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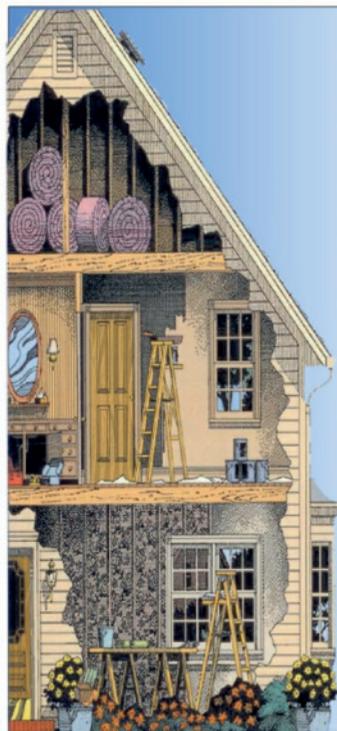


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### In Memoriam

To one I owed thoughts of delight dawn breaking  
In quickened sense of life on waking  
The rhythm that marked our grateful sleep  
Our breath in unison and deep  
Each body's love enhanced the other's reach  
Thinking like thoughts without the need of speech  
Speaking like words without the need of thought  
Achieving grateful unison untaught  
No chilling winter wind shall harden  
The sweet spring flowers in our remembered garden

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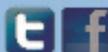
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# June 2015 Magazine Cut-off Date

The cut-off date for the June Stukeleys Parish Magazine is  
**9am Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

## FUTURE EVENTS

Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Annual Parish Meeting	7.30 pm	GSVH
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> May	WI Committee Meeting	7.30 pm	GSVH
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Under the Bearskin & Royal Mews	8.15 am	GSVH
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> May	WI Meeting	7.30 pm	GSVH
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Horse Racing Night	TBA	LSVH
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> May	GSVH AGM	7.30 pm	GSVH
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Ceilidh	TBA	LSVH
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Hunts 10k Run	TBA	
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Great Stuekely Open Gardens	11.00 am - 5.00pm	GS
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> July	BBQ & Games Afternoon	3.00 pm	LSVH

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Please include your phone number in case of queries.

Space in the magazine is limited, so articles should be about 300 words. This is to allow as many people as possible the opportunity to contribute to the magazine. It would be helpful if you could submit articles sized to an A5 page in Word or PDF.

We reserve the right to refuse an article, cut its length or hold it over to a later issue without notice.

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A charge is made to advertise in this magazine. All enquiries should be directed to Martyn Fox (Tel: 01480 432633) or Carole Pollock, the Clerk of the Parish Council (Tel: 01480 464817).

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# **THE STUKELEYS ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**TO BE HELD ON  
MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY AT 7:30PM AT THE  
GREAT STUKELEY VILLAGE HALL**

**The Annual Parish Meeting, held in compliance with the Local Government Act 1972, and is an event for the Parish Council and Village organisations to report on their activities during the year and give residents the opportunity to ask questions for discussion and provide feedback on issues relevant to the Parish**

## **All Welcome**

# THE STUKELEYS PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> April 2015

At the Parish Council Meeting held at Little Stukeley Village Hall on the 13<sup>th</sup> April 2015, 8 Parish Councillors, 1 County Councillor, 1 District Councillor, 1 member of the public and the Parish Clerk were in attendance.

As agreed at the last meeting the following comments were made to Huntingdonshire District Council (HDC). The announced closure of the USAF base at RAF Alconbury is causing concern in the villages of Great and Little Stukeley which are the two communities most affected by the site. The Parish Council understands that Huntingdonshire District Council have been in dialogue with the Ministry of Defence over the matter, and although it is understood that no decisions have yet been made, issues will have been discussed. The Parish Council would like to assist in the process, knowing the communities well and so considers it important that it is represented at these meetings. District Councillor Keith Winter reported that the Leader of HDC had informed him that this would not be possible due to confidential nature of the issue and would not be appropriate at this time. He also informed the meeting that HDC were considering outsourcing its refuse collection services.

The two village defibrillators (AEDs) and cabinets have now been installed in each village, volunteer nominated persons found (to check the equipment weekly) and a two hour Community Defibrillator Seminar organised for Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 10:00am. The Parish Council thanked Cllr Barrie James for all his hard work with this project.

The village Annual Parish Meeting is to be held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm at the Great Stukeley Village Hall. This is not a Parish Council Meeting, but a meeting called by the Chairman of the Parish Council for the Parish Electors to come along and find out what is happening in your villages. It is an opportunity for the Parish Council and village organisations to report on their activities during the year and give residents the chance to ask questions and provide feedback. It was a well-attended event last year with village representatives presenting interesting and informative reports, which illustrated how many activities are available and supported in both villages. All are welcome. This meeting will be followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting at 8:30pm.

The Parish Council have been advised by Balfour Beatty that the next roll out of the Balfour Beatty/CCC Street Lighting Replacement Project is to start in Great Stukeley from the 29<sup>th</sup> May. The Parish Council have been sent the Street Lighting Design Maps for review, and a number of discrepancies were found. The Parish Council has requested that:

- The discrepancies be corrected
- No replacement lighting units to be installed in Ermine Street pending the Environmental Improvement schemes proposed by Urban & Civic for both villages. It was hoped that once these works were approved, it would be possible to have the lamp columns much lower than 10m. This height would help to create a 'main road' impression through both villages
- Some lighting units not to be removed in Church Road, Montagu Road, Moorfield Way and Hill Close as they serve elderly persons housing.

Cllr Stuart Bell was thanked by the Parish Council for his dedicated work in reviewing the plans. A Public Meeting to discuss the project with residents of Great Stukeley and Joshua Cooke (Balfour Beatty -Customer Liaison Officer) has been arranged. It will be held at Great Stukeley Village Hall on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 8:00pm.

A survey of the street lighting owned by the Stukeley Parish Council has also been carried out and reviewed by the Parish Council.

The Parish Clerk advised the meeting that CCC Highways had advised her that the additional dropped kerb requested by the Parish Council for the junction of Montagu Road and Church Road in Great Stukeley has now been funded and installed.

Another collection event for the recycling of electrical goods will be held in mid September – further information to follow at a later date.

The Parish Council considered an application from Huntingdonshire Association for Community Transport (HACT) for a grant. HACT is a dial a ride service, passengers can be picked up from door to door, the service is primarily for the elderly or anyone who has trouble accessing main stream transport services. It was felt that HACT was a valuable service to the community and therefore the Parish Council awarded a grant to the HACT to assist in the development and continuation of the service. Further information on how to access the service and day trips etc call 01480 411114 or [www.hact-cambs.co.uk](http://www.hact-cambs.co.uk)

The Parish Council will consider funding for other village projects, please let your Parish Councillor know of any projects that you feel will benefit the community.

The following planning application was considered by the Parish Council:

- **Alconbury Weald, Ermine Street - 15/00408/REP**– Replacement of Application TWA/99/APP/13 for proposed rail facilities and rail link to east coast mainline to extend the timescale for commencement, as set in Condition 2. (Planning reference: 9701500OUT as replaced by 1000692REP)  
After discussion it was agreed to respond to the application as follows:  
It is noted that the proposal is a renewal of a permission that is no longer appropriate to the current circumstances of the creation of a high quality enterprise campus and residential development.  
However, it is recognised that there could be advantages for some form of rail facility which could include a turnaround facility that is relevant to Alconbury Weald and current/ planned development.  
The Parish Council therefore understands the need for ongoing discussions between U&C, Network Rail and HDC to achieve the above and are of the view that the Parish Council should be actively involved in these discussions.
- **28 Park View, Great Stukeley- 15/00473/CLPD** – Certificate of lawful development (proposed) for stationing of caravan in rear garden approval.

### **Next Scheduled Meetings:**

Annual Parish Meeting  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at 7:30pm – Great Stukeley Village Hall, Little Stukeley  
Followed by  
Annual Parish Council Meeting  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at 8:30pm – Great Stukeley Village Hall, Little Stukeley

Please check the website and notice board for notification of any Extra-ordinary Parish Council Meetings to be held.

Parish Councillors will be present at Open Surgeries at 7:15pm prior to Parish Council Meetings and parishioners are invited to attend to express their support, views or concerns on issues affecting the Parish. (except on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May due to the Annual Parish Meeting being held)

A full set of Minutes and other Parish Council information are available at [www.thestukeleys-pc.gov.uk/](http://www.thestukeleys-pc.gov.uk/)

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Carole Pollock 464817

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## District Councillor:

Keith Baker 890782

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### Fix My Street

Fixmystreet.com allows anyone with an internet connection to report, view, or discuss local problems such as graffiti, fly tipping, broken paving slabs, potholes and much more.

By simply going to the website at [www.fixmystreet.com](http://www.fixmystreet.com) and entering a nearby UK postcode, or street name the system will display a map where anyone can pinpoint the area where there is an issue and give details of the problem.

The website sends a report to the appropriate council for action. Currently the website is recording and passing on about 4,000 local issues each month.

Fixmystreet.com is advertising that a new i-phone and android mobile phone app is also available to make reporting even easier.

### Abandoned cars

01480 388297

### Fly tipping

01480 388640

### Pot holes in roads

0845 0455212

[www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/highwayfaults](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/highwayfaults)

### Illegal signs/graffiti

0800 7832220

### Refuse and Recycling Helpline

0800 3896613

# CCC News Update

## Installation of parking payment system

The timetable for the introduction of the new charging system has been amended to allow for full testing of the equipment. To ensure that the public have sufficient notice of the introduction of the charge the new go-live date has been set for 14 May 2015. This new date will allow printing of posters and leaflets to be undertaken next week. As soon as they are ready they will be placed at the sites. The web pages will also be updated next week to reflect the new start date and we will organise for the leaflets to be given out at the sites to the public over the next few weeks.

An explanation of the charging system is contained below:

## Schedule of Charges

All vehicles parking at either of the 2 Busway Park & Ride sites will have a 1 hour free period. This will enable people to drop-off and pick-up for free. Any vehicles staying for more than 1 hour will be liable for a £1 charge. This will be purchased from new ticket machines outside the main building at Longstanton or from the car park/edge of the concourse at St.Ives. These are separate from the existing ticket machines used to purchase the bus ticket on the platforms. The receipt does not need to be displayed in the vehicle.

The £1 ticket will allow for the parking of one vehicle for up to 18 hours. Should the customer wish to park for longer there is a set tariff of charging as follows:

Between 18 and 24 hours £10  
Between 24 and 48 hours £20  
Between 48 and 72 hours £30

72 hours is the maximum permitted stay.

Discounts are available for those wishing to purchase parking in advance on-line or via a mobile phone. The prices for between 1 and 18 hours parking are as follows:

Weekly £5 (up to 7 days)  
4 Weekly £18  
Annual £230

A Bill Per Usage option is now available online which bills automatically, a month in arrears for the number of times a customer has used the car park. This website is currently used for the Cambridge Park & Ride sites and has been modified to include both additional car parks.

<https://cambridgeshireparkandride.keyivr.co>

## LITTLE STUKELEY VILLAGE HALL



### Horse Racing Supper Night – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2015

The meal will be at least 2 courses. Ticket prices will be £7.50. The first race will be held before dinner is served and one race between courses; the remaining 4 races will be run after dinner

The horse racing game is simple to play, there are 6 horses in each race and, if you want to be an owner, you can buy a horse for £1; if your horse wins then you get the £6 prize money for that race. If you merely wish to place a bet, these are 50p a time and all the money bet on the race is split between all the tickets sold for the winning horse. So come along and have a laugh and enjoy a nice meal.

### Kitchen Renovations

The renovation of the kitchen is finished all bar the final touches. Thanks in the main to a huge effort by Sally Smith over the Easter holidays, we now have a modern kitchen that is better than many a restaurant and it looks really splendid. All was up and running in time for the nursery school to open on the 13<sup>th</sup> April, and the final touches will be completed very soon. Great work Sally and thank you very much. Thank you also to the other committee members that helped with the demolition work!

### Annual General Meeting.

The AGM for the Village Hall will be held on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June** in the hall; the meeting will start at 7.30 pm. Any resident of Little Stukeley will be most welcome at the meetings. It's your village hall and your Social Club, so do come along and help us by putting forward your ideas of the type of events you would like to see, or any improvements to the hall that you would like us to look at.

Don't forget we are looking for people from the village to join the committee, so anyone wishing to volunteer to join should get in touch with me or any member of the committee, before the AGM if possible.

**Keith Winter**

(Tel: 450656 email: [keithwinter2@sky.com](mailto:keithwinter2@sky.com))

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### **St Martins Church PPC needs a Treasurer**

The PCC for St Martins Church Little Stukeley are in need of a Treasurer, anyone with Book Keeping experience and Good Will please phone:

**Camilla on 07884005136**

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### **Thank You from Donna & Colin Smith, Great Stukeley**

Donna and Colin Smith would like to say a massive Thank You to everyone in the village who has given help, support, flower, gifts and cards to us both over the last few weeks. Donna was suddenly taken ill Easter Sunday.

Donna is on the road to recovery and all the support and help from the village really has meant a lot to us both.

**Donna and Colin**

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### **HP LASERJET Black 12A Print Cartridge - Part Number Q2612A**

For a £10 donation to the Alzheimer's Society I would be happy to provide an HP LASERJET Black 12A print cartridge, part number Q2612A. This cartridge is brand new, although the box has been opened.

Please contact Liz Dempsey on 01480 453370 or email [enquiries@hpp-ltd.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@hpp-ltd.co.uk)

## Replies to Dr Francesca Lasman's Open Letter in last month's Magazine

**Dear Dr Lasman,**

Thank you for your email.

The Stukeley Parish Council considered the provision of defibrillators in the villages at 2nd February and 2nd March Parish Council Meetings. At the 2nd February Meeting a presentation from Heartbeat Trust was given to the Parish Council and a number of members of the public who attended the meeting (including representatives from both villages' halls). At the 2nd March Meeting the Councillors resolved to provide and install two AED defibrillators in the villages following the positive responses received from parishioners. The defibrillators are currently being installed.

**Kind Regards, Carole Pollock**

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**Dear Dr Lasman,**

Thank you again for your email.

The provision of real time bus information for the villages is still being investigated, as it was brought to the attention of the Parish Council that CCC have a scheme to provide real time bus information to local villages; therefore the Parish Council is consulting with CCC as to whether The Stukeleys can be included in this scheme.

With regard to pot holes etc in the roads, this is CCC Highways responsibility and the Parish Council regularly petitions CCC Highways to repair any potholes etc reported to the Parish Council. If you wish to report any pot holes etc directly to CCC Highways please use this link:

[www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/highwayfaults](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/highwayfaults).

Trimming overhead brambles and vegetation obstructing pathways are the responsibility of the landholders (private individuals/CCC Highways), and when advised of an obstruction the Parish Council requests the landholder to trim the offending vegetation. If the obstruction continues then the District Council can be asked to enforce the request.

The village streetlights are owned by CCC and some by the Parish Council. Balfour Beatty have a contract with CCC to upgrade and replace some of the CCC streetlights in the villages, which is currently underway. Little Stukeley is currently being upgraded, however the contract with CCC requires that 10% of street lights will not be replaced. Great Stukeley's CCC streetlights are to be upgraded in the summer. Keeley Russell from Balfour Beatty attended a Parish Council Meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> December to explain the replacement scheme to the Parish Council and the members of the public who attended the meeting, she also attended a Public Meeting held in Little Stukeley on the subject. With regard to the streetlights owned by the Parish Council, they are currently in the process of being surveyed to ascertain their condition etc and future maintenance needs.

Parishioners are asked to contact their local Parish Councillor if they are aware of any project that the Parish Council could consider funding that would benefit the Stukeley Villages (see Parish Council Articles in the Parish Magazine).

I hope that above answers your queries and please note that all members of the public are welcome to attend any Parish Council Meeting.

**Kind Regards, Carole Pollock**

**Carole Pollock**

Parish Clerk/RFO, The Stukeleys Parish Council

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## Letters/Emails to the Editor

Dear Martyn,

As a regular reader of the Stukeleys Magazine, I was a little disappointed to read your announcement that Bumbling Bob would no longer be contributing his thoughts. I have to admit that although I am not exactly a fan of Bob's rambling missives; I do appreciate the time and effort put in to producing these articles. I often looked forward to receiving the latest issue of the magazine, just so I could turn to whichever page(s) Bob happened to occupy in order to disseminate, tut, huff, and snort at the latest load of old clap-trap. Although, in fairness to Bumbling Bob, there was occasionally a point to his writing, glimmering way off in the distance.

However; my real point is that a member of our community bothered to voice his opinion, through a forum that is available to all of us should we choose to get off our backsides and contribute. I recall reading only two letters published in the magazine in answer to Bob's polemical prose. I may be wrong, but I suspect the 'small number of people' who were 'very vocal in their objections', were not those who had actually bothered to write in regarding Bob's regular column. So farewell to thee, Bob. It seems that freedom of (tongue in cheek) speech has taken a 1-0 beating from small-scale oppression. I genuinely hope that other villagers, particularly those who found Bob's Bumbblings to be wholly or partially offensive (myself included) or even vaguely entertaining (myself also included), will take the time to write some articles, whether letters of opinion or hopefully something a little more creative, to fill the pages that Bob once occupied.

R.I.P (Rest In the Pub) Bumbling Bob.

Kind regards,

**Ali Nahajski**

Park View, Great Stukeley

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Dear Martyn,

After some careful consideration I feel I needed to write to pass on the point of view of the 'silent' majority. We should all appreciate that Martyn produces the magazine on behalf of the Parish Council completely free, he does a wonderful job and receives no remuneration whatsoever only the satisfaction of a job well done. He has asked for many years for more varied input for the magazine. Other than the Council and WI reports, although in themselves interesting, I would venture to add, not an element of variety, hence, no doubt due in part to Martyn's urging, we were given 'Bobs Bumbblings'. In my view they are a light hearted reflection on our society today. Because of the vociferous attitude of the noisy few the rest of us will probably now have to do without this welcome variety of text in our magazine. Why are some people so 'touchy' about things these days? I think that we all should have taken that text in the context I am certain it was meant. I don't always agree with Bob, whom I have known and worked with on the Parish Council for many years, I always used to tell him he has some 'odd' points of view and weird ideas at times, but I kept telling him it was his Liberal upbringing in the City. He may be politically incorrect but I am sure definitely not deliberately anti-social towards his fellow parishioners in any way. So anyone who feels that the 'silent' community deserves 'Bumbling Bob' in the magazine, 'stand up and be counted', and support Martyn in making that return possible, stand up for democracy and the value of the opinion of the majority!!

**Michael Newman**

Hillside, 42 Low Road, Little Stukeley, Huntingdon, Cambs PE28 4BA

XXX **Bumbling Bob's Blog can be seen at [www.bumblingbob.co.uk](http://www.bumblingbob.co.uk)** XXX

## UNDER the BEARSKIN and THE ROYAL MEWS - *Tuesday 12th May 2015*

This trip is an incredible opportunity to visit THE ROYAL MEWS with our well informed *Blue Badge Holder Guide*. A lunch is also included at the *Mad Hatter Hotel and Pub*.

The following itinerary is just a brief outline of the day's activities:

- 08.00am Please plan your arrival at the Great Stukeley Village Hall. Please note that there is NO parking at the Village Hall.
- 08.15am PROMPT departure by our Kiddles Coach. PLEASE BE ON TIME as we have a 71 mile journey ahead at rush Hour.
- 10.15am As we approach *The Westminster Central Hall* we pick-up Martin Harvey, our *Blue Badge Holder Guide*.
- 10.30am We arrive at *The Westminster Central Hall* for our morning refreshments which must be paid for on the day.
- 11.15am We will start our guided walking tour with Martin Harvey strolling through an elegant slip of London. We will hear about the *Ghost of Cockpit Steps*, see *James Bond's Secret Service HQ* and meet *Brandy Nan*-as wide as she was tall and with rotten gout to boot!. On *Birdcage Walk* we will learn the etiquette of the duel and on *Guard Change* day we watch the band march back to the barracks.
- 12.30pm We rejoin our coach to transfer to the *Mad Hatter Hotel and Pub*.
- 1.00pm We lunch together. The menu is Roast Chicken or a vegetarian option. If you would like the **VEGETARIAN MENU PLEASE LET ME KNOW AT LEAST TEN(10)DAYS BEFORE OUR TRIP DATE**. This lunch is included in the price of your ticket. PLEASE NOTE that coffee/drinks/dessert are NOT INCLUDED!.
- 2.30pm We depart PROMPTLY with our coach which will be parked at *The Mad Hatter*
- 2.45pm Arrival at THE ROYAL MEWS. Martin Harvey, our Guide spent 13 years with the Scot's Guards.
- 3.00pm Our private tour begins. Our afternoon is devoted to THE ROYAL MEWS. We will learn about the work of The Royal Household Staff that provide transport of both the four legged and the motorized kind. Our Royal Permit allows us to drive down the Mall to THE ROYAL MEWS.NOTE THAT EATING and DRINKING are NOT PERMITTED AT THE ROYAL MEWS.
- 4.15pm Our tour ends with time for shopping at the Royal Collections shop. Note that there are no TOILETS in the ROYAL MEWS.
- 4.20pm Comfort stop and Afternoon Tea will be taken at the South Bank. Refreshments must be paid for on the day by each individual.
- 4.45 / We will meet our coach at the same drop-off point where we left the coach earlier
- 5.00pm and depart for Great Stukeley.
- 7.00/ Expected arrival time at The Great Stukeley Village Hall....depending on traffic.
- 7.15pm

I am just delighted that you have signed-up for this most interesting and much look forward to adventure.

If you have any questions regarding this tour please feel free to call me.

**Mary Alleyne-James**

Tour Organiser Tel 01480 433 954

## ***The Stukeleys Women's Institute - Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at 7.30pm***

The President, Nicki Sly welcomed 19 members to the meeting. Apologises for absence from Nancy Oldfield, Sarah Toyn, Doris Sadler, Heather Mack, Joan Gray, Shirley Berrill and Jan Tilden. Nicki thanked Jenny Thilo, Ann Render and Jennifer Liddel for the refreshments and Jude Wood for the very pretty Curtis bowl.

The minutes from the last minute were approved and duly signed.

### **Matters Arising**

Group Meeting at Abbots Ripton Village Hall - 7 members went to the Group meeting and although the talk was interesting the slides accompanying were not very good, the entertainment was from the Banjo Man and he was excellent and Nicki has contacted him to find out prices and availability for our Christmas Party in 2016.

Annual Federation Day – to be held at Burgess hall, St Ives. There is to be a Centenary Garden Party – 2 June £40 approx.

Trip to Sunny Hunstanton – 31st July. The closing date for this is 2nd July. Starting at 8.30 and returning from Hunstanton at 4.30. It was pointed out that this outing is the day before The Stukeleys Garden Show.

August Outing Ideas, it has been suggested that a trip to an open garden might be considered by the members.

Centenary picnic – 12th July 2-5pm at Abbots Ripton Hall. NFWI AM at Cineworld – 4th June

Jenny Thilo has kindly agreed to update our facebook pages so that we can put more information on there about who we are, if any members are on facebook please like the page, as Nita has already done.

Report from Walden Road that the Polish evening at WI Centre was a sell out and a fantastic evening was had by all.

Has anyone any ducks for "The Little Yellow Duck Project" they are going to the Annual Fed Day so please take them or call Nicki Sly to organise getting them there

Be Aware (stroke awareness) – Sat 16th May WI Centre 10-12.30 £3.50

April MCS Month, if you have changed any details or have not filled in an MCS form please see Nicki or Sarah to get one.

The W.I. - calling for more Midwives - this has a very good impact, so we look forward to hearing more.

The Big Climate Lobby 17th June 2015 they would like 10,000 people to take part.

Forthcoming Events; Coffee Morning on 29th April 10.30 - 12.00

Jenny Thilo introduced our speaker - Tish Page was our speaker about the trip she went on for four weeks to follow the silk route. She joined a group of people from all nationalities and they travelled in a big lorry with seats for about 20 people. They started in Istanbul and travelled through several countries including Georgia, Azerbaijan, across the Caspian Sea, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan. She explained the history of the route which started in 206 BC and the various things that were traded, including the Plague. She showed photos of beautiful buildings, people going about their day to day living, the clothes they wore and the animals they kept. All the photos showed the different areas and the different cultures. A very interesting talk.

Nicki Sly thanked Tish for coming to speak to us on such an interesting subject.

The competition was something made of silk 1st prize Jenny Thilo, 2nd prize Janet Talbot, 3rd prize Gwen Clements. The draw prize was won by Monica Brown. Birthday Chocolates were given out.

Roll Call: Your favourite journey. Janet Talbot read us an amusing poem called My Little Sat Nav.

Nicki Sly wished everyone goodnight and a safe journey home.

**Committee Meeting: 6th May 2015 @ 7.30pm - Full Meeting: 13th May 2015 @ 7.30pm**

**Speaker: Ms S Crawley – Hypnotherapy and NLP**

**Curtis Bowl: Janet Talbot - Draw: Jenny Thilo**

**Refreshments: Sue Clark, Kath Deighton, Nita Charter**

**Competition: An item with a farm animal on it**

**Roll Call: Your favourite wild animal**

## THE BRICK LANE MUSIC HALL

**Tuesday 8th December 2015**

Audiences are seated at tables, cabaret-style, and treated at lunch time to a delicious three-course meal before the show starts at 2.30pm.

Vincent Hayes will lead this exciting Christmas Show on our visit .Many of the artists, in the show, have appeared at The Lord Hood, together with experienced performers who come to enjoy the very special atmosphere of the BRICK LANE MUSIC HALL where every show is unique and laughter is ALWAYS top of the bill. THE BRICK LANE MUSIC HALL is the brainchild of Vincent Hayes who was inspired by the popularity of The Lord Hood where he was landlord in the 1980's and regularly performed with his band of talented artists on an impromptu stage made, in those days, from beer crates.

Vincent Hayes resolved to bring music hall-style entertainment to a wider audience .In 1992 he opened BRICK LANE MUSIC HALL in the former Truman's Brewery building in Brick Lane from where the show takes its name. After a move to larger premises in Shoreditch the Music Hall finally settled in Silvertown, by the Royal Docks, next to City Airport.

The price per person for this most enjoyable Christmas Show is just £58.50 including a superb three course Festive meal, the show, our coach journey to and from London and a tip for our driver. If this wonderful show is of interest PLEASE CALL ME WITHOUT DELAY.

**Mary Alleyne-James**

Trip Organizer - Tel 01480 433 954

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## **...From the Swinging 60's**

**Friday 20th November 2015**

The Great Stukeley Village Hall Committee is always looking for new and interesting events for the enjoyment of our Villagers. Our new event is a look-back at both the light and dark sides of the 1960's.

The first part of our evening is a fascinating, illustrate talk, – *This Policeman's Lot: from the Kray's to the Crown* -by Peter Lawrence, a retired Metropolitan Police Officer. Peter's talk will include his involvement in dramatic events in those years and the resulting changes in social and procedures in policing.

The second part of the evening will consist of the great Rock 'n Roll hits of those years by The Beatles, The Everly Brothers, Buddy Holly, Elvis Presley and many ,many more great artists. *The Cavemners*, a duo of brothers, will recreate live, the sounds that rocked a generation.

In the break we will be offering tea, coffee and YUMMY cake, to all who attend.

So, please mark down Friday 20th November 2015 in your calendar now and watch this space for more details as the month's pass. Price to be advised.

**Mary Alleyne-James**

Event Organizer

Great Stukeley Village Hall Committee

Tel 01480 433 954

## **THURSFORD'S CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR 2015 - Sunday 15th November 2015**

THURSFORD'S CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR is the largest Christmas Show in the country.

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Our show, on Sunday 15th November 2015 begins at 2pm PROMPT. We have been allocated terrific *deluxe* seats situated in the centre stalls.

Please remember that this trip also offers a chance to visit the amazing Dickensian shopping village at Thusford, time to have a bite to eat before the start of this years' incredible show and to visit the exciting special attraction-*SANTA'S MAGICAL JOURNEY INTO CHRISTMAS*. Note that there is an additional charge per person for this very special attraction-once you show your ticket!.

PLEASE NOTE that FULL PAYMENT of £52.00 per person in CASH ONLY for this Christmas Spectacular MUST BE RECEIVED by me personally NO LATER THAN 5PM on THURSDAY 14th MAY 2015.

The cost includes superb deluxe stall seats in rows D/E/F/G and H between numbers 01 and 14, your coach journey to and from Norfolk and a tip for the driver.

PLEASE BE THOUGHTFUL and call me first to arrange a mutually convenient time to drop-off your payment at my home.

**Mary Alleyne-James**  
Organizer - Tel 01480 433 954

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## **OXFORD and the Isis and Iffley Cruise - Tuesday 15th September 2015**

OXFORD home to the oldest English speaking University in the world is a city dense with ancient buildings cheek-by-jowl in the warm honey coloured Cotswold stone.

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If you would like to join us PLEASE CALL ME WITHOUT DELAY, as the numbers are moving up very fast.

**Mary Alleyne-James**  
Trip Organizer - Tel 01480 433 954

## GREAT STUKELEY VILLAGE HALL

Is holding its Annual General Meeting on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at 7.30pm**. We invite all village Residents to attend both to hear what we have been up to during the past year and also to let us have your ideas for events during the forthcoming year.

The hall cannot function without a dedicated voluntary committee to keep it in good working order and to organise events. We are always keen to welcome “new blood” onto the committee and in particular anyone with accounting skills. Our current Treasurer is resigning and we require this position to be filled. Do you have the time and the skills to help us out? If so, please contact Secretary Nicola Oldfield on [gsvhall@aol.com](mailto:gsvhall@aol.com) or Acting Chair Sarah Toyn [sarah.toyn@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarah.toyn@yahoo.co.uk) or 07961 358067.

## Great Stukeley Open Gardens



**This event will be held on  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2015 11am-5pm**

Would you like to show your garden? If so, please contact Carol Buttercase on 01480 458089 or Sarah Toyn on 07961 358067 [sarah.toyn@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarah.toyn@yahoo.co.uk)

# Great Stukeley

## Flower, Garden and Craft Show 2015

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August

At

## Great Stukeley Village Hall

Doors open at 2:30pm

Spring has really sprung which was good news for judging of the **Best Spring Garden Cup**. Which went very well with nine very varied gardens. Results will be announced at the show in August.

One major change this year is the cut off time for **booking in**, it will be from **9AM til 11:45AM** as doors shut at **12** prompt. So your cooperation in this slight change would be most appreciated.

Now calling on all you keen gardeners out there! We are seeking entries for **Best Kept Garden**, **Best Hanging Basket** and **Best Container**, which will be judged in **Mid-July**. So anyone interested in entering please don't hesitate in getting in touch. Contact myself on 07594382905 or Sylvia Reynolds on 01480 458442.

Now calling all you parents out there, we would like you to urge your children to enter the show this year. As there was a dismal amount of entries last year. There are nine categories in the children's section under 16, so plenty to enter plus they can enter any other section they wish.

The Flower Show committee is also seeking just one more sponsorship for the show this year so, if you would like to help by sponsoring the last remaining section for £20 please contact Carol Buttercase on 458089.

**Iain Shaw**

**Great Stukeley Flower Show Chairman**

# **Community Coffee Morning**

**Wednesday 27 May 2015**

**10.30 – 12.00**

**At Great Stukeley Village Hall**

**And every last Wednesday of the month  
24 June, 29 Jul, 26 Aug, 30 Sept, 28 Oct, 25 Nov**

**The Stukeleys WI are holding a community coffee morning every last Wednesday of the month to raise money for MAGPAS Air Ambulance and The Stukeleys WI.**

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# ***YOUR STUKELEYS PARISH COUNCIL***



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### **COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATOR SEMINAR**

As a community service the Stukeleys Parish Council has organized the provision of two *Automated External Defibrillators* (AED's) to provide an emergency response to victims of *Sudden Cardiac Arrest* (SCA) to improve the chance of survival in the community.

These units in cabinets will be placed centrally-on an external wall of The Great Stukeley Village Hall and on the outside brick wall of the bus stop on the north side of Ermine Street in Little Stukeley.

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To integrate the AED's quickly into the villages as a vital life saving tool the Parish Council has commissioned a two hour seminar which will take you through the use of AED's. This will be held at the Great Stukeley Village Hall on:

**SATURDAY 2nd MAY 2015  
9.45am for 10am SHARP**

The Great Stukeleys Village Hall Committee will offer tea, coffee and biscuits.

All villagers in Great & Little Stukeley are welcome and the Parish Council urges you to take advantage of this opportunity.

The AED's can save a life-it could be that of your partner, your children, your neighbor.... OR IT COULD BE YOU!

**Councillor Barrie G James  
Tel: 01480 434 611**

# Great Stukeley Village Hall

*Registered Charity No. 803359*

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## **Annual General Meeting Monday 18 May 2015 at 7:30pm**

### **Agenda**

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the last AGM
3. Matters arising that are not on the agenda
4. Treasurer's report
5. Trustees' report
6. Appointed members of the Committee
7. Election of 4 community members
8. Election of Secretary
9. Election of Treasurer
10. AOB
11. Date of next AGM

### **Forthcoming events**

- Open Gardens – 12 July 2015
- Swinging Sixties – November 2015

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# Great Stukeley Village Hall

Registered Charity No. 803359

## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at 7:30pm on 19 May 2014

### Present

Nicola Oldfield, Sarah Toyn, Carol Buttercase, Mary Alleyne-James, Terry, Stuart, Janet Nunley, John Oldfield, Sylvia Reynolds, Shirley Berrill, Iain Shaw, Grahame Bundy, Dawn Bundy, Joan Gray, Ann Morris, Ann Monk, Deanna Strange, Hilma Young,

#### 1. Apologies for absence

Jan and Ian Sly.

#### 2. Minutes of 2013 AGM

proposed by Grahame Bundy seconded by Iain Shaw.

#### 3. Matters arising

None.

#### 4. Treasurer's Report

A copy of the draft accounts was made available.

Profit this year £4,317.62 through bookings and fund raising.

Income increased slightly from last year including table tennis club.

Ferret racing event (excluding expenses) and Christmas concert raised large profits.

Running costs £1,048.78 per month.

A query was raised regarding the booking clerk costs. It was explained they include phone calls, postage etc.

Jan Gray noted that Monday bridge club greatly appreciates the improved heating.

John Oldfield noted that if we did not undertake fundraising that we would not break even, and commended the committee on their efforts.

Deanna Strange raised a concern that WI cheques were cashed very late. Terry Goodwin confirmed that cheques are usually banked within 2 weeks of receipt, although extenuating circumstances may have caused delays over the winter period. Requests for deposits are given to TG at the end of each month. The Charity Commission protocol is to sign cheques at committee meetings, but the Committee can't always do this. The Committee agreed to review the process for deposit refund cheques.

The accounts were agreed.

# Great Stukeley Village Hall

Registered Charity No. 803359

## Trustees' Report

Copies of the Trustees' Report were made available.

Carol Buttercase summarised the year – we are financially sound, usage of the hall has increased, we have a new pilates group. New heating, insulation and windows have brought significant improvements. The Committee plans to apply for new grants for insulation in the kitchen and stage area, curtains and a disabled access ramp at front door. We have had many well supported fund raising events and thanks were given to Urban & Civic who funded the Huntingdon Male Voice Choir costs. Mary Alleyne-James and Nicola Oldfield were thanked for organising the Ferret Racing event. The recent barn dance and hog roast was well received. Jan and Ian Sly and Grahame Bundy retired from the Committee, although Grahame continues to support us by doing essential maintenance work. They were thanked for their many years of commitment. Thanks were also extended to Hilma Young for covering for Janet Nunley whilst off sick, and to Janet and Barry Nunley for their continued hard work. Carol expressed her thanks to the Committee for their support over the last year.

### 1. **Appointed members of the Committee**

It was proposed that Nicola Oldfield represents the Heritage Group; Carol Buttercase represents the Flower Show Committee; Mary Alleyne-James represents the Monday Bridge Club; Sarah Toyn represents the WI; Sarah Toyn represents the Table Tennis Club.

No nominations were received for representation of the Parish Council.

### 2. **Election of 4 community members**

Nominations for 3 community members were proposed: Terry Goodwin, Iain Shaw and Stuart Bell. There were no other nominations.

### 3. **Election of Secretary**

It was proposed by Deanne Strange and seconded by Ann Monk that Nicola Oldfield continues as Secretary.

### 4. **Election of Treasurer**

It was proposed by Grahame Bundy and seconded by Deanna Strange that Terry Goodwin continues as Treasurer.

### 5. **AOB**

Planning permission for Slimming World's temporary sign was discussed – we have applied to HDC to confirm if consent required.

### 6. **Date of next AGM**

7:30pm on Monday 18 May 2015.

# **PUBLIC MEETING**

## **BALFOUR BEATTY/CCC STREET LIGHTING REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

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# QUIZ NIGHT

**Date: Friday 15th May 2015**

**Bar open: 7.30 p.m**

**Quiz Begins: 8.00**



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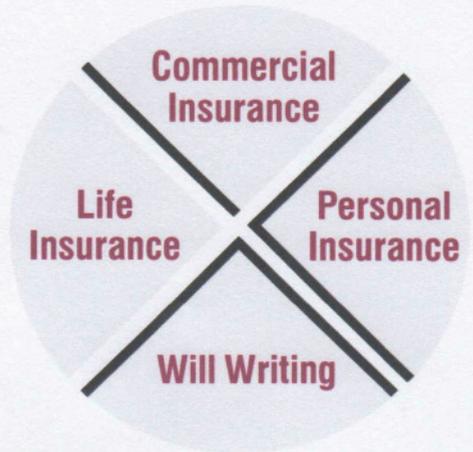
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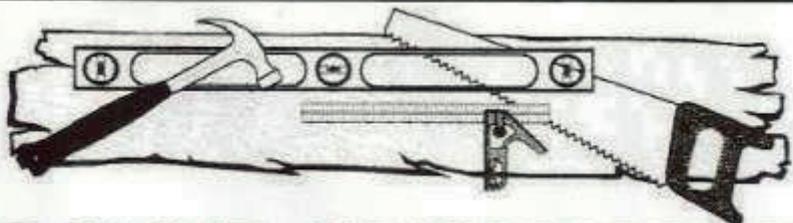
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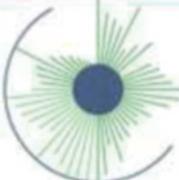
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That seems to be the order of this election just as most of the ones before this, the thing is will they be able to keep them? So how should we vote no I am not going to try to persuade you to vote for this or that one, but ask you to think about what is important to vote for. Each party will offer all sorts of things to attract you to vote for them but should we just vote for the things that are good for our selves or should we ask what is best for the whole country? Even that will be hard to work out as they all offer some good things for us all, and they all offer something for their particular persuasion the thing is who offers most that will benefit the whole country. It could be that it will be more than one party and will take them to work with each other putting party politics aside for the bigger cause. We however will need to respect the choice of those who vote for those elected to serve. With that in mind we need pray for the right people to be elected to the government for the good of our nation. And up hold them in prayer that they will serve us all.  
God bless

**Pastor Pete**

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### May

3rd Fifth Sunday of Easter	<b>9.00 am</b> Celebrant	Holy Communion CW Rev'd Andrew Milton		<b>No Service</b>
10th Sixth Sunday of Easter	8.00 am Celebrant	Holy Communion CW Rev'd Andrew Milton		<b>No Service</b>
	<b>9.00 am</b> Leader	Family Service Alan McGoff		
17th Seventh Sunday of Easter	<b>9.00 am</b> Celebrant	Holy Communion CW Rev'd Andrew Milton	8.00 am Celebrant	Holy Communion Rev'd Andrew Milton
24th <b>Pentecost</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> Leader	Morning Prayer Janet Talbot	9.00 am Leader	Holy Communion Rev'd Andrew Milton
31st <b>Trinity Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> Leader	Songs of Praise Rev'd Andrew Milton		<b>No Service</b>

### June

7th First Sunday after Trinity	<b>9.00 am</b> Celebrant	Holy Communion CW Rev'd Andrew Milton		<b>No Service</b>
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