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Milton Produce Show

The Milton Produce Show will be held in Milton Country Park on Sunday 8th September. This is a fun event with plenty of prizes to be won.



Categories include vegetables, fruit, flowers & plants, home produce, creative produce, handicrafts. photography and children's entries, so there's plenty of scope to show us your proud work. For the gloriously unsuccessful there's the hotly-contested ugliest vegetable class...

Visit www.miltoncountrypark.org/produceshow for more information, and we hope to see you there.

Ellie Crane



June

Sat 8th Summer Garden Party in aid of local charities, White Horse (p.19)

Thurs 13th Go-Tri: mini triathlon, Country Park, 6-8pm (p.5)

Mon 17th Moonlit open water swim, Country Park, 8:45-10:15pm (p.5)

Thurs 20th *Romeo & Juliet*, Landbeach Tithe Barn[†], 6-7pm **Sat 22nd EACH Gala Day**, Milton Hall, 11:30am-4pm (*p.11*)

Sat 22nd Pictures in the park: Bohemian Rhapsody, Country Park, 6:30-10pm (p.5)

22nd, 23rd Fen Edge Festival Open Day, Landbeach Tithe Barn†, 1-5pm

Sun 23rd Eastern Energy Family 1940s Day, Community Centre, 10am-4pm (p.9)

July

Fri 5th School Summer BBQ, Milton CofE Primary School, 6-8:30pm (p.8)

Sat 6th Tithe Barn Talk, Landbeach Tithe Barn[†], 2pm

Sun 7th United Songs of Praise, Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church, 6pm

6/7, 13/14, Find Your Wild camp nights, Country Park, 4.30pm-9am (p.5)

20/21

Weekends Cambridge Open Studios, (p.4)

Sun 21st A Midsummer Night's Dream, Open Air Theatre, Country Park, 3-6pm (p.5)

Thurs 25th Festival of Archaeology, Denny Abbey‡, 1-5pm

25th-31st Holiday Bushcraft Clubs, Country Park, 8:30am-4pm (p.5)

(weekdays)

29th-31st Go Wild activity days, Country Park, 10am-4:30pm (p.5)

August

Thurs 1st Go-Tri: mini triathlon, Country Park, 6-8pm (p.5)

1st-30th Holiday Bushcraft Clubs, Country Park, 8:30am-4pm (p.5)

(weekdays, not Bank Holiday)

Thurs 15th Moonlit open water swim, Country Park, 7:45-9:15pm (p.5)

Thurs 22nd *Alice in Wonderland*, Open Air Theatre, Country Park, 3-5:30pm (p.5)

25th, 26th Denny Time Machine: medieval event, Denny Abbey‡, 11am-5pm

September

Sun 8th Produce Show, Country Park (p.2)

Sat 14th Scout Jumble Sale, Community Centre, 2:30pm
Sat 14th Heritage Open Day, Landbeach Tithe Barn[†], 1-5pm
Heritage Open Day, Denny Abbey[‡], 11am-5pm

Sun 22nd Autumn Festival, Country Park, 10:30am-5pm (p.5)

Sun 22nd United Harvest Service , All Saints' Landbeach



† tithebarntrust.org.uk, 01223 862297

‡ dennyfarmlandmuseum.org.uk, 01223 860988

Cambridge Open Studios 2019

The beginning of July heralds the start of Open Studio (www.camopenstudios.co.uk) season and this year we have a record twelve artists taking part in Milton.

Printmaker Alison Hullyer's (www.hullyer.co.uk and picture, right) garden studio in Hall End (off Fen Road) is open on the 6th, 7th, 13th, 14th, 27th & 28th July (1st, 2nd and 4th weekends). She will be demonstrating various printmaking techniques and have for sale original prints, cards, screen-printed tea towels and her popular range of coasters.

The new North Cambridge Studios (www.oldindustries.com) has opened in the industrial estate near Tesco, where seven professional artists can be found showing sculpture, painting, photography and film. Their studio is open 2nd & 3rd weekends.





Also on the 2nd and 3rd weekends, Cheryl Bird and Linda Bartlett will be showing their beautiful handmade silver jewellery (www.divinedecadencejewellery.co.uk and picture, left). Their work can be found in the studio in the garden of 6 Cambridge Road. At 31 Cherry Close you will find Richard Morgan and Marie Georghiou showing their colourful mosaic homewares (twitter.com/hestiamosaics) and clay figures inspired by myths and legends.

All the studios are open to the public on the weekends stated (free entry), from 11am until 6pm, or at other times by

appointment. Look out for the bright yellow flags springing up around the village and surrounding areas, they signify a studio is open.

You can pick up free guides, which include a map showing over 300 artists taking part, from the Post Office, Community Centre and many other places.





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Summer Events at Milton Country Park

There are many different events at Milton Country Park this summer, with something for everyone! You can find more information (including age restrictions for certain events) and how to book these events at www.miltoncountrypark.org/events

For your entertainment, there are 3 shows for you to enjoy. The movie *Bohemian Rhapsody* will be shown on June 22nd and then there will be two open air theatre presentations: *A Midsummer Night's Dream* on July 21st and *Alice in Wonderland* on August 22nd.

If you are looking for something more active, why not try out a Mini Triathlon on June 13th or August 1st? The evening will comprise of coaching (bike fit, transition tips, course familiarisation, run and swim technique advice) followed by a 100m swim across one of Milton Country Park's lakes (we will endeavour to provide wetsuits for those who don't have them) followed by a 3 lap (3km) off-road cycle ride and finally a 1 lap (1km) run.

For something more serene, consider a moonlit open water swim on June 17th or August 15th. Places are limited so book early to get the opportunity to have a swim with a difference under the light of a silvery full moon.

For the children there are events throughout the summer. On the first three weekends of July, the Park will be hosting Find Your Wild camp nights: activities include campfire cooking, woodland art and craft, nature



watching, problem solving and team games. There are Go Wild activity days for the last three days of July where your child will have half a day of bushcraft and survival skills with a forest school instructor then an afternoon of water skills (paddle boarding, canoeing or kayaking) with qualified water sports coaches. Throughout the school holidays there will also be a Holiday Bushcraft Club where your children will learn about shelter building, knots and rope work, use of cutting tools and whittling, plant and tree recognition and uses, fire lighting techniques and wilderness cooking skills. More details at www.wildthymeandembers.co.uk/holiday-bushcraft-club/

And finally, just as we are leaving summer, an event to lead into the next season: the Autumn Festival on September 22nd. Paul Milligan







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Milton Summer Fair

For those who have been in the village for a few years, you might remember the Milton Summer Fair which was last held in 2015. There are a small number of us who wish to bring the Summer Fair back to the village but we can not do it alone. We are looking for volunteers who are willing to help us, give up some of their free time to meet regularly and organise the event.

If you are able to help us in any way and you are interested about being on the committee, then please email: summerfairmilton@gmail.com

Girlguiding in Milton

Girlguiding is the leading charity for girls and young women in the UK, with over 500,000 members.

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Here in Milton, we run Brownies (7-10 years) and Guides (10-14 years) and have links to nearby Rainbows (5-7 years) and Rangers (14-18) units.

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You can visit the website for more details (<u>birdandcagecinema.wordpress.com</u>), like our Facebook page ("BirdandCageCinema") or follow us on Twitter: @birdcagecinema

Clelia McElroy

Singing in the Summertime

Community Centre 10:30-11:30am. Fridays: 12th & 19th July, 16th & 23rd August The singing sessions will be warm friendly fun relaxing and inclusive and people will leave feeling uplifted and refreshed. We will explore voice, and discover ways into singing through physical and vocal warmups.

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Penelope Lutoslawska

Milton Primary School Summer BBQ

You & your family are invited to join the Milton CofE Primary school Summer BBQ on Friday 5th July, 6.00pm-8.30pm.

Traditional family fun including: BBQ, bar, inflatables, raffle, games, crafts and community market.

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From the Archives

25 Years Ago: June 1994

Milton Day Centre

We enjoyed our first outing on 22nd April with a mystery tour around some very pretty villages followed by a good lunch at the Soham By-Pass Motel

Another 'first' was our A.G.M. on the 29th April when it was announced that Jim Fisher was standing down as Chairman of the Committee. Jim was instrumental in getting the Day Centre off the ground and thanks were expressed for his hard work.

The new committee elected was:

Chairperson Treasurer Minutes Secretary Jeannie Medd Committee

Margaret Sandford Jackie Strickland Ian May Judith Dalton

Olivia Watson Rose Coulson

We are holding a coffee morning and bring and buy sale on Friday, 10th June commencing at 11am please come along and support us

More volunteers to help at the Day Centre would be appreciated - if you can spare a few hours please ring Margaret Sandford on 862844.

M Sandford

10 Years Ago: June 2009

Parish Councillors take a trip on **Guided Bus**



On the 15th of April members of Milton Parish Council were given the opportunity to travel on the Guided Bus as far as Histon. The full route is not completed yet.

Six of us travelled on the upper deck where the height of the roof was too low for some members of the group but the trip was enjoyed by all.

Jane Coston

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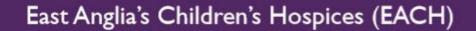
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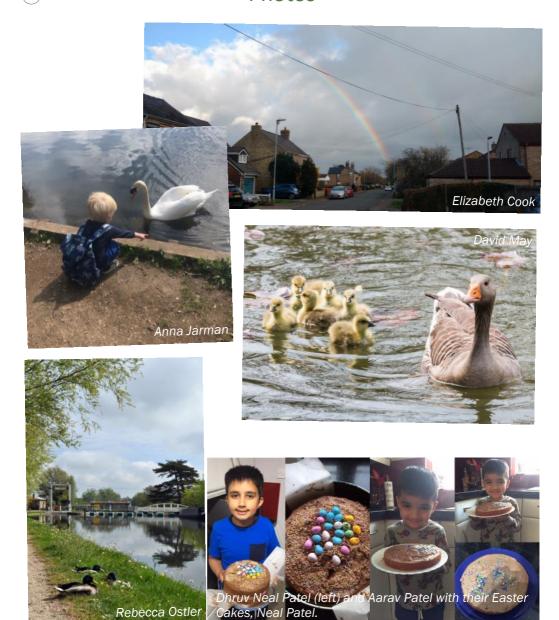
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David May



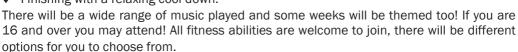




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Scouting in Milton

Beaver Scouts (6-8 years old) have been having fun with Hama beads, Lego and spaghetti bridge building. They can't wait to start their cycling badge and making rocky road over the Summer.

Cub Scouts (8-10½) have been walking in the dark in the park, swimming, cooking pancakes and making their own mini torches! They raised £36.85 for CAMSAR through selling biscuits they had baked.

Scouts (10½-14) had an exciting weekend away during Easter on a four-day camp where they had great fun rafting, climbing and cooking on open fires!

This year the **Explorer Scouts** (14-17) helped at the Cambridge Half Marathon and are preparing for their week long camp in the summer, where they will be ghyll scrambling, bridge building and having a two-day hike to the summit of Snowdon!

For more information about how you can get involved and the adventures we get up, email gsl@50thcambridgescouts.org, visit our website at www.50thcambridgescouts.org or go to our Facebook page at facebook.com/50thCambridge

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Milton Local History Group

The Milton Local History Group meets at the community centre on the first Tuesday of the month, 7:30-9:30pm. £2 per meeting. Last month, our talk by John Froment was on the history of Fen Skating and Albert Edward Tebbit, a Milton resident, who won many amateur titles and represented GB at the first winter Olympic Games in 1924.

If anyone has any information about the week of National Speed Skating events that took place at Baits Bite, Milton in February 1954, please contact the group through Chris Thomas (tel: 440024, email: chris@miltoncontact.com) or John Froment.

John Froment

Tesco Parking

A word or warning to not only villagers but any driver/shopper going to Tesco more than once a day, separated by the 3 hour limit imposed by the whoever set the limit.

Just recently I received a letter from the car parking company claiming I had parked there for more than 8 hours. I tried to appeal online, but could not manage it, as their ref no for me exceeded the amount of characters allowed in the appeal box. It would appear the cameras this firm has cannot cope with cars going in the car park more than once a day. If you do find this happening, please report it to the Tesco management team, who will deal with it appropriately.

Ray Daniels

Pay Online for Parking at Milton Country Park

The car park fee is one of the most important sources of revenue for the park, with money from ticket sales going directly towards the upkeep of the park.

If you want to avoid queuing at the car park machine or taking children to and from the car to display your ticket you can now pay and print your ticket in advance online.

Simply visit www.miltoncountrypark.org/parking and be sure to include the date of your visit and arrival time (e.g. Jan 1st 10am). Please print out your receipt and display on your dashboard.

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Milton WI

Several members attended the annual Cambridge Federation Council Meeting at Impington Village College and as well as the usual business we welcomed Baroness Floella Benjamin who spoke about her life in Trinidad and then in Britain from the age of 10. She became a television presenter, actress, singer, businesswoman and more recently since 2010 a member of the House of Lords. For over 20 years she has campaigned for a Minister for Children.

We also visited the Madingley American Cemetery with a guided tour giving an amazing insight into the lives and heroism of those buried at the cemetery and those missing and named on the wall. We were told by a gardener that the crosses were cleaned every three days which is a remarkable task. It is in an extremely tranquil and well cared for location.

Upcoming meetings will include a flower arranging demonstration in June and Angela Collins on *A Puppet's Tale* in July. There is no meeting in August.

New members welcome. Contact Gill Offley (01223 293231) – President, or Bridget Crow (01223 441755) – Secretary, for further details, or come along. Meetings are on the third Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

Anne Newman

Cygnets Chair

As a registered charity Cygnets cannot exist without a Committee. We are currently looking for a parent volunteer to Chair our Pre-School Committee, starting September 2019.



Chair Responsibilities:

- ✓ Represents and acts as key spokesperson for the Pre-School
- Chairs meetings and sets the agenda for termly meetings
- ✓ Familiar with Committee procedures
- ✓ Coordinates the responsibilities and work for Committee members
- ✓ Acts as the nominated person for Ofsted purposes
- Line manages and supports the Pre-School Manager

Committee members are required to hold an enhanced DBS certificate. If you do not have a DBS, you can apply through the Committee application process.

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EACH News



On 22nd June, East Anglia's Children's Hospices will be holding our annual Gala Day in the grounds of Milton Hall: see page 11 for more details. We *urgently need volunteers* to help at this event to help with running games, stalls, selling raffle tickets, helping on the entrance and much more! If you

are interested please contact Ellen Bing at ellen.bing@each.org.uk or 01223 204 916.

■On 27th June EACH will be holding a collection at Milton Tesco between 9am-5pm. If you can spare a few hours to help at this collection please contact Ellen Bing.

■In celebration of the Milton Hospice's 30th Anniversary, EACH are looking for 30 fearless individuals to take part in the Team EACH skydive at Sibson Airfield on 3rd August. When you sign up you will be asked to pay a £50 deposit, we then have two options. Self-funded: A final payment of £165 on the day paid by the participant, then simply raise as much as you can before the event! Charity Funded: Suggested fundraising target of £350 (this will cover the £165 fee for UK parachuting). When you sign up, you will receive a fundraising pack from the EACH fundraising team, providing advice and tips to support all of your fundraising activities! The team will also be available to answer any questions you may have running up to the event. If you would like to find out more or to sign up, head to our website www.each.org.uk/get-involved/events-diary/details/30th-anniversary-skydive or contact the fundraising team on 01223 204916 or cambs@each.org.uk, we look forward to hearing from you!

Whist drives

As many of you may know, whist drives have been held in the village for a long time, and continuing soon after the Community centre opened some 30+ years ago, But since December 2017, numbers playing whist have dropped sufficiently now to say that, if we do not get more people playing, the monthly sessions will cease after the January 2020 whist drive.

The next four monthly sessions will be held on September 24th, October 22nd, November 26th and December 17th. (We are not card sharps but we enjoy whist)

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For all sports lovers – we show SKY & BT Sport – on the big screen in the lounge bar and the big screen on the outside terrace.

Enjoy one of our meal offers – Monday is Steak Night - enjoy a FREE pudding with every steak meal. Tuesday & Wednesday - 2 for £20 - Handmade Pie & Chips. Thursday - 2 for £22 - Fresh beer-battered 8-10oz Cod & Chips. Friday Wine & Dine night – try one of Chef's tasty specials and wine offers. Our range of gluten free, dairy free, vegetarian and vegan dishes grows and our menu identifies all dishes that fall into these categories. As we cook to order we can also tailor many further dishes to individual requirements.

Fathers Day 16th June - we take bookings for the inside and outside tables - call to reserve. 11th July - Join us for some music after Newmarket Ladies Day - **FUNK & SOUL** -7-11pm

2nd Annual Gin Festival – 23-26 August. Gin tent in the garden loads of suggestions, mixes, spritz's, fizz and loads of Gin. Sunday afternoon - chilled Soulful House & Funk tunes in the garden with Nigel Barrett.

 6^{th} September – The Lonely Tone - a musical collaboration of THE LONELY and INDIETONES front man Foxy - you won't want to miss this! In the main bar from 8.30pm

20th September - we welcome back **Freddie Hall** - book your tables now for another fantastic evening with Freddie playing his mix of Jazz, Soul, Motown and R&B

27th September - Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning - join us for tea, coffee & cake raising funds for this great charity. Then, live in the bar from 8.30pm - Phil Watts - 80's Unplugged - all those great tunes from this masterful musician!

Psychic Suppers - 3rd July & 4th September - one-to-one readings including dinner.

Full details of all events can be found at on the website, follow us on twitter or find us on Facebook

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With summer approaching its time to enjoy our large secure garden with a covered decking area. Our garden is open daily from 10:30am, perhaps a full English breakfast could accompany you, available until 12pm Tues - Sun. The petanque court is ready to be used. We are looking to build a team of people who can learn the game before entering the local friendly league and perhaps the competitive league next year? In addition you can find table tennis and a bouncy castle over the summer months!

We are proud to be able to offer most of our dishes as a gluten free option too. Our new menu will boast a range of Sandwiches, Burgers, Light Bites and Snacks with the addition of Pizzas on Fridays and Saturdays which have proved very popular. We are stocking a new range of gluten free and alcohol free beer & cider. After receiving feedback over the past year it was apparent we were missing something from our lager offering and so we have added Carlsberg! We have also increased our range of ale lines from 5 to 7.

Ales Tuesdays - from 4pm until 8pm ALL of our ales drop to £3.00 a pint!

Food Truck Thursday - different every week bringing choice and something for everyone.

Keep your eyes on our Facebook page or website for the latest on our events, offers or beers.

George and the Waggon Team

White Horse

Tel: 01223 860327 www.facebook.com/whitehorsemilton

We look forward to seeing you during this summer either in the bar or in our garden; you are welcome to walk to us or you can park in our large car park. From 8th June we will have a new children's play area in the garden. To make sure that the area remains safe and clean for children to play it will be fenced; you will be able to enjoy your drink or your meal al fresco while you watch your children playing safely, and there will still be plenty of space in the garden for your dogs. Dogs are welcome at all times both indoors and outside and there are doggy treats at the bar. We respectfully ask you to keep your dog on a lead.

All our food is home cooked on the premises by our four qualified chefs (Adam, Simon, Ava and Dan); it is locally-sourced and freshly prepared, and includes several vegetarian and vegan options. We offer our usual Sunday roasts, plus Adam's Thais and Pies, and his daily Chef's Specials. We also have our 5-star food hygiene award to recommend us. You can phone or call in to book – please tell us about any food allergies.

We have 6 rotating ales plus a craft ale, with 2 gluten-free beers and 3 non-alcoholic beers; we always have at least 5 ciders.

Our entertainment line-up for the next few months includes:

- June 7th Karaoke
- June 21st live music from So80s Band
- July 5th, August 2nd, October 4th Karaoke
- August 21st Freddie Hall Band
- September 13th Jack Band

In our Games Room we have bar billiards and a dart board, and of course we still have Alan's free-to-play Quiz Night every Thursday from 9pm (with free chips!)

Ava, Alan, Adam, Gemma, Nikki, Simon, Dan, Kate, Milly, Mollie, Fiona and Kelli

Yoga in the Park

This introductory yoga course will focus on postures and mindfulness techniques to reduce stress, anxiety and building confidence and self-esteem. This 6 week course beginning Monday 10th June is in the tranquil setting of Milton Country Park, in the Wild Place. All equipment is provided and the entire course costs £45.

The course is led by Jenny, yoga teacher and founder of Perfectly Imperfect. She will use meditation, mindfulness, journaling techniques, positivity games, quotes and speech to build the course content and deliver techniques that can be used thereafter. These are techniques for life.

The course is perfect for you if:

- You are experiencing low energy levels
- You would like to give your confidence a boost
- You feel stressed or anxious
- You would like an introductory, friendly yoga class with likeminded people!

Book your place at <u>tinyurl.com/mcparkyoga</u>. Concessionary rates are available for people on income support – please contact us at <u>sport@cambridge.gov.uk</u> for details

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All Saints Church, Milton is looking for a reliable cleaner for $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours a week to clean the Church Hall. The hours required would be 8-9:30am Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. For further details please contact Michelle in the church office on 01223 441007 or by email on office@allsaintsmilton.org.uk

Landbeach & Milton Baptist Church

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For full details of all these and more please visit:

allsaintsmilton.org.uk

Wildlife Notes

I've recently been in correspondence with another Milton wildlife enthusiast, Derek Booth, who comments that when he first lived in Milton hearing cuckoos was common, and even nightingales could be heard down the Fen Road in spring. Presumably since then, new houses, and garden clearances at the older houses, tidying up and removing trees and thickets which presumably gave them habitat, has meant these species are long-gone. Even sparrows have retreated since I moved to Milton, with just a couple of residual populations hanging on; one near the Post Office on Coles Road, where I suspect they nest under the roof of the lovely old house nearby, and another in the hedge surrounding what I see Open Street Map calls "Teletubby Hill" near the hairdressers on The Rowans.

I first saw swallows on St George's Day, both over Milton Fen and then near the A14 bridge over the river where they nest. It was a good commute to work that day, as then I saw three common terns. Perhaps the lovely warm Easter weekend, surrounded by cold miserable weather, had given them a nudge? A colleague saw housemartins at the large colony at Addenbrooke's the same day, but it wasn't until the 28th April that I spotted them in Milton. On 11th May (what a cold and miserable day!) I heard housemartins chattering overhead so looked up to see them. There were also two swifts, but not screaming in their usual uplifting manner. Perhaps they were thinking they'd made a mistake and it was still only February; it was cold enough! The hawthorn really only came into flower in late April; sometimes it's nearly been over by mid-May.

A piece of good news; it does appear that hedgehogs are making it back into my area although their visits to the feeding station are somewhat intermittent, suggesting I'm still only on the edge of their range. This alerts me to issue a reminder to be very careful when emptying compost heaps or tidying up piles of leaves or undergrowth. There may be a hedgehog asleep in there as they sleep during the day and go out foraging at night. Horrific and fatal injuries can be caused by strimmers. Undergrowth and leaf or log piles not only provides homes for invertebrates, which in turn provide food for hedgehogs, but they also provide homes for hedgehogs, who often seem to prefer such places to the twee hedgehog houses sold in garden centres, although in the absence of anything else, I'm sure they wouldn't shun such a construction.





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Milton Tennis Club

Are you a tennis player or want to start playing again? Join Milton Tennis Club, a member of the Lawn Tennis Association. Play social tennis or as a member of match teams

- O Club Nights: Wednesdays & Fridays from 6pm
- Match Teams: Ladies. Mens. Mixed and Super Seniors
- O Intra-club Tournaments (e.g. Dant Cup 2019 winners pictured right)
- 2 coaches (for adults and juniors)
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CWA Team Takes Gold at Inter-College Competition

On 3rd April College of West Anglia (CWA) students from the college's Cambridge campus rode to victory at the Inter-College Equine Team Competition. The day-long competition was hosted by Hadlow College, Kent and saw four-person student teams from Hadlow, Plumpton, Merrist Wood, Berkshire College and CWA compete.



Success for (left-right) Tate Frost, Ella Wilson, Emma Pewter (team manager), Victoria Gedny and Maddie Paul.

CWA student Tate Frost won the Preliminary dressage test with an impressive 68.65% - over 4% ahead of the second placed rider - and Victoria Gedny continued this success in the Novice test with another win for

CWA with a whopping score of 69.58%, before Maddie Paul and Ella Wilson became the only students from the same team to clear their two show jumping courses, penalty free. Finally, the teams participated against each other in a quiz, which tested knowledge across a wide range of equine subjects. An interesting 'Jeopardy' format made for an exciting finale, with teams able to decide how many points they wished to gamble on bonus questions. CWA finished 2nd in the quiz to become overall winners on the day.

Programme manager of Equine Studies at CWA's Cambridge campus said: "I am so proud of what the team have achieved. A special mention for the reserve rider, Grace Mallows, who also attended practices, had to learn both dressage tests, was a fantastic support on the day and selected the all-important envelope of drawn horses."

Grace Jones



Milton Colts FC

Two Milton Colts teams competed in the Colts League Cup Finals in their respective age groups: these were fantastic achievements and great recognition for the club.

On 11th May the U12 Sky team won 1-0 vs Cambourne, becoming the first Milton Colts team to lift the trophy at U12 (*pictured, right*). This success means that the U12 Sky have completed the 'double' having won their League two weeks earlier.



On 10th May the U11 Sky team narrowly lost 1-0 against Isleham Colts. Both teams are highly regarded in their age group and as always it was a tight game.

Meanwhile, Milton Colts Navy Under 11s team (2019/2020 season) are looking for new players. The team has a new coach who is amazing and they also have a lot of parent support, all they need now are some new players! They currently train on Thursdays and play matches on Saturdays. They are a fantastic group of friendly kids who would welcome anyone enthusiastically. Please email the club manager Neal Patel -nealpatel81@hotmail.com or Yoko Watanabe - yokowtnb@hotmail.com

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