

Village News Sheet

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Wishing you a Happy Christmas

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Jean and Tina at the Craft Favre

Lunch Club Celebrates

On Thursday 20th November, Belle Spoors was treated to a special five course meal for her birthday, cooked by Mary Daniels and the Lunch Club team of helpers. Belle, who was able to bring four guests to the lunch, was also treated to a birthday cake and basket of flowers. The Lunch Club has become over the many years it has run, an invaluable weekly event for those who live alone and wish to meet with others for a meal. These meals are provided by volunteers at a nominal cost and cater for about 40 people every week.

Many of these events are organised each year for members who are celebrating their 70th 80th or 90th Birthday. Now Mary and the team known as The PRIME TEAM, are looking forward to their Christmas Dinner to which friends

who help in one way or another are invited.

Craft Fayres 1985 - 1997

This year's event raised the wonderful sum of £2,600 for the Cancer Care Unit at Addenbrookes as well as £200 for the Day Centre and £100 for the Lunch Club.

In fact over the twelve years of the Craft Fayre a total of £38,775 has been raised for good causes. From 1985 - 1994 the Craft Fayre raised £30,000 for the Milton Hospice and in 1995, £3.025 was raised for the McMillan Nurses. In 1996 £2,600 was raised for MAGPAS, £100 for the Day Care Centre, £100 for the Lunch Club

and £50 for the Sensory Garden.
All this has been made possible by the dedicated efforts of Jean Bowyer and Tina Barker who after twelve years of organizing this huge event have decided to take a well earned

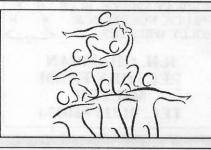
rest whilst they decide what to do next.

Jean and Tina would like to thank all the people in the village for their support over the years.

The Editors of the Village View would like to thank Tina and Jean for all their efforts and look forward to hearing about their next venture.

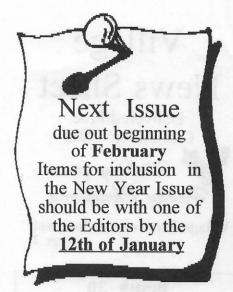


Members of the Lunch Club tucking into their five course meal



Supporting the community





Be prepared to be scared...

Following the great success of the storytelling around the brazier at Art in the Dark in Milton Country Park last November, South Cambs District Council are promoting Fright in the Night! on 30th November.

The storytelling circle will be the venue for spine chilling ghost stories, told by candlelight by two local storytellers from Tell-Tale Theatre in Education. Bring along your own spooky tales to tell as dusk falls...

The event is free and runs from 5 - 7pm. The cafe will be open and mulled wine will be available. This event is not suitable for the very young or easily scared! For further information about the event, contact Celia Bell on 01223 443006 or call the rangers on 01223 420060

This event is part of a whole weekend of storytelling events around the District.

Milton Ghost Stories

Do you have any ghost stories/ interesting stories to tell of Milton or the surrounding area? If so we would like to hear from you. It may be that if enough stories are collected a Milton Ghost walk/ Historical walk could be arranged.

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Jane Coston Tel. 861655

Milton and the Internet

When I first decided to move to Milton I looked in vain for information about the village on the Internet. The Internet is full of information about Cambridge but about Milton there was very little.

I was determined to do something about this and Jane Coston and I have been working on getting as much information about Milton as we can onto the Internet. The first fruits of this is a Web site about Milton. Here you can find: a brief introduction to Milton, the text of each issue of "Milton Village View" as it appears (and an archive of the last few issues), the complete list of phone numbers, clubs and organisations from Jim Daniels' excellent "What's On in Milton" guide (with updates), and bus timetables for buses to Cambridge. In the recent Parish Council by-election it also included an election address from each candidate. The URL of this site is http://www.the-hug.demon.co.uk/milton/

Some Milton organisations, companies and individuals also have Web pages, the Country Park, the Hospice, and Pi Group in Milton Hall for example. You'll find links to those pages on the Milton Web site. If you know of any other pages to which we don't have links please drop me some email and I'll add them.

In the future the Parish Council have been offered Web space by the County Council so Jim Daniels is hoping to put the council on the Web. This is in its early stages at the moment but I hope we'll be seeing the same information that appears on the council noticeboards (eg: minutes of council meetings) on the Web.

Finally there are some other resources on the Internet which you may find of interest. The best guide to the Web sites about Cambridge and the surrounding area is run by Keith Edkins at URL

http://www.gwydir.demon.co.uk/cambridgeuk/ There are also a number of newsgroups where issues relating to Cambridge and its surrounding villages are discussed. These are: cam.announce, cam.misc and cam.transport. The latter has seen much discussion of the proposed Milton cycleway and the new bollards.

Paul Oldham email: poldham@cix.co.uk

http://www.the-hug.demon.co.uk/paul/

"[Editor's note: apologies to those who do not have a computer and/or aren't on the Internet yet to whom the above makes little or no sense, but it will interest those who arel"



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Following the success of last years concert we anticipate that tickets could be limited and advise people to purchase them as soon as possible. Tickets cost £4.00, children 15 or under £2.00 and are available from Shapers or Cambridge Building Society,

Milton.

Calling all Nannies

I am a nanny working in Milton. I care for an 8 month old and a 6 year old (both boys). I am keen to meet other nannies in the area with children of similar ages.

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At the storytelling circle
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FROSTY THE SNOWMAN

Milton Community Centre
Sunday 21st December 7pm
Tickets: £2 Adult, £1 Children
(Children must be accompanied by
an adult)
Contact: Jim Daniels at the

Contact: Jim Daniels at the Community Centre. Tel: 861447

Whist Drive

Xmas Whist Drive will be on Tuesday December 16 and as usual we shall endeavour to provide a prize for everybody. For £1.50 it is a very good evening.

Put it in your diary.
Mary Daniels

MILTON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (A Registered Charity)

Dates For Your Diary

Barn Dance Saturday 31st January 1998

Quiz Night Friday 27th February 98

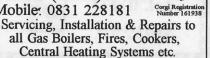
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During the 2nd World War there were three young Sailors serving on H.M.S. Vanoc, a Royal Naval Destroyer, under the Command of Western Approaches, Liverpool, engaged in escort duties in The Battle of the Atlantic.

The sailors became best friends and through war-time marriages, eventually formed a close family unit, which has happily survived to this day.

The three friends, Fred, Walter and John became brothers-in-law, when Fred married me, Walter married my sister and John married Fred's sister.

Over the last three years we have all celebrated our Golden Wedding Anniversary. Between us we have ten children and 27 Grandchildren.

We have remained close friends over the 56 years since we all met. We have shared the hard times and the good times and always supported one another.

Attitudes towards marriage seemed to have changed over the last few years and I wonder how many couples will be celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary in the Twenty First Century.

Iris Chilton

Parish Minutes of the Past

55 years ago - 23 September 1942
The Chairman advised that Mrs.
Goodin of Fen Road would be celebrating her 100th birthday on 19
October and a letter of congratulations would be sent.

50 years ago - 2nd December 1947 It was agreed to ask the Planning and Building Committee (Village Hall and Recreation ground) to organise a social event at some convenient date and devote the proceeds to the British United Aid to China.

Research - M Spooner

The Millenium Committee

The Millenium Committee hope to have their first meeting within the next few weeks. Rev. Ian Cowley has now joined the group but we still need more members to make sure this group is successful. If you are interested please phone Jane Coston Tel. 861655

News From 'the Friends Of Milton Country Park'



The leaves are now changing colour and Winter approaches, but there is always something happening in Milton Country Park.

In October, we had two short illustrated talks, attended by a couple of dozen members. The first by Dr. Derek BOOTH was about Wild Boar, then, after refreshments Dr. Norma CHAPMAN on the Muntjac Deer. Both talks were very informative and enlightening. Just a pity the audience was not larger!

Again in October, the 'Friends' held their annual barbecue. After a hot supper of baked potatoes, meats and salad followed by crumble and cream, the sixteen of us set out around the Park for a short walk hoping to see some of the night life. I think the wildlife heard us coming almost as soon as we left the Visitor Centre and started to stumble around in the darkness. No moon that night. Never mind, we managed to walk down our meal. Back in the Visitor Centre, Malcolm set up a couple of short quizzes. Altogether, a most enjoyable evening.

In addition to our normal sales goods, for the run up to Christmas, there will be cards, wrapping paper and a few gifts available in the Centre at weekends.

Please don't forget to feed the birds this Winter, Wild Bird Food, Soft Bill Food, Peanuts and Peanut Feeders are for sale in the Visitor Centre. If you would like a quantity delivered to your home, please give me a ring (515750) and I will organise it.

On 3rd January 1998, the 'Friends' will be holding a New Year Walk, it will be about five miles. A chance to walk off a few pounds! Please check the notice boards in the Park and around the village for more details.

Finally, thinking ahead to our AGM. Do YOU enjoy the Park? Would you be willing to help on the 'Friends' Committee? The AGM is in March, if you are interested in helping us, please let me know.

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Milton Primary School



Brian Ogden talking to Class 3

Brian Ogden came to the school. He makes stories about Maximus Mouse and told us one in assembly. In our classroom Brian Ogden got a puppet called James the elephant out of his bag. It made a trumpety noise. James didn't go to school. That's why he couldn't read. He fell in to the water because he couldn't read a sign that said 'Danger'. Kate the snake, Brian the lion, Brenda the zebra and Priscilla the gorilla all helped him. At the end James went to school.

Brian Ogden gave us some bookmarks, and a poster for the classroom.

We enjoyed it. By Class 3



Netball

In October the Netball Club had a visit from a local coach who gave them lots of skill practice and taught us how to play high-fives netball. This is a game for 5 players on each team who then rotate positions developing better all-round players.

Football

During the last half-term the school football team has been trained by one of the Cambridge United players and this has enhanced their team spirit. On a weekly basis he has trained a group of 30 children from Years 4, 5 and 6 and taught them the rudimentary skills of being a footballer. Already they are gelling into a team and are ready to face their first match which will be before Christmas, weather permitting. All the children benefited from these sessions and the school are hoping to repeat the exercise in the near future to the benefit of school football.

My School Days

When one looks at Milton School of to-day, the size of it, the numerous class rooms, and lovely big hall, one wonders how any of us made it to adulthood, parenthood, and owned our own houses but we did, and did it very well I would say. We never heard so much about A levels and University as at present, trying for these high grades must be hard. Our School was built in 1836 and closed in 1958. It was situated in Fen Road, there was one little room with a coal fire for the infants, with a little porch with pegs for coats, there was a sliding door into the big room, where there were two classes, with pipes all round the bottom of the wall, you were lucky if you sat near them, there was a wooden built cloakroom and a smaller one. The toilets were out of this world, not the sort you would want to sit in for long, but the children did congregate in them as I remember. One small play ground, and the front one a bit larger. There was also a stoke hole. where the fire was lit to heat the pipes. I did not really enjoy my school days, but then again I did not dislike them. I think I tolerated them.

If any one who went to school in those days, thinks I have got it all wrong please put a bit in the next Village View.

Mary Burling THAT WAS

40 Years of Milton Primary School

Milton Primary School will be 40 years old next year and we intend, with your help, to feature articles relating to either the old school which was in Fen Road (not Old School Lane as one would expect!) or the new school in Butt Lane when it was first opened.

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Jane Coston Tel 861655







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Other developments

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The Government has made a pledge to ban the advertising of tobacco products and sports sponsorship.

In 1996, Guernsey became the first place in the UK to impose a ban on advertising, as part of a package of tobacco measures. Guernsey also raised the legal age of sale of cigarettes from 16 to 18 years.

Achievements

The target set for the proportion of supermarkets and petrol stations was met, 34 being awarded in the district.

18 complaints have been registered by Trading Standards.

Approximately 30 requests for further information from national organisations have been met.

Numerous articles in national magazines.

For more information contact:

Jenny Maine, Project Worker - Illegal Sales. Tel. 01480 415237

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Puzzle Corner

The puzzle last month presented few problems - probably because there were one or two different answers!

The solution was:

The missing letter was 'H' and the words were:

HANDY; SHAPE (also acceptable were HEAPS and PHASE); CHAIR and FROTH (or FORTH)

Equally acceptable was 'C' with the words CANDY; SPACE; CIRCA and

All the entries were put into the hat and first out was Mrs. E. Wenham of Benet Close, who wins the cut and blow dry at Karens Hair Studio. The second prize was won by Mrs P. Froment also of Benet Close.

Congratulations to the prize winners and commiserations to all the entrants who submitted correct entries.

NEW PUZZLE

The puzzle for this issue has a seasonal nature. Here are 10 anagrams of some popular Pantomimes. All you have to do is identify the Pantomimes:

- BEE WINS BAD HOOT
- 2 I RECALL NED
- 3 HERO GOT SOME
- 4 KID THING TWIN COT
- 5 DIAL DAN
- PAPER TEN
- DELTA THANKS BACK JEAN
- OR BIN SOON CURES 8
- 9 WHO SEWN IT
- 10 SONS SOB UP IT

A special prize of a 10 - 12lb turkey ready for Christmas, generously donated by Pete's Quality Meats of Arbury Road will be the first prize in this months competition and the runner up will win £5.

Please send your entries by the 18th of December to Michael Spooner 43a Old School Lane, Milton, Cambridge CB4 6BS.

Come and Join Our Netball Club!

Come and give netball a try on Tuesday evening at the floodlit courts near the Community Centre.

We have two teams: one in the 2nd Division and one in a lower division of the South Cambs. League so we cater for all abilities. We have a thriving netball club with age groups from 16 years upwards (I won't say how upwards!) Anyone and everyone are welcome (although men are not allowed to play league netball!)

We are looking for someone to coach us - even on a one-off basis and would be prepared to pay for this - so if you are interested in coaching/umpiring (male or female), please ring Charlotte.

Interested in any of the above?

Ring Charlotte Collen on 01223 503741.

Just For Fun

Puzzle

Try your hand at this puzzle. It will get you in training for a future issue. I'll give the solution in the next issue.

ISLE FEND [LANE CURT [DIME SLUG [**OPEN** CLOP [J HALE SLIP ARTS ORES [ICES

Change the second letter of each word to the left and the right. Two other English words must be formed. Place the letter used in the empty space and when all the empty spaces have been completed, another English word can be read down. What is the word?

M Spooner

The Connections Bus Project

The Connections Bus Project is a mobile youth project which works in villages around North Cambridge (Girton, Oakington, Milton, Histon, Waterbeach, Willingham). It is currently looking for people to sit on its committee, with a view to taking on roles such as Secretary and Chairperson. To find out more about the project or if you are interested in

joining the committee, please ring Steve Whyatt on 01223 237402 or Judy Sweetman on 01223 235902.

Can You Spare A Few Hours Occasionally?

CAMTAD, the Cambridge Campaign for Tackling Acquired Deafness helps hard of hearing people by advising on aids to hear television, telephone and doorbell. They issue equipment on behalf of Social Services and over the years many people have been helped.

CAMTAD has been allocated a small amount of money to follow up on the use of this equipment, to ensure it is in use and if so that the person realises the full potential of its use. We need people willing to learn about these simple pieces of equipment to support the clients in their use. A mileage allowance is available but normally volunteers would work in their own area. This is a very practical worthwhile project.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with our hearing aid retubing project that visits housebound clients in their homes.

If you are interested in either of these worthwhile ventures, require hearing help advice or wish to know more about the charity please telephone CAMTAD on Cambridge 460616, preferably in the mornings.

Charity Scrabble

Our monthly scrabble evenings for the year have finished till January 1998 when a trophy will be presented to the winner, but in November we shall have our Annual Charity Scrabble when the winner will name his or her charity. There are nibbles and prizes on offer.

ARMY LANDIES.

Womens' Institute

'The Life of a Shepherd', followed by a Ploughmans Supper was a very pleasant October meeting. The competition, an animal made from a vegetable led to some very interesting exhibits. The W.I. is not an old persons organisation as is sometimes thought, we do all sorts of crafts. outings and demonstrations. Twice a year there is a council meeting where all the W.I's meet, and there is always a very very good speaker. We have a good attendance at Milton, but are always hoping to welcome new members.

M. Daniels

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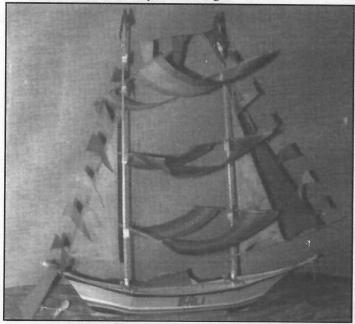
Mandy Scarborough,

Richard Smith,

Jane Coston,

Tony Stubbings,

John Coston



One of the special kites. A silk sailing ship owned by Tony Stubbings

Milton Kite Flyers Club have now had their first meeting. Kites of all shapes and sizes will be flying locally by special permission of a landowner. It is a great hobby and can be as cheap or as expensive as you like. Some kites are home made and others are specialist stunt kites. Home made kites include ten foot diameter coloured circles, kites the colour of a rainbow with 60ft tails and tassels, kites with lights that flash at night and silver UFO kites. Some kites are used for launching toy parachutes which climb up the stretched out cord of a large single line kite and then by a clever mechanism release a parachute when the mechanism reaches the top of the line. The launching mechanism then slides back down the kite ready to send up the next parachuted toy. Some of you may have seen teddies at local fetes being launched in this way.

This hobby is followed by many who live in the village and now the club has been launched interest is growing. All of the fliers are over 14 and most are over 30!

It's great fun.

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