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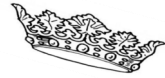
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2020 CARNIVAL COURT Selection & Crowning Evening



SAWTRY CLUB
Friday 20 March
from 7pm



2019

DISCO & RAFFLE!

We are looking for the 2020 Sawtry Carnival Court.....

Carnival Queen - 14 years and upwards

Princesses - 9 - 13 years

Rosebud - 5 - 8 years.

Sawtry Carnival Day-Saturday 13 June

*Plus represent Sawtry at other carnivals and events in our region
including Miss and Junior Miss South Midlands!

Carnival Prince - 5 years plus - to be part of the Court on Carnival Day

For more information or an application form please contact
sawtrycarnivalcourt@gmail.com or call 07799 062276

SAWTRY WALK TO RUN

#runandtalk our 1 mile walk/5k run

Thursday 6 February

at 7.15pm from Lifestyles, Sawtry

followed by free quiz at Greystones at 8pm
(Donations to MIND welcome)

*Come for the walk/run and/or the quiz,
meet our Mental Health Champions
and have a conversation about mental health*

More info by emailing Nona on nona19@live.co.uk
or on 07861 740040.

More details on our website at
www.sawtrywalktorun.co.uk



SAWTRY FEAST SUPPER

EASTER BINGO

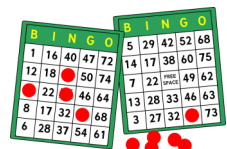
Sawtry Club
on Thursday 12 March

Doors open at 7.00pm,
EYES DOWN AT 7.30PM

You do not have to be a member
of the Club to attend

Everyone very welcome
Great prizes

For more information
please call Karen
on 01487 832645



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

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6 February	Sawtry Walk to Run	#runandtalk	07861 740040	Front Page & 21
12 March	Sawtry Feast Supper	Easter Bingo	01487 832645	Front Page & 8
30 March	Sawtry Carnival Committee	Carnival Court Selection	07799 062276	Front Page & 12
2 April	Buttons & Bows	Easter Bingo	01487 833010	8
3 April	Sawtry Chorale / All Saints	Spring Concert	07870 248897	14
16 April	Sawtry Royal British Legion	Prize Bingo	07788 180384	5
25 April	Glatton Village Hall	Race Night	07739 827707	9
2 May	CARESCO	1940s Dance	01487 832105	8
9 May	Sawtry Parish Council	VE Day Celebrations	01487 831771	8
9 June	Feast Supper Committee	Sawtry Feast Supper	07903 841708	8
13 June	Sawtry Carnival Committee	Sawtry Carnival	07799 062276	Front Page & 12
9 July	Sawtry Royal British Legion	Prize Bingo	07788 180384	5
10 July	Sawtry Chorale / St Nicholas	Summer Concert	07870 248897	14
11 July	Walk to Run / SYP / CARESCO	Sawtry Sport 4 All	07861 740040	5
3 - 9 August	Churches Together	Light Factory Holiday Club	01487 830345	--
12 September	Sawtry Show Committee	Sawtry Show	01487 832682	15
8 October	Sawtry Royal British Legion	Prize Bingo	07788 180384	5
10 December	Sawtry Royal British Legion	Prize Bingo	07788 180384	5

ADVERTISE YOUR COMMUNITY EVENT HERE

If you would like to have a date considered for inclusion please email the details along with a contact number to sawtryeye@caresco.org.uk with the subject 'Make a Date'.

We cannot include regular meetings/classes as space will not allow, but we would love to know about your special events.

When your organisation fixes dates, please let us know. No need to 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.





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Welcome... ...to our first issue of 2020. Spring is on its way and we're beginning to look forward to the warmer weather and all that it brings. Check out our Make a Date calendar (page 2) for details of upcoming events.

In this issue you can get a glimpse of the Classes for the Sawtry Show in September. These dark evenings are perfect for getting some art or craft entries on the go and to plan your planting for the Spring.

Thank you to everyone who returned a completed Gift Aid declaration form to the Charity Shop. Your support is really appreciated. If you didn't quite get around to it, but still have your form, you can still drop it back into the shop during opening hours.

Have a good one

Liz - Co-Editor



GREEN END DAY CLUB

Monday to Thursday

10am – 2pm

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



*Our aim is to bring together members of our community
for a regular day of friendship, food and fun*

- Transport door-to-door
- Two-course freshly cooked meal
 - Teas and coffees
 - Entertainment

***We make a charge of £8.50 per visit to help cover our costs
** First visit free *****

**COFFEE & CAKE MORNING
EVERY MONDAY FROM 10AM - 12PM**

**For more information please call 01487 832105/07743216746
email office@caresco.org.uk
Or visit www.caresco.org.uk**

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SCHOOL TERM DATES

Spring Term 2020

Half term: 17 – 21 February

End of term 1 April



Summer Term 2020

Start of term 20 April

Half term 25 – 29 May

End of term 21 July

Autumn Term 2020

Start of term 3 September

Half term 26 - 30 October

End of term 18 December

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

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



**HDC REFUSE
COLLECTION**

LANDFILL WASTE (GREY)

(Week Beginning)

10 & 24 February

9 & 23 March

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

(Week Beginning)

3 & 17 February

2, 16 & 30 March

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



Your Kind of Music presents

'Stilton in Tune'

live keyboard charity events

At the Pavilion,
High Street, Stilton, PE7 3RA

- **Sunday 2 February** - Jon Smith
- **Sunday 1 March** - Lee Dewsnap
- **Sunday 5 April** - Mark Thompson

Concerts start at 2.30pm (doors open 2pm)
£10.00 per person including refreshments

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

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



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

Contact the office for session theme details
on 01487 832105

Forthcoming dates:

**14 & 28 February
13 & 27 March**

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



S A W T R Y W I

Sawtry WI meets on the 1st Thursday of the month,
at 7pm, in the WI Hall, Gidding Road, PE28 5TS
(wheelchair access and hearing loop)

Charity Number 229016

6 February

'Lands of Enchantment' - Chris Smith
Competition: A Favourite Book

5 March

'The Romans' - Martin Owen
Competition: An item over 100 years old

2 April

'Gemstones and their properties' - Jason Middleton
Competition: An item with a gemstone in it

Visitors and new Members always receive a warm welcome.
If you haven't tried the WI before, come along and meet us

Regular features include:
Crafts, Books, Raffle and Refreshments

President **Ann Martin** 01487 830442

Correspondence Secretary
Rosemary Jubb 01487 830243

CAMBRIDGESHIRE HEARING HELP?

Quarterly Hearing Help Service
for NHS hearing aid users

Free batteries, hearing aid servicing
& advice on how to manage hearing loss

On Wednesday 5 February

From 3.00 - 4.00pm

At the CARESCO Centre

Off Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

Are you interested in volunteering?

We give full training including deaf awareness,
hearing aid maintenance and more. Volunteers
help at our sessions and visit people in their own
homes. Please get in touch if you are interested.

Cambridgeshire Hearing Help CIO,
153 St Neots Road, Hardwick, Cambridge
CB23 7QJ - Tel 01223 416141

www.cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk
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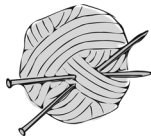
** SAVE THE DATE **
SATURDAY 11 JULY

Sawtry
**Sport
4 ALL**

For more information, please contact us by
email: sawtrysport4all@gmail.com
or via our website at
www.sawtrysport4all.com

CRAFT BUDDIES

Bring along your projects or just
come to chat. No charge to attend,
drinks available to buy at the bar.



7.30 - 9.30pm every Tuesday

At Sawtry Club, Gidding Road, Sawtry

Just turn up, or for more info contact
Carolyn on 01487 832682
or email carolynwatts56@yahoo.co.uk

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CHRISTMAS QUIZ WINNER

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent
quiz sheet and congratulations to our winner,
Samantha, who managed to answer all the
questions correctly.

Look out for our next quiz sheet
themed 'Back to the 90's', on sale
from 25th January.

CARESCO



BOOK STALL AND COFFEE MORNING

At Winwick Church

Saturdays 8 February & 14 March
10.00 till 11.30am



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



Donations invited in exchange for the above
Proceeds to go to the Church
For more information please contact :
Sue Fowler 01832 293215

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SAWTRY & DISTRICT BRANCH

Sawtry Club, Gidding Road

THE ROYAL BRITISH
LEGION



PRIZE BINGO

Thursdays

16 April – 9 July

8 October & 10 December

Eyes down 7.30pm

All Welcome

Profits to Sawtry Branch

For more information, call 07788 180384



Chatterbox

DROP-IN SESSIONS FOR FAMILY CARERS

A friendly drop-in where you can get help.
Chat & relax over a cuppa.
Guest speakers & Carers Assessments.

Every 2nd & 4th Monday
between 2 - 4 pm

10 & 24 February

9 & 23 March

Note: closed on bank holidays

At The CARESCO Centre,
Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

For more information on any of these activities:

Email: office@caresco.org.uk

or call the CARESCO office 01487 832105



SAWTRY STEPPERS MODERN LINE DANCE CLASSES

Mondays for Beginners / Improvers

10am - 12pm ~ £5 (including refreshments)

10 - 11am Beginners' Hour

Old School Hall, 37 Green End Rd, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

Wednesdays Improvers / Intermediates

7 - 9pm ~ £5 (including refreshments)

Glatton Village Hall, High Haden Rd, Glatton, PE28 5RU

Fridays for Beginners

7 - 8.15pm ~ £4 (including refreshments)

Old School Hall, 37 Green End Rd, Sawtry, PE28 5UX

Contact Julie: jcgillmore@sky.com,

07939 070406

Facebook: 'Sawtry Steppers'
BWDA Instructor, Fully insured,
DBS checked with music licence



Line Dancing

NEW LOOK FOR CARESCO

CARESCO

meeting needs in our local community



CHARITY SHOP

Fundraising by recycling



MAN CAVE

All about social connections, sharing skills & building friendships



CHATTERBOX

Support, a listening ear & advise for carers



SAWTRY CAR SCHEME

Volunteer drivers providing transport for local people



GREEN END DAY CLUB

Providing fun, friendship & good food to it's members



COFFEE SHOP

Share a cuppa & cake with friends



ALCONBURY THURSDAY CLUB

A social club sharing a meal in a friendly & supportive group

VOLUNTEERING

Helping CARESCO to support our local community



CHRISTMAS DAY PARTY

Food, fun & festive celebrations



FUNDRAISING

Help us help others



SOUNDS GOOD

A social group who enjoy music & the spoken word



SAWTRY FOODBANK

Providing emergency food for local people in crisis



SAWTRY EYE

Village magazine offering local news for local people



CHANGING LOGOS

You will hopefully be familiar with our logo (right), which was designed to represent the vision of CARESCO, originally known as the 'Sawtry Care and Resource Organisation', which sought to care for local people in and around Sawtry and the immediately surrounding villages - a caring hand bringing people together.



We have been working hard in the background to update our existing branding. Our current logo has served us well since the 1980s, but is now over 30 years old and so exploring these updates inevitably meant changes as we bring our look up to date.

CARESCO

As a result, we have adopted a new logo (left), which will be introduced across CARESCO over the coming months. You may have seen it previewed on our new minibus as our drivers take it around the area?

The graphic (over), which was designed to complement our logo, is a lozenge-themed design, made specifically to incorporate an icon and colour theme for each of our clubs and activities. This aims to give a snapshot to demonstrate all that CARESCO does for local people in our community.

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meeting needs in our local community

To keep costs to a minimum, we will slowly replace our printed matter as the current copies are used up. New signs will be appearing on the CARESCO Centre and over our charity shop. Going forward, we aim to roll it out on our website and marketing materials as well as incorporating it into the Sawtry Eye. This may take some time but we hope by April we will soon be seeing the new branding more often than we see the old. Please bear with us whilst we make the switch.

For more information about the origins of CARESCO and how we came into existence, please visit our website at www.caresco.org.uk. Alternatively, contact our office to request a copy of the 'Story of CARESCO by Marjorie Dybeck, which outlines how and why our charity was set up back in the early 1980s. Written as a guide for other communities to set up their own version, Marjorie explains how and why our various activities came into being.

Throughout 2019 CARESCO achieved



Man Cave PAT tested over 230 electrical items for members of the public and our Charity Shop



7 Tons of food has been donated and distributed through the Foodbank.



4250 freshly prepared meals were cooked at our lunch clubs.



96 homemade cakes have been baked and donated for us to sell at our Friday morning coffee shop.



1006 Journeys were made by our Car Scheme covering 12,183 miles.



600 hours have been spent supporting Carers in our community.



40 Traditional Christmas dinners were cooked by our team of volunteers for our annual Christmas Day Party



On average 100 customers visit our charity shop every day.



18,600 copies of the Sawtry Eye were printed and distributed around Sawtry and its surrounding villages.



Sounds Good provided over a 1000 hours of songs, verse and monologue.

SAWTRY FEAST SUPPER CLUB

**** NEW DATE: TUESDAY 9 JUNE ****

Note change of date: This year's Sawtry Feast Supper will now take place on Tuesday 9 June and not as previously advertised as 2 June. Can you please amend your diaries.

We will be having an Easter prize bingo on Thursday 12 March at Sawtry Club eyes down for 7:30pm please come along and support the event to raise much-needed funds for the Feast Supper. Raffle prizes will be much appreciated. Everyone welcome, you do not have to be a member please feel free to bring your friends along too.

If you would like to be placed on the waiting list for this year's Feast Supper, please contact Karen Leader, details are below.

If any businesses would like to sponsor Sawtry Feast Supper Club all donations are gratefully received for the longest running event in the village. If anyone would like more details these can be obtained by contacting myself.

Karen Leader, Secretary

07903 841708



**** Save the Date ****



**Saturday 2 May
1940'S DANCE**

Sawtry Air Raid Shelter
(Sawtry Village Academy)

Details to follow

All proceeds to CARESCO



VE Day 75 Celebrations



The national celebrations to mark the 75th anniversary of 'Victory in Europe' will cover the weekend 8 to 10 May.

- Sawtry will conduct our own events on Saturday 9 May from 12 noon to 4pm.
- Activities will be centred on the Old School House.
- A singer will perform during the afternoon.
- Jacqui and John will supervise children's games and music.
- CARESCO will offer tea, coffee and cakes in their premises.
- Bring your own picnic (and chairs).
- Wear 1940s costumes if you wish.
- More details will be provided nearer the date.



(Note that the bank holiday planned for Monday 4 May has been moved to Friday 8 May.)

CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT COURSE 2020

What does Faith Mean in everyday life?
Who does God call?



Over 5 weeks in Lent between Ash Wednesday and Holy Week, we will be exploring questions around faith in everyday life. We will be doing this through discussion, bible study, teaching and reflection, all accompanied by refreshments and great company.

There will be a few course times on offer and they are all open to everyone, these include:

Sawtry Methodist Tuesdays at 7.30pm, starting from 3 March
All Saints Wednesdays at 7:30pm starting on 4 March
St Nicholas', Glatton – daytime course, details TBC

Keep your eyes peeled for further details.

Churches contact details on pages 13 - 15



Registered charity number 1145956
We play, we share, we learn, we care

Buttons and Bows Pre-School

Invite you to join us for our

EASTER BINGO

Thursday 2 April

At Sawtry Sports and Social Club

Doors open at 7pm,
eyes down at 7:30pm

Please come along and support
your community pre-school.
Great prizes, great fun and great chocolate!

For more information, contact: 01487 833010

GARDEN WILDLIFE

A talk by Peter Holden MBE

Wednesday 25 March, starting at 7.30pm
At St Ives Free Church, PE27 5AL

£4.00 entry (free to local group members)

The RSPB Huntingdonshire local group welcomes Peter Holden MBE to talk about how wildlife can benefit from our garden activities.

The evening will also include:

- A chance to buy Peter's book on garden wildlife
- An intermission with tea, coffee and snacks
- A raffle and items for sale



**For more information, please contact
Jack Stevens, jack.stevens@rspb.org.uk
Or visit
www2.rspb.org.uk/groups/huntingdonshire**

SAWTRY GARDENING CLUB

SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY

Snowdrops at Deene park, Corby, NN173EG



*£5 entrance each
Refreshments available
Open between 12 and 4pm
Car share, leaving Sawtry Club
at 11.30am*

SATURDAY 21 MARCH

*Daffodils display at Chippenham Park Gardens,
Newmarket, CB7 6PT*

*Minibus leaving Sawtry Club
at 10am, return by 4pm
Cost is £10 transport
for non-members,
free to SGC members
+ £5 entry for all*



Full Programme for 2020 available soon.

New members or visitors always welcome.

For more info or to book places call:

07598 431308 or email:

Sawtrygardeningclub@gmail.com

or find us on Facebook at: Sawtry Gardeners.

ST ANDREWS CEMETERY, SAWTRY

Advance notice of Groundworks
at St Andrews Cemetery

Sawtry Parish Council have appointed a Drainage
Contractor to install surface water drainage
at St Andrews Cemetery.

When known, the start date and details will be
displayed on Parish Council noticeboards,
website and on Facebook.

SAWTRY WINEMAKERS



Calendar of Events

Wednesday 15 January

Talk by Marilyn Gautreaux/Sawtry DVD
and Ray's Wine Whist

Wednesday 19 February (TBC)

Winemaking Demonstration by Jenny and Babs

Wednesday 18 March

Talk by Chris Holt – India & Costa Rica

You will be most welcome to come along to any of our
meetings and join us. Sawtry Winemaker's hold a
monthly meeting at the Old School Hall every third
Wednesday.

Our aim is to promote the making and enjoyment of
homemade wines and beers, to share the results of our
efforts and encourage new wine and beer makers.

For more information call Janet 01354 278824

theWI
INSPIRING WOMEN

SAWTRY WI

WI Hall, Gidding Road, PE28 5TS
(wheelchair access and hearing loop)
Charity Number 229016

KNIT & KNATTER CRAFT GROUP

Every Wednesday afternoon, 2 - 4pm, in the WI Hall
£1.00 a session

Phone Maureen on 01487 832841 for further details

PATCHWORK & QUILTING GROUP

Every Second Monday, 11am - 3pm, in the WI Hall
£1.00 a session

Phone Jacqueline on 07841 647345 for further details



Race Night

Glatten Village Hall
Saturday 25th April

Doors 7:30pm, Racing Starts 8:00pm
£10 entry includes a fish & chip supper
licensed bar available

Entry by ticket only available from Jane Brignall Tel: 07739827707
or e-mail: glatten-village-hall@outlook.com
or via "Glatten Village" Facebook page

WOODLAND TRUST



The woodland management works at WOODLAND
Aversley Wood have been progressing
over the winter. The aim of the works is to selectively
thin out some of the rideside ash to widen the rides to
improve their conservation value, and begin to address
ash dieback at the same time. Due to the wet winter
we've had to adjust our work plan slightly to complete
the felling of the trees, and then extract the timber when
the conditions in the wood improve in the early spring.
Whilst the timber is on the ground please follow the
advice of the safety signage and avoid climbing over the
timber as they can be slippery when wet. Can we also
remind visitors that horse riding is not permitted
anywhere in the woods.

Daniel Richardson

Mobile: 07741331021,

Email: DanielRichardson@woodlandtrust.org.uk

WELCOME BACK RUDOLPH!

I would like to express how happy I am to see Rudolph the reindeer Christmas light standing proud in the front garden of the parish council office opposite the children's playground and infant's school on Green End Road.

A big thank you to the family of the guy who lived on Green End Road just after the turning for Gloucester Road for all those years, for donating Rudolph after his sad passing not so long ago. I have enjoyed seeing my children's faces each year when they first spotted Rudolph at Christmas time and feared it would be a sight not to be seen again. They are all in their 30's now and have moved from the village but return at Christmas and make sure they see Rudolph or make their own children acquainted with him.

Over the years, we have come to believe that he is Sawtry's Rudolph and I hope many new and old Sawtry residents will continue to smile at his engineering!

Linda Cooke, Sawtry



THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SAWTRY & DISTRICT BRANCH

Thank You!

Over the course of 2019 you have helped the branch raise our largest amount ever of over £19,300 for the 2018/19 Poppy Appeal. The Members of the Sawtry & District Branch would like to send you a huge 'Thank You' for all your support throughout the year.

The 2019/20 Poppy Appeal started in October and with your continued support we have so far raised just over £11,130. We will be attending Sawtry Carnival on 13 June, so come along and see us. We look forward to seeing you this summer.

Carol Stobbs
Poppy Appeal Organiser,

Tel: 07788 180384,
Email: carolsonoma@gmail.com



SAWTRY CAR SCHEME

Sawtry Car Scheme was set up a number of years ago by a group of volunteers to enable residents of Sawtry and surrounding villages who had mobility issues [young or old] and where unable to use public transport to get to Hospital and Doctors' appointments. Weekly shopping trips will also be considered if there are drivers available. In 2013, the scheme was taken under the umbrella of CARESCO in conjunction with Cambridge County Council. Unfortunately, some residents still have a misconception of the role/remit of the Car Scheme. I have received calls for example: asking

- can a car go to a certain local hostelry, to pick them up because they can't drive home.
- will a car get tomorrow's papers because they don't like driving in the rain.
- will a car go and get some ham for them, because they have unexpected visitors for tea.
- request for a car to take a person 100 yards to the Doctors' when they are seen walking their dogs daily around the village.

Provided we have at least 24hrs notice, and drivers are available, we will be happy to help at a nominal charge that covers the cost of the driver's expenses for that journey.

We are not a Taxi service, and stress we are all volunteers happy to help out when needed, **please do not abuse the Scheme**

Peter, Sawtry Car Scheme Co-ordinator

OUR CHRISTMAS DAY AT CARESCO

Upon my arrival during the late morning, I was greeted with a very "Merry Christmas" and asked to sign in, after which I was offered 'nibbles' and something to drink and joined in the 'chit-chat' with other guests.

Later on we had lunch, which I would say was difficult to equal and just about impossible to better. All conjured up, believe it or not, by an elf!! All this was followed by a sing-song, a game of charades, the Queen's Speech and a visit by Father Christmas, not necessarily in that order.

Unfortunately the time came for us to depart, when we were given a 'doggy-bag' to take home with us, this contained a rerun of the main course which we had had for lunch, a plastic container filled with fresh fruit salad and a nice chunk of Christmas cake.

Finally, a huge thank you to all involved, especially the helpers who shared our table and looked after us.

Thank you again and happy New Year.

Derrick Morgan, Sawtry

I am sure I speak for all who attended the Christmas Lunch at CARESCO that we had a really wonderful day.

Our thanks go to all the people who worked so hard to give us a good time. If it wasn't for this event many of us would have been on our own on Christmas Day, as it was we enjoyed lots of good food, good company and lots of laughter. This event is really appreciated.

Thank you everyone.

Ann and Tony Martin

Peter Jones

In November I attended the funeral of someone that many older locals will remember. Peter Jones was Deputy Warden of Sawtry Village College from its foundation in 1963 until some years after my own retirement in 1984. Warden please note, not just Headmaster and this meant that, like me, he had his hand in not just school but also many community activities. He helped with Scouts, Sports and Social Clubs, particularly the Winemakers. His experience in the swimming world, where he was a national examiner, helped us a great deal to achieve top rankings in Awards with young people. Peter remained 'a local' from the time he started at the College, living mostly in Folksworth where he was to end his days, and having only recently lost his wife, Mytle, once the College Senior Mistress.

On the school side, I could not have had a better Deputy. Firm but unflappable and ready to put any of my wilder ideas in place and make them workable. In the original small staff, he was the only one acquainted with Village Colleges, having come from one in Rutland: Vale of Catmose Village College. To us, so many things new, and it took nerve to present the vision of what schools could be like for all people in the community. And, as parents, we both had our own young in school and proud of what staff did for them. In my time, we had some ups and downs, but Peter was always there to steer us to success.

Starting from scratch needs not just vision; and here Peter was the one to see that good systems were in place. He loved doing the annual school timetable, which is not just a matter of people in rooms; you also need to be good at ensuring that all staff are happy with their lot. On the curriculum side, he introduced Statistics, an undervalued but most useful subject. And when it came to exams, he could tabulate our (usually excellent) results so that everyone knew the score. Over those years Sawtry's population grew from under 1000 to over 5000 ("Quintuplication" we called it). On the school side, Peter and I oversaw a pupil growth from 220 to almost 7000, and community work involving well over 50 organisations and many thousands of adults. Peter was fully involved in all this so let us honour his memory and his steadfast contribution.

Maurice Dybeck

Warden, Sawtry Village College, 1963 - 1984

Computer Corner

Support for Windows 7 has now ceased; however Windows 7 users can safely continue using Windows 7 without Microsoft Support, providing the user does not engage in any kind of financial transactions or transferring of personal data. In the 12 months preceding 14 January 2020, Microsoft issued a number of warnings regarding the withdrawal of support for Windows 7, and the possible security issues.

The now unsupported operating system (Windows 7) is unable to update the required security patches and updates needed to help fight against the criminal hacker. This in turn opens up a number of software vulnerabilities and becomes a computer hacker's back door into your computer. Cyber crime is the fastest growing criminal activity of the modern day. Institutions like banks, online traders, utilities etc will all use the 'unsupported operating system' argument as a means to avoid responsibility should your computer fall foul of criminal activities.

User ignorance and complacency are a hacker's main tools, and would not be an accepted defence in the event of the user becoming a victim of a computer hack or scam.

Zip Computers has already seen an upsurge in the numbers of computers that have become infected. Most common threats are data/information-gathering malware/key loggers/root kits/viruses/browser hijacks and so on.

Upgrading to Windows 10 will resolve all these issues - full Microsoft Support, updates and security features are all a requirement for safer, modern-day computing.

Further information/free advice contact Zip Computers 01487 832253/07885 280446

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service is looking for on-call firefighters to join on-call fire stations around the county. On-call firefighters aren't based at a fire station, instead they carry a pager and respond to emergency incidents as and when they happen.



CAMBRIDGESHIRE
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE
Working together to improve community safety

The Service has introduced a new **daytime contract** to the on-call service, which allows people to be available to respond to emergencies from just **24 hours a week**, for example while working at their regular day job or from home.

The new contract is available for anyone interested in joining an on-call station, providing they can offer a minimum of **24 hours per week (between 7am and 7pm during the week)** and attend the weekly drill night.

On-call firefighters can be men and women that come from every walk of life. They may be at home, working for themselves or a nearby company, or even out in their local community. They must maintain their availability to respond to emergencies by staying within five minutes travel time of the fire station. They receive an annual wage plus additional payments for attending incidents and drill nights.

Those interested in finding out more can visit www.cambsfire.gov.uk/on-call or contact recruitment@cambsfire.gov.uk

Like us on Facebook for regular updates www.facebook.com/cambsfrs or follow us on Twitter @cambsfrs.

For more information or to get in touch contact us at firefire@cambsfire.gov.uk or on 0800 9179994.

FROM SAWTRY FOODBANK

Thank you so much to everyone who made donations to the Foodbank over the Christmas period. In particular we have received the following from community events:

- Carols at Greystones - £118.38 from the carol singing (generously topped up to £250 by the Parish Council)
- Community Carol Service - £127 (half the collection taken, split with Barnardo's)

Our **Twelve Days of Christmas** appeal got a fantastic response, we received 2,600kg of food from 1 to 20 December which was used to create the 55 Christmas Hampers that were distributed, making a combined weight of 2,329 kgs.

Our thanks also to Sawtry Co-op for all their additional support for our Christmas promotion.

As ever we are grateful to our hard working team who put in so much effort during this very busy period.

Please note that any donations made surplus to Foodbank needs will be used elsewhere within CARESCO or passed onto another local charity to minimise waste.

We are open each Friday 3.30 - 5.30pm in the CARESCO Centre, donations can be made into any of our collection baskets available around the village.

Please contact us via the CARESCO office, details on page 3.



WANTED: FOODBANK CO-ORDINATOR

We are recruiting a volunteer to co-ordinate the Foodbank, working with the steering group to provide this much valued service to our local community.

For more information, please contact Emma via the CARESCO office (details on page 3).



AGE UK COMMUNITY HUB

Visiting Support Services for Older People

Come along for a friendly, informal chat at Sawtry Library. Offering free high quality advice and information on how to access services and support

**3rd Wednesday of each month
2 - 4pm**

If you are unable to attend and require help and support please call us on: 01354-776110

or

Email: vssop@ageukcap.org.uk

We will be more than happy to assist you

www.ageukcap.org.uk



SAWTRY CAMERA CLUB

Were you lucky enough to receive a new camera for Christmas? Whether it was a DSLR or point and shoot type, maybe you are not sure exactly how to use it? Or perhaps you want to improve your existing skills? Why not join our friendly group at our next meeting, we have a wealth of knowledge and experience within the group and would be happy to share this knowledge.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 13 February, at 7.30pm at Sawtry Club on Gidding Road.

We have our first outside location in March (weather permitting) at St Judith's field on Thursday 12 March. And we will be painting with light. After taking the photographs we will return to Sawtry Club to complete the meeting.

If you require further information please contact Neville on 07746 332287



SAWTRY CARNIVAL 2020

Saturday 13 June

'Tropical Fiesta'



Book now for the 2020 Carnival Stalls, parade and arena along with Court entries now being taken...



Carnival Court Selection & Crowning Evening

Friday 20 March

At Sawtry Club- from 7pm

See front cover for details



For further information, please contact Julia- Sawtry Carnival, Chairman
sawtrycommittee@gmail.com or call 07799 062276

SAWTRY JUNIOR ACADEMY NEWS



The Spring term brings the change of topic focus across the whole school. We are beginning with new topics in most year groups – all with a Geographical theme. Year 3 will be studying “*A Picture tells a Thousand Words*” – using iconic pictures from throughout history and from around the world as starting points. Year 4 are looking at the “*Age of Exploration*” and will learn about Australia, Antarctica and The Americas. They will learn how they were discovered and about the geographical features and differences. There will be lots of opportunities for exciting music, artwork and cooking along the way. Year 5 are heading into Space for their topic whilst year 6 are looking at “*The Age of Empires*” with a focus on the silk route. We are very excited about this new and revised wider curriculum as it links closely to our reading and English lessons.

We have become increasingly concerned recently with inconsiderate and at times dangerous driving and parking at school drop off and pick up times. There have been a number of near misses. The children have been designing posters to remind both drivers and pedestrians and we have displayed these around the village where it becomes congested.

Sarah Flack, Principal

Email: office@sawtryjunior.org

Telephone: 01487 830204

www.sawtryjunior.org

SAWTRY VILLAGE ACADEMY NEWS

Our Robot Club recently visited Peterborough UTC to try out their Robot in a local scrimmage. All students were a credit to the school and are now much more prepared for the regional finals in February.

The PE Department is promoting the benefits of being physically active across the school. As well as the traditional sports of rugby, netball, badminton and dance, we have added yoga, skateboarding (thanks to Sawtry Youth Project funding!) and lacrosse to ignite enthusiasm on a different level. A big thank you to MB Zen Sports who also donated 20 yoga blocks to us - a fantastic resource!

As part of Christmas Jumper day and in addition to the generous donations for Sawtry Foodbank in their *12 days of Christmas* initiative, we raised £158.14 for CARESCO. A superb effort from our students and their families to support the local community.

The Modern Foreign Language Department took some students on a residential immersion trip to Picardy, France. Students stayed at the Château du Broûtel. They all enjoyed the opportunity to practise their French skills in an authentic setting, gaining confidence for their forthcoming GCSE examination. They visited a French market to interview French speakers, made a French dish, supervised by a French-speaking chef and visited Amiens and the Sea Life Centre. Students made croissants and were shown how bread is made at a local bakery. The trip was fantastic and our students were brilliant, showing enthusiasm and resilience. We are very proud of them and wish them every success with their French examination. Bravo!

Simon Parsons, Principal

Fen Lane, Sawtry, Cambridgeshire, PE28 5TQ

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Email enquiries@sawtrycc.org;

or visit www.sawtryva.org



Sawtry Village
Academy

SAWTRY YOUTH PROJECT

As the Sawtry Youth Project enters its 6th year, it would be good to provide a quick summary of where we are:

- We are a registered charity
- We continue to work with the Parish Council on the skatepark project
- Section 106 monies are allocated towards the cost of the skatepark
- SYP have almost 20K in the SYP bank account
- We remain involved in key village events including: the Carnival, Frost Fayre and Sport 4 All
- We continue to meet every 3 months to ensure the project drives forward.



The Frost Fayre was a great success and we had a busy Santa's grotto and BBQ. It was very cold outside so, somewhat challenging to keep the BBQ alight!

This year's Sport 4 All event will take place on Saturday 11 July. Please save the date and come along to this free event! We will keep you updated on our zone activity nearer the time, keep an eye on our Facebook page.

We always welcome new members with fresh ideas. If you are considering a voluntary role and would like to offer your skills to the skatepark committee, please do get in touch with us through Facebook (@sawtryyouthproject) or through our website: www.sawtry-youth-project.org

WELLSIDE SURGERY NEWS



Flu Vaccination

Patients falling within the following at risk categories are entitled to the vaccination.

- Aged 65 or above (including those becoming age 65 by 31.03.19)
- Chronic neurological disease (such as Parkinson's or motor neurone disease, or learning disability)
- Chronic heart disease (such as heart failure)
- Chronic respiratory disease, such as severe asthma, COPD or bronchitis
- Diabetes
- Chronic liver disease
- Chronic renal disease at stage 3, 4 or 5
- Living in long-stay residential care homes or other long-stay care facilities
- Weakened immune system due to disease or treatment. Consideration will also be given to the immunisation of household contacts of these patients.
- Splenic dysfunction or asplenia
- All pregnant women (including those who become pregnant during the flu season)
- Morbidly obese (defined as BMI of 40 or above)
- In receipt of a carer's allowance, or who are the main carer for an older or disabled person whose welfare may be at risk if the carer falls ill.

If you haven't had your vaccination yet, please call our Reception Team on 01487 830340 to make an appointment.

Practice Premises

Nearby housing development has brought increased patient numbers to Sawtry, we have recognised this issue and plan to expand in early 2020 to meet this higher demand. The surgery has gained planning permission for a single storey extension to the rear of the existing building. The extension will provide 3 new treatment rooms, a sub-waiting area and lobby space, with fire exit out to the existing car park. The alterations will require some reconfiguration to existing patient parking. The result will not reduce the current patient car park spaces when complete.

The extension will enable the surgery to continue providing Sawtry with a suitable GP practice that meets the demands of the local residents. The build will take approximately 4 months to complete, and works are due to commence in early February 2020. Please be aware that parking during this time will be more limited due to the need for contractor access and deliveries. We will endeavour to ensure that whatever parking is available during this period is kept available for patients to use but please bear in mind that this will be limited. If it is possible for you to walk or cycle to your appointment please do consider doing so as this will help to make parking spaces available for patients who are less able. We apologise for this short-term inconvenience and ask for your patience whilst the surgery creates this much needed expansion.



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



SAWTRY CHORALE

Sawtry Chorale completed a very successful series of concerts over the festive season and the concerts were enjoyed by both the audiences and Chorale alike.

We have now started back and are into full rehearsal for our Spring concerts where we will be introducing some new repertoire to our trusted followers. The music, like last year, will be on a theme of Spring and springtime from varied composers including Edward Elgar. We have come to enjoy this particular concert as it promises to not only be uplifting but also bring us closer to Summer. This year we have two concerts scheduled for Spring:

- Saturday 21 March at St Peter and St Paul Church, Church Way, Alconbury, PE28 4DX (7.30 pm)
- Friday 3 April at All Saint's, Church Causeway, Sawtry, PE28 5TD (8.00pm)

We hope to see you there.

Planning a little further ahead, we are also looking forward to this year's summer concerts:

- Saturday 4 July - Keyston Village Hall, Loop Road, Keyston, PE28 0RE
- Friday 10 July - St Nicholas Church, Church Road, Glatton, PE28 5RR

We are always looking for new members, so if you would like to sing with us please contact 07870 248897 or come along to rehearsal – Wednesdays 7.45pm in the Methodist Church Hall, Green End Road in Sawtry. You don't need to read music, just like to sing. If you would just like to support the Chorale in other ways, we would be happy to hear from you.

We look forward to seeing you all again soon...

SAWTRY HISTORY SOCIETY

Our November meeting subject was *The Crash of the Godmanchester Stirling* by Roger Leivers. The presentation covered the back-story of the crew leading up to the fatal crash on 11 April 1942.

The pilot Squadron Leader Drummond Wilson was an engineer with an interest in cars that made him a successful rally driver before the war. He learnt to fly joining the RAF Volunteer Reserve in 1938 and flew in numerous roles before joining bomber command flying Stirlings. He flew three of these, all designated 'G' for George, he called them *Goblin*. They were very large planes none of which survive today; they had a reputation of being a very strong plane that needed a good pilot!

The speaker told us about the entire crew, bar one who came from Old Weston and no information about him has been found as yet. Their raids were described with the aid of flight log entries many of them on German cruisers in Brest harbour. On the night of 10/11 April they were "coned" by several searchlights and suffered heavy damage. Drummond Wilson was able to bring the plane home to Alconbury but was unable to land due to a plane on the runway, he had to circle for another approach but lost control due to failed oil pressure and crashed at Godmanchester, 6 of the 8 crew survived, his co-pilot was only 19 years old!

Future meetings:

- The subject of the next meeting on 20 February is *Vanishing Cambridge* by Mike Petty
- Our AGM is on 19 March.
- Don't forget we are involved with the 75th VE Day celebrations in May.

The History Society meets on the third Thursday of the month in the WI Hall, Gidding Road, Sawtry at 7.30pm. Visitors always welcome, entrance is £2.00 by donation.

The SHS Archive is open in the new library from 10:00am to 12:00 noon every Saturday.

For info call Chris Merton 01487 831441



DOING ANYTHING ON SUNDAY?

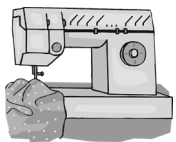
Peterborough Conservation Volunteers work on local nature reserves, where you can help us with practical conservation work – scrub clearing, hay-raking, hedge-laying, and similar jobs. We provide tools, gloves, and hot drinks: you provide suitable clothes, boots/wellies, and (wo)manpower. You'll need transport to the sites, but we can often arrange lifts or car shares.

Here's the current programme for February, all jobs start at 10:00am:

March dates to be confirmed, please contact us for details nearer the time.

Date	Site
02/02/2020	Barnack Hills and Holes NNR
09/02/2020	Barnack Hills and Holes NNR
16/02/2020	Monks Wood NNR
23/02/2020	Monks Wood NNR
NNR = National Nature Reserve	

Please note that this program is likely to change, as it depends on site management, and the weather (especially the hay-making jobs). Visit <http://www.p-c-v.co.uk>, or e-mail us (info@p-c-v.co.uk) to check, or for more information. Children are welcome, but require adult supervision.



SAWTRY SHOW SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

Hello everyone. I can't believe the time has come around again to publish this year's classes in this issue of the Eye. The list is basic to give you time to plan your projects and all the finer entry details will be given in the final schedule which will be available from June.

As well as the usual classes, we've tried to include some more diverse ideas such as the digital photography section. We will be working with the Academy on this and full details will be in the final Schedule.

The 'men only' classes in the past two years (muffins and scones) have brought in record entries for this section, outdoing all the other classes. Let's hope the flapjack entries this year will live up to previous years. We also have a 'men only' 'flower arrangement in a beer glass' class!

A big change this year is that entry is open to everyone, not just residents of Sawtry and surrounding areas. Last year we had a few requests to open it up to others and we are hoping that this will help to boost entries.

You may have noticed that the Junior classes have not been released yet. Last year we had very small numbers of entries from children and none in the 12-15 age group. We are re-vamping these sections and would love to hear your suggestions for classes you think would encourage more children to enter. We will also be having a group entry category, so if you run a group or class please, please have a think how you can support the Show. Any ideas please contact me on my email below by 19 March.

Roll on Spring and go sew / sow something!

Carolyn Watts, Show Chairman, 01487 832682, or email watts204@hotmail.com



WELCOME TO YOUR HEALTH TRAINER SERVICE

Want to improve your health? This free service is here to help

If you want to improve your health, you are more likely to succeed with their help and support.

Everyone knows that they could do a little more towards living a healthier lifestyle. You may want to:

- ♥ Stop smoking
- ♥ Eat more healthily
- ♥ Drink less alcohol
- ♥ Do more exercise

Health Trainers won't make you do anything that you don't want to do. But they can offer advice and help to decide what your goals are – and then help you reach them.

Once you have joined the FREE programme, your Health Trainer will meet with you up to six times over a year. Clinic runs **Tuesdays 12.30 - 3.30pm at The Old School Hall, Sawtry.**

**Please call 03330 050093 to book an appointment www.everyonehealth.co.uk/camb
Email: changepointcamb@everyonehealth.co.uk**



NEWS FROM SAWTRY LIBRARY

Pants Storytime and Crafts - Tuesday 18 February – 3.00 - 4.00pm

Come and listen to some stories that are really pants! There will also be a craft activity to design and make your own special pair of pants. Suitable for children aged 3+, 50p per child.

Family Games Club - Saturdays – 10.00 - 11.30am.

Spend some quality family time together at Sawtry Library every Saturday morning. Construct something using Lego or choose from a selection of family board games or jigsaw puzzles to play with. There will also be colouring sheets for children and adults to do.

Lego Club - Saturdays - 10.00 - 11.30am

Construct and build your own Lego creations at our weekly Lego Club. You can create anything you like using our Lego so let your imagination go wild. Suitable for children aged 5+, 50p per child.

Rhymetime - Every Wednesday from 10.15 - 10.45am (Term time only)

Come along to our friendly Rhymetime sessions at Sawtry Library and sing along with your children to popular nursery rhymes. You get to meet other parents and can choose from our range of lovely baby and children's books to take home.

Age UK Drop-ins - Wednesdays 19 February & 18 March from 2.00 - 4.00pm

Come and get help and advice relating to any issues that you are concerned about such as health, independence, finance and loneliness.

Opening Hours for Sawtry Library

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

To renew or request books:
www.Cambridgeshire.gov.uk/Library
Enquiries: 0345 045 5225

For further details about any of our events listed here please see a member of staff.

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



ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST LUKE PETERBOROUGH ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SAWTRY

**Sawtry Sunday Mass at 5pm at the Methodist Church,
Green End Road, Sawtry PE28 5UX**

All are welcome to stay for refreshments afterwards.

We are a friendly proactive community involved in a number of events in Sawtry and the surrounding villages. St Benedict's also works closely with the other Church communities in Sawtry, as well as our Roman Catholic Parish Church of St. Luke in Orton Malborne, Peterborough.

Contact in Sawtry: Tony – tony.stefanelli04@gmail.com - 01487 830680

Contact St. Luke's Priest-in-charge: Fr Jeffrey Downie for Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, Funerals, and all other inquiries -

saintlukesparish@yahoo.co.uk - 01733 370877 -

<http://www.saintlukesparish.org.uk>

Find us on:





REMEMBRANCE

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



FEBRUARY

Private Ernest HADMAN	17 February 1917	Glatton/Holme
Private Herbert WRIGHT	14 February 1942	Wood Walton
Driver Edward Harold DACK	9 February 1944	Sawtry

MARCH

Private Victor John FURNELL	7 March 1916	Wood Walton
Private George Edward SAVAGE	15 March 1916	Glatton
Private William ROWELL	17 March 1917	Sawtry
Private William BARRETT	18 March 1918	Sawtry
Private George Frederick DEWBERRY	20 March 1918	Wood Walton
CQMS Henry James NICKERSON	23 March 1918	Sawtry
Private William Percival GLOVER	27 March 1918	Great Gidding
Sergeant Norman George Wood BOYCE	26 March 1942	Old Weston
Sergeant Robert Charles DOBIE	26 March 1942	Old Weston
Flight Sergeant Donald Cole LINDSEY	26 March 1942	Old Weston
Flight Sergeant Robert Joseph O'LEARY	26 March 1942	Old Weston
Private John Edward ANDREWS	23 March 1943	Sawtry

At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

ST NICHOLAS PARISH CHURCH

Church Road, Glatton, PE28 5RR



February		
2	9.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
9	9.00am	Holy Communion
16	6.00pm	Evensong
23	9.00am	Holy Communion
26	7.00pm	At All Saints' Ash Wednesday Service (includes the imposition of ashes)

March		
1	9.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
8	9.00am	Holy Communion
15	9.00am	Common Worship
22	9.00am	Mothering Sunday
29	9.00am	Benefice Service Holy Communion

Quiz Night

We are arranging a Quiz Night in Glatton Village Hall on 28 March (at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start); tickets will include a two-course supper and there will be a donation bar and a raffle. Tickets can be obtained from PCC members or contact: Helen Ford 830648 or Rosie Darby 834234.

Tea and Cake

Come and join in the Tea Afternoon on Wednesdays 19 February & 18 March in the Village Hall from 3 - 4.30pm. Find out what is happening at St Nicholas, chat with friends and meet new people.

Our 'Priest in Charge', Reverend Becky Dyball, is contactable at the Sawtry Rectory on 01487 506217. Please also contact the Church Warden(s) John Pigott (506007) or Heather Barrell (831445) for any church matters that might arise.

See Glatton website for more information: www.glatton.org.uk

MOTHER'S DAY RUNAWAYS SERVICE

Sunday 22 March
At All Saints Church
Starting at 3pm



A space for those who find Mothering Sunday difficult for any reason, offering a space to pray, be still and reminded you're not alone.

Drop in to light a candle, say a prayer, talk to someone and enjoy a fresh coffee and slice of cake

CHURCHES TOGETHER WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 6 March
Starting at 1:30pm
St Nicholas' Church, Glatton

Everyone is welcome to join with voices across the globe as we gather in prayer.

This year's focus is the country of Zimbabwe, supporting children with special needs and their families.



ALL SAINTS' PARISH CHURCH

Church Causeway, Sawtry, PE28 5TD

www.allsaintssawtry.org.uk



February		
2	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
9	10.30am	All Age Worship
16	10.30am	Celtic Holy Communion
23	10.30am	Morning Prayer
26	7.00pm	'Churches Together' Ash Wednesday Service (includes the imposition of ashes)

March		
1	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
8	10.30am	All Age Worship
15	10.30am	Morning Prayer (CW)
22	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
29	TBC	Celtic Holy Communion at St Nicholas, Glatton

Monday Morning Prayer - A simple service of about half an hour, an opportunity to draw near to God. All are welcome, come and join us if you can. Every Monday (except bank holidays) at 9:30am at the Church.

Messy Church - on Saturday 8 February & 14 March, 4.30 - 6.30pm, in church but-not-as-you-know-it - for families of all sizes, shapes and ages. Come and enjoy being messy, with activities, celebration and a meal.



Saturday Opening - All Saints Church is open every Saturday from 2.00 to 4.00pm, for an opportunity to enjoy a moment of peace and quiet, to pray, or share a cup of tea and a chat. A warm welcome awaits you.

Causeway Group - We are a group of ladies of any denomination or non. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month 2 - 4pm to share in fellowship and caring. For more information contact Isolde on 01487 831260.

Contact Details - please contact Rev. Becky Dyball at the Rectory on 01487 506217 and email revdyball@gmail.com for all wedding, baptism, funeral enquiries or if you have any other ministry needs.

Please consult our website www.allsaintssawtry.org.uk where there is information about services and other events as well as email addresses and other contact details. Thank you.



SAWTRY METHODIST CHURCH

Green End Road, Sawtry, PE28 5UX



Weekly Sunday Morning Worship at 10.30am



<p>Holy Communion 2 February - 10.30am Led by Rev Alan Taylor</p>
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<p>Mothering Sunday 22 March - 10.30am</p>

<p>Holy Communion 1 March - 10.30am Led by Rev Alan Taylor</p>

Come and join us, all are welcome

MONDAY UNITED FELLOWSHIP

Monthly starting at 2.30pm - Open to all

24 February & 30 March (TBC)

Contact Joy Kisby for more information on 01733 566588

LENTEN GROUP

For details, see separate advert on page 6.

Contact Matt on 01487 830345

SATURDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

9.30 - 11am

All Welcome. Proceeds in aid of our Building Project Phase Two

For more information, please contact Rev Alan Taylor on 01487 209457

Or email alan@sawtrymethodist.org.uk



Bedfordshire
Cambridgeshire
Northamptonshire

Huntingdonshire Local Group

The UK Ladybird Survey

Wednesday 12 February at 7.30pm

An illustrated talk by Professor Helen Roy who over the last ten years has led the UK Ladybird survey, which has been monitoring the rapid spread of the non-native Harlequins since their first recorded appearance in 2004.

From Teesdale to Inis Mor

Wednesday 11 March at 7.30pm

An illustrated talk by Dr. Pat Doody a coastal ecologist and a long-standing member of our local group. Pat's talk will take us on a journey from Durham, where he did his PhD on Rare Plants of Teesdale, via the UK coast, where he spent most of his career with Nature Conservancy and its successors, to the West coast of Ireland.

We meet at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, Huntingdon, PE28 4TB. For more details, contact Alistair Grant on alistairgrant@hotmail.com or 07775365507. There is no charge, but donations are welcome.

Everyone interested in wildlife is most welcome to attend

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CHANGING ATTITUDES BY EDUCATION



Can you stop before you hit the vehicle in front? The important thing to understand about deceleration (ie braking) is that the process is not constant. You might think that a car travelling at 60mph would shed a larger proportion of its speed at the onset of braking. The opposite is true.

Over a total stopping distance of (say) 40 metres over half the speed is wiped off in the last 10 metres. It takes 30 metres to get from 60mph to 30mph; just 10 metres to get from 30mph to zero.

You are on a motorway travelling at 70mph, then you remember the chocolate bar that you hid in the glove box and go for the grab. When you look up there is a sea of brake lights across all three lanes. In the second that passed the traffic has slowed to 50mph. By the time you react they are doing 30mph with a rate of deceleration a lot faster than yours. You can't match them, so unless you have the clear distance between you and the vehicle in front you find yourself at the wrong end of the braking curve and about to collide with the vehicle in front.

A vehicle builds up kinetic energy by a factor of its weight multiplied by the square of its speed, and as a result the braking distance increases exponentially (this is one of Sir Isaac Newton's laws of physics). So, if you double the speed, you quadruple the braking distance; and a Fiat Cinquecento moving at 40mph hits with the same energy as a Juggernaut doing 10mph.

Top Tips: In dry conditions allow a minimum of 2 seconds between you and the vehicle in front and at least 4 seconds in the wet.
Maximise grip with the road surface by having your tyres at the correct pressure and with a good depth of tread.

RoADARC's mission is to promote safer driving and riding. Our training is free with an annual membership fee of £10. Visit our website at www.roadarc.org.uk for further details.

AN EYE ON NATURE

Winter will hopefully be releasing its grip as this edition drops on our door mats. The season of renewal is here. Birds are already singing their dawn chorus and thinking about breeding. It is time to enjoy a wildlife bonanza.

There are two events in the natural world not to be missed, but they are difficult to observe. Timing (and location) is everything. Brown hares are reasonably common around Sawtry and this is boxing time. When the jills come into season, the males or jacks are driven wild! Several jacks find a jill and the chase is on. They tear around the fields and every so often when a jack catches up, a boxing match ensues.

This is started, not by the jack, but the jill as she puts him in his place. Eventually through exhaustion, the strongest suitor wins the prize to pass on his genes. We get the saying "mad as a March hare" from this ritual.

For our second event, I suggest Godmanchester Nature Reserve, or RSPB Fen Drayton and there the Great Crested Grebes will be paired up and performing their spectacular courtship display. It starts with synchronised head turning and bobbing. Then they both dive, bring up a beak full of weed and furious head shaking takes place as they simultaneously rise up and frantically tread water. The weed is then chucked away followed by more head shakes and bobbing.

I must confess to never being present at the right time to there is a challenge for me this spring. Why not make a late new year's resolution to get out into our countryside and observe these amazing spectacles for yourself.



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- 8 March - Meditation Seminar Sawtry
- 15 March - Seminar with Master Sken

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- Wednesdays 6pm, Martial Arts
- Thursdays 6pm, Martial Arts
- Thursdays 7pm, Yoga, Tai Chi & Meditation
- Sundays 9am, Yoga, Tai Chi & Meditation
- Sundays 10am, Beginners Martial Arts
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SAWTRY COLTS



Even that renowned pessimist, Eeyore, said "the best thing about rain is that it always stops. Eventually". I guess he was in Hundred Acre Wood then and not in Sawtry where, for the last six weeks, it just seems to have rained and rained and rained and rained and, well you get the picture. To that end, Greenfield has become more like a venue for water polo than football; still, there have been a few games played, mostly away from home for some teams, so here's what's been occurring as the say in Barry Island.

The Under 7 (U7) Blue Sox won three matches and lost one in the run up to Christmas scoring 24 and conceding 7 goals. Off the pitch, the boys enjoyed themselves at their Christmas outing to Inflatabounce.

The U9s have defeated FC Peterborough, Holme Blues, Yaxley, Park Farm, Whittlesey and Hampton scoring over 40 goals in the process. A solitary loss to a good Holme side has been their only reversal of late. The U10s had a tough match when they drew with Needingworth Blue before Christmas but have come out renewed in 2020 with victories over Ramsey and Needingworth Sky. The U11s had a fine win against Fenstanton before Christmas with a late solo goal sealing the win and had a more comfortable win against March after the New Year.

The U12s have only played the one match in the last six weeks where, at a windswept Greenfield, they came up against local rivals Stilton. It was a game of two halves with Stilton having the wind in the first half. Sawtry defended well and kept the half scoreless and then dominated the second half hitting the bar twice and bringing numerous saves from the keeper, as well as getting two goals to win the game. The U13 Yellows have played three matches; losing to Godmanchester and to the top two teams Buckden and Ramsey. The U14 Blues continued on their merry way with wins against Hungate, Thurlby, Glinton and Stamford scoring 24 and conceding just the two in the process. They sit at the top of the league with 7 wins from their 8 matches to date.

The U15 Blues picked up a good point sharing four goals with Little Paxton. They followed this up with narrow losses to Godmanchester and Gransden. The U15 Yellows, in the same league, have 6 league wins out of 6 with their latest victory, back in November, coming against Gransden. They were however knocked out of the cup going down narrowly 4-3 to Hemingford. The U16 Blues, on the other hand, are through to the next round of the cup with a solid 4-2 victory against Little Paxton. A 2-0 win against Caldecote and a disappointing 4-0 loss to St Ives complete their recent league results.

Fingers crossed that the wet winter weather will end soon and the Colts teams can get back to playing most of their home games at Greenfield again soon.

In the meantime if anyone new to the village is interested in playing football have a look at the new website - www.sawtrycoltsfc.co.uk - where you can find details of all the managers.

Brian Craig



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SAWTRY WALK TO RUN FOR EVERYONE - EVEN THOSE WHO THINK THEY CAN'T RUN!

As ever, it has been a busy couple of months for Sawtry Walk To Run. You may have seen 100 Santa's running round the village in December in an event that raised over £1000 for Hunt Community Cancer Network – thank you to everyone who supported that.

We are now delivering Half Marathon and Marathon training. We have seven runners in this year's London Marathon, one entering Vienna Marathon and one the Mont St. Michel Marathon in France plus lots of runners entering the Cambridge Half.

Our next beginners group starts on Sunday 5 April and we have a #runandtalk event on Thursday 6 February which is open to everyone and will raise Mental Health awareness. That starts with a walk or run from Lifestyles Sawtry at 7.15pm and continues with a quiz in The Greystones at 8pm.

Looking to the future, one of our coaches is currently undertaking a further qualification, which will mean we can offer sessions for kids including summer schools. We also have one eye in securing a running track – ambitious but possible we think!

More info by emailing Nona on nona19@live.co.uk
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SAWTRY GOLF SOCIETY

Recent News

Sadly, after the torrential rain we had in December our planned visit to Belton Woods was cancelled and re-scheduled for February.

January saw us back at Greetham Valley, it turned out to be a very tight affair with 2 points covering the top 5, Ada Baldry & Nick Bussey both posted a score of 35 points, with Ada winning on count back, equally Dan Cunningham and Dave Gadsby both posted scores of 34 points, Dan claimed 3rd place again on count back.

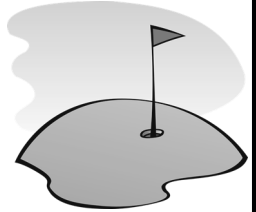
On the league front currently Vice Captain Nigel Keaveney leads the way with 166 points, 2 ahead of Micky Bosworth, with the rest of the pack very close behind.

Future Events

On 8 February we will be visiting Pidley Golf Course then on 22 February we have the re-scheduled trip to Belton Woods, 7 March is our annual 3 club challenge at Orton Golf Course and 4 April is one of our majors, we visit Thorp Wood Golf course then it's back to Sawtry Club for the Grand National to see who wins the Golf Society Sweep Stake.

Sawtry Golf Society accommodate local golfers from scratch to 54 handicap, we welcome all comers who enjoy a round of golf.

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



SAWTRY AND DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB

Despite no bowls there are still lots going on in the club. In December, we held our Christmas Bingo and our Christmas Lunch and prize draw. Both were well attended and enjoyed by all. My thanks to all those involved on the lunch day (or the week-end) for their help. A real team effort.

On reading this we will hopefully have had an equally enjoyable Burns Night when we pay our own homage to Robbie Burns. With haggis, whisky and bagpipes a plenty and the delights of people doing their best Scottish accents to entertain us with a story, poem or even a song!

Whilst we are still preparing our social calendar – more in the next addition – please note we will be holding the second of our 'London evening' with authentic London 'pie n mash' on Saturday 29 February – an opportunity for you girls to make an honest man of the old fellow!! More details will follow once arrangements have been confirmed.

Any Queries contact - Club Secretary Kevin Bowers - Tel No 01487 832854

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