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Country Park Meeting

Over 100 people attended a meeting in the Visitors Centre to air their views on the future of the park.

South Cambridgeshire District Council at present manage Milton Country Park but budget cuts are causing them to look for possible savings and ideas for increasing income from the park.

At the meeting held on January 22nd, after listening to a short presentation, members of the public suggested a range of income generating ideas for the park including educational use, caravanning and better use of the visitors centre.

Concerns were also raised about charging for parking as visitors may then be tempted to park in local roads and car parks.

Another concern was that the District Council had discussed the possibility of selling off land at the park for housing but the meeting was assured there were no plans to do any building in the way of housing.

The Cambridge branch of the charity Mencap expressed an interest at the end of the meeting in possibly taking over the running of the park.

The Cambridge Sport Lakes

Planning Application

will be available

in the Bowls Pavilion, Coles Road

Saturday 11th Feb 10am - 12 noon

and Thursday 16th Feb 6 - 7.30pm

Please come along and look at the plans

Parish Councillors will be available

to hear your views

Enquiries: Jim Daniels, Clerk to Milton Parish Council

Tel. 01223 861447



Meeting in the park

Photo - Paul Oldham

Cambridge Sport Lakes

Planning Permission Application

On the 10th January 2006, the Trustees of Cambridge Sport Lakes submitted a new application for planning permission to create the 95.1 hectare multi-sport park with lakes and water storage.

The new plans show a very large expanse of water comprising a training lake, competition lake and storage lake. The training lake starts approximately half way between the A14 and Baits Bite Lock, Milton and runs into the competition lake which ends near Car Dyke Road, Waterbeach.

The main facilities include:

- 3.2 km of quality water, connected to the River Cam and including a 2 km long international standard competition course at least 100m wide.
- A triathlon facility suitable for day-to-day training and hosting all levels of competition.
- A 3-mile long cycle circuit built to international competition standards.
- A combined competition and training BMX track.
- · A lake stocked with fish for angling.
- A network of cycle paths connecting to Cambridge and Milton Country Park.

· Educational and nature trails.

The Lakes are designed to attract a wide range of paying customers to give a sustainable operating business plan and ensure that fees are accessible to all. Special events and competitions will add to the varied and vibrant atmosphere and bring more than 20,000 visitors to the park each year. Any trading surplus will be put towards educational programmes and the enhancement of facilities. The present application follows the refusal of a planning application submitted in 1993 for the creation of a park and rowing lake. As a considerable period has elapsed since the original application was granted conditional approval, the Environmental Statement could no longer be relied upon. Consequently, the current submission reflects the enhanced scheme with a new Environmental Statement. The current application will be dealt with by the Development Services Department of South Cambridgeshire District Council. A decision is expected in late spring of 2006.

More details of the Cambridge Sport Lakes planning application can be found on their website at: www.cambridgesportlakes.org.uk



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Milton W.I. 80th Anniversary

In November Milton W.I. celebrated their 80th anniversary. Our federation chairman, Jean Coxall was there to celebrate with us along with several other visitors.

Helen West came and entertained us, she was great.

Our anniversary cake was cut by Peggy Cowell (president), and longest serving member Mary Daniels.

Our competition was a flapper style headband.

We would welcome any new members. *Peggy Cowell*

Milton W.I meet at the Community Centre, Coles Road on the 3rd Tuesday in the month at 7.30pm

Farewell to Brown Owl

On Wednesday 14th December, 1st Milton Brownies bade a fond farewell to Brown Owl, Elisabeth Moule

Elisabeth has given more than 23 years of loyal service to 1st Milton Brownies, first as an assistant Guider and then, 7 years later, as Brown Owl

A number of Guiding colleagues, past and present, joined in celebrating her hard work, commitment and dedication and in wishing her all the very best in her "early retirement"

The following poem was read:

The Brownie's lament

1st Milton Brownies are losing Brown Owl It makes us so sad we all want to howl

But we're being selfish as Elisabeth has proved After 20+ years of us, she's ready to make a move

We hope she won't forget us and
we will keep on Guiding
But want to tell her, from all of
us, not to go into hiding

Her words of wisdom will be missed, her dedication too So think of us occasionally and we will think of you

We hope you have a peaceful spell and enjoy your time of rest Just want to say from all of us that you are one of the best

Thank you Elisabeth for all you've done for Guiding in Milton.

From all your Guiding friends



Mary Daniels and Peggy Cowell cutting the anniversary cake

Buses every 10 minutes from Milton through to Addenbrookes

The New Citi 2 bus service timetable shows buses every 10 minutes from Milton and Chesterton to the city centre, Mill Road and Addenbrooke's and back from early morning to early evening (peak hours).

For more information on this new bus service or a timetable contact: Stagecoach Customer services on 01223 423578 or visit their web site: www.stagecoachbus.com

Milton Summer fayre

We would like to start by wishing you all a very happy new year and a thank you from all the Summer Fayre Committee. It was so nice and very much appreciated to read and hear your comments about last years event in the October edition of the Village View but it was also with the support from you - the village people that helped to make it such a success. Lets hope we can do the village proud again this year.

We are already busy planning for this years event, but if there are any enthusiastic people out there with offers of help or ideas we would love to hear from them. So please do not keep them to yourself, come and share them with any of the committee members so we can make this years fayre fun, lively and as successful as the last one.

Date for your diary:-

This years summer fayre will be held on Sunday 9th July 2006.

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Refreshments available

The Royal Air Force Association Milton Branch Presents a band concert performed by

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to be held at The University Music Centre, West Road, Cambridge

> Friday 19th May 2006 Commencing at 7.30pm

Tickets in advance including programme £10, on the night £12 Free car parking - bar available. For tickets - contact H. Bird, 32 Coles Road, Milton, Cambridge or telephone 01223 721369 Cheques made payable to R.A.F. Association Milton Branch

Date for your diary:-Milton Summer Fayre Sunday 9th July 2006

Milton Country Park

Events

February

Sunday 12th, Watch Wildlife Explorers Family Group. Nest Box Making

Families can make a bird box to take home. All materials and tools supplied.

Turn up at the Visitor Centre on the day, no booking required.

10.00 am to 4.00 pm, £5.00 a box.

April

Sunday 16th, Easter Treasure Hunt Yes its back again, find the answers and claim a reward. Meet at the Visitor Centre at 2.00 pm. There will be a charge of £1.50 for each person seeking a reward.

Sunday 30th, Evening Walk. Watch Wildlife Explorers Family Group

An evening walk in the park listening to the birds. 7.00 pm start for 1 1/2 hours.

For more information contact the Country Park tel. 420060

Choir 2000 Lent Concert

Handel Messiah Parts 2 and 3 (the Easter Story) With Rachel Godsill, Louise Ratcliffe, Nicholas Bewes, Ron Horgan. Conductor: Grayston Burgess

Fri 24th and Sat 25th March 2006 8pm **Histon Baptist Church**

Programmes £9 (concs £7), under 16's free. On the door or from Jane's Frames, Histon or Corn Exchange Box Office (01223 357851).

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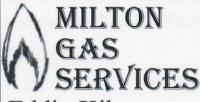
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Castle Street Methodist, Music circle and All Saints' Milton

Our happy group outside the Albert Hall after the concert making their way back to the coach.

Ron Stanley, John Baker, Bev Baker, Wendy Stanley, Eileen Cumner-Price and Brenda Stubbings.

Eileen Cumner-Price and Brenda Stubbings.

Among a very full and varied programme which included works like "A Childrens' Overture" by Quitter, "Farandole" by Bizet, "Thats Entertainment" by Schwartz, plus carols - some very well known and others beautifully written by John Rutter himself Rutter himself.

We arrived home safe and sound thanks to some very skilful driving. I am sure we would like to know why all those vehicles

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Music Appreciation

Members of these societies got together on the 10th December 2005 for a coach excursion to the Royal Albert Hall in London. In spite of the roads being closed, thus causing the coach to take a tortuous route through the big city the venue was reached in time.

The Royal Philamonic Orchestra were conducted by John Rutter. The Farnham Youth Choir and the Gentlemen of St. Johns added their excellent voices to perform a concert of music aptly called "John Rutters' Christmas Celebration.

have to be in London the same day as us? Your correspondent has just been informed of a change of venue for the 2006 celebration - watch this space.

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Police News

Contacting your local police

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PC Phil Shulver:- Mobile 07801 864584 Email:- Phil.shulver@cambs.pnn.police.uk PCSO Ellie Hains:- Mobile 07921 094946 Email:- Ellie.hains@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Their sergeant asked that following caveat be added:

The details are to enable local residents to contact their community officers to discuss local issues such as community engagement. Should anyone wish to contact the police to report a crime or ongoing live incident then the local call number 08454 564 564* or in an emergency 999.

This will allow the proper resources to be allocated to your call. If a resident emails a local officer to deal with an immediate issue, then they must be made aware that the

officer might not be on duty at that time and could even be on leave.

I am keen for residents to utilise their community officers when possible yet I am also aware that some people call the police requesting to speak to a local officer for advice. This does not necessarily mean that it needs being dealt with by a community officer

* If you get free local calls on your phone rental you may prefer to use 01480 456111

Crime information on the Web

The Cambridgeshire Police web site has a wealth of information about crime in our area. If you would like to look at this information please visit:- www.cambs.police.uk Once on the web site you need to click on CamCommunity on the left hand side then choose sector information and then click on South Cambs either on the map or in the

next drop down menu, then click on local crime. It is from here that you can select your area using post code and village name. Enter the date range that you require and select either a specific crime type or choose the last option which is all crimes. For the whole village/town scroll down to No Postcode, name of

village / town, dates finally Type of Crime. Stolen cycles pictures on the web

If you have had a cycle stolen you may like to visit the police web site and click on CamOperations then click on recovered cycles - there you will find pictures of recovered cycles.

Pilates

Milton Community Centre Monday 9.30 - 10.30am

Milton Community Centre Annexe Tuesday 7.45 - 8.45pm

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Mother Goose

Hurricane Productions visited the Community Centre for this year's annual Panto. Below are descriptions from three of the children that attended.

Milton Community Centre sponsors the Panto and I would like to thank the people who gave up their Sunday to help organise this event. Julie Gray



When the pantomíme started all the grandads and ladies and men and children sat down, the pantomime started and everyone was

quiet. I liked Cheeky Charley and when he came on he said '?watcha kids' and we had to say to him 'watcha Charley'. Then the wicked witch came on and gave Charley a maths test and then she said she would help him and got all the answers wrong. Dame Donut said to Charley he got them wrong and the witch tricked him. Then Dame Donut helped Charley get them right. The wicked witch found out that Dame Donut helped Charley and was cross. Some little children didn't like the witch 'cos he was scary. Then at the end we got a present from Father Christmas and me and Sam got an extra one 'cos we had a photo with Santa!

Jake Collen - Aged 7

This year in the community centre the main hall was full of grandads and grandmas, mums and dads and - who I personally think enjoyed it very much - the children. The cat was called Lucky and his best friend was called Cheeky Charlie - he was the one that was telling all the funny jokes. At half time we had biscuits for the children and mince pies for the adults.

Then at the end we had a visit from Father Christmas and had a bag of goodies given to

Sam Collen - Aged 9

I went to the Panto with my family.

The story and the actors were very good.

Everyone liked Cheeky Charlie - he made us laugh.

Father Christmas came at the end. He gave all the children a bag of sweets. We enjoyed the evening

By Rosie Harding (aged 8)

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The following web site has wonderful clear aerial views of Milton:

www.local.google.com Just put in your post code in the search bar or your address (omitting your house number) and a

detailed map of the village will appear. To see the satellite photographs click on the satellite button.

If you negotiate your way round using the direction arrows and the zoom you will find fabulous pictures such as the Scarecrow Maize Maze behind Rectory Farm and the bridge still under construction. Homes are so clear you can almost count the roof tiles!

Parish Council

Rowing Lake (now known as Cambridge Sport Lakes)

Details of a planning application for the development have now been received by Milton Parish Council for their comments. Given that this is such a vast scheme and on land between Milton and Waterbeach the parish council will host two open sessions in the Bowls Pavilion, Coles Road where the plans will be on display. These will be held on Saturday 11th Feb 10am - 12 noon and Thursday 16th Feb 6 - 7.30pm and parish councillors will be in attendance to listen to your views:

The Parish Council Planning Committee will discuss these plans in detail at their meeting on Monday 20th February at 7pm. Their recommended response will be discussed at a meeting of the parish council on Monday 6th March and their resulting final recommendations will be sent to South Cambridgeshire District Council. At present we do not know when the District Council will be discussing the plans and making their decision - but it will be some time after March

Details of the plans can also be found on the Cambridge Sport Lakes website: www.cambridgesportlakes.org.uk/

Cambridge United's Stadium

We were recently contacted by representatives of Bideawhile Ltd, who currently own Cambridge United's stadium, about an idea to possibly relocate the football ground, as part of a larger proposal, to a site close to the landfill site on the edge of Milton village. We understand this is just one of a number of possible sites being considered in the Cambridge area.

At their request they came to brief us on the 8th January, before the parish council meeting, about their ideas which are

currently at a very early stage.

If in the future the company decides to submit a detailed application for planning consent this would be available to the public and we will of course be interested to hear your views. When we have publicly discussed all the issues, taking into account the views of the village, we will then send our comments to South Cambridgeshire District Council who are responsible for deciding planning applications.

Landfill Site - Butt Lane

Parish Councillors from local villages were invited to attend a briefing arranged by the company - Waste Recycling Group Ltd who run the landfill operations on the Milton site in Butt Lane. They will shortly be putting in detailed plans to extend the time-scale for operating the landfill site until 2020.

Mereham Developers

Stannifer Developments Ltd who briefed the Parish Council at their November meeting (as reported in the December issue) have had their plans turned down by both East Cambs and South Cambs District Councils.

Recreation Ground

The parish council have applied for planning permission to use an area of land north west of the village for formal recreation (mainly football pitches).

The County Council at their request are attending our April meeting to talk about the Guided Bus.

Parish Council meetings are held in the Bowls Pavilion, Coles Road, Milton and are generally on the 1st Monday of the month. Please see notice boards for dates of meetings

For further details contact: Jim Daniels, Parish Clerk, Tel. 01223 861447

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		Timetable		
Monday	Line Dancing	10 – 11 a.m.	Main Hall	Weekly
	Aerobics	6 p.m. – 7 p.m.	Main Hall	Weekly
	Parish Council	7.30 p.m. start	Bowls Club	1st of month
	Indoor Bowls	2.30 - 4.30	Main Hall	Weekly
	Palates	9.30 - 10.30	Rooms 1&2	Weekly
	Milton Pre-School	9.00am - 3 p.m.	Annexe	Daily
	Guides	7.45 - 9.15 p.m.	Annexe	Weekly term time
	Beavers	6.15 – 7.30 p.m.	Annexe	Weekly -Term tim
	Yoga	6.45 p.m 8 p.m.	Room 2	Weekly
	Kids R Us	3.30 - 6.00 p.m.	Annexe	Daily
	XS Latin	8.20 - 10.20 p.m.	Main Hall	Weekly
	Tennis Club	6 p.m. – 7 p.m.	Courts	Summer season
Tuesday	Tumbletots	9.15 - 2.00 p.m.	Main Hall	Weekly
	Interior Design	9.30 -11.30 am	Room 2	Weekly
	Flower Arranging	10 a.m 12	Lounge	Weekly winter
	Whist	7.30 - 10.00p.m.	Lounge	Once a month
	Over 60's Club	200 - 4.30p.m.	Lounge	2 nd +4 th
	Eye Care	1.30 – 4 p.m.	Lounge	3rd in month
	W.I.	7.30p.m – 9.30	Lounge	3 rd in month
	Parentcraft	7.00 – 9.00 p.m.	Room 2	Not regular
	Badminton	7.30 - 10.30pm	Main Hall	Weekly
	Milton Pre-School	9.00am – 12	Annexe	Daily
	Kids 'R' Us	3.30 - 6.00 p.m.	Annexe	Daily
	Brownies (2 nd)	6:15 – 7:30pm	Annexe	Weekly
	Palates	7.45 – 8.45 p.m.	Annexe	Weekly
	Colts Under 10	7.30 – 8.30 p.m.	Football Court	Weekly winter
	Netball Club	7.30 – 9 p.m.	Court	Weekly
	XSLatin Dance	8.30 – 10.30 p.m.	Main Hall	Weekly
Wednesday	Tumbletots	9.00 a.m. – 5.15	Main Hall	Weekly
		10 – 11.30 a.m.	Rooms 1&2	
	Yoga Kumon Maths		Rooms 1&2	Weekly
		4 – 6 p.m.	Small Hall	Weekly
	Slimming World	5.30 – 9.00 p.m.	Main Hall	Weekly
	Karate Tang Soo Do	6.30 – 8 p.m.		
	Kids 'R' Us	3.30 — 6.00 p.m.	Annexe	Daily
	Milton Pre School	9.00am – 3 p.m. 6.00 – 10.00p.m.	Annexe	Daily
	Tennis Club		Tennis Court	Summer
	Ridgeons	7 – 9.30 p.m.	Football Court	Weekly
Thursday	Jo Jingles	2 sessions	Room 2	Weekly
	Toy Library	10.00 - 11.30	Main Hall	1 st and 3 rd
	Theatre Dance	3 p.m. – 7.30 p.m.	Lounge	Weekly
	Indoor Bowls	2.30 – 4.30 p.m.	Main Hall	Weekly
	Weightwatchers	6.30 – 8 p.m.	Annexe	Weekly
	Budgie Club	7.30 – 10.30 p.m.	Lounge	2 nd in month
	I.W.A.	7.45 — 10 p.m.	Room 2	occasionally
	Indoor Bowls	7 – 10 p.m.	Main Hall	Weekly winter
	Milton Pre School	9.00 am – 3 p.m.	Annexe	Daily
	Kids 'R' Us	3.30 -6.00 p.m.	Annexe	Daily
	Colts Under 9(Winter)	6 – 7 p.m.	Football Courts	Weekly
	Colts U12(Winter)	7 – 8 p.m.	Football Courts	Weekly
	Colts Adults(Winter)	8 – 9 p.m.	Football Courts	Weekly
Friday	Kumon Maths	4 - 6 p.m.	Room 2	Weekly
	Scouts	7.45 – 9.15 p.m.	Hall/Lounge	Weekly
	Cubs	6.15 – 7.45 p.m.	Hall/Lounge	Weekly
	Milton Pre School	9.15am – 12noon	Annexe	Daily
	Kids 'R' Us	3.30 - 6.00 p.m.	Annexe	Daily
	Yoga	1.30 - 2.30.p.m.	Lounge	Weekly
Sunday	RadioCircuit Cars	9.30a.m. – 1.30	Main Hall	Twice monthly
	Church in Cambridge	10.30 a.m 12.30	Annexe	Weekly
Mon-Fri	Kids 'R' Us	8.00am - 6 p.m	Annexe	Holidays



Community Centre Roof

There has recently been much activity on the Community Centre roof. This is all part of a refurbishment programme to bring the centre up to scratch after 20 years of extensive use.

The original intention was to replace the roof fixings, fanlights and gutters but on removing some of the roof sheets, water, caused by condensation, was found to be laying on the under roof insulation. The contractors were unhappy to leave the roof in this condition and suggested that they install a secondary insulated roof above the existing. This has been done and should solve the problem and the additional insulation should help keep more heat and sound within the building. The next stage of the programme is to replace the rotting glazed screen on the end of the building with a new coated aluminium model. This will commence in April.

Also in the pipeline are plans to improve the facilities inside the building; in particular the office, toilets and entrance

We ask that all users will please tolerate any inconvenience that may arise whilst these improvements are carried out.

Without doubt the Community Centre is one of the villages greatest assets, which has served us well. It is important that we make sure it will continue to do so for many years to come.

Colin Nunn - Project Liaison

Tennis and Football

Courts open at Half Term Holiday
During Half Term Holiday Milton
Community Centre will open the
Football and Tennis Courts for children
to play football, netball or tennis when
the office is open - between the hours of
9 a.m. and 12 noon approximately
Monday to Friday (when there are no
members of the tennis club playing on
the courts). There will be no supervision
by staff members.

If there are any problems the courts will be locked for the rest of the holidays. Children will be playing at their own risk and it is up to parents/guardians to instruct their children to behave sensibly if they do wish to play on the courts in the holidays. If this proves successful we will consider opening the courts for the Easter holidays.

Julie Gray

Friday: Library: every fortnight on the car park 15:15 to 16:15

PUZZLE CORNER

The December puzzle for the Christmas turkey proved to be very popular. The answer to the pantomime was "Puss in boots" and of course all entries received were correct! All of them went into my hat and the first one out proved to be Elisabeth Moule of Church Lane.

There were three runners up prizes and these went to Paul Lester of Froment Way, Charlotte Gooden of Ballard Close and Mrs Romeo-Smith of the

Congratulations are due to all of our prizewinners and thanks to everyone who took the time to send in an entry. The puzzle this month has a bit of maths in it, but it is quite simple!

Start with the square of 4 Add the cube of 2

Multiply by the number of sides on a cube

Deduct the century in which Trotsky was murdered

What number do you have left?

There will be two prizes awarded, one of which will be a voucher to be spent at BETTY'S HAIR DESIGN

Send your entries to Michael Spooner 43a Old School Lane MILTON Cambridge CB4 6BS by 6 March.

If you prefer to use email then send to mismilton@tesco.net



Michael Spooner presenting Elisabeth Moule with her prize a turkery from Petes Meats

Scrabble

The scrabble club started in January 1989 so on Friday 13th we began our seventeenth year and the same players are still attending. As well as Milton players we have a few come from Girton, Newmarket, Histon and Cambridge.

Numbers attending vary from 12 to twenty. We are not playing for the world championship but we all get a great feeling when we score an extra fifty for getting a seven letter word.

We meet on the second Friday of the month at 7.30pm in the Church Hall, Church Lane. All welcome! Entry 50p.

O, IS A MARGERINE DANGLY?

Where's that? Picture Quiz

Answers to our quiz which was featured on the back page of the December issue

- Village sign Pond Green, High Street
- 2 Essex House High Street (from Ely Road)
- 3 Ambassador Lodge High Street (from Ely Road)
- High Street (From Cherry Close)
- 5 Telephone box Coles Road
- 6 Milton Hall
- 7 Lion & Lamb High Street
- 8 Apostolic Church
- Zebra crossing, High Street (allowed Cambridge Road also)
- 10 North Lodge, Ely Road
- 11 Milton Hall (from Ely Road)
- 12 Elv Road
- 13 Milton House (both), Fen Road
- 14 Doctors' Surgery, Coles Road
- 15 Pump, Cambridge Road
- 16 Community Centre, Coles Road
- 17 War memorial, Coles Road
- 18 Landbeach Road (closed off section)
- 19 Symbian, Ely Road
- 20 North Lodge, Ely Road
- College of West Anglia (Farm College)

Winners of this competition were 1st Elisabeth Moule, 2nd Theresa Feetenby, 3rd Robin Adams - Congratulations to all three winners who will receive garden centre vouchers generously donated by Notcutts of Horningsea.

Activities - All Saints' Church Group/Activity When Time Details Parents & Toddlers Monday, Wednesday, Friday (term-time only) 10 - 11.45am toys, craft, singing, refreshments & chat Parents & Under 1s Wednesdays 2-4pmtoys, chat & refreshments Mothers' Union 1st Tuesday of the month 7.30pm various activities & trips 1st / 3rd / 5th Tuesday of the month 2 - 4.30 pmsnooker, board games, afternoon tea & raffle (for Senior Citizens) **Enterprise Club** 6 - 7.30 pmBrownies Wednesday (term-time only) Lunch Club 12.30pm Thursday for elderly people who live alone Music Appreciation 1st Friday of the month 7.30pm Get Real 3rd Saturday of the month 7 - 9pmYouth Club for 11 - 16s Stitchers' Club 2nd / 4th Tuesday of the month 7.30pm embroidery / tapestry / kneedlework, tea & chat Milton Photographic Club 2nd Wednesday of the month 7.30pm Scrabble Club 2nd Friday of the month 7.30pm Milton Ladies 3rd Friday of the month 8pm various activities & trips Anyone wanting to find out more can contact the church office on 01223 441007 / office@allsaintsmilton.org.uk

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Cancer Research Walk



Back row (L to R) Charlotte Twinn, Caroline Twinn, Mick Hagger, Richard Twinn, Jolene Ambrose Front Row (L to R) Ben Hagger, Chris Twinn

On a sunny October 30th 2005 at 11am TeamHAT, consisting of Milton Village families Hagger, Ambrose and Twinn, took part in the annual Milton Country Park Stride to raise nearly £1,000 for Cancer Research UK

A sea of pink strode around 10kms of countryside, passing out of the Country Park, down to the river and past Baits Bite Lock, along the tow path to cross the river at the Green Dragon Bridge in Chesterton. The journey back, along the other side of the river, took in parts of Fen Ditton and some muddy fields to cross back again at Baits Bite Lock finishing the walk in the country park. A total of £19,000 was pledged for Cancer Research UK on the day.

Walk homepage:

www.cancerresearchuk.org/breastcan cer/walktogether/venuesmap/east/Ca

Xmas Whist Drive

Although attendance at the whist drives has been low we wondered if all the work and shopping for xmas was going to be worth it, but it went very well and numbers were good.

There were over 60 prizes and everyone went home with something, one or two people needed a taxi.

There was a good atmosphere which made it all worth while. The next ones will all be the fourth Tuesday in the month at the Community Centre and all for the price of a cup of coffee and a biscuit elsewhere.

Mary Daniels

Representation and Power-Reflections of a new Parish Councillor

"Do the meetings always go on this long?" I asked as I left my first Parish Council Meeting just after 10 pm. "Oh, they used to last a lot longer than this!" was the gleeful reply. What had I done? I have always been a 'joiner', getting involved in the running of groups and clubs and with an active interest in politics — and Parish Council is the most local form of representation. I was flattered by the invitation to join the Council and happy for an opportunity to use my experience and skills to the benefit of my local community.

Do I regret my decision three months and three meetings later? Not in the slightest! It has been a very interesting time to get involved - three meetings and three different presentations about plans that could have significant impact on the village. That's where the 'representation' comes in. Organisations outside the village see the council representing the village and everyone on the council has the best interests of the village at heart. Not all the discussions are about re-development, but local planning applications, the community centre, youth provision and the community mini-bus (to mention just a few) are all important issues that affect the community of Milton.

'What about the power?' you ask! Representing other people always brings a certain element of 'power' and certainly carries responsibility. However, electrical power has been our main concern—request to turn on an additional heater denied because it will blow the power circuits in the pavilion!!

I am looking forward to the new electrical wiring in the (nearly finished) Parish Council Office and meetings in summer time. Democracy only works if those being represented make their views known and members of the council are happy to talk over issues. I look forward to future meetings when I can be involved in decisions about 'what is right for Milton'.

Phil Badley



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