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Last Chance to Collect Your FREE Millennium Book

<u>Last day for collection</u> of the Millennium Book is Monday 12th December after which all spare copies will be sold.

Copies can be collected from 67 Coles Road on Sunday 9th December from 2pm - 4pm and Wednesday 12th December 6 - 8pm.

Beating the Retreat and Sunset Ceremony

Milton Branch R.A.F. Association

I would like to thank those people who supported the Beating The Retreat and Sunset Ceremony that took place on Sunday, 23rd September, which turned out to be an enjoyable and successful evening. As a result arrangements are in place to hold this event on Sunday 15th September, 2002 details of which will be announced later. It is also hoped that the residents of Milton will come along not only to support this but to give encouragement to the Cadets of the Air Training Corps. We are also pleased to announce that The Band of the Royal Air Force Regiment will give a Concert in the Guildhall, Cambridge on Sunday, 3rd March, 2002, commencing at 7pm. Admission by ticket only will be £7.50 in advance and can be obtained from me at 32. Coles Road, Milton. Cheques payable to RAFA Milton Branch. Finally I am pleased to announce that a total £1,5524 was raised for the Wings Appeal.

Dickie Bird

Thanks must go to Dickie for organising such a wonderful event - Editors

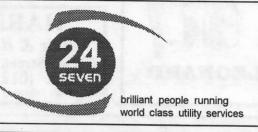


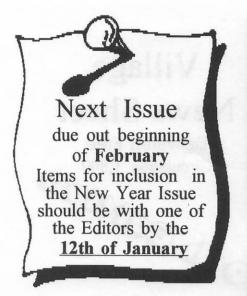
Milton Suffers Worst Flooding for Many Years

The river broke its banks again in October this year and for the first time in many years, flooding appeared on the village side of the railway and flooded old farm buildings in Fen Road to knee height.

Harold Easy, local resident, remembers that during the 1930's when he was a lad the High Street and Butt Lane was flooded to wellington boot top height and many of the homes in these roads were flooded. It is known that boats were used to get to the bakers which at that time was in the High Street just beyond the Waggon and Horses.

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Thank you

To all my dear friends in the village. I would like to thank you all so much for the lovely cards, flowers and plants. Thank you to all who enquired after me during my stay in hospital, it was all very much appreciated and helped me with a speedy recovery knowing how many kind friends I have.

I am very lucky to live in a village with so many lovely caring people.

Thank you all once again.

Love Shirley Proctor

11 Years and 50 Editions - Quiz

We are grateful for the continuing support of our advertisers. Do you know which advertisers supported our very first edition and are still advertising with us today? Answer on page 7.

Christmas Whist Drive

The 21st Christmas Whist Drive will be held on Tuesday 18th December at Milton Community Centre. Admission £1.50, lots of seasonal prizes, hopefully everyone will receive a prize.

Mary Daniels





Tang Soo Do Karate

Black belt at last

There was a 36 year age gap between Michael Hanslip (14) and yours truly at the belt grading evening held at Longstanton on 5 October. However, this proved no handicap for either of us as we were both successful in our quest for first Dan status.

Michael is now the youngest black belt in the club and I am one of the oldest! Two other club members, Laura Pugh (17) and Michael Langley (15) also achieved the same grade on that evening.

It took all four of us at least five years of hard training to achieve first Dan and it is now our job to help train others who are following on behind. If you would like to see what it's all about, the club meets in the Community Centre on Wednesday evenings at 6:30. Everyone is most welcome.

Paul Capitain



Remembrance Day draws largest crowd

Millennium Book cont'd from Page 1

May we thank those who have helped us with the book since its publication; Patsi Harradine for her careful calligraphy numbering the 300 special edition hardback copies, Lynne Twinn for all her support and help with orders of the paperback and everyone else who has helped with the distribution of the book.

All those who have had their names on the waiting list for a paper back can call for their copy on the 9th or 12th of December. Copies of the Special Edition numbered hardback books are still available at the moment at £12.50 each. Why not purchase a copy for a Christmas present? Contact Jane on Tel. 861655 or Hazel on 860752.

Many of the books have now been collected and we are thankful for the offers of help to deliver the remaining copies. If you would be willing to deliver up to 6 copies within your road, we would be pleased to hear from you.

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17th December 2001

7.30 p.m. Start

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at

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Milton WI Programme

11th December 2001 Christmas Party

Competition - Make a Christmas card 15th January 2002

'An evening with Bill Watts & his special poetry'

Competition - write a short poem

50th Cambridge Scout Group

Jumble Sale

Saturday 16th March 2002 at 2:30 pm Milton Community Centre

Admission 20p

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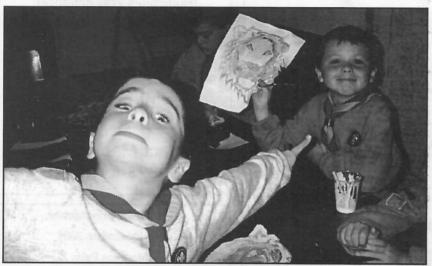
The Scout Movement is a modern, vibrant and forward thinking organisation offering young people an attractive, exciting and worthwhile pastime. It is the world's largest mixed youth organisation. In the United Kingdom over half a million people experience

the fun and friendship of modern Scouting in 10,000 Groups.

Records indicate that Scouting started in Milton around 1921 and over the following 40 or so years ceased and reformed on numerous occasions. The present Group, formally known as the 50th Cambridge (Milton & Landbeach), was registered in May 1964 and has continued to go from strength to strength. It is currently one of the numerically strongest Groups in the Cambridge area offering a wide range of activities to over 80 boys from six to eighteen years of age. At present we do not take in girls because they are well catered for by our sister Movement, The Guides, and we have a large enough waiting list of boys eager to join!

Why, you may ask, do you have a waiting list? The answer is quite simple - if we had more adult help we could accept more boys (and possibly girls!). However as things stand we really do not have sufficient adults to support the present number of boys. It is a fact that we may soon have to impose further restrictions on boys joining

or even close down a section.



Beavers craft session

How can YOU help?

We URGENTLY need more uniformed Leaders and Helpers to assist with the weekly meetings and activities. Full training will be provided for these voluntary, but very rewarding roles. You do not have to have wide ranging experiences or skills – just plenty of enthusiasm and a desire to help young people. You can give as much or as little time as you choose.

If you are interested or wish to know more then please contact me by telephone, e-mail or letter. Without your help Scouting may no longer flourish in Milton.

Rob Farrington Group Scout Leader To find out more about the many worthwhile and exciting opportunities to help Scouting in Milton, please contact:

Training Sections

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What do we do in the Sections?

Beaver Scouts are the youngest section (6 - 8 years) and their motto is Fun and Friendship. They meet on Monday evenings from 6.15 to 7.30pm and activities are a combination of learning and having fun. Simple crafts which help develop their co-ordination, playing team games to give them an idea of working together and occasional outings all form part of the weekly programme.

Cub Scouts (8 to 10 years) meet on Friday nights from 6.15 to 7.45pm. Their programme is based on the themes of discovering, thinking, sharing and making friends. This is reflected in a wide range of indoor and outdoor activities that include games, crafts, challenges, visits, outings and of course camping.

Scouts also meet on Friday nights from 7.45 to 9.30pm and currently cater for the 10 to 16 age group, but they will shortly be divided into two sections -Scouts (10 –14 years) and Explorer Scouts (14 to 18 years). Training activities for both the sections are about ACTION and INVOLVEMENT and mean more

than just camping. Hiking, rock climbing, sailing, pioneering, canoeing, abseiling, karting, putting on shows, photography, electronics - the list is endless. Scouts are also given the chance to learn skills in survival, cooking and first aid. The highlights of the year are usually the Summer and Autumn camps when many of these activities and skills come together.



Cubs cooking sausages on camp fire

And finally.....

Scouting is a progressive youth organisation and has adapted to meet the needs of the young people in the 21st century. We have recently adopted a new corporate logo and more modern uniforms are now appearing after a lengthy consultation period with members countrywide. A completely new training programme will shortly be implemented in all the sections. We aim to give Scouting a high profile in Milton and as such the Group is involved in many community activities. We thank residents for their support at our fund raising events - all monies raised help to provide better Scouting for our young people. All we ask for now is a little of your valuable time as a Leader, Helper or Instructor. Rob Farrington

MILTON COMMUNITY MINI-BUS

Milton Parish Council; Milton Community Centre, Milton Scout Group and Edmund House Group of Homes have joined together in partnership, to provide and manage a Community Mini-bus, for the benefit of the village. They are currently applying for a 75 per-cent grant from the Countryside Agency to purchase a new 17 seat mini-bus.

Considerable support has already been given by the many clubs and organisations in the village. So that we can further assess the needs of the village please contact the following for more information or to express your interest in using the service .: .

Clerk to Milton Parish Council on 861447 or

Chairman to Parish Council on 860620. The overall cost of the project will be nearly £40,000 to provide a new 17 seater (including driver) mini-bus, with disabled access, and the infrastructure to manage the service.

The owners of the mini-bus will be the Milton Community Centre Charity and it will be garaged in the Scouts Building in Coles Road.

The only charge for use of the mini-bus to

help cover all the costs will be in the region of 50p to 70p per mile.

To persuade the Countryside Agency that we have a viable scheme we are preparing the business plan AND THIS IS WHERE YOU CAN HELP US BY LETTING US KNOW OF YOUR NEEDS

Milton Community Mini-bus Working Group Jane Coston - County Councillor Rob Farrington - Milton Community Centre Ian May -Edmund House Bob Pain - Milton Scouts Bob Waters - Milton Parish Council

'Exposed by the trowel'

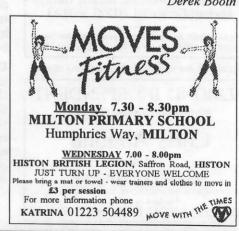
Continuing our passage through time and removing the layers of soil with our trowels, we begin to find an increasing number of artefacts around the parish for the period following the Neolithic i.e. when metal was first worked in the Bronze Age (1800 - 650 BC) and iron in the Iron Age (650 BC - 43 AD). During the Bronze Age worked flints were widely used but found with bronze implements ranging from spears and swords to knives, chisels, tweezers and rings; a large hoard was found near Nuffield Road just outside the parish. On the site of Barnabas Court, the Cambridge University Archaeological Unit revealed that Bronze Age people were here digging ditches and pits perhaps for some ritual purpose.

In Milton, most evidence for Bronze and particularly Iron Age activity has arisen from a series of excavations carried out by the County Archaeological Field Unit during the 1990's on land south of Butt Lane (opposite Sun Close Farm) that was destined for the expansion of the land-fill site. Ditches, pottery sherds (brown with shell and grit inclusions), domestic animal bones, some metal objects and post holes (for round huts), were found indicating the presence of temporary Bronze and Iron Age farm settlements. On a site near to the Mere Way, parallel ditches running north-south appear to be Iron Age features used for drainage, irrigation or special crop growing. These sites may have been associated with the large Iron Age ringwork, Arbury Camp which lies in a field in the triangle between the A14, King's Hedges Road and Histon Road. The Celts of Arbury and Milton were soon to be under siege from Rome! Any finds please report first to Jim Daniels Tel/Fax 861447 or E-mail: clerk@miltonvillage.org

Derek Booth







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Parish Council **November Report**

Edmund Green - Council agreed to name the piece of land on the corner of The Rowans and Cambridge Road as Edmund Green.

Minibus - The community minibus project continues to move forward.

Butt Lane - The County Council propose to put double yellow lines on both sides at the junction of Butt Lane and High Street (where no one should park anyway!). Council agreed to ask that this be extended up Butt Lane.

Trolleys - Council agreed to back request by resident in the Sycamores for Tesco to do something to stop their trolleys leaving the store's car park.

Planning - The only planning application in the village was an application for additional transmitters for the Tetra secure radio system on the mast behind Milton Hall which was approved before the meeting under delegated powers. Council objected to an application for changes to a building on the Science Park (unsightly flue stacks, no info on emissions).

Trees - Council agreed to a recommendation by the cemetery committee to fell three dying trees at the front of the cemetery and to a recommendation from the play committee to replace the broken robin (on a spring) in one of the play areas with an elephant on a spring.

Vandalism - Vandalism continues to be a problem with two attacks on the pavilion on Sycamores Rec last week (Wednesday and Friday, neither being a night the youth club was meeting). Graffiti has been painted on the walls, windows broken, drainpipes broken and rubbish bins destroyed. The bins alone cost over £200 a time.

If you or your children have any information please contact Parkside 358966 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555

Millennium Book - Five hundred copies have already been collected. Feedback from recipients has been very positive apart from comments about the cost coming from your pockets via the council tax (not true, the book is being financed by sponsorship and grants from other

Daffodil Planting - Jane Coston and her team of helpers plant some every year for the Parish Council - you may have noticed those at the entrances to the village and along the side of some of the roads. This year two sacks have already been planted and there are still six sacks of daffodils to plant around the village and volunteers are needed.

Paul Oldham

Travellers at Landbeach Road

Local residents have been concerned about the travellers who parked at the end of Landbeach Road during August and as a result asked Milton Parish Council to consider 'stopping up' the disused part of the road. The Highways Committee discussed this and decided not to take any further action at this stage for the following reasons:

There were difficulties in stopping up the road: Council would have to meet the cost of stopping up the road. Owners of the land on both sides would each take over half of the road into their ownership. There was considerable doubt as to who owned the land on the western side -Caius College, County Council or developers of the housing north of Butt Lane. The College of West Anglia owned the eastern side and possibly would welcome increasing its site. Council were asking for a footpath/cycle path link to the cemetery. Stopping up could pose a problem for this proposed path.

Jim Daniels

Anglian Water - Sewage Smells

As reported in the last Village View councillors were contacting various people about the smells from the sewage works. Anglian Water has recently replied to the Parish Council as below:

From time to time odours do emanate from sewage treatment works and the sewer network. Recently it has been apparent that odours have been present around the area of Cambridge STW, and I would like to assure you that we recognise this problem and are currently working towards solving it.

...... If you wish to visit the works, I can explain more clearly the nature of the current problem and the progress we have

Note - Councillors are in the process of arranging a visit to the site.

Water Meadows for Waterbeach Would you like to help fundraise for a

new nature reserve and open space in Waterbeach? Waterbeach Parish Council are keen to make the most of an opportunity to buy 50 acres of land between the railway and the river at Clayhithe. The land has been part of the County Farms estate and contains part of Car Dyke Scheduled Ancient Monument, as well as some pollarded willows and is classified as a County Wildlife Site.

The land is ideally suited to create wet meadows, similar to those at Granchester, alongside the Millennium Wood.

There will be an open meeting on Tuesday 15th January at 7.30pm in the Pavillion, Waterbeach Recreation Ground for anyone who'd like to be involved. If you would like more information please contact Cllr Jane Coston 01223 861655 or Claire Ferry 01223 717699.

PUZZLE CORNER

Lots of all-correct entries were sent in for the Village anagram puzzle last month. They were all put into the hat and the first two drawn out were from Daphne Linsey of the Sycamores and Mary Daniels of Bene't Close. Our congratulations to both of these ladies who have each received a prize.

The correct answers were:

- 1. Bassingbourn 2. Barrington
- 3. Woodwalton 4. Old Weston
- 5. Wyboston 6. Great Paxton
- 7. Srtapleford 8. Elsworth
- 9. Offord Cluny 10. Broughton

The puzzle for this issue will, as usual, reward the winner with a turkey, which will be delivered before Christmas. This turkey, like those in previous years has been generously donated by **PETE'S MEATS** of Arbury Road Cambridge.

So put your thinking caps on and send in the answers by 21 December.

The puzzle is a word search and you have to find 10 things associated with Christmas. They can run up or down, backwards, forwards or diagonally. The first all correct entry drawn out of the hat on 21 December wins the turkey! There will also be a runners up prize. Send your answers to me at 43a Old School Lane Milton.

Michael Spooner

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

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Foodbank

Sunday 23rd December
8am Holy Communion
10.30 am All Age Worship
5.30 pm Evening Prayer
7pm Worship Teaching and Ministry

CHRISTMAS EVE

3pm Starting Blocks Special Christmas Service "Christmas Cheer" A service for under 5's and their families Followed by activities and Refreshments in the hall

Midnight Holy Communion 11.30 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY 8 am Holy Communion 10.30 am All Age Communion

New Apostolic Church

Festive Events

9th Dec 10.30am - Morning Service combined with Advent/Carol Singing 25th Dec 10.30am - Christmas Service 31st Dec 7pm - End of Year Service 1st Jan 10.30 - New Years Day Service

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Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church

31st December 1900. As midnight struck the congregation at Landbeach Baptist Church bowed in silent prayer. The choir sang softly the hymn 'There are angels hovering around.' After the passing into the New Year, the friends from Landbeach and Milton joined heartily in the singing of F.B. Havergil's 'Take my life and let it be.' The Baptist churches at Landbeach and Milton have had many links over the years. William Adams (Farmer), Thomas Unwin (Builder) and Moses Goodin (Taylor) of Milton are named on the 1854 Trust Deeds of the Church at Landbeach. It would appear that Messrs Unwin and Piggot of Milton built Landbeach and other Baptist Churches in the area. Families that have linked Milton to the Baptist Church at Landbeach in the past have been; Bull, Froment and Spalding. Between 1900 and 1904 the churches at Landbeach and Milton were united under the ministry of Mr Spanton and then they shared the ministry of the Rev Green.'

The name of the church was changed in 1999 to reflect the history and the continuing connection with Milton, as now there are families that live in Milton that attend the church.

*Taken from Landbeach Baptist Church A History by the Rev Sheila Martin. Available from M. Franklin price £4.00.

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Frank Burling

The village has recently lost one of its last remaining original characters. Frank Burling, born and bred in Milton. died on 17 November

aged 77.

For many years he was involved with the Milton branch of the Royal British Legion but is probably best remembered for his sporting activities in the village and further afield.

Locally, he was a founder member of the village cricket club when it was reformed in the 1960s. He served for many years as its secretary and latterly president. Frank also played in goal for the village football team in the late 1940s and early1950s.

Milton Football Team 1949-50



Standing left to right - Harry Norman Don Pearson **Doug Gaunt** Harry Missing George Harris Fred Burling Frank Burling Ray (Tip) Bradnam Front - Charles Daniels Vic Carter Vic Reeves Eric Hurst **Authur Lucas** Steve Lucas P Mackenzie

On a wider front he was the current chairman of the Cambs Cricket Association. He was one of the region's top soccer referees and a Football League linesman during the 1960s and officiated at many top matches. These included the 1962 Charity Shield between Tottenham and Ipswich and the 1966 European clash between Athletico Madrid and Borussia Dortmund.

Frank was a wonderful organiser with an exceptional eye for detail. Whether he was preparing his prize tomatoes for the local vegetable show or making behind-the-scenes arrangements for a local event, everything had to be just right and nothing was left to chance. He always had an amusing tale to tell and saw the funny side of any situation. His humorous observations of ordinary people going about their everyday lives were legendary. Milton owes much to Frank for his major contributions to village life over the past half century. He will be greatly missed. Paul Capitain

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