

## Merry Christmas And Best Wishes For a Happy and Prosperous 2014 To Everyone in the Stukeleys



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#### The January 2014 Magazine Cut-off Date is 9am Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013

Please note: I am going away for Christmas on 18<sup>th</sup> December. In order to get the Magazine to the Printer and back for distribution before I go away I will have to keep strictly to the Cut-off date above. Many thanks.

Martyn Fox, Editor

FUTURE EVENTS				
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Parish Council Meeting	7.30pm	LSVH	
Sat 7th December	mber Masked Christmas Dinner Dance		GSVH	
Wed 11th December	Ved 11th December WI Christmas Meeting		GSVH	
Fri 13th December	Huntingdon Male Voice Choir	7.30pm	GSVH	
Sat 14th December	Christmas Dinner	7.30pm	LSVH	
Mon 16th December	Little Stukeley Carol Singing North	6.30pm	2 Church Way	
Thur 19th December	Little Stukeley Carol Singing South	6.30pm	16 Mill Close	
Fri 20th December	A Carol Soiree	7.00pm	8 Beech Ave	
Tue 24th December	St Bartholomew Carol Service	4.00pm	St Barholomews	

Take a look at the Magazine website at www.stukeleysmag.co.uk Email to: Martyn at martyn@stukeleysmag.co.uk Post/drop in to: 7 Hill Close, Great Stukeley PE28 4AZ Tel: 01480 432633 Mob: 07710 171924 Please include your phone number in case of gueries.

Space in the magazine is limited, so articles should be about 300 words. This is to allow as many people as possible the opportunity to contribute to the magazine. It would be helpful if you could submit articles sized to an A5 page in Word or PDF.

We reserve the right to refuse an article, cut its length or hold it over to a later issue without notice. Please Note: Any articles or letters appearing in this Magazine are accepted in good faith and are purely the opinion of the Writer and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Editor or Parish Council. A charge is made to advertise in this magazine. All enquiries should be directed to Martyn Fox (Tel: 01480 432633) or the Clerk of the Parish Council (Tel: 01480 455365).

#### This Month

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#### Minutes of the November Parish Council Meeting

Eight councillors, the county councillors and Rebecca Britton from Urban & Civic attended the November meeting of the Council. The members decided to invite Ms Jane Bowd to take the job as clerk of the council with effect on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014, if this offer was accepted she would administer the Stukeleys Parish Council business from her office in Needingworth, when, hopefully, confirmation is received further contact details will appear on the Parish Website and in this magazine.

Ms Britton informed that by virtue of a financial partnership between U&C, the County Council & the Parish Council it is hoped that footpath 13 can be refurbished as soon as was practicable. The junction of Owl End and Bridleway 10 was to be traffic restricted by a bollard in the road, but that at least 3 weeks' notice would be given to residents prior to the work commencing. Damage by a car to the entrance to the allotment facility was to be investigated by Mr. Ryan, with a view to making a compensation claim. It was reported that sadly the new rabbit fencing at the playing field may be unfit for purpose, discussions were held to decide what alterations were required to make the wiring more appropriate, it was agreed that the contractor was not paid until satisfaction was achieved.

A request for a bus shelter on the west side of Ermine Street at Little Stukeley was sympathetically accepted by members and Mrs. Smith agreed to investigate costings and any avenues under which the council could acquire funding assistance.

Mr. Ryan reported that he and the chairman had conducted a 'traffic' census along Ermine Street recently, in an effort to establish the numbers of HGV's transiting 'straight through' both villages, the intention was to supply the data collected to the Police to ask them to take the appropriate action.

As there had been further incidents in relationship to the status of West View as an 'Open Space' for all and in particular the gravel track on the northern edge of the site which serves properties 8, 9 & 10 and as to whether it is appropriate for village residents to walk on said drive, the matter was to be referred to the legal department of the District Council who were the landowners.

Finally it is my tiresome duty to remind ALL dog owners that for health and safety reasons in relation to sports areas and in particular children's play areas, the exercising of dogs, with the exception of guide dogs, is 'STRICTLY FORBIDDEN' in the Ermine Street recreation field, appropriate signage has been erected to support any legal action that the Council may wish to enforce. So PLEASE act responsibly in the future or face the possibility of legal action.

The next Council meeting is on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2013 at 7.30pm at the village hall, Low Road, Little Stukeley.

#### Michael. J. Newman, Clerk & RFO.

#### Assault on a Resident's Cat

My cat is a small home cat, she never stays out at night or even goes very far. She went out at approximately 5pm and returned at 7pm in the condition you can see in the picture on the front cover. It happened at the end of October. Someone had shaved her on the side as you can see in the picture as well as on her tummy, all down the inside of her back legs and at the base of her tail.

I have asked for my name and address to be withheld as the culprit would then know where she lives. However I would like people to be aware and on the lookout for any further possible attacks.



LITTLE STUKELEY VILLAGE HALL Christmas Dinner

The last event of 2013 will be the Christmas Dinner on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December and Jenifer Thompson and Pat Hamilton will be entertaining us once more this year. Ring or email Sally Smith (450356 or sallysmith101@aol.com) to book your places. Please note that the timing stated in the notice in last month's magazine was incorrect – it starts at 7.30pm. The mistake was mine, yet again, not anyone else! We will be deciding what events to put on for 2014 so if anyone has any ideas that they think we ought to try please let the committee know.

#### **Keith Winter**

(Tel: 450656 email: keithwinter2@sky.com)

#### Little Stukeley Village Hall Fireworks

After a long absence LSVH held a bonfire and firework display followed by delicious food. The event was a great success and enjoyed by all. I'd like to thank everyone involved, including Camilla and Heath Payne for the use of their garden and Terry Pinner for the use of his field. Camilla also helped with the food as did Paula Robinson, Angela Hill, Gill Hossack & Gloria Eastgate. Bryan Schofield and Keith Winter were excellent 'igniters' despite the high winds and Andrew Owen did a great job in getting the bonfire going, his boys and the Payne's children did a fantastic job of building the bonfire earlier in the day. Tony Gee and Matthew Robinson did a sterling job as barmen for the evening and Heath Payne and Mark Edmondson acted as first aider and steward respectively. I can't thank everyone enough for the tremendous enthusiasm that the village showed to get this event up and running, my only regret is having to turn people away as we hit our limits with tickets. Let's hope we can do it all again next year, just remember to get your tickets early!

#### **David Robinson**

#### Little Stukeley Carol Singing

Once again some of us will be carol singing around the village in December. This year the church will receive, as usual, 50% of the amount raised, but we would like any villager who has a charity which they support and would like to nominate them to receive the other 50% we would be happy to draw a name from all the nominations. The names should be given to Peter Soinne by the end of November. We are always grateful for volunteers to help swell the numbers, which helps make a good sound for the villagers. We will be covering the north side of the village on Monday, 16th December (meet outside 2 Church Way at 18.30) and the south of the village on Thursday, 19th December (meet outside 16 Mill Close at 18.30). A decision on the suitability of the weather will be made at 18.00 hours each evening. Please do come and join us, it would also be good to have some of the village children joining in.

> If you are in any doubt please contact: Peter Soinne on 437584



### Great Stukeley Village Hall

#### Forthcoming Events

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm Masked Christmas Dinner Dance with 3 course dinner and music by Steve Lake £20

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm – Huntingdon Male Voice Choir with mince pie and refreshments £10 Tickets available from Jan & Ian Sly 450197

#### **To Mary Alleyne-James**

Dear Mary,

I would like to take the opportunity, through this magazine to thank you for all the wonderful trips you organise for everybody.

You kindly spend a lot of your own time and take no payments for your printing, paper, telephone, and postage costs.

You have organised and continue to organise many wonderful trips for us all to enjoy and look after us all so well on the day. I would like to say a very big "Thank you" to you in appreciation for all the hard work that goes into organising these trips.

I am sure anybody who has joined you on these trips would also join me in saying Thank you and well done

#### Sylvie Reynolds

Note. There are two Sylvia Reynolds living in the village of Great Stukeley, Yes two!! The writer is Mary's neighbour and not the Sylvia Reynolds of the WI, and I mostly use Sylvie.

#### BEECHWOOD BEAUTY BOAT TRIP: Tuesday 10<sup>TH</sup> June 2014

On the day of our trip, Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014, we will be visiting Marlow, Hambledon Valley, Henley-on-Thames and having a late afternoon cruise on the loveliest and laziest stretch of the River Thames.

We will meet our Blue Badge Holder Guide in elegant Marlow at 11am. This means that we will have a slightly later departure from the Great Stukeley Village Hall this time, around 9am.

We will have time to browse a bit before returning to the coach to follow a trail along the upper reaches of the Thames that has lost none of its magical charm which has enchanted onlookers for centuries. This very special event is an absolute favourite.

At 4pm sharp we will board our pleasure cruiser at Boulters Lock near Maidenhead for the Beechwood Boat Trip after having a lunch break and time to explore the riverside and town of Henley-Queen of the Thames.

There will be a bar on board where you may buy hot and cold drinks. We plan to step ashore opposite the Compleat Angler at Marlow and return to our coach ready to head for home at 6.15pm.

If this wonderful trip along the Thames through the Chilterns holds interest PLEASE CALL ME WITHOUT DELAY. My trips do fill up in days rather than weeks and you do not want to miss out on this super days' adventure on the water.

#### Price per person £ 37.50

This includes our coach trip there and back, our cruise between Boulters Lock and Henley and tips for our driver and Blue Badge Holder Guide.

#### **Mary Alleyne-James** Tour Organizer Tel 01480 433 954 7

#### RAFFLE PRIZES APPEAL

Great Stukeley Village Hall is holding two events with raffles in December: the Masked Dance on 7<sup>th</sup> December and the Huntingdon Male Voice Choir on 13<sup>th</sup> December. The Committee would be most grateful of any donations for these raffles which can be given to:

Sarah Toyn 14 Green End (07961 358067) or Mary Alleyne-James at 11 Owl End (01480 433954)



#### FUNDRAISING FERRET RACING EVENING 2: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2014

We hope that you are planning to support your Village Hall by attending our up-coming FUNDRAISING FERRET RACING EVENING 2 on the evening of Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2014.

THE MENU	Cottage Pie with Peas followed by a 'Surprise' dessert which will be
	served after the first race.
DRINKS	BRING YOUR OWN BOTTLE
	(alcohol,soft drinks,water)
	and DRINKING GLASSES
PRICE	£14.00 per person including
	Supper and entrance fee
NAME YOUR	£6.00 per Ferret per race
FERRET	

We are appealing for donations of Raffle Prizes which I need to receive before the big night.

DOORS OPEN7.00PMFIRST RACE7.30PMSUPPER SERVED7.45/8.00PM

We hope that you will join in all the fun by attending this exciting event.

#### Mary Alleyne-James

Event Örganizer Great Stukeley Village Hall Committee Tel 433.954

#### REFLECTIONS on my Coronations and Celebrations Trip - Tuesday 12th November 2013

If British History is your interest then this Coronations and Celebrations tour was THE tour that you would have enjoyed.

We set out on time from The Great Stukeley Village Hall at just after 08.15 am. It seemed that everyone else decided to visit London that day!. The traffic was plentiful and slow moving and got worse as we approached the City limits. We met our *Blue Badge Holder Guide*, Jeanie Carmichael, some 30 minutes later than scheduled. We stopped at the *Mad Hatter Hotel and Pub* on Stanford Street for our morning coffee and a comfort break before tracing Queen Elizabeth's' history by coach. We had a special *ROYAL PARK PERMIT* which allowed us to follow Royal routes normally inaccessible by coach. At 1pm we lunched together back at *The Mad Hatter Hotel and Pub* and I got good feedback on the food-the roast beef and the vegetarian option.

Our second *Blue Badge Holder Guide*, Marion Bacon, joined us outside Westminster Abbey where we split into two groups of twenty five. Among the vast number of artifacts we were able to view the simple Coronation Throne, made to the order of King Edward 1<sup>st</sup> in 1300-1, which is to be used for the Coronation of Prince Charles, the Prince of Wales. Westminster Abbey enshrines the history of our nation- Kings, Queens, statesmen, soldiers, poets, priests, scientists, heroes and villains. The Abbey is a living pageant of British History in which every English or British monarch since 1066 has been crowned. There have been at least 16 royal weddings including, Prince William, the Queen and the Queen Mother at the Abbey.

Most sincere thanks are expressed to our *Blue Badge Holder Guides*. Their knowledge is quite exceptional.Peter Brown our driver, once again did a wonderful job of taking us to and from London. Thanks are also extended to all those who supported this trip by signing up. We arrived back safely at 7.15pm.

#### Mary Alleyne-James Tour Organizer Tel 01480 433954

#### THE TOWER of LONDON - Tuesday 11th March 2014

The day begins at THE TOWER of LONDON at 10.30am for morning refreshment which you can purchase at THE KITCHEN Café.

This is a newly opened venue offering traditional British food in a very relaxing setting next to All Hallows- a stone's throw from the TOWER.

Our guided tour will include the history, customs and traditions of THE TOWER. You will also be able to visit *Traitors Gate*, the *White Tower*, the *Bloody Tower* and special time to view the spectacular *Crown Jewels*.

After lunch we will explore the nearby TOWER precincts. Only Royalty enjoyed the privilege of execution within the walls of THE TOWER. Mere aristocrats and mortals met their maker in public on Tower Hill. We will visit the execution site with our Blue Badge Holder Guide, Martin Harvey.

We will leave from the Great Stukeley Village Hall PROMPTLY at 8.30am for our seventy-one mile journey to London. We will depart from the Capital at 4.50pm and will arrive back at Great Stukeley at ten to seven-depending on traffic.

The Tour Cost is £39.50 per person which includes the coach journey to and from London, tips for our Driver and our Blue Badge Holder Guide, who will be with us for our entire visit to London, and admission to THE TOWER.

#### Mary Alleyne-James

Tour Organizer Tel 433954

#### O come, all ye faithful Recyclers

The countdown to Christmas has started, and Huntingdonshire District Council would like to encourage you all to keep the party going by remembering to recycle over the festive period.

We are recycling more at home than ever before, which is great, and we don't want it to be forgotten about during the festivities.

Christmas is a time for entertaining, which means we all have more waste to dispose of. In Huntingdonshire, we are fortunate to be able to recycle a wide range of materials within the blue bins or clear sacks, which helps us all to recycle more this Christmas.

Remember to recycle all of your Christmas cards, wrapping paper (paper type only), sweet tins, and the plastic packaging from your gifts within your recycling bin.

Don't forget that all food waste, including your turkey carcass, vegetable peelings and any leftovers can be placed in your garden waste bin for composting.

Collections of all waste types will continue throughout the festive period, but your day of collection will change for a few weeks. Collection arrangements are below and you can also download your collection calendar from <a href="http://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins">www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins</a>

Normal	Change to		
Monday 23 Dec	Normal		
Tuesday 24 Dec	Normal		
Wednesday 25 Dec	Friday 27 Dec		
Thursday 26 Dec	Saturday 28 Dec •		
Friday 27 Dec	Monday 30 Dec		
Monday 30 Dec	Tuesday 31 Dec		
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Tuesday 7 Jan	Wednesday 8 Jan		
Wednesday 8 Jan	Thursday 9 Jan •		
Thursday 9 Jan	Friday 10 Jan		
Friday 10 Jan	Saturday 11 Jan		

### When the festivities are over, recycling continues and here are a few top tips for a green 2014

Save money and waste less food with great tips and recipe ideas from <u>www.lovefoodhatewaste.com</u> Enjoy truly local food sold by the people who produce it from your Local Farmers' market. Find your local market at <u>www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/markets</u>

Recycle unwanted small electrical items in one of the banks in Cattle Market - St Ives, Bridge Place Car Park -Godmanchester and Tebbutts Road Car Park - St Neots Know what materials can be recycled within your bins at www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/whatgoesinwhichbin

Compost at home – you can buy one compost bin and get another half price at <u>www.ccc.getcomposting.com</u> Find out when your bins are collected at <u>www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins</u>

Many unwanted materials can be recycled at your local Household Waste Recycling Centre.

Alconbury	9am – 4pm	Sites close at 1pm on Christmas Eve, and are closed on Christmas
Bluntisham	8am – 4pm	Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.
St Neots	8am – 6pm	Buy, Boning Buy and New Teal 3 Day.

Find your nearest at <u>www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/recycling</u> Recycling Banks for clothes, textiles, DVD's, CD's and books are located throughout the district. Find your local bank at <u>www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/recyclingcentres</u>

Avoid your blue bin being rejected for collection by keeping out black sacks and textiles

#### Little Stukeley Village Hall CHRISTMAS DINNER Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7:30pm Tickets £10 00 for Adults from Mrs Sally Smith Tel: 01480-450356 or email: sallysmith101@aol.com Licensed Bar (including spirits) A Carol Soirée Do come along and join us for a Carol Soirée at 8 Beech Avenue, Great Stukeley on Friday 20th December commencing at 7:00pm By kind permission of Mrs Janet Talbot Come and enjoy a mince pie, a glass of cheer & sing some traditional Carols Tickets priced at only £5.00 are available from Mrs Janet Talbot 455042 or Mrs Doris Turpin 456476 All proceeds are for St Bartholomew Church Funds

#### St Bartholomew's Carol Service

CHRISTMAS WILL SOON BE UPON US

As I advised back in October we will have a traditional Service with a Nativity enactment but that will only be complete if we get sufficient children to join the 'cast'. This years' service will, as usual, be held at **4.00pm on Christmas Eve**, Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December. May I ask any "Mum" (or Dad) to please contact **Kirstie Haves** on **07941 837994** to let us know you wish to take a part and we can then hopefully set off the Christmas season together in this wonderful traditional way. There will be a rehearsal for those who wish to take a part on Sunday 22nd at 11:00am in St Bartholomew's Church.

Please do what you can to help make this true start to Christmas a resounding success and I look forward to seeing many of you on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Richard Turpin** Vice Chairman of the PCC



Email: ashley.whittaker@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

#### Or Telephone: 01223 703537



"Hi there, my name is Ashley and I'm part of the ShapeYourPlace community engagement team in Huntingdonshire. I've had a great few months since I started and have had the opportunity to work with some of the district's libraries, youth clubs, parish and town councils, schools and community groups but I'd like to meet more of you!

If you'd like to learn more about how <u>www.ShapeYourPlace.org</u> can support your volunteer organisation or community group, or help to promote a local event, get in touch and I'll come out to meet you. I can offer training one-to-one or in larger groups if you'd like to learn how to raise issues or publish blogs on the site.

I'm also still growing my bank of community reporters so if you'd like to share your community's big story, raise awareness of local issues or just share good news about what goes on where you live, then I'd love to hear from you.

#### Alconbury Thursday Club Wheelchairs

The Thursday Club is a weekly day centre for elderly and/or housebound individuals, which is held in the Sports and Social Club in Alconbury. Transport is available to get people to and from the Club. A home cooked lunch is provided and as well as social time there is regular entertainment and outings throughout the year.

Several people from the Stukeleys are already members and all enjoy their weekly trip down the hill to Alconbury. We do have space for more members at the moment if anyone reading this would like to join us. Thursday Club also have a stock of well-maintained wheelchairs, which are available for anybody in the community to borrow when there is a short term need. Please contact Gaynor Foley on 01480 890551 to arrange delivery.

If you feel that you might be interested in attending please do contact Mary Watkin on 01480 896950, mobile number 07531 393402 or email at marywatkin@btinternet.com



## Cambridgeshire County Council needs you to help change the lives of local children and young people.

Foster Carers provide a stable family support network for local children and young people when they are unable to live with their own family. Every year we have over 425 children and young people looked after by Cambridgeshire County Council.

The shortage of Foster Carers means that children and young people are placed with (independent foster carers or residential units some outside of Cambridgeshire) they may also be looked after within the county children's homes. We need to recruit more Foster Carers in order to give them the best possible future.

Foster Carer's come from all different kinds of backgrounds. It may be that you have your own children or you may have worked with children before. You may have no experience of children or possibly considering a career change?

Every child is different so we need different Foster Carers, if you can offer stability, security and the positive experience of a loving family then we want to hear from you.

You might be:

- •Married, in a civil partnership, single or living with a partner
- •From an ethnic background
- •In a same sex relationship
- •In work, unemployed or retired

Recruiting local people will mean that children and young people can live in their own community, continue to attend the same school and maintain contact with their family and friends.

We offer generous allowances including a start up package, 24 hr support and full training.

#### THE STUKELEYS WI

#### Meeting held on Wednesday 13th November 2013

The President, Jan Sly welcomed twenty four members to the meeting. Three apologies for absence were received. We sang Jerusalem.

Jan thanked Billie Evans for the Curtis Bowl and Draw Prize. The minutes for the previous meeting were read out it was agreed that they were accurate and that Jan should sign them.

Matters arising from the minutes: Jan had received a report from the President of Alconbury-cum-Weston WI who hosted the Autumn Group Meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> October in which she apologised that the speaker had not turned up. It was agreed that despite this it had been a very entertaining evening with King & I singing 50s and 60s songs. The Stukeleys won 3 out of 4 competition prizes and 2 out of 5 raffle prizes.

Various notices were read out and boards went round for the car park and menu choices for the Christmas Party. The possible closure of Huntingdon WI was discussed. Their President is resigning with no-one to replace her and she had asked if some members could join The Stukeleys WI if their institute were to close. One member said there had been developments and it was resolved to contact Huntingdon WI to find out the present position.

After a fish and chip supper, the General Meeting was held when the Financial Statement was found to be in order and Jan gave the Committee's Annual Report and the President's Address in which she thanked all the Committee Members for their hard work and all members who had generously donated or made things throughout the year.

The competition was a small box (any material) and each member had a vote to cast which produced four first prizes: Joan Gray, Deanna Strange, Jenny Thilo and Freda Butter. Draw Prize: Val Halliday

The next meeting will be the Christmas Party on **11<sup>th</sup> December 2012** which is **7 for 7.15pm**. Curtis Bowl Sarah Toyn and Draw Prize: the Committee. Berrill Cup: A snowman (any medium)...

#### Sarah Toyn

#### St Bartholomew's Quiz Night

A Quiz Night will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 23rd November at 7:00pm. The cost of tickets is £7.00 for adults and £4.00 for under 16s. Tea, coffee and some nibbles will be provided but you are welcome to bring along your own refreshments (liquid or other as you please). Please contact Mrs Nancie Raby Tel No 453269 or Mrs Doris Turpin Tel No 456476 for tickets for what we feel sure will be a fun evening in aid of Church Funds.



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#### Richard Turpin Vice Chairman of the PCC

#### Alconbury & Brampton Surgeries Update October 2013

#### Team Changes

We will be saying goodbye to Dr Aminah Anjum in December as she moves onto the next stage of her GP Training. We will instead be joined by Dr Anum Butt for a period of 4 months. We recently said goodbye to Practice Nurse Kate Stent who left us to take on an opportunity based in the community. We must also wish Receptionist Kelly Cook well as she takes maternity Leave from Brampton reception team in October. We have Sarah Edwards joining us as an apprentice for a year to help cover in Kelly's absence. I am sure you will join us in wishing them all well as they embark on their respective adventures.

#### SURGERY HALF DAY CLOSING DATE

Wednesday 15th January 2014

If urgent medical attention is required on one of the above half day please call the surgery and your call will be diverted or call UCC (Urgent Care Cambridgeshire) direct on 0330 1239131.

#### RESEARCH

Alconbury & Brampton Surgeries are part of a network of general Practices in Cambridgeshire & Peterborough who host medical research on a regular basis. As such we are accredited as being 'Research Ready'.

Findings from research studies can be used by our GPs, nurses or other health professionals to enable us to offer you the most appropriate care.

Anyone registered with the Practice could help shape the future of healthcare by helping with research projects that you may be invited to participate in.

You may be approached by a member of this Practice to participate in a research project. Please consider any patient information leaflets you may receive about research carefully. This information may be sent to you or given to you by a nurse, doctor or other healthcare professional.

Taking part in a research study can vary greatly and might involve completing a questionnaire, agreeing to an interview with a researcher or taking part in a clinical trial.

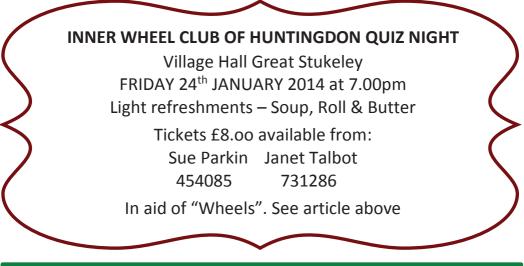
Participation in research is voluntary. You may refuse to take part in research without it affecting your medical care. Should you wish to decline all research invitations from the Practice then please let us know so that we can ensure we have recorded your preferences.

We are currently involved in studies for patients with Asthma, COPD and polymyalgia rheumatica. We are also involves in evaluating the effectiveness of different ways of delivering your NHS Healthchecks.

Over **500,000** people took part in research in England last year If you want to know more about research or want to get involved you can get information and a DVD from <u>www.crncc.nihr.ac.uk/resources</u>

#### **'WHEELS'**

Wheels is a national initiative for the Inner Wheel Clubs of Great Britain and Ireland, monies are raised by Clubs for projects involving wheels which are for the benefit of the local community. The Inner Wheel Club of Huntingdon has decided to raise money towards providing wheelchairs for disabled Children to be placed at the Shopmobility Centre in the Literary Car Park in Huntingdon.





#### THE STUKELEYS POPPY APPEAL 2013

#### **COFFEE MORNING**

Village Hall Great Stukeley FRIDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2014 10.30am – 12.00pm

Door Prize, Bring & Buy, Raffle, Cake Stall etc.

PLAESE COME AND SUPPORT US



#### **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL 2013 – 14**

On behalf of the British Legion I thank all those who gave their time or donated to the Poppy Appeal in the Stukeleys, we collected £2414.23 this year with the Coffee Morning yet to come.

Sue Parkin Poppy Appeal Organiser



You are cordially invited to a

#### Masked Christmas Dinner Dance

#### At Great Stukeley Village Hall **On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December** 7 for 7.30pm – Midnight

Tickets are only £20 each and include a 3 course meal and entertainment from fabulous local vocalist **Steve Lake** who will perform a variety of music including swing, motown, rock, pop and soul.

There will be a raffle but no licensed bar so bring your own drinks and glasses. Prize awarded for the best mask.

#### Tickets available from Jan & Ian Sly 450197



### CHRISTMAS CONCERT Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm Great Stukeley Village Hall Performed by the Huntingdon Male Voice Choir

Come and join us for a rousing evening of Christmas Carols and songs performed by the talented Huntingdon Male Voice Choir. Mince pies and refreshment will be provided in the interval. There will also be a raffle. All proceeds go to the Village Hall.

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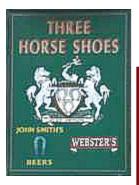


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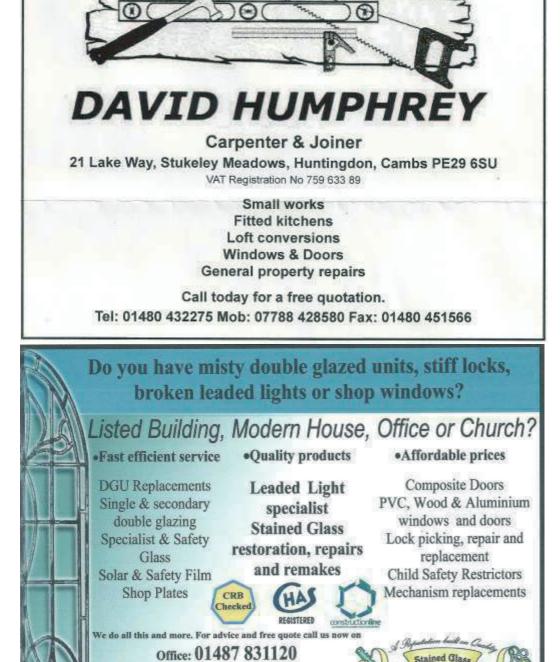
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Every Monday	7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
Every Thursday and Friday	7.30 am	Skype Prayer Group. Just Phone Pete and add your number, to join in.
Saturday Dec. 8th	9.00 am	Men's Breakfast Fellowship All Men Welcome. Bring a friend or two !!
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday each Month	3.00 pm	Aftemoon Worship at Great Gidding Baptist Church
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> December		Our Christmas 'Carols & Readings Service . 'Happy Birthday, Jesus.'
01480 432207 or 078877 penny.bourne@sky.com help with transport to any	07940 / 07908 or phone Dav of the meeting	o or any questions you need to ask please call Pete and Penny Bourne on 1093224 or email us at <u>bourneagain58@yahoo.co.uk</u> or id Stokes on 01480 891023 and we will do our very best to help. If you need gs just call Pete or Penny as above. If you would like more information about y gracefellowshipbadiist co.uk and please visit our Facebook Pages for

Grace Fellowship and Great Gidding Baptist Church.

As we enter this time of the year and Christmas some of us will be rushing around shopping for presents and food then we have to get the presents wrapped up and delivered to our loved ones and Friends. Then we get to putting up the decorating the room and Christmas tree. By the time we have done all the cooking we are ready to flop and relax, but with a family and friends there is little chance of that happening. So if you can find time to join us for a time of carols on the 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11am we would love to see and share a tea or Coffee and a mince pie or two. There will be a short service at 10 30 am on the 25th we welcome everyone to join us and bring the family let the children bring their favourite Present with them, If you would like to come but need transport give me a ring on 01480 432207.

The Fellowship wish you all a very happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

We look to another year of serving the community so if there is any way we can help by providing some kind of service to the community please tell us. We will look at any requests and if we are able to meet that need we will be glad to help.

Finally, may Penny and I wish you all the very best Christmas with your family and God bless you in 2014.

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of Advent					
8th	8.00 am	Holy Communion CW		No Service	
Second Sunday	Celebrant	Rev'd Andrew Milton			
of Advent	9.30 am	Family Service			
	Leader	Richard Turpin			
15th	9.30 am	Holy Communion CW	6.00 pm	Carol service	
Third Sunday	Celebrant	Rev'd Philip Swindells	Leader	Rev <sup>*</sup> d Andrew Milton	
of Advent		-			
22nd	9.30 am	Morning Prayer	11.00 am	Christingle	
Fourth Sunday	Leader	Janet Talbot	Celebrant	Rev'd Andrew Milton	
of Advent					
24th	4.00 pm	Nativity Carol Service		No Service	
Christmas Eve	Leader	Richard Turpin			
25th	10.30 am	Christmas Holy Comm	union		
Christmas Day	Celebrant	Rev'd Philip Swindells			
29th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer		No Service	
First Sunday	Leader	Janet Talbot			
of Christmas					
January					
1st	9.30 am	Holy Communion CW		No Service	
Second Sunday	Celebrant	Rev'd Philip Swindells			
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