those eggs? The girls all laid the day after they arrived and within a couple of weeks had settled down to a steady supply of 2 to 3 a day. I promise you, there is nothing like a fresh egg, laid within feet of your back door.

If you fancy having hens, you can even get them locally now as Scally Waggs (St Judith's Lane, Sawtry) have begun breeding both hens and ducks. Ducks.....now, there's a thought!

Eco Apprentice

ONE & OTHER Sawtry on the plinth

Local man, Gary Crack has been successful in getting a place on the fourth plinth in Trafalgar Square as part of Anthony Gormley's One & Other project.

Every hour, 24 hours a day, for 100 days without a break, a different person will make the Plinth their own and Gary's big moment is booked for the midnight to 1pm slot on Thursday 8th October.

If you can't be there in person to support Gary, you can watch him live at <http://www.oneandother.co.uk/>.

During his hour of fame Gary will be holding a Fairtrade party on top of the plinth to promote the Fairtrade movement using only the items he can manage to carry on by himself. Visit his page at <http://www.oneandother.co.uk/participants/GaryC> for more information.



FAIRTRADE CHALLENGE



FAIRTRADE in Sawtry and you..... Do you use fair-trade products? Do you buy fairtrade products in the village? If so we would like to hear from you.

Try our Fairtrade Challenge :-

How many Fairtrade products can be bought in Sawtry Village?

Please list the products and where they can be found, include your name and address, age if under 16 and forward to the Parish Council Office by 1st November.

Prizes for adult and child (good half term project!)

For more information about Sawtry's Fairtrade Village Status, call Liz on 01487 830345 or Sally on 01487 831771. For more information on Fairtrade visit the Fairtrade Foundation at www.fairtrade.org.uk

SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY and THE COMMUNITY ARCHIVE

Writing about our July meeting in September – to meet the Sawtry Eye deadline - seems odd but since the Eye only blinks open once every two months and we only look backwards on the third Thursday every month it's easy to get out of step, so if you can, cast your mind back to a sunnier time - a time when during our holidays we forgot the daily toil, relaxed and perhaps reflected on times past – which is exactly what the History Society did in July when we looked at a few of our enormous collection of slides.

Alan Bottrell's invitation for us to help identify people, locations and events from this mixed selection of images of Sawtry's past, resulted in a lively and at times amusing evening – for instance we learnt that Percy Slater, the local postman-turned-photographer had ears that were transparent when viewed from behind! One lady also recalled, in the days before widespread refrigeration, being often told by her mum to “*take that food back to Millers – it's gone off!*”

Whilst many events could not be identified - a massive funeral procession outside the Methodist Church; a large motor cycle event on the Great North Road; a fuzzy picture of a bike club outing and a group of WW1 “Land Girls” on a local farm – many images were recognisable - the original All Saints Church, complete with spire; the Chequers Inn; the Royal Oak being demolished, and, parked in Church Road, the Church Army mobile hut, complete with painted messages, including one reading “*The Wages of Sin is Death*”!

Later in July we also enjoyed a fascinating visit to Kimbolton Castle but before that, and whilst still in a reflective mood we suddenly realised that with all the excitement of our May Open Day we had forgotten to write about our very successful *Antiques Road Show* evening, also in May! John Smith, of Ramsey Antiques showed many fascinating items from his own collection but also identified, described and valued an eclectic selection of items belonging to our members and visitors.

Amongst the most unusual was a tiny pair of 1904 Irish wooden christening clogs; a miniature coal scuttle made in the WW1 trenches from a shell case; an 1880 American clock with a paper dial; a 19C chamber pot now used as punch bowl; an 1845 sampler made by an 11year old girl; a speller ink well in the form of an owl with glass eyes and a WW2 teapot inscribed with the phrase “*Evacuated to the USA*”. However the item causing the most amusement, also from the same period, was a set of ladies “Utility” knickers bought by John at a local sale! Everyone agreed that John should be invited back to run another *Antiques Road Show* so if you want to know more about Grannie's knick-knacks keep an eye on our posters!

Rather like the wartime powdered egg mentioned by John our advertised autumn programme has got rather scrambled, so due to illness of one of our speakers, the talk by Christine Morris on Family History now takes place on 15th October. Usual venue – W I Hall, Gidding Road, 7.30pm – so come along and find out more about this fascinating subject.

And a groan to finish? – What did Caesar say to Cleopatra? *Toga-ether* we can rule the world!

Allan Bamford

Contact Secretary Marilyn Gautreaux on 07984 94538 for more details



SAWTRY WINEMAKER'S SOCIETY

Sawtry Winemaker's hold a monthly meeting at the Old School Hall every third Wednesday of each month. If you would like to join us but don't make any wine don't worry, bring your own plonk to enjoy a good evening and come and try home made wines that members have made. These are country wines made from ingredients you may have in your garden or can buy from the local shop. We have many Social Events throughout the year that are enjoyable and good fun. In July we enjoyed a meal at Peterborough Greyhound Stadium and also took part in a Trivial Pursuit Quiz hosted by Buckden Winemakers Society and I am very pleased to report that Sawtry retained the trophy for the second year running. Well done Sawtry! New members are always welcome to any of the meetings that are held.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Held at the Old School Hall

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| 21 Oct 09 | Pub Games Night |
| 18 Nov 09 | AGM |
| 17 Dec 09 | Christmas Social Evening |

If you would like any further information phone **Eileen** on **01487 830020** and leave a message.

WELLSIDE SURGERY NEWS

Annual Flu Clinic : Our annual flu clinic will be held on the morning of Saturday 10th October 2009 between 9am-12pm. If you fall within one of the following at risk groups you will be entitled to the vaccination:

- Aged 65 or above
- Chronic respiratory disease or asthma which requires continuous or repeated use of inhaled or systemic steroids
- Chronic heart disease
- Chronic renal disease
- Chronic liver disease
- Chronic neurological disease
- Diabetes
- Patients who are immunosuppressed
- If you receive a carer's allowance, or if you are the main carer for an elderly or disabled person whose welfare would be at risk if you were taken ill.

Please note that our supply of vaccinations will allow us to vaccinate **only** those patients who fall within the above criteria.

If you do qualify for a flu vaccination this year, please attend according to the schedule detailed below:

Surnames beginning with:

T-Z
N-S
G-M
A-F

Please attend:

9am-9.45am
9.45am-10.30am
10.30am –11.15am
11.15am-12pm

If you are unable to attend on that day we will be offering appointments with our nursing team for vaccination starting from Monday 19th October. Please call our reception team if you would like to book one of these appointments.

A vaccination against Swine flu is expected to be released later this year. I will let you have more details about this as soon as they are available.

Contacting the surgery via email: Patients are welcome to make use of our dispensary email address (dispensary.12@gp-D81027.nhs.uk) to request items of repeat medication. Email addresses for Dr Williams and myself are both made available via the practice website. Whilst we are both happy to receive your enquiries via email, please may I remind patients not to use this method of communication for any urgent or time sensitive matters as these email accounts are not checked in our absence during periods of leave.

With Best Regards,

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

Mulled Wine

With the evenings now drawing in, it will soon be time to be thinking about Bonfire Night and Christmas. Here is a very easy recipe for a delicious mulled wine.

300ml water (half pint)
100g sugar(4 oz)
4 cloves
5cm (2") cinnamon stick
2 lemons sliced
1 orange sliced
1 bottle red wine

Put water, sugar and spices in a saucepan and bring to boil. Remove from heat and stir in the lemons. Leave to stand 10 minutes. Add the wine and heat **without boiling**. Strain into a punch bowl, add orange slices and serve.



HUNTINGDON MALE VOICE CHOIR

If you believe you need the acoustics of the bathroom plumbing to sing, think again.

If you are male - twenties upwards - and free on Thursday evenings you can be part of the renowned Huntingdon Male Voice Choir.

It is as simple as that with no auditions or an ability to read music and a guaranteed welcome that's second to none for the young and not so young.

Founded in 1962, HMVC has a huge reputation locally and nationally and has performed widely on radio and television, in cathedrals, and competitions the most recent being in "The BBC Choir Of The Year" at Basingstoke where they were the only Male Voice Choir awarded Choir of the Day.

In large concert venues or modest church halls the objective of the 60-strong choir never changes. They love to sing and aim to please.

The entertainment level is huge for audience and choir: from the Classic "Ave Maria" or "Bring Him Home" from the Musical "Les Miserables" all get the same high polish! That is developed in the Thursday rehearsals. The choir performs regularly in concert in support of local and national charities.

The choir are now embarking on what will be an exciting and challenging period with regular concerts planned throughout the rest of 2009 and 2010 culminating on 23rd October 2010 with an appearance at "The Royal Albert Hall" as part of the "London Welsh Festival of Male Choirs". With a further ten concerts planned during the year, and a visit to sing at the Hessen Celebrations at Landkreis Marburg-Biedenkopf, Germany in June 2010 this promises to be a very special time to be a member of Huntingdon Male Voice Choir.

Interested in being a part of this vibrant and expanding choir? New members are always welcome, and we are looking to build on our numbers to meet the challenges and musical opportunities in the coming year. Rehearsals are every Thursday in the Inner Hall Hinchbrook House, Huntingdon starting at 7.30pm.

**Contact Chairman Sam Bratby 01487 830689, Jon Lane Secretary 01480 383761
Or visit www.hmvc.org.uk**

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

I have just been looking at a 'CASUALTY MONITOR' covering the period from 2006 to the present, of Service Men and Women, killed or wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan. The figures given represent the sum of casualties, which include Fatalities, Field Hospital admissions and Medical Evacuees. The accuracy of the figures themselves are confused as they can double up in some cases, i.e., where a Medical Evacuee has become a Fatality in hospital back here in Britain, however, they are still very worrying and no doubt, unfortunately, the figures will have risen by the time you read this item. For Iraq, there has been 3589 Casualties, of that figure 179 were Fatalities. For Afghanistan, there has been 5050 Casualties, of that figure 216 were Fatalities and that last figure, at least, has been confirmed by the BBC News tonight, with the two latest deaths reported today.

The Government will no doubt be giving some support to families of the Fatalities and to the other casualties but it is not enough and Charities such as, the Royal British Legion, will be filling that large gap, with the many areas of assistance that we are able to offer to these brave Service men and women. However, we can only do that if we, the Royal British Legion have your support.

Remembrancetide, is the time of the year when we publicly display the fact that we do remember those, from the beginning of World War 1, up through other conflicts, to present day Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, who have fallen or have been wounded and scarred for life, in an effort to help and support the people of the countries in which they have had to fight and to maintain the peace and freedom that we in our country, in the main, enjoy. It doesn't matter what your politics are on these wars, these men and women have volunteered their services for the protection of this country and its people, YOU and Me and our Children.

Please show your support for your SERVICE PERSONNEL and donate generously to the Royal British Legion and thereby help us to help them.

Again, if anyone would care to volunteer to become a collector, at Remembrancetide, for the Legion, then please contact me.

Allan Fowler, Poppy Appeal Organiser - Sawtry and District Branch, Royal British Legion

Contact Number 01487 830806 / allan.fowler@uwclub.net

A TIME FOR MEMORIES

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER IN SAWTRY

will hold their annual service of commemoration and thanksgiving, to remember loved ones who have died, on

SUNDAY 1st November - 4 p.m. at the METHODIST CHURCH

All are welcome to this simple but moving service, followed by time to chat with understanding friends over a cup of tea.

RELAX • EAT • SHARE • THINK



After a hard day, you deserve some rest...

relax in an informal atmosphere where you can **eat** a tasty meal, **share** with friends and find space to **think**

A new style of mid-week worship, 'REST', is open to everyone. The 'Café Worship' style service will be a relaxed, informal time of contemporary worship beginning with a simple meal.

Thursday 19th November - 7pm
Sawtry Methodist Church

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest"



Ready for some more Rubbish?

**Come to this year's
Halloween Alternative**

Saturday 31st October
6 - 8 pm

With songs, games, quizzes and activities
for all ages (Parents included)

Sawtry Methodist Church

Free Admission

For more information please contact
Margaret (834117) or
Matt (830345)

**It's a Light
Factory Special!**



ALL SAINTS SAWTRY

FUNDRAISING AND SOCIAL EVENTS

VOCAL ACADEMY IN CONCERT

Saturday 17th October at 7.30 pm in the Church

Do come to hear the brilliant music of our local men's chorus.

Also hear Free Range and Jennifer Thompson.

Tickets £7, Concessions £5.00, Under 16s Free.

Tickets and information, contact Gary Crack 01487 832949

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday 14th November From 10.30 am - 1.00 pm

At The Old School Hall

Come and purchase your Christmas bargains, Gifts and Craft Stalls.

All this plus Competitions, Games, Refreshments, Raffle

and a special visit by Father Christmas.

Entrance Free.

Contact Gary Crack 01487 832949

Sawtry Methodist Church

Green End Road, Sawtry, Tel 01480 819228

Sunday Services

Morning Worship at 10.30am
Sunday School at 10.30am
Evening Communion at 6.00pm
(first Sunday of the month)

SPECIAL SERVICES

Gift Day/Praise Service

3rd October – 7.30pm
Led by the music group
Speaker – Rev David Shaw

All Age Worship

18th October – 10.30am
Led by Peterborough Youth

Light Factory Special

31st October – 6 – 8pm

All Souls Service

1st November – 4pm
Churches Together

Remembrance Day

8th November
At All Saints

All Age Worship

15th November – 10.30am
Led by Youth Fellowship

Advent Service

29th November – 10.30am
United service at Methodist Church

Come and join us

Saturday Coffee Morning

9.30 – 11 am
with Cakes, Traidcraft goods & bric-a-brac on sale
All proceeds towards the building fund



Praise and Thanksgiving Service

Preacher – Rev David Shaw
Saturday 3 October 2009
7.30 – 9.30 pm
Sawtry Methodist Church
Green End Road

Everyone is welcome to join us for an evening of contemporary praise and worship.
Light refreshments will be provided

All Saints' Parish Church

Church Causeway, Sawtry

SUNDAY SERVICES

October

4th 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30 am Harvest Festival Service
Preacher Bishop of Huntingdon
11th 10.30 am Holy Communion
18th 10.30 am Morning Prayer
25th 10.30 am Holy Communion

November

1st 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30 am Family Worship
8th 10.30 am Holy Communion
15th 10.30 am Morning Prayer
22nd 10.30 am Holy Communion
29th 10.30 am United Service at Methodist Church

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Church will be open on Saturday 3rd October from 10 am - 4 pm for our Gift Day and to see the Harvest decorations. Also on Sunday 5th October we have our Harvest Service to which we invite all of you - especially those who perhaps have not been to church for while. Come as you are and you will be so welcome!

SAS SUNDAY CLUB

For all children aged 4 - 10 meet on October 11, 18 and 25 and November 8, 15 and 22 at 10.15 am at the Rectory.

SEEKERS CLUB

For Young People aged 11 plus, meets on October 2 and November 6 in Church.

BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUPS

Meet on Wednesdays at 7.45 pm on October 14 & 28 and November 11 & 25 and Thursdays at 10.15 am on October 15 & 29 and November 12 & 26 at the Rectory.

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.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS RING THE RECTOR:

Canon Malcolm Griffith 830215

www.sawtryallsaintschurch.co.uk

There is always a warm welcome at All Saints'.



Halloween Alternative

Saturday 31st October
6 - 8 pm



See page 17 for more information

St Nicholas Parish Church

Church Road, Glatton
SUNDAY SERVICES

OCTOBER

4th 9.00 am Morning Prayer (BCP)
11th 9.00 am Holy Communion
18th 9.00 am Holy Communion
25th 9.00 am Holy Communion

NOVEMBER

1st 9.00 am Morning Prayer (BCP)
8th 9.00 am Holy Communion
15th 9.00 am Holy Communion
22nd 9.00 am Holy Communion
29th 9.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

St Nicholas Glatton Christmas Fayre

The annual Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 7th November at 2pm in the Village Hall. Come and enjoy mulled wine and mince pies whilst you browse through the cake, gifts, toys, raffles and games. Donations to stalls (no white elephant please) to Shirley at The Lawns. All profits will go to the repair fund.

St Nicholas Cheese and Wine

Our Cheese and Wine will be at the home of John and Judy Scorer, Upper Glebe Farm, on Friday 20th November. Tickets £7 available from John and Judy. All profits will go to the repair fund.

Glatton Adventurers for 4 - 11s

Children are welcome to join this group which meets on October 4th and November 1st in Glatton Village Hall at 10.30 am. More details from Shirley Dewar – 831651.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS RING THE RECTOR: Canon Malcolm Griffith

Tel: 01487 830215 Email: rev.griffith@tiscali.co.uk

Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Luke's

serving the Parish Church of Saint Luke's, Peterborough

26 Benyon Grove, Orton Malborne, Peterborough. PE2 5XS

St. Benedict's Community, Sawtry (Women's Institute Hall, Gidding Rd, Sawtry)

St Bartholomew's Community, Yaxley and the Hampton's

Parish Priest: Fr. John Warrington, 14 Sellers Grange, Orton Goldhay, Peterborough, PE2 5XX

☎01733 370877; email: saintlukesparish@yahoo.co.uk; Website: www.saintlukesparish.org.uk

SERVICES AND EVENTS

Each Saturday: First Mass of Sunday 6pm at St Luke's Church

Each Sunday: Sunday Masses

9.15am at the Women's Institute Hall, Gidding Rd, Sawtry
& 11am at St Luke's Church (inc special liturgy for Children)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: Morning Prayer at 9.40am at St Luke's Church

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: Mass at 10am at St Luke's Church

Saturday: Mass at 9am at St Luke's Church

For further information please take a look at our Website at www.saintlukesparish.org.uk
and click on Parish News

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

This Autumn we begin a time of preparation for those seeking to be welcomed as members of the Catholic Church. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a time of prayer, preparation, celebration and welcome into the Catholic Church.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

If you have just moved into the area or have found us for the first time
You are most welcome.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church and would like to find out more
you please speak to the parish priest Fr John please do not hesitate to call him on 01733 370877
or email him at saintlukesparish@yahoo.co.uk

REMEMBRANCE

The Sawtry and District Branch of the Royal British Legion remember the fallen throughout the year. In October & November we particularly remember:

OCTOBER

Lance Serjeant John William BINGHAM	29 October 1914	Holme
Private George Thomas HALL	18 October 1916	Conington
Private George Christopher BABBAGE	25 October 1916	Great Gidding
Lance Corporal John Robert ALLAN	31 October 1916	Sawtry
Private Percy WOODS	31 October 1916	Sawtry
Private Jim QUINCEY	2 October 1917	Holme
Private Arthur George COLES	9 October 1917	Hamerton
Private Christopher HARRISON	19 October 1917	Conington
Private Jesse WRIGHT	31 October 1917	Conington
Corporal George SYMONDS	8 October 1918	Holme
Private William HARRIS	21 October 1918	Holme
Private George Arthur GINNS	24 October 1918	Sawtry
Pilot Officer Henry John Hamley JONES	21 October 1943	Great Gidding

NOVEMBER

Rifleman Herbert SHARPE	14 November 1914	Holme
Private George Henry BOWLAND	14 November 1916	Sawtry
Private Herbert PARKER	3 November 1917	Sawtry
Private James JACKSON	22 November 1917	Sawtry
Private Walter James TURNER	8 November 1918	Old Weston
Lance Corporal Dennis Montague PETERS	9 November 1942	Sawtry
Lance Corporal James Walter QUICK	14 November 1942	Glatton
Private Leslie Benjamin FAVELL	12 November 1944	Old Weston

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.



Wildlife Trust - Huntingdon Area Group

www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk

Living Landscapes – Bigger, Better and Joined Up! - Wednesday 14th October

Martin Baker will offer us an illustrated talk on the Living Landscape Project in Cambridgeshire. Martin has been Conservation Manager for the Wildlife Trust in Cambridgeshire since 2001, and has previously worked in conservation with the Hertfordshire and Middlesex Wildlife Trust, as well as working as a warden on the Farne Islands, the Chilterns and in Hampshire.

Huntingdon-on-Sea? That Sinking Feeling - Wednesday 11th November

Dr. Pat Doody, who has a long association with the Wildlife Trust and is an invaluable member of the Huntingdonshire Local Group, will host this month's meeting. Pat has worked for the Nature Conservancy Council and the Joint Nature Conservation Committee and has particular expertise in coastal ecology, having worked in this area for over 30 years!

Spitsbergen – Birds, Polar Bears and Arctic Dreams - Wednesday 9th December

Our speaker, Ian Rowlands, worked for the RSPB and Wildlife Trusts before moving to Scotland in 1989, where, he co-founded the tour company Speyside Wildlife. Ian is currently based in southern England, where he is a co-owner of the company Planet Whale and is a committee member of the whale and dolphin charity ORCA.

All meetings start at 7.30pm at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton.

Anyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend. Admission: £2.00 members; £2.50 non-members. Please visit the web site for more information www.wildlifetrust-huntsareagroup.org.uk/ or contact George on 01480 450809.

Part of the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Peterborough.

Registered Charity No: 1000412

General Information - Swine Flu

All information has been taken from the Citizens Advice Bureaux website at <http://www.adviceguide.org.uk>.

National Pandemic Flu Service - In England, if you think you may have swine flu symptoms, you should contact the National Pandemic Flu Service. This is a self-care service where you can check your symptoms and get information and advice on swine flu. You can get authorisation to get anti-viral drugs if they are required. You can visit the National Pandemic Flu Service website at www.direct.gov.uk/pandemicflu. The website is available 24 hours a day. You can also contact the phone line service on 0800 1 513 513 for information and on 0800 1 513 100 for treatment (textphone number is 0800 1 513 200). The phone lines are open from 8am – mid-night.

If you are diagnosed with swine flu, you will be given an authorisation code. A 'flu friend'(a friend or relative who does not have swine flu) will be able to use the code to pick up antiviral drugs on your behalf from a local Antiviral Collection Point.

You should contact your GP straight away rather than use the National Pandemic Flu Service if any of the following apply to you:

- you have a serious underlying illness
- you are pregnant
- you have a sick child under the age of one
- your condition suddenly gets worse
- your condition is still getting worse after 7 days (5 days for a child)

You can get more information about swine flu on the Directgov website at: www.direct.gov.uk.

Travel advice - If you're unable to travel because of swine flu, you should be able to make a claim on your travel insurance policy.

Your insurance company should accept your claim, even if you don't have a medical certificate from your doctor saying you're not well enough to travel. But you must provide evidence that you've consulted the National Pandemic Flu Service.

When you consult the Flu Service, you get a unique ID number. You should provide your insurance company with this number, as well as the label on the anti-flu drugs which the service has prescribed for you. The label will have your name and the date that the drug was given to you.

If you're turned away at an airport because you have flu-like symptoms, you should get written confirmation from the airline that they have refused to let you travel because they don't think you're well enough. If you send this to your travel insurance company, they should pay out on your insurance.

Most insurance companies should follow these guidelines. If your company won't pay out because you don't have a medical certificate or a letter from your airline, you should make a complaint.

The Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) provides detailed travel advice for specific countries affected by swine flu.

For the latest information, go to the Foreign & Commonwealth Office website at: www.fco.gov.uk.

Sick notes - If you are off work with swine flu, you will not need to provide a sick note for the first 7 days. If you are off work for more than 7 days, you will need to ask your GP for a sick note to give to your employer. For more information, see the Directgov website at www.direct.gov.uk.

Caring for dependants - Most employees have a right to take reasonable time off work to provide care or make arrangements for care if a dependant falls sick with swine flu.

For more information please contact Huntingdon Citizens' Advice Bureaux on 01480 388900

SAWTRY GIRLS SECURE CONCRETE DEAL

The future of Sawtry Colts U11 Girls Football Team has been made secure by the generous support of local business Martech Technical Services Ltd who have provided the girls with funding for playing kit, training kit and rain jackets for their 2009/2010 campaign.

Roel van Es, Martech Technical Services Ltd Managing Director, was impressed when team manager Steve Purnell approached him about a possible sponsorship deal.

Steve Purnell commented "I am overwhelmed at the generosity of Martech Technical Services Ltd, this new kit will really help us build the team spirit and the girls are excited about wearing their new kit. Our club is totally reliant on support from local businesses and we are delighted that Martech chose to support us"

Roel has a particular interest in girls' football having seen his daughter Eljse move through the ranks of youth football and now to adult female football at Peterborough Ladies.

Roel van Es commented "Since our management buyout in 2006 I have been enthusiastic about investing in the local community of Sawtry and I am delighted to be involved with Martech supporting the Sawtry Colts U11 Girls Football Team – we wish them lots of luck in their forthcoming season".

The Sawtry Colts girls play in the Cambridgeshire S-Tech Girls League and will wear their new kit throughout the coming season with pride.

More details of Sawtry Colts can be found at www.sawtrycolts.co.uk. Martech Technical Services Ltd are a specialist business providing inspections and testing of the built environment and have been based in Sawtry for nearly twenty years.



TRADING STANDARDS ROCKET ALONG TO FIREWORKS STORES

It's nearly that time again – Bonfire Night with all the fireworks and fun that goes with it.

But fireworks have a dangerous side, particularly in relation to their storage and incorrect use. They are obviously of a particular hazard if they get into the hands of children and in 2005 (which were the last figures published) 494 children under the age of 17 were injured by fireworks.

Trading Standards has a responsibility to license local premises that sell fireworks and as part of this they work to ensure that fireworks are stored properly at business premises. The Service will be visiting shops in forthcoming weeks to check that the fireworks are being stored safely by retailers in the County, and advising them of what further measures are required where necessary.

In addition to the traditional high street inspections, officers also carry out research on the internet to make sure they are aware of all firework retailers in the County, even those operating online. Any found to be selling fireworks without a license can be fined. Recently a local businessman was fined £15,000 when he was found to be storing two tonnes of fireworks under straw in an old barn posing a significant danger to neighbours and the local community.

Trading Standards is also responsible for ensuring that fireworks are not sold to children and so carries out work to ensure firework retailers have adequate measures in place to ensure that they don't sell to anyone under the age of 18. Officers also carry out work at local schools to make sure that young people understand that they are not legally able to buy fireworks until they are 18 and that they are also aware of the dangers of misusing them.

If you are purchasing fireworks, you should read the labels carefully, paying particular attention to the 'effect' of the firework, for example "eject stars". This will help you to decide whether it is a safe firework to use bearing in mind the space you have. In terms of garden displays, it is recommended that spectators should be at least 5 metres away from the site of the fireworks. For display fireworks, spectators should be at least 25 metres away.

You can find more advice on keeping safe this bonfire night, as well as safety guidance for sparklers at www.rospa.com/homesafety/advice/fireworks/

If you are a business and would like further information on firework storage and sales, you can contact our Business Advice line on 0345 0455206 or visit our website -

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/business/trading/information/safety/explosives.htm



SAWTRY & DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

And so another season passes, and it seems only last week did it start; as usual the recent weather has been some of the best of the summer, and if it wasn't for the rapidly shortening days we could still be enjoying our bowling. However back to the season past; all the league teams have survived the dangers of promotion and more importantly relegation - mainly by grand stand finishes to the season. The one success of the season was the Over 60's 'B' Team - they won their division, and will thus be promoted next year.

The Club was well represented at the National EBF finals at Skegness, although our players did not progress to the later rounds, we should remember that one has to be County Champions to qualify to play at Skeggy. We also had a Ladies Pair qualify to play at Leamington Spa, in the National EWBA finals. I think that entitles us to say that we have had a successful year. The big disappointment was that Club Teams, although winning through many rounds in local cup competitions, were unable to win any cups.

The Club Competition Finals were played over the weekend 12/13 Sept - this year saw the addition of Junior Competitions - the Junior Carpet competition was won by Miss Sarah Leader and the Junior Bowls by Ross Martin; it is interesting to note that Ross together with Matt Herbert have played frequently in the Senior League Teams. Back to the seniors - the ladies singles were won by Mrs Frances Henderson (2 wood) and Mrs Joan Greening (4 wood); the men's were won by Kevin Bowers (2 wood) and Mark Campbell (4 Wood). Kevin couldn't repeat his success in the Handicap, where he succumbed to Tony King. The Non - Winners Trophy was fought out between two new members, Peter Harvey & Harry Hitchman, Peter came out on top; the Triples was won, again by two new members (Joan Greening & Nigel Stowe) together with Roy Goodchild. Iain Hamilton and Derek Deller triumphed in the Club Pairs whilst the Chosen Pairs gave Kevin, partnered by son James his second trophy of the weekend.

The Over 60's was won by Mick Rayson who beat the senior member of the Bowers Bowls family (Ken); finally Keith & Sandra Minnett won the Husband and Wife.

The games were watched by spectators who were glad of the new windows in the Clubhouse which enabled an excellent view of the green whilst sitting comfortably in the Clubhouse partaking of a suitable beverage! The Club closed the season with the traditional President/Secretary Match, on 19th; this year there was a bit of added Spice as it involved a husband v wife match, Mick Rayson being Secretary and Susan the President, I trust that it didn't cause a family rift.

Don't forget, although the bowling has finished, the Club carries on with the Winter social events; these get under way with a 'Race Evening' (always popular) on Saturday 26th September. Finally don't forget 'The Great Christmas Raffle' the board is already in place. I wish all those who now move over to indoors, good bowling!

Ian Plum

For more information please call Mick Rayson on 01487 830720

MORE PLAYERS NEEDED

Sawtry Colts U10 Girls are looking for players to add to their squad for the 2009-2010 season.

Training is Thursday evenings 6-7pm at Greenfields and matches are on Saturday mornings. Anyone interested should contact the manager Stuart Bean on 01487-834478 or 07762108198, e mail either secretary@sawtrycolts.org or stuart@bean8181.freemove.co.uk



Sawtry MotorCycle Club

Well the so-called summer is nearly over and a lot of us will be putting the shiny bikes back in the garage ready for next year. Mind you some of us don't do "shiny", that'll be just me then. Oh well.

Big thanks to Uncle Dunc who has discovered quite a few bike meetings and led bike rides out to them. Here's a list of the shows and exhibitions attended this year by some of the club members but mainly Dunc:-

ExCel Motor Cycle News Bike show and Exhibition, BMF (on the Kwaksownersclub stand), Sawtry Feast, Sawtry Carnival, 24th Bikes n Bands Charity show (The Cherry Tree, Soham), Hertford NCC 12th Custom, Classic & Hotrod Show (Harpenden), Beck Row Bash, (nr Mildenhall), Iron Crows 11th Bike n Custom Show, (Kesgrave, Ipswich), Northampton NCC Custom Show (Weldon), Brackley Bike Festival, 1st London Bike Festival, Cambridge NCC Bike Trike and Custom Show, Santa Pod Straightliners (Round 1), North Weald Straightliners (Round 9) and Bike festival, RBLR Rock Night (Lowestoft), Siobhan-a-thon (Sharnbrook), Fenman Festival of Bikes (Wimbotsham, Downham Market), Shillington Bike show (Bedfordshire), Baldock Bike Bash (Baldock). Now that's a long list, quite a few miles and a lot of smiles.

I would have been there too but due to an injury sustained at the annual Sawtry Pub Car Park Extreme Stunt Show at the end of May I have been car-bound. It's the only time I've ever got my knee down, unfortunately it was rapidly followed by arm, elbow, wrist then backside. A quick trip to A&E rewarded me with shiny new plaster cast and the news I had broken my wrist in two places.

Due to the "Credit Crunch" it was off to the Lakes for our annual bike club outing but this time I was chauffeur driven (see previous paragraph). We stayed at a youth hostel in the little village of Boot at the end of the Hard Knot Pass. We had two groups of bikers there this time, the road riders and the off-road boys. The off roaders took advantage of the various local tracks while the road biking crew headed off for a bike trip up the coast. One of our members discovered a remarkable petrol saving technique, which may be of interest. It goes like this: If you are going on a long bike journey with a pillion passenger, simply find somebody with a car who is going to the same destination and palm them off on the unsuspecting driver. This also works on ride outs when you can ditch the pillion onto somebody else with a spare back seat. I've also heard that his house is wired into his nearest street light and that he takes his own beer to the pub (not sure on the street light but the pub thing is true).

There have been a few track days and we have walking wounded to prove it. Best wishes to Phil and his elephant knee, hope it gets better soon. Phil did say that even after his little tumble he'd be back out there again as soon as he can get on the bike again (UPDATE: somebody with a broken wrist managed to get back on a bike before Phil).

In early September a small party of club members were involved in a marathon 2500 mile bike trip across Europe. We have had online updates from the crew but more of that in the next issue.

As I write this (12th September with a slightly sore head) I can report that the bike club summer BBQ at the Greystones was a huge success. The bike club provided the live music in the impressive form of "Mutt'n'Jeff'n'Jeff's son" and they rocked. Also a bouncy castle for the kids and Bouncy Boxing for the "big kids". All this coupled with a real ale weekend featuring 16 guest real ales and 3 real ciders and the fact it was one of the sunniest days this year meant that everyone had a really good day. Big thanks to Doug who slaved away in front of the BBQ all day and to everyone who turned up and made the day a success. Personally I think it's the best bike club BBQ we've ever had.

The time is drawing closer to the Sawtry Motor Cycle Club Christmas Party at the Working Men's Club. The date is December 5th and tickets should be available soon (details on the Sawtry Club notice board and the SMCC notice board in the Greystones). The event is ticket only but is, as usual, open to everyone (bike club members first). This year the fancy dress theme is "Everything Christmassy" and as it's our ten year anniversary this year we are hoping to pull out all the stops. The superb covers band Frenzy has been booked and we are planning for a turkey roast buffet style for the food. Details to follow.

That just about sums it up for now apart from the usual stuff: We meet at the Greystones every Tuesday where the landlord insists we enjoy half price drinks all night (It's OK Dave, it's a joke, you can put that defibrillator down now). Come along and have a chat. We have everything from a Honda C90 step-thru scooter to a Suzuki Hayabusa and everything in between. Cruiser bikes, touring machines as well as race replica bikes. Loads of advice available if you are thinking of trying out two wheels for the first time or simply returning to the fold. Everyone welcome. See you there.

Simon