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**The Annual Parish Meeting will
be held on
Monday 19 April 2010 at 8.00pm
in the
Community Centre Annexe
Coles Road**

AGENDA

- 1 Introduction by Chairman and apologies for absence
- 2 Introduction of Parish Councillors
- 3 To confirm minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on 20 April 2009
- 4 Chairman's Annual Report including draft accounts 2009/10
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All welcome

Milton Primary School



On Thursday 4th March we dressed as our favourite book characters for World Book Day. The children carried out a range of activities linked to books and authors and we all fully enjoyed the day.

Milton CE Primary School Ofsted Inspection



In January the school was inspected under the new, tougher Ofsted framework.

The governors and staff are delighted with the judgement that we are a "good" school, serving its pupils well. We are very proud of the achievements that the school, members of staff and the pupils have made. There are many exemplary comments in the report:

- The overwhelming majority of parents rightly value this school with its positive and supportive ethos that enables pupils to develop well both academically and socially, firmly based on its Christian values.
- Milton is a leading school for its provision of Personal, Social, Health Education (PSHE) and its work on Social and Emotional Aspects of Learning (SEAL).
- Behaviour in essence is consistently good and attendance is well above the national average.
- The good teaching and high levels of pupil attendance both help to ensure that pupils learn well and make good progress.
- Many pupils are able to demonstrate healthy lifestyles by their active involvement in sports and understanding of healthy eating.
- The school demonstrates a strong commitment to ensuring equality of opportunity.
- The school's capacity for sustained improvement' is good.
- 98% of parents who completed the Ofsted questionnaire indicated that they agreed/strongly agreed that their child enjoys school.

It is clear from the report that Milton provides a very good experience for children. As is always the case, there are some areas where we could improve further and the school will, as usual, address these in the near future with enthusiasm and energy.

Dr David Lee Chair of Governors

Sue Dorrington Head teacher



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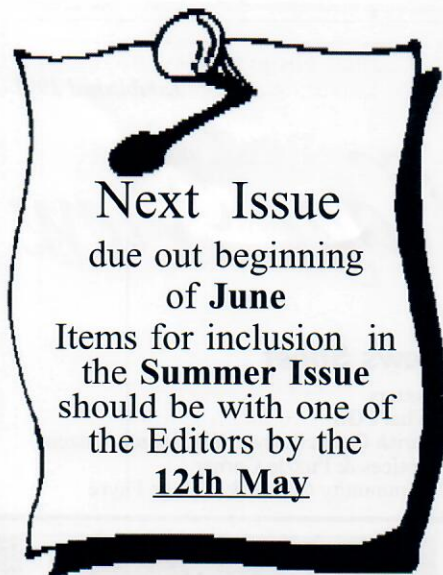
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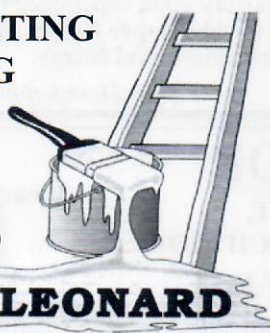
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Thank you

I would like to thank all the friends and neighbours in Milton who have sent me cards, flowers etc. after my recent accident. It made the waiting (to get out) so much more bearable and a special thank you to my CUF club customers for dropping their subscriptions in.

Thank you once again
June Hammersley

Leprosy Mission

Thank you all again for your kind and generous donations from all those people who have the Leprosy collection boxes in their homes.

The collection for 2009 amounted to £337.94

Many thanks

Daphne Linsey

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Breakthrough in Breast Cancer

We will be having a Tombola Stall again at this years Fayre and would be grateful of any donations. These must be new items eg unwanted gifts etc. You can take these to Alice at 6 Recreation Close or phone Karen on 07808520576 who will collect them. All money raised will go directly into helping find a cure for breast cancer.

Thank you *Alice Hall & Karen Northfield*

Pet Day Family Fun

Pets of all shapes and sizes will be at the College of West Anglia's Cambridge campus for a special event promoting animal welfare.

A range of organisations, including the RSPCA, Pets As Therapy (PAT) and Woodgreen Animal Shelters will be at the campus, in Milton, on Saturday, April 24, to provide information and raise awareness during National Pet Month.

Local schoolchildren have been invited to bring their pets along to take part in a pet show and there will be a range of activities, including face painting, aimed at younger visitors. The college's farm will also be open and this year's new lambs are bound to be popular.

Demonstrations during the day will include dog training and visitors from Shepreth Wildlife Park. There will also be a show jumping event taking place at the Campus which visitors to the pet day are welcome to watch.

The college's canteen will be open for refreshments throughout the event, there is parking on-site and entry is free. The doors open at 10am and everyone is welcome.

Dear Editor,

Thank you so much for including my request for used Postage Stamps for Charities in the December issue of Village View. You will be pleased to hear that it has led to a marked increase in donations of stamps received through collection points at Milton Parish Church and at the Post Office (thanks to Anil).

I have received a number of differing enquiries about the 'used stamps project' - may I take this opportunity to answer a few. I have been operating this collection and dispatch to a number of International Christian-based Missions for about 4 years in the Milton/Cambridge area, and am always keen to learn of others who would benefit. Following the collection, I sort the stamps into categories and remove excess 'envelope', though I would appreciate if donors could be lavish rather than meagre with margins around stamps. Any and all stamps are welcome - UK and foreign, all through the year - this includes postage due stamps, Royal Mail postage labels and Registered letter stamps/labels. First day of issue stamps should be left intact as they are worth considerably more on their complete envelopes. Stamp albums and collections are very welcome, but please do not give away the children's inheritance without careful consideration!

Finally - is it all worth the effort? The Leprosy Mission, one of the recipients, recently wrote to say that along with donations of coins and medals, they realised over £72,000 from last year's sales alone!

Thank you again to all participants - please pass on the word. My aim is to make Milton a total postage stamp recycling village! I can offer collection bags and can collect direct, if required.

Yours sincerely

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Milton Neighbourhood Watch Meeting

Fri June 4th at the Bowls Pavilion
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Pet Day

Saturday, April 24

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See page 2 for further details

Open Day

Sunday 13th June

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From the Desk of the Parish Council Chairman

Proposed Retirement Village on Ely Road

As I mentioned in the last issue of this magazine, the parish has a one-time option either to lease playing fields (with a purpose-built sports pavilion and car park) at the proposed retirement village or to receive a cash sum (of £200,000) which would be used to provide recreation space elsewhere in the village. We have received letters from residents giving their views on this issue. Some have asked for more information. The size of the area to be leased would be just under four acres, or the size of two junior football pitches. I would like to stress that, although it is specified in the lease that the fields shall be prepared to Football Association (FA) standards, the playing fields would be for general recreation use and not limited to football. If the parish decides not to lease the fields, they will be incorporated into the rest of the Humphry Repton landscape which the developer is restoring at the former EDF site.

The Parish Council has consulted with clubs affiliated with the Milton Community Centre and one of their main concerns is that the parcel of land offered for lease is not large enough to accommodate their needs. This brings up the issue of alternative sites. For over a decade (since the parish sold some recreation land to make way for the sheltered housing scheme, Barnabas Court), the Parish Council has been actively trying to acquire land within the village for recreation use. One site adjacent to Landbeach Road would potentially offer more land, but there is a concern for the safety of children crossing the A10. The parish council is currently looking into another site adjacent to Ely Road across from the College of West Anglia. Although there is obvious benefit for the parish to own rather than lease recreation space, you are no doubt well aware that land does not come cheaply, and there are associated costs as well, such as preparing the ground for recreation use, construction of a pavilion with changing rooms, car park, etc.

I believe it is vital that the parish makes the right choice on this issue. The topic will be discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday April 19th, and I encourage all residents who have views on the issue to attend that meeting. As negotiations continue, I hope the parish council will be in a position to shed more light on possible alternative sites at that time.

New PCSO

I would like to welcome PCSO John Mason, the new Police Community Support Officer for Milton. John replaces PCSO Claire Whiteman. On behalf of the village, I have thanked Claire for her hard work and commitment to Milton and wished her every success in her new placement.

Youth

Milton Action for Youth was set up some time ago to help oversee the youth work in the village and activities which are held in the Milton Youth Centre adjacent to The Sycamores Recreation ground. They have received a grant from Awards for All (the Lottery grants scheme), which has been applied to providing First Aid training, a Babysitting Course, and a Youth Work Course for the Girls Club. A girls group now meets weekly in addition to the junior and senior clubs. You can find out more about Milton Action for Youth by attending the Annual Parish Meeting on April 19th.

Double yellow lines on Industrial Estate

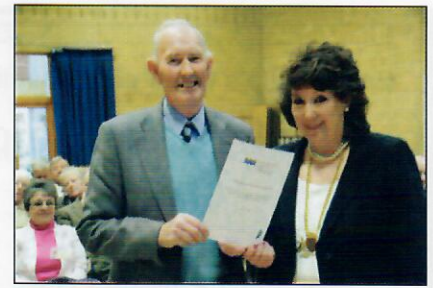
Representatives from Milton Country Park and local business owners have requested the Parish Council's assistance in installing double yellow lines along the Cambridge Road Industrial Estate. The Parish Council has been facilitating negotiations with the County Council and a plan is being developed to install double yellow lines along much of the industrial estate due to parking and traffic safety concerns.

Community Care

Our Community Care scheme received grants from Cambridgeshire County and South Cambridgeshire District Councils and continues to provide vital services for Milton residents. In addition, the Milton Charities continue to support the scheme. Our clerk, Jim Daniels, is very proud of this scheme and believes it is one of the largest in South Cambridgeshire. Community Care Warden Tracey Ebbon and her assistant Linda Harding are doing excellent work and I commend them on their service and dedication. The Parish Council would be delighted to receive any donations towards this excellent scheme which enables elderly residents to lead independent lives in their own homes.

Rob Chapman

Chairman Milton Parish Council



Bob Waters collecting a cheque from Cllr Linda Oliver for Milton Parish Council's Community Care Scheme.

Milton Youth Clubs

Milton Junior Youth Club

Tuesdays during Term Time
7.15pm – 8.45pm
Year 7-8

Milton Senior Club

Wednesdays during Term Time
7.00pm – 9.00pm
Year 9-11

Trees

It has come to the Parish Council's notice that some trees on verges have been severely cut back. If you have problems with trees overhanging your garden /property from verges please contact the Parish Council office tel: 01223 861447 email: clerk@miltonvillage.org.uk.

The Parish Council tree wardens will then inspect the tree and consider whether to include the appropriate remedial work in a programme to be carried out during the Autumn/Winter months so that the tree can be properly managed.

Jim Daniels

Clerk to the Council

Milton Parish Council

New Office Hours:

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Milton Day Centre

Thanks to three of our helpers, Sheila Rickell, Judy Milner and Doreen Keen for organising a session of making Easter cards with our members.

The photograph pictures some of them proudly showing the results of their handiwork at the end of the afternoon.

The Day Centre meets every Friday during term time at Barnabas Court and provides a day out with a home cooked lunch and companionship for elderly people in Milton. Anyone interested in joining us please contact Margaret Nunn 860829 or Pauline Waters 860620.



Milton W.I.

Dr. Carrie Herbert was our speaker in January. Carrie purely by chance founded the Red Balloon Learner Centres for children who have been badly bullied at school. She was running a business having given up a teaching career, which she felt was not for her. These children are very often too frightened to even let their faces be seen and are definitely too frightened to attend school. Carrie has set up centres with specialised staff who give these children their lives back and get them back in to mainstream education again and go on to make a success of their lives. These centres are mainly funded by charitable donations, it is nearly impossible to get any government funding for the project. It was an excellent talk and one to be recommended.

In February we had a totally different subject, which was Patio Gardening with Rodney Tibbs. We were amazed at what can be grown in pots and all sorts of containers. Not just flowers but most vegetables as well. So you do not have to have a large vegetable patch to 'grow your own'.

Also in February we all went to the restaurant at Cambridge Regional College for an excellent lunch. The food and service could not be faulted considering it was all done by the first and second year students.

March is our AGM and a talk entitled 'The Flying Picnic' and in April we have Andrew Jackson on 'Surprising Suffolk'.

In May our speaker is Bev Briggs on her job as a personal shopper and in June it will be Liz Carter talking about 'Victorian and Edwardian Workhouse Report 1890'.

Events being put on by County W.I include a visit to Bressingham Gardens also a visit to Stody Lodge and the Taverham Craft Centre, flat green bowls, a guided walk at Saffron Walden, a visit to Donarbon Recycling Centre, Curtain up and Supper and a Nosh and Natter lunch. There is also the Summer Lunch. Some of these are open to non-members, to find out more please ring Jan Chessum on 560813.

As from January 2010 we will meet in the Church Hall, we will still meet on the 3rd Tuesday in the month at 7.30p.m. (except December when it is the 2nd Tuesday).

You are very welcome to come and join us. Our President is Veronica Hinchliffe on 441464

Jan Chessum

Senior Citizens Outings 2009

Our first outing of the year was to Clacton on Sea on the 11th May, although it was cold and windy we all enjoyed ourselves. The 17th June saw us in Sheringham, better weather and as it turned out to be market day we purchased a few bargains.

In contrast at the end of July we had a day away from the coast at Springfields and all had a lovely time browsing around the shops and making a few purchases. At last a nice warm day at the seaside on the 17th August at Hunstanton, the weather was good and so were the fish and chips, a really happy day.

A complete change for us on the 7th October when we went to the Arts Theatre in Cambridge to see 'My Fair Lady' it was a lovely show and was thoroughly enjoyed by us all. It has been suggested that we do another one of these shows again this year.

Our last trip on the 16th November was a Xmas shopping day at Norwich, a bit of a windy day but everyone had a good time.

A total of 240 people went on our trips in 2009 and we are pleased that we had no complaints. Watch out for our posters in the village Post Office from March onwards advertising our 2010 trips. These outings are available to all Senior Citizens who live in Milton. Should you need any information regarding these trips please ring Maria on 52001 or Daphne on 862804.

We would like to thank the Gallagher Trust for their continued support we get towards these trips.

Daphne and Maria

Milton Tennis Club

Our 2010 adult club nights begin again on Wednesday 7th April from 6pm. Membership rates are Family £36, Adult £18, Junior £8 and Corporate (off-peak) £75. A 6 week coaching course for juniors will run during June and July on a Tuesday evening, adult coaching will take place at weekends and there will be coaching for teenagers. We have 3 teams in the Business House League, run 2 tournaments a year and several intra-club matches not to mention our annual rounders and ten pin bowling evenings! If anyone is interested in organising any friendly games for teenagers please get in touch. Application forms and further information will be on our website, www.miltontennisclub.co.uk, or contact Sue Griffin tel. 01223 562878, email seg37@cam.ac.uk.

Pilates

Mondays

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Red Cross Collection

The annual collection for the Red Cross is an annual event which takes place in the first week of May. Milton village has given generously over many years, and the money raised helps provide care and support to many vulnerable people in Cambridgeshire and beyond. The support includes loan of medical equipment, home visits and transporting patients between home and hospital. In addition the Red Cross provide support to many areas across the globe, including emergency responses to conflicts and disasters, helping vulnerable communities, and providing health and social care

Special thanks to all the local collectors who have generously given their time, often over many years, to collect for this very worthy cause. We are always looking for additional people to assist with the collection and if you would like to consider helping this year please contact Chris McDonald on 07860 904051.

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Tuesday 27th April 2010

Happy 1st Birthday

To our gorgeous daughter

Megan Rose Bonwick

Lots of Love

Mummy, Daddy and Jenna the dog!

XXXXXX

EACH Gala Day

This year's Milton Gala Day, to raise funds for East Anglia's Children's Hospices (EACH), will take place at Milton Hall, on Saturday May 8, from 11am - 3pm.

Milton Gala Day will have something for everyone - with fun games for children, and stalls including new toys, Evie, a local mum who designs and makes fleeces for buggies and wheelchairs, and Smallprint who can capture your child's thumb print on pendants and other jewellery items.

John Lewis will also be holding their famous tombola stall and Virgin Vie will be handing out beauty tips and selling products.

All appetites will be catered for - the local WI will be on hand to serve scrumptious cream teas, and there will also be a bbq.

The day will be lively and bright, with live performances from the Cambridge Community Samba Band, Jandor - a children's performing arts group and the Pink Panthers cheerleaders.

The hospice sensory garden will be open to visitors, with the volunteer gardeners on hand to help with gardening tips and tours of the garden.

This year's Gala Day will also launch our birthday celebrations as Milton Children's hospice celebrates its 21st birthday. Admission: adults: £1, children free.

If you would like to help out on the day, would like to have stall at the event or could provide some live entertainment, please contact Nicky or Beccy on: (01223) 205180.

Local Child Minder Gains Outstanding Ofsted Inspection

In February 2010 Lynda and Laura Molloy had their latest childminding Ofsted inspection, and they are very pleased to share their news, that they gained 'outstanding' in all areas of the inspection!!

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River Cam Conservators

The Conservators of the River Cam and their appointed tree surgeons have been completing scheduled tree pollarding works along the Halingway towpath between Chesterton and Clayhithe Bridge over the last month. Some of the waste material has been 'chipped' into piles beside the towpath. Members of the public are welcome to help themselves to the chippings, but please take care of uneven ground. The chippings are a very good garden mulch.

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Further details may be obtained from
Maureen Clark, Tel 01223 863229.

Puzzle Corner

There were no problems in discovering the name of the Cambridgeshire town which was the answer to the puzzle last month.

It was Chatteris and the names drawn out of the hat were Mrs M Bull of the Sycamores and Cathie Martindale of the Rowans.

Congratulations then to our two prize winners and commiserations to all who sent in correct answers but missed out on the prizes. Try our new puzzle and see if you can win one of our fantastic prizes.

It's quite a long time now since we had a trivia quiz for our puzzle - so quizzers (and non pub quizzers) here are a few questions to get your little grey cells working overtime.

10 questions and the person who gets most right wins the prize!

- 1 Who is 111' 6" tall with a waistline of 35' ? She weighs 225 tons and is 123 years old.
- 2 Which BBC radio service was renamed Radio 4 in September 1967?
- 3 Plus or minus 10 feet, what is the existing world record distance in cherry stone spitting?
- 4 Britain's last surviving World War 1 veteran, Harry Patch, died recently aged 111. What Pete Seeger song did he request to be sung at his funeral?
- 5 The horse Khartoum plays a very deciding role in which Oscar winning film?
- 6 Who said "I know not with what weapons world war 3 will be fought, but world war 4 will be fought with sticks and stones"?
- 7 Which singer gave a concert on 31 December 1994 to a record 3.5 million fans on Copacabana beach in Rio de Janeiro?
- 8 Born in Italy, which world famous caring woman was the first woman to be awarded the British Order of Merit in 1908?
- 9 Who was the England football manager in 1994 when England failed to reach the finals?
- 10 Which bird was depicted on the old farthing?

Send your entry to Michael Spooner 43a Old School Lane MILTON Cambridge CB24 6BS

If you prefer e-mail note that my address has now changed to -

mjsmilton@virginmedia.com

Entries should arrive by 8 May



Bittern steaming through the snow at Milton on 19 December 2009
Photo taken by Nat Johnson

London Marathon

Chris Drummond, a Milton resident is undertaking the London Marathon for the third time on April 25th 2010. Chris was lucky enough to get a ballot place this year, so has chosen to run for a charity close to his heart, in memory of his mum, Dot. The charity he is aiming to raise money for is the Alzheimer's Research Trust, based locally, in Great Shelford, it's work is to try to eliminate the risk to everyone from Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia. The charity funds research into the illnesses, looking for treatments and cures. It's patron is the author Terry Pratchett, who recently has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease.

It is true that when you have someone close to you suffer from a form of dementia, it is likened to losing a loved one before they die, certainly in Dots' last year, it felt that the mum Chris knew had already gone. If by raising money, he can help prevent this experience for others, then a small step has been gained with a 26 mile run!

You can sponsor Chris by going to www.virginmoneygiving.com/ChrisDrummond or we have sponsor forms. Please contact either Chris or Terrie on 01223 863615.

Christopher Smith 1911 – 2009 – Milton Resident

Continued from the February issue

Maureen went to college in 1961 and never returned to live in the village. The birth of their Grandson Julian in 1970 brought them great happiness. A month later Chris's Mother passed away. With Maureen living in Oxfordshire Nell and Chris were alone at last but then another problem arose to mar their happiness, Nellie suddenly developed severe depression an illness she was to have for the next 16 years. The arrival of their second grandson Duncan brought more happiness and both boys fondly remember their time spent with Grandad Field, as he was known, on his allotment. Grandad was able to cut the thinnest slices of buttered bread and when staying in Milton both boys would get up early and go down for their "butter bread" and sit on a tiny stool to eat it. But Nellie's illness persisted and folk in the village would say Chris should give her a kick up the backside, but he always stood by her and didn't complain. When collecting her death certificate, just 3 months before their Golden Wedding, he just said to the doctor "You don't know what my life has been like." Doctors just pumped Nellie full of tranquillisers but Maureen, suffering from the same illness, knows that she had Obsessive Compulsive Disorder and now this can readily be treated if correctly diagnosed.

Aged 77 Chris was now alone but he had his allotment and greenhouses in his garden to keep him busy. He had worked an allotment all his married life and as additional unwanted plots became available he would take them on to prevent the weeds spreading. He single-handedly cultivated over an acre of land specialising in asparagus, strawberries and raspberries which 'Tommy' took to market. He was well into his 80s when he finally gave up the land but then a neighbour offered Chris part of his garden and he tended this for a few more years.

He bought himself Sky TV and would sit for hours watching sport, even getting up in the night to watch boxing matches or American wrestling. He never read a book in his life but he was an avid reader of Teletext and knew just what was going on in the world. During those lonely times he had a good friend Lily Wilkin who visited him almost daily for 16 of the 18 years he lived alone.

To be continued in the June issue

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Milton Village Fayre

The plans for this year's summer fayre are progressing nicely, already booked for this year are the Reptile Experience, Birds of Prey, bouncy castles, a hydrosphere, circus workshop and a puppet show to name but a few. We also have a dog agility show by Wrayfield Dog Agility Club, where anyone over 5 years old can participate with their own dog or one of the clubs dogs. Wood Green Animal Shelter will also be running a stall and are offering to microchip your dog for only £5!!

In the arena we have a puppet show, belly dancers, children's dance schools and 3 great bands, who are The Melody Beats, No Mr Nice Guy and Mid Life Crisis who will be playing into the evening until 10pm. plus many more games and stalls for your enjoyment including a bbq, licensed bar, and a real ale tent run by Milton Brewery, plus much more. Any offers of help on the day are always welcome, please get in touch with one of the committee members or email us at miltonfayre@yahoo.co.uk or telephone Lynda Molloy on 01223 862093. If you are interested in running a stall please fill in the booking form below.

SUMMER FAYRE 2010 AT COLES ROAD RECREATION GROUND

Saturday 10th July 1.30 P.M- 6 P.M, then

Live Music til 10.00p.m

You are invited as a member of our community to participate in the village fayre.

You may wish to display your group or club by having a display stand, or you may like to take the opportunity of running a stall, organising a game or activity to raise funds. Due to feedback received in previous years, we would like to see a few more family games to run alongside your tombolas.

A standard pitch is 4 metres wide, and you are allocated one trestle table per pitch. If you require more than a standard pitch please state your requirements and we will try to accommodate you. The price for a pitch is as follows:

Local charity stalls £7, Village Non-Charitable Stalls £15, Commercial Vans £30.

Should you wish to stay late with your stall please indicate below.

To assist us in clearing up after the Fayre please:

Return any tables (cleaned) to the side double doors of the Main Hall

Tidy up your area please. A bin bag will be provided and please take any rubbish straight to the skip provided, situated by the garage.

PLEASE NOTE, ALL STALLS TO BE SET UP BY 1.00P.M AND FOR HEALTH & SAFETY REASONS, NO VEHICLES TO BE MOVED FROM THE ARENA BETWEEN 1.30p.m and 6.00p.m.

Any queries please contact 01223 862763 (Milton Community Centre) or alternatively you can Email Rebecca Aldhouse (Milton Summer Fayre Committee) at MiltonFayre@yahoo.co.uk

Please return this booking form no later than Friday 2nd July 2010 to Milton Community Centre, Coles Road, Milton, Cambridge CB24 6BL. Cheques payable to MILTON VILLAGE FAYRE.

No. of pitches required

Type of stall/activity.....

Do you require a trestle table? (one allocated per 4 metre pitch) Please provide your own chairs.....

Signed.....

Name of Group/or other in caps.....

Address.....

Telephone No: E-mail address.....

From each group we must have one member who will stay behind afterwards to help clear the rec. Please sign below:

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Please indicate if you wish to stay on after 6.00p.m with your stall.....

News from the Community Centre

A couple of new groups have recently started at the Community Centre - Rosemary Conley Diet and Fitness is on Tuesdays from 1.00pm to 2.30pm and The Cambridge Weight Plan is on a Monday, 6.00pm to 7.00pm. For further information on these classes, please visit the village website, www.miltonvillage.org.uk or call into the Community Centre.

The village website has recently been updated and now provides information on all our regular groups, showing contact details, times, cost's etc as well as showing the times that are available for new classes or meetings.

For further information about hiring the facilities, including the Annexe, Youth Building and the Courts, ring Andy on 862763 or email:

mcc@miltonvillage.org.uk

Community Centre Manager *Andy Gray*

Aerobics and Body Tone Class

Milton Community Centre
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