

Longstanton Life

& Northstowe

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Life in Your Locality



Charity Open Garden - Sylvia Newman, Green End Farm, Longstanton. Photo by Anna Rudd

In this issue: Archaeology Open Day at Northstowe, Science Zone - 70 Years of the NHS. Our regular features, including Sports News, Community Concerns, LDHS Update, RSPB, Hatton Park News, Memory Lane, Surgery Update and many more. 'Wild Hair' Competition - make sure you don't miss it!

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VILLAGE DIARY

SUNDAY	0930-1030	Sunday School	The Rectory, High St.	Susan Meah	01954 781258
	1100	Tennis Club Sessions	The Pavilion	Sarah Ballard	07985 938959
3rd of month	1600-1800	Messy Church	Village Institute*	Susan Meah	01954 781258
MONDAY	1100-1200	Zumba Gold	Village Institute*	Davina Mee	07779 244250
	1800-2000	Bowls Club	The Pavilion	Marion Edwards	01954 780118
	1930-2030	Jazzercise	Hatton Park School	Tina Chasse	01487 841811
2nd of month	1930	Parish Council	Village Institute*	(Open meeting)	
3rd of month	1945	W.I.	Village Institute*	Patrizia Peters	01954 781283
TUESDAY	1000-1200	Coffee morning (over 55's)	The Dale Comm. Hall	Please just turn up	
	1030-1115	Mini JAFFAs (pre-schoolers)	All Saints' Church	Susan Meah	01954 781258
	1700-2000	Tennis - Junior and adult coaching	The Pavilion		coaching@longstantontennis.co.uk
	1830-2000	Adult Cricket training (May-August)	Recreation Ground	Wayne Markillie	07737 313225
	1845-1930	BodyMod Bootcamp	Recreation Ground	Danny Williams	07946 286068
	1900-2100	Cambridge Freestyle Martial Arts	Village Institute*	Rory / Martin	07523 854251 / 07535 646234
	1900-2130	ATC (Air Training Corps)	Cadet Centre		
WEDNESDAY	1000-1100	Music Madness (0-5yrs)	Village Institute*	Sharon Sennitt	07762 206320
	1800	Tennis Club Night	The Pavilion	Sarah Ballard	07985 938959
	1910-2130	Army Cadet Force (12-18yrs)	Cadet Centre	Sgt. Rudderham	07759 056154
	1900-2100	Bell ringers practice	All Saints' Church	Mike Cartwright	01954 781275
	1930-2030	Jazzercise	Hatton Park School	Tina Chasse	01487 841811
THURSDAY	0630-0715	BodyMod Bootcamp	Recreation Ground	Danny Williams	07946 286068
	1000-1100	Rainbow Club (bump-1yr)	Village Institute*	Susan Meah	01954 781258
	1700-2000	Junior coaching and team play	The Pavilion		coaching@longstantontennis.co.uk
	1845-1930	BodyMod Bootcamp	Recreation Ground	Danny Williams	07946 286068
	1900	Football training	Recreation Ground	Luke McAvooy	07795 321494
	1900-2000	Ballroom Dancers, beginners	Hatton Park School	Mike Cartwright	01954 781275
	2000-2100	Ballroom Dancer, advanced	Hatton Park School	Mike Cartwright	01954 781275
FRIDAY	0930-1130	Little Leprechauns playgroup (0-4yrs)	Village Institute*	Alice Burrell	07779 363990
	1400-1600	Afternoon tea (over 55's)	The Dale Comm. Hall	Please just turn up	
	17.00-1800	Judo (Kids 8+)	Pathfinder School	Szandra Szogedi	
	18.00-1930	Judo (Adults)	Pathfinder School	Szandra Szogedi	
	1800	Tennis Club Night	The Pavilion	Sarah Ballard	07985 938959
	1900-2130	ATC (Air Training Corps)	Cadet Centre		01954 781180
SATURDAY	0915-1000	BodyMod Bootcamp	Recreation Ground	Danny Williams	07946 286068
	0915-1000	Judo (Kids 5-7)	Pathfinder School	Szandra Szogedi	
	1000-1100	Longstanton Colts Football Club (6-12yrs)	Recreation Ground	Louise Gamon	07429 317803
	1000-1100	Judo (Kids 8+)	Pathfinder School	Szandra Szogedi	

* It should be noted that the Village Institute is available for hiring for a variety of functions; provisional bookings can be made via <http://community.longstantonvillage.org/village-institute/>. Email: villageinstitute@gmail.com or telephone **01954 782323**. The Pavilion also offers private party function facilities, discuss your requirements for any family & friends gatherings - e.g. weddings, birthdays, funerals, with **Michael Binks** on **01954 782233** or email longstantonpav@btinternet.com

Memory Lane, Who, Where, When and Why?



Photo LDHS via H Stroude

An easy one for this issue, - not exactly a beauty spot but a local lay-by but, where and when?

Answers to June/July's W,W, W & W?

Where: Longstanton Recreation Ground ?

When: ?

Why: To record Longstanton Grass Hoppers cricket team ?

Who: ?

We were hoping for a response to our request, in the last issue, for information regarding this photograph. Unfortunately, we received none - hence the blank spaces and question marks!



Photo LDHS via Tom Eaton



LONGSTANTON LIFE EDITORIAL

Dear Readers,

Find a cool spot (a pool full of cold water would be our choice) and get yourself comfortable as we have many interesting articles for you to read in this issue. For the first time we have a piece from our new District Councillors - Sarah Cheung Johnson and Alex Malyon, so if you want to get to know them and find out how to contact them please go to page 6. For the history buffs amongst you (and not only!), we have a great report from the Archaeology Open Day in Northstowe. Read page 7 to find out about the Roman settlement in our area. Manjeet's Science Zone is about the NHS recently celebrating its 70th birthday so go to page 13 if you would like to find out more. Our competition this month will test your knowledge of celebrities with... wild hair! For the chance to win a £15 voucher from Skatz Hair Design in Longstanton, go to page 14.

It is difficult to imagine winter during the hottest August days, but Libby has sent us a sign up page for the Living Advent Calendar 2018 (page 23). Perhaps you can start planning that to cool yourself down a little with winter thoughts!

Thank you to Ray McMurray of Thornhill Place for sending us some beautiful photos of harvest in Longstanton, we have published one on page 5.

Have a lovely rest of the summer,

*Yours,
The Editorial Team*

We are still looking for another person to join our editorial team; if you are from Longstanton or Northstowe and have a little spare time on your hands please check page 9 for the details and come back to us!

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COMMUNITY CONCERNS

MP for South Cambs

Heidi Allen



As I write, the sun seems to have been shining for weeks and the England football team have made it through to the World Cup semi-finals. Summer has arrived!

GTR Train Issues

In my last newsletter, I explained the action I had been taking to respond to the appalling train service being provided to constituents by Govia Thameslink Railway (GTR) trains. Since then, I have continued to

keep the pressure on GTR and the Department for Transport. I have raised further questions in the House, including raising the issue at Prime Minister's Questions and just last week questioning the Rail Minister again about the chaos. I have a dedicated page on the GTR issues on my website, www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/gtr, which is regularly updated.

Details of the compensation being offered to passengers are now being announced and will be designed to refund season ticket holders up to one month where they have suffered severe disruption. However, as the chaos has continued for far longer than we could have anticipated, I am now asking for more than that. I believe compensation must also apply to those without season tickets and should factor in the losses suffered by commuters, such as increased parking charges and taxi fares. Along with other MPs, I have written to GTR and I am also in touch with the Office of Road and Rail.

GTR's new emergency timetable will go live on the 15th July, and if they cannot deliver improved service, the Government agrees that they must lose their franchise. I am very sorry that GTR's failures have caused so much inconvenience and upset to my constituents. I continue to be very grateful to those who have contacted me and to the Royston and Villages Rail User Group who have been such a strong advocate for rail users.

Agriculture and the NFU

Last month, I was pleased to meet with local farmers and the National Farmers Union to talk through a number of issues. Agriculture is a vital part of our local economy, so when Government launches the new Agriculture Bill shortly to shape farming outside of the EU, it must listen to the needs of our farmers. They play a critical role in producing our food, looking after the environment and supporting our rural economy.

I'm also working towards amending the law to strengthen police powers around hare coursing. This crime is abhorrent and current legislation is no longer fit for purpose. My reward will be helping with the harvest in Thriplow, Eltisley and Boxworth! So many combines, so little time...

Cambourne Eid Fair

Last month, it was lovely to be able to attend the Cambourne Eid Fair. Although much of my week is spent in Westminster, I am always pleased to get back home for some light relief and to support local communities. The Fair was a great community event – fabulous (spicy!) food and a real sense of celebration. Well done to everybody involved in making this such a success!

Future Events

Looking ahead, I'll be meeting with Royal Papworth Hospital to discuss the future use of the site after they move to Addenbrooke's. I know this remains an important issue for local people and I'm keen to discuss all options.

If there is anything you would like to talk to me about, my next "drop in" surgery will be on Saturday 4th August (11am-1pm) at Steeple Morden Village Hall, 29 Hay Street, Steeple Morden SG8 0NQ where no appointment will be necessary. The following surgery will be by appointment and will be in Barrington (venue will be confirmed on my website) on the 7th September between 3 and 5pm. If you would like an appointment, please give my office a call on 01223 830037. More details can be found here: www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/residents-drop-surgeries

In the meantime, if you would like to contact me, please email heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk or call my office. See you next month!

Heidi

County Councillor

Peter Hudson



At the Parish Council meeting held in May, I explained the new proposed working model of the County Council, how it will serve the residents of the county and how much more accessible it will be to all. The plan is to enable all of us to be able to access both County Council Officers and County Council Services locally, wherever we may live within the county,

rather than having to travel to a main building such as Shire Hall.

The new administrative building was the subject of discussion at the meeting, with some Parish Councillors agreeing with me that it should be built in Northstowe, and some suggesting instead that existing buildings, for example South Cambs District Council, should be shared. It was ultimately decided that the new administrative building will be located at the Enterprise Zone in Alconbury alongside the Combined Authority and the Local Enterprise Partnership which are already located there. The building will hold less than 10% of the present Shire Hall employees, including some who already travel to Peterborough several times per week for joint working. The remainder will work in local hubs around the county to be accessible to local residents. These hubs will include such places as Cambridge, Northstowe, Cambourne, Wisbech, Whittlesey, Soham, Ely, and March.

When this topic was raised with members a few weeks ago, I automatically gave a spirited defence of Northstowe in quite a few preliminary debates. I really felt that Northstowe was the right place for the new building. However, to ensure I had a balanced view, I decided that I need to get out and seek the thoughts of other people before the main debate in full Council.

So I walked up Longstanton High Street, stopping to chat and ask residents and those on the school run in Northstowe, Longstanton and Oakington whether they thought the new building should be located in Northstowe. Some were, like myself, in favour, and some had no particular opinion. However, some said they were absolutely not in favour, and this figure grew. I also spoke to people in the Black Bull and Pavilion. The majority said, "*Why waste valuable space in what is quite a small town centre on boring Council offices? We would prefer a cinema, shops, pubs and restaurants, coffee shops or even a bowling alley.*"

I sat outside the Pavilion on a lovely sunny evening talking to some parents watching their children play. A gentleman looked at me and said, "*We want a town centre that is great to visit; one we would want to visit. I would like to say to my wife, let's pop over to the town centre for a coffee. A café culture would be great. Also, why do we need another Council building when we are already getting one?*"

That is correct; the town centre is already getting a circa £17 million Civic Hub containing a health centre, County Council services such as school nurses, a new Family and Child Centre, a new library, and with community rooms, along with County Council Officers to advise us and help us access County Council Services.

So I went into the main debate with all these views to work with; views that differ from mine, but are nonetheless just as valuable, and should be respected. It is sometimes difficult to accept others' views, but I respect all our neighbours and friends' views and act upon them whenever and however I can, as I did in the debate. As always, it's great to meet up and chat about local issues. A big thank you for all your thoughts and opinions on this issue.

Peter Hudson
County Councillor

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Longstanton Parish Council

John Street



Changes to the Parish Council May we take this opportunity to welcome Richard Owen and Simon Owens to the parish council with effect from September 2018.

Open Air Cinema: The Greatest Showman We could not have asked for better weather. With 300 attendees the night was well attended and a first for the village. We thank Enchanted Cinema for their expertise in setting up the event and are also

grateful for the support we received from the Pavilion, Brookfield Groundcare and Longhorn Farm Shop.

Youth Council 'Picnic in the Park' Congratulations to the Youth Council who pulled off another lovely afternoon of family activities, including a raffle, on 24th June 2018. They worked with Longstanton WI and other organisations to ensure families had a great time. With support from these groups, the Youth Council have raised £142.50 towards youth activities.

Events for 2019? A number of residents have asked if we can build a large community event, similar to Swavesey Festival or one of the 'Feast Weeks'. We have, therefore, provisionally booked the outdoor cinema again for 29th June 2019. **If you would like a larger community event, we need your help to make it happen. Please contact the parish office to express your interest.** It should be noted that All Saints' Church will not be hosting the St George's Day event next year – with your help, this could be included in a community event.

Northstowe At the time of writing, 146 houses were occupied. The Community Wing is now open for various groups, including Little Learners on a Monday morning. Work continues into the setting up of the allotments, please contact Jon London (jon.london@scambs.gov.uk) for further information.

Ongoing Council Work In addition to normal Council business, we have been:

- Continuing liaison with various bodies in respect to Northstowe, including notification of planning applications and new occupations.
- Corresponding with County Council over the state of the verge along School Lane following work completed there. The bulbs and verge should be reinstated.
- Working with developers and landowners for the Parish Council to adopt the Central Open Space within the Home Farm development.
- Working towards adopting six further areas of land within Home Farm Phase 3a.
- Conducting ongoing liaison with developers on the adoption of Home Farm roads. This includes the roads in Phase 2 which have been outstanding for 10 years. This is due to be completed in July 2018.
- Supporting the community group who are working on the Community-Led Plan
- Liaising with various parties with respect to the dewatering of Northstowe.
- Working towards compliance with the new General Data Protection Regulations which apply from 25th May 2018.
- Finalising year-end accounts and meeting with auditors.
- Working with various residents towards community events: Remembrance Sunday, Living Advent Calendar and Christmas Lights.
- Continuing to support Speedwatch in their activities.

Please don't forget that the Youth Council has launched their new club for secondary school-aged children. @The Hind Out meets every Tuesday afternoon during term time, 4pm until 5.30pm (doors open at 3.30pm) at the Village Institute. They still need some more adults to help by being in attendance for safety reasons, while the activity is taking place. If there is anyone who can spare some time on a Tuesday afternoon, please contact the Parish Clerk at parish.clerk@longstantonvillage.org.

Finally... We are looking for poppies: ideally knitted, but any crafty poppies would be greatly received. Any donations to be dropped off at the Village Institute by the end of October.

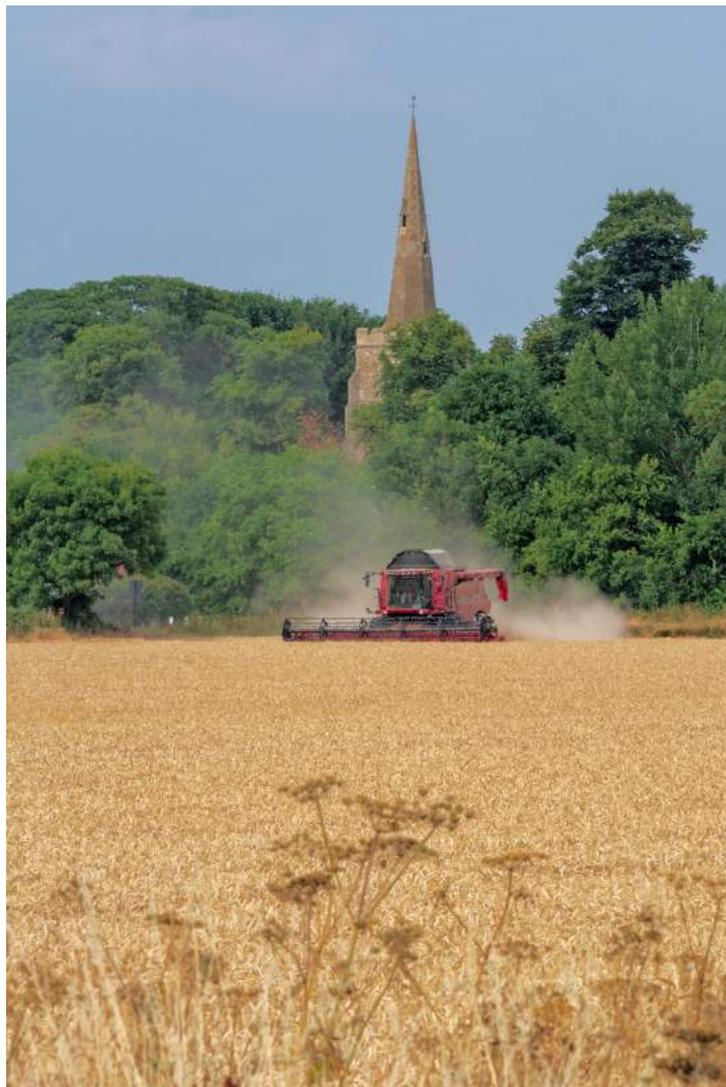
Don't forget to sign up to our new email newsletter which commenced in July:

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*John Street
Chairman, LPC*

HARVEST TIME IN LONGSTANTON

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COMMUNITY CONCERNS

District Councillors Notes

Sarah Cheung Johnson and Alex Malyon



We are very happy to introduce ourselves as the new District Councillors for Longstanton and Northstowe (now part of an enlarged ward with Oakington and Westwick). We wish to begin by thanking Alex Riley for his many years of hard work for the village and his kind offer to assist us with any questions.

Following the elections, South Cambs District Council (SCDC) is now under LibDem control, with LibDems holding 30 out of 45 seats, Conservatives 11, Labour two and two Independents. At the first meeting of the new SCDC in May, council leader Bridget Smith outlined her priorities for the new council: affordable homes; putting the environment first, and actively supporting business growth.

See also www.sclibdems.org.uk/news_scdcpriorities

To introduce ourselves, Sarah lives in Longstanton and has 2 preschool children. After a career in Investment Banking Technology, she now works part-time for the University of Cambridge as a Project and Events Manager. Alex lives in Longstanton, is mum to a one-year-old and works part-time as a nurse and researcher at Addenbrooke's Hospital.

Our priority is to represent all residents of Longstanton to the best of our ability. We will be publishing regular updates in *Longstanton Life*, but we also have a few other ways you can keep up to date with news from our communities:

Monthly email newsletter: sign up at: www.sclibdems.org.uk/email_signup_longstanton (*Note that this link will NOT subscribe you to LibDem news*)
Webpage: www.sclibdems.org.uk/longstanton_news
Facebook group: 2066298150052161

Regular surgeries. The first was held in Oakington in July and we aim to have the next one on 22nd September, at the Longstanton Village Market – do come along and say hello!

5 Year Land Supply

SCDC has enough new housing land to meet its new homes target. Northstowe is key to these plans, as is a new town of 11,000 homes at Waterbeach. You may be aware that the Council's local plan has taken longer to get approval than any other local plan in England, taking over four years. The local plan now has to be approved by the local planning inspectorate which we hope will happen soon, and then work starts straightaway on the next local plan!

Northstowe Phase 3 Consultation

On 3rd July we went to a briefing on the master plan for Northstowe Phase 3 delivered by Homes England.

Emerging design concepts for Phase 3 were presented, with one reflecting the Airfield runways and another highlighting the Fen Landscape. Our concerns are to try to preserve as much of the existing trees and green spaces as possible, to build in sustainability and ensure good cycling and footpath networks to connect our communities. Further public consultation will take place later in 2018 and early 2019. Details of the plans and a commenting option are at: www.northstowe.com/get-involved

Northstowe Allotments and Orchard for Phase 1

Work has begun on planning Northstowe Allotments and the Community Orchard. While Northstowe Phase 1 residents will have priority, we hope that some will be made available to local, non-Northstowe applicants. We think there should be a special provision for Longstanton residents who are involved in helping set up the allotment society and getting allotments established to be allowed a longer lease on their allotment, and are taking this up with the Council. Residents who would like to register interest or get involved in the allotment working group can contact: Northstowe.community@scams.gov.uk

Construction Traffic and Noise

We met last week with fellow Councillor for Willingham and Over, Dawn Percival, to discuss the issue of construction vehicles for Northstowe and the A14 improvement works using local roads. The Northstowe Construction and Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) shows the approved routes and it is clear that no construction traffic is permitted through the village. SCDC has requested that the Northstowe Transport Working Group (NTWG) be reinstated. This group will be responsible for monitoring the traffic connected with Northstowe, considering preventative measures, and if necessary enabling the SCDC Enforcement team to take necessary steps. We hope the first meeting of the group will be in September.

We have also received reports regarding breach of planning conditions, with noise from work beginning before 8am on both the Northstowe site and another village construction site. We have raised these issues with the developers and contractors and have contacted the planning enforcement team at SCDC to make them aware. We will continue to monitor this issue and would be grateful for updates from residents.

Parish Council

Sarah has stepped down from the Parish Council to devote time to being a District Councillor, and would like to thank all the members of the Parish Council and most especially the Clerk, Libby White and Chair John Street for their support. The members of the Parish Council work long and hard for residents; we look forward to working with them closely.

If you have any questions or would like our assistance, please contact us on:

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ARCHAEOLOGY OPEN DAY AT NORTHSTOWE



On Saturday 30th June 2018 the Cambridge Archaeological Unit (CAU) and Access Cambridge Archaeology (ACA) held an open day at Northstowe for Phase 2 of the ongoing archaeological excavations of a large Roman settlement known as Site 18 (Figure 1), just off Rampton Road.

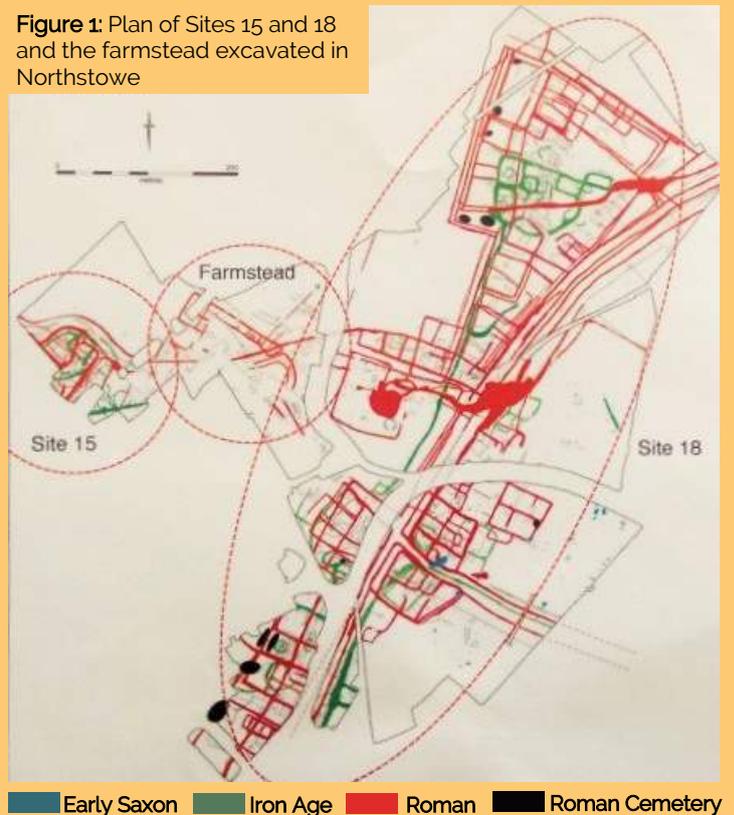
Between 10am and 4pm, the site was opened to the public with tours every 15 minutes of the current excavations, and information boards on display with some of the best finds so far recovered. ACA were also on site with a variety of hands-on activities, including identifying different animal bones, and excavating and identifying seed remains.

Site 18 is almost 900m long and 20 hectares in area, making it larger than Roman Cambridge. This Roman settlement is arranged along a roadway with three main arms heading southwest-northeast and southeast. Square enclosures have been recorded at the junction with narrower longer ones to the south, with evidence of buildings, wells, rubbish pits, ditches, metal working, textile production, a pottery kiln and cemeteries in the settlement area.

Two other sites have also been or are being investigated. To the west is Site 15. Like Site 18, this has Roman remains overlying Iron Age ones, but the nature of both differs from that seen on the larger site. Between the two sites lies a zone being interpreted as a 'farmstead', dominated by evidence of activities relating to agriculture, in particular a corn dryer, the first found in the Northstowe landscape.

Work is almost finished on this part of Phase 2, but there are new sites to be investigated in 2019 and the results will be considered along with those of Phase 1 on which analysis is currently underway.

Figure 1: Plan of Sites 15 and 18 and the farmstead excavated in Northstowe



Early Saxon Iron Age Roman Roman Cemetery



This article was first published by Access Cambridge Archaeology on their blog. To read the original and find out more about what ACA do, please visit: accesscambridgearchaeology.wordpress.com and www.access.arch.cam.ac.uk

HATTON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Hello Longstanton!

The year has zipped by at Hatton Park. It only seems yesterday that I was explaining that we were moving to Northstowe for the year! We have been back at Hatton Park for three terms now and we are loving our building.

The school continues to grow and we are so excited to be welcoming 52 Reception children to Hatton Park in September. We have loved meeting them and their families at the move-up sessions and are now looking forward to them settling in to their new classes. We will be welcoming Miss Sophie Hixon as our new Early Years Leader who will teach alongside Miss King. We will miss Miss Starr as she enjoys her travels around the country and further, in her new camper van called Roy. We are also welcoming lots of new families that have moved to Longstanton.



There have been some lovely highlights to tell you about this summer. Our children benefitted from a number of trips out and visitors in: Grafham Water, Viking Day, Woburn Safari Park, Shepreth Wildlife Park

to name but a few. Some of our Year 5 children had the great opportunity to participate in a glider making and flying challenge at RAF Wyton. They won the competition and then travelled to Birmingham for the National finals! I am proud to say they came a very respectable second place.

We have been involved in our usual sporting events. We had great success at Tag Rugby, where we came away



with first place. The children played excellently and had a brilliant day. We also attended both tennis and cricket tournaments for the first time in a few years and thoroughly enjoyed the experiences. We will carry

on training and hope to win one day! We also held two Sports afternoons where the children engaged in a variety of activities and competitions. It was great to be able to give medals for the best shot put and long jump, as well as some running races. Red House took the Sports Day Cup for the second year running – well done Red House!

Our Year 5 and 6 children put on a brilliant production of *Alice: The Musical*. The children clearly had an amazing time rehearsing and performing; the singing and acting were excellent with top-notch solos too!



Lastly, we hosted a wonderful Summer Fete. It was so good to see members of both the school and the wider community coming and enjoying a sunny evening with activities, a BBQ and some cool drinks. Many, many thanks to all of those that helped to organise it and also those that came and supported it.

Have a lovely summer and I look forward to reporting to you again in the autumn.

*Anthony Aguda, Headteacher
Hatton Park Primary School*

NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF PATHFINDER SCHOOL

This year has been a lot of fun at The Pathfinder School. Our children have settled in and enjoyed building their new community and as parents we set up FOPS (Friends of Pathfinder School). The first events were a challenge, trying to break even with a disco when we had around 20 students, but the parents pulled together, the children came and we managed to have a lovely time and make a small amount for future events.

Since then the school has grown in number and we've had lots of lovely events, culminating most recently in our 1st Summer Fair.



We were so grateful to the local community for coming and supporting us, local businesses for contributing prizes and sponsorship for the event, friends of the school making us cakes and students from Swavesey Village College and the Longstanton Youth Council coming and helping to run the event. We really couldn't have done it without everyone who became a Friend of Pathfinder School.

We've now put enough in the new bank account to start the next year without fear that the costs of a disco will finish us off, and as a charity have been able to make our first grant to our Year 6 students towards their leavers' events. We hear they had a lovely time!

The school continues to grow, and next year promises to be a great one.

We hope you will join in some of the events we hope to run including a fireworks evening and a Christmas Fair in the first term.

We look forward to seeing you and thank you again for being part of it.

*Natalie Jordan Fuller, Chair
Friends of Pathfinder School
www.facebook.com/FOPS.Pathfinder*

WILLINGHAM & LONGSTANTON SURGERIES

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**August Bank Holiday Monday 27th August Surgeries Closed.
Normal Opening Tuesday 28th August**

Sun protection: Sunburn increases your risk of skin cancer. Sunburn doesn't just happen on holiday – you can burn in the UK, even when it's cloudy. There's no safe or healthy way to get a tan. A tan doesn't protect your skin from the sun's harmful effects. Don't rely on sunscreen alone to protect yourself from the sun. Wear suitable clothing and spend time in the shade when the sun's at its hottest between 11am-3pm. Snow, sand, concrete and water can reflect the sun's rays on to your skin, and the sun is more intense at high altitudes. Everyone who's exposed to UV light is at risk of getting sunburn, but some people are more vulnerable than others. You may be more vulnerable if you: * have pale or white skin; * have freckles or red or fair hair; * tend to burn rather than tan; * have many moles; * have skin problems relating to a medical condition; * are only exposed to intense sun occasionally – for example, while on holiday; * are in a hot country where the sun is particularly intense; * have a family history of skin cancer. For further information visit www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/sunscreen-and-sun-safety/

Keeping cool this summer: Most of us welcome hot weather, but when it's too hot for too long there are health risks. If a heatwave hits this summer, make sure the hot weather doesn't harm you or anyone you know. Tips for coping in hot weather:

- * Shut windows and pull down the shades when it is hotter outside. You can open the windows for ventilation when it is cooler.
- * Avoid the heat: stay out of the sun between 11am and 3pm (the hottest part of the day) if you're vulnerable to the effects of heat.
- * Drink cold drinks regularly, such as water and diluted fruit juice. Avoid excess alcohol, caffeine (tea, coffee and cola) or drinks high in sugar.
- * Wear loose, cool clothing, and a hat and sunglasses if you go outdoors.
- * Check up on friends, relatives and neighbours who may be less able to look after themselves.

Do you want to have your say? Our Patient Participation Group (PPG) will be meeting at Willingham Medical Practice on Thursday 20th September from 1:15pm-3:15pm. If you want to have your say and get involved with important issues concerning the practice, please feel free to join us. Please contact the Practice Manager for further details.

Surgery Donations: We would like to thank our patients, and their friends and families for the generous donations to the surgery equipment fund. We were able to purchase a new hearing test machine for the surgery with donation money received.

Pharmacy: The Pharmacy at Willingham Surgery can help with many of your travel essentials, so pop in for some free advice and get stocked up for the summer.

Carers Support Meetings: Please note there will not be a carers meeting in August due to annual leave. Our next meetings at Willingham Surgery are on Wednesday 5th September and Wednesday 3rd October. If you are a carer, please pop along and get some support from other people in the local community. Refreshments provided, no need to pre-book and completely FREE! Please contact Sue Lawson at the surgery or email her at susan.lawson7@nhs.net for more information.

Cambridgeshire Hearing Clinics: The next Hearing Aid Clinics at Willingham Surgery are 15th August, 19th September & 17th October. No appointment necessary, just pop along for your free NHS hearing aid batteries and for help and advice regarding hearing loss.

Missed appointments: In May there were 95 missed GP appointments in Willingham Surgery. This equates to 19.5 hours in consultation time lost, at a cost of *£2375. Please cancel your appointment if it is no longer required so we can offer it to someone else. (*An average GP appointment costs £25).

A&E is not an alternative to a GP appointment. If we are closed, please call 111, who will give advice and direct you to the most suitable local service.

Lisa Smith - Willingham Surgery - August 2018

LONGSTANTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

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INSPIRING WOMEN

July is always a busy month and definitely a "foodie" one. Thanks once again to Susan for the use of her garden and the two "boys" for manning the BBQ so that we could natter all evening!

Two weeks later we went to see the New Hall Art Collection, a collection of modern and contemporary art by women, at Murray Edwards College. The Collection, which was founded in 1986 with the purchase of Mary Kelly's six-part work *Extase*, has evolved through



gifts and loans from artists and alumnae, and today includes over 500 works by artists of international quality and renown including Dame Paula Rego, Maggi Hambling CBE and Judy Chicago. It is now considered to be one of the largest and most significant collections of contemporary art by women in the world. We rounded it off with a fabulous pub meal. Good times with good friends.



We take a break in August, but we are back on 17th September for a wonderful "Life of Crime" with Tom Culver. Why not pop in?

Would you like to join the Longstanton Life editorial team?

We are looking for an extra person or two, who are enthusiastic about local issues and stories to help put the magazine together. If you are familiar with using Microsoft Publisher and could spare 2-3 hrs once every couple of months, we would be delighted to hear from you. Email us for more details; longstantonlife@hotmail.com, we look forward to hearing back from you!

VILLAGE SPORTING ACTIVITIES

LONGSTANTON FOOTBALL CLUB



As we start our second season, training is in full swing and a number of friendlies have been arranged, please see posters at the Pavilion for details. We are always on the lookout for new players and with us starting a Sunday team we need to bolster our ranks. Please

drop me an email at ben.lee@xaar.com if you would like to come along and try out for the team, training is on Wednesdays from 6.30pm at the Longstanton Recreation Ground. Our league campaign will start on the 8th September so we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible over the summer supporting the lads as they prepare for 2018/2019.

Ben Lee - 1st Team Manager, Longstanton FC

LONGSTANTON TENNIS CLUB



Players and spectators watch the grand final

some talent. The format of the morning was a rapid-fire American style tournament, with short doubles matches (four games each) played in quick succession. Partners were drawn out the hat for each match so there was constant mixing, but the number of games won was tallied individually for each player. At the end of playing five matches each, two players had emerged ahead of the field and it was fitting that they should play head to head in the grand final, watched by all the other players and supporters. Many congratulations to our winner for 2018, Danny Goodchild, and commiserations to our runner up, Ini Kazeem. We were delighted that Jake's mum, Jacqui Benton, was able to join us for the day and present Danny with the trophy. Jacqui has always been a strong supporter of the tennis club and we are proud to continue this fitting tribute to Jake as we reflect on his love of the game and contribution to the club.



Congratulations to Danny Goodchild, beating Ini Kazeem in a close fought battle.

The events don't stop there! Following on from the success of the Quorn Family Cup, we will be holding another family day as part of the LTA Great British Tennis Weekend, 21-22nd July. Clubs all over the country will be opening their courts and running various free events aimed at encouraging new players to take up the sport and get involved. Here in Longstanton we'll be hosting Mini Tennis sessions, family time, free play

It's been a scorching hot summer already and no sign of it stopping just yet. Perfect weather for tennis, and there has been plenty going on at the club. The highlight of the last couple of months was our annual junior tournament, the Jake Benton memorial cup, held on 10th June. The standard of tennis was really high, and it was great to see so many juniors enjoying the game and clearly displaying

and other activities to get involved in. We'll also have a speed gun on court too, to test out your serving skills. Look out in the next issue of *Longstanton Life* to hear how it went!

In other news, the men's and mixed team have both been in action playing against other local teams in the Business Houses league. The mixed team have won two of their matches so far, and could finish the season on an even keel if they win their final match. Unfortunately the men's team haven't been able to convert any wins against some tough opponents, but at least it's been valuable match experience. The matches are a great way to spend an evening; a few sets of light-hearted competitive tennis followed by a drink and some snacks in the local pub. Thank you to everyone who has represented Longstanton in these matches – you have done us proud.



Jacqui Benton presents Danny with his trophy. Pictured with Damian Kramer, club chair, and Ben Van Well, tournament organiser.

David's coaching continues to be very popular; it's available to everyone but club members benefit from reduced rates. Junior group coaching is available during term time on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and adult coaching on a Thursday. David also runs tennis after school clubs at Hatton Park. What's more, he will be holding two tennis camps over the summer holidays, open to all children in school years 2 – 10. Dates are Mon 6th – Fri 10th August 2:30-4:00. For any coaching enquiries, please email David on:

coaching@longstantontennis.co.uk

If you're interested in finding out more, full details of everything that's going on at the club are on our website www.longstantontennis.co.uk and on our Facebook page @LongstantonTennis.

Club nights are Tuesdays and Fridays from 6pm and Sunday mornings from 11am. You can book a court any time outside of these sessions; members book for free or you can simply book to use the courts on a 'pay and play' basis.

See you on court soon!

Sarah Ballard

FRIENDS OF HATTON PARK SCHOOL (PTA)

Hello everyone,

First of all I would like to say a massive thank you to everyone involved in the summer fete, especially to Helen Westwood who stepped up and organised us so brilliantly. Thanks to all the teachers and assistants and the PTA members who bought stock, prepared the raffle and arranged the stalls. So many people helped out and contributed to it being a wonderful day.

I also need to say thank you to Chef Central and Tesco who donated a large amount of food for the BBQ.

We raised over £2,000 which will all be put towards the school to provide things that the children would otherwise miss out on.

As we head towards a new school year we would like to welcome all the parents of children starting for the first time, please do look out for us in the playground and join our Facebook group. If you are able to help in any way do get in touch, we can always do with more volunteers and anything you can offer no matter how small will always be appreciated!

Jonathan Fuller (fohpchair@gmail.com)

VILLAGE SPORTING ACTIVITIES

LONGSTANTON BOWLS CLUB



We are half-way through the season now, so time for me to report on the league progress so far. We have two teams in the Cambridge & District Bowls League, one in division 3 and one in division 5. Both teams had a storming start to the season and are currently both top of their respective divisions. This is somewhat against the run of play of previous

years when we had a dismal start and spent the rest of the season trying to claw our way up the table away from the relegation zone. Our division 3 team is clear of second-place Gamlingay by 4.5 points with the same number of games played, and the division 5 team is one point clear of Fenstanton, again with the same number of games played. Hopefully both teams can keep on form for the second half of the season and perhaps gain promotion for next season.

We put up a good show in the knock-out Gilbert Cup competition, beating Barton in the first round, before losing by only five shots to first division Cambs & County in the second round. We were expecting a hammering in that match so to be only five shots down at the end was a respectable performance from us.

We have three teams in the Cambridge Business Houses Pairs Bowls League – one men's team and A and B mixed teams. The men's team is lying mid-table with 22 points. The A and B mixed teams are both in the division 1 thanks to the B team coming top of division 2 and gaining promotion last

year. Currently the A team is about mid-table and the B team is near the bottom. We play each other at our own green on 23rd July, no doubt with much good-natured bantering. This is our second season in the Ely & District league, which is an afternoon rather than an evening league. It has been very hot playing in the afternoons during June and so far in July. In spite of the heat the team is doing well and is just below mid-table with 37 points.

Our Longstanton players continue to do well in other bowls events apart from league matches. Congratulations to John Hodson, Peter Jarvis and Glenn Lovell who won the Bot-tisham gala day, and to Paul Aspinall, Glenn Lovell, Harry Dean and Les Cooke who represented Longstanton and came second in the Scotsdales Rosebowl Tournament.

If you think you would like to try bowls, then please come along to one of our Monday evening club nights at 6pm. There are bowls you can borrow and people there to help you. We just ask that you wear flat-soled shoes. Alternatively if you have some experience you might like to try the Thursday afternoon roll-ups at 2pm. This has an informal league table where you get points just for playing and extra points if you win! If you would like more information please contact Marion Edwards on 01954 780118 or email marionedwards1@btinternet.com.

Also visit our website: www.longstanton-bowls-club.co.uk.

We look forward to seeing you!

Corinne Walsham

LONGSTANTON LIMPERS

Hello all, the Limpers have had a busy few months attending many events and running courses. Congratulations to everyone that completed the couch to 5k course, a great effort considering the heat you all had to endure most Monday evenings.

We also had a group finish a run of Monday night interval training in a attempt to improve speed as well as endurance.

We had a good representation at the Fen Gallop in Willingham where despite the heat we all had a great time at a wonderfully organised event that also included a lot of cake.

One member has also completed the Milton Keynes Marathon this year, (also in extremely hot conditions) in under five hours. Next year we have at least one member with a place in the London Marathon and many others waiting on the results of the public ballot.

For anyone in Longstanton or Northstowe we have a social running night on Mondays at 7:30pm and look out for our next free couch to 5k course soon.

We also run other courses for members and our membership

fee is just £1 per month. You can find us on Facebook or email us on longstantonlimpers@gmail.com.

Jonathan Fuller



www.facebook.com/longstantonmarket
LONGSTANTON VILLAGE MARKET
On the Village Green, Nelson Crescent. Saturday 10am to 12:30pm.
July 21, September 22, November 3, December 1



What's been happening

Spring and summer are relatively quiet times on the reserve with no large scale works taking place in order to prevent disturbance to our breeding wildlife. There is still plenty to do though, not least of which has been carrying out repairs to our entry road, fences, picnic tables and other infrastructure damaged during the winter and prolonged flooding back in spring. We are also kept busy cutting back the ever-growing vegetation encroaching onto the pathways and viewing areas. A recent highlight in July was when groups of Year 9 students from Swavesey Village College came in to do work experience with us for a couple of days. This provided us an opportunity to create some habitats for some of the reserve's non-avian species in the form of 'bug hotels' and hibernacula for reptiles and amphibians.

Wildlife

It's a wonderful time of year. Young birds are fledging and swimming on the lakes, so a walk around can offer a wide variety of species. Black-headed gulls and common terns have made good use of the rafts we put out in the spring, and the chicks for both species are currently viewable. Those going for an early morning or evening walk may well hear one of our turtle doves, while bittern, marsh harrier and hobby can all be seen throughout the day with a bit of luck and patience.

The reserve's smaller denizens are also out in force with many species of butterfly, damselfly and dragonfly all on the wing. The big news for June was a rarity on site in the form of a great reed warbler. This elusive reed dwelling species from mainland Europe was predominantly heard, but also seen, from the Elney



Swan and cygnets – Luke Wake

Lake reedbed for around two weeks before it seemingly moved on.

If you'd like to find out about our volunteering opportunities, please get in touch.

Email: fendraytonlakes@rspb.org.uk

Phone: 01954 233260

Visit rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) is a registered charity: England and Wales no. 207076, Scotland no. SC037654

RSPB Fen Drayton Lakes Special Events 2018

Explore and discover nature at our reserve!

We are running the following exciting activities at our reserve during the summer and latter half of the year.

Wild Challenge

Thurs 9, 16 Aug, Sun 19 Aug, Thurs 23, 30 Aug

10.00am-4pm

Try a wild challenge activity such as wild flower foray, feed the birds, tracks and signs, bug safari, go birdwatching. Do a different challenge every week in the school holidays.

No booking required, just turn up!

Non-member £2, RSPB member £1.50

Willow weaving workshops

Sun 29 Sep

10am-4pm

Make a handy basket from willow harvested here at the reserve.

Sun 9 Dec

10am-4pm

Get creative in time for Christmas and make your very own decoration.

Booking required.



Fabian Harrison (rspb-images.com)

Non-member £25, RSPB member £20.

Stargazing

Sat 22 Sep

8.00pm-9.30pm

Join experts from the Institute of Astronomy and the Cambridge Astronomical Association on a stargazing evening at the lakes!

Booking required.

Non-member £10, RSPB member £8.



The National Health Service (NHS) celebrated its 70th birthday on 5th July this year. What an amazing triumph!

The NHS was launched on 5th July 1948 by the Health Secretary at the time, Aneurin Bevan. The launch of the NHS took place at Park Hospital in Manchester, which is now known as the Trafford General Hospital. Hospitals, doctors, nurses, pharmacists, dentists, opticians and other healthcare professionals were brought together to provide services for people in the UK. Financed by taxation, the NHS provides a complete healthcare service for free to people in the UK. The success of the NHS became the envy of the world. Over the 70 years of the NHS there have been some major milestones:

In 1952 prescription charges of one shilling were introduced, but in 1965 they were abolished. Prescriptions remained free until 1968 when a charge was re-introduced.

In 1954, visits on a daily basis were introduced for children in hospital. Before this, parents were only allowed to visit children for an hour on Saturdays and Sundays.

In October 1960, the first kidney transplant in the UK took place at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. The transplant, which was successful, involved a set of identical twins as donor and recipient.

In 1972, computerised tomography or CT scanners were used to produce 3D images from a series of 2D X-rays, helping doctors to better examine the human body.

Around 30 years after the launch of the NHS, on 25th July 1978, the world's first test tube baby, Louise Brown was born.

In 1979, UK's first successful bone marrow transplant on a child took place at Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children.

The 1980s saw the introduction of magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scanners and keyhole surgery (also known as laparoscopy). MRI scanners are used for examining soft tissues such as the brain. The MRI scans are useful for finding brain tumours and for examining the extent of brain damage following a stroke. Keyhole surgery was used for the first time in an operation to

remove a gallbladder. Keyhole surgery involves using a laparoscope which is a thin, telescopic rod, containing a fibre-optic cable connected to a tiny camera, which sends images of the area being operated on.

In October 1994, the NHS Organ Donor Register was set up to identify people who had chosen to donate their organs to help others after their death.

In 1998, NHS Direct was launched. The service would handle more than 500,000 calls a month! Two years later in 2000, NHS walk-in centres were introduced all around the country. The centres which are largely run by nurses are open daily and do not require patients to pre-book an appointment.

In October 2005, the NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) governing body was established to take over the responsibilities of the existing 'UK Transplant' and 'National Blood Service' agencies which are now known as 'Organ Donation and Transplantation' and 'Blood Donation' respectively.

In December 2012, the first hand transplant in the UK took place at Leeds General Infirmary.

In February 2014, the NHS Direct service was closed and replaced by NHS 111, for non-emergency NHS healthcare services. In September of the same year, My NHS was launched. My NHS gathers data from across the system in one place so that professionals and the public can compare healthcare performance and care services.

Over the past 70 years the NHS has provided excellence in healthcare for the people in the UK. Today, whilst the NHS struggles financially and is almost bursting at its seams, it still provides a high level of healthcare for the vast majority of the people in the UK...and for free. With the extreme demands and financial pressures on the NHS, as well as the impending Brexit, the future of the NHS is looking more and more uncertain. Will the NHS continue to run for the next 70 years? Let's certainly hope so!

Manjeet Bolla

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Grace Stone and Ethan Taylor
from *This is My Theatre*



The summer months traditionally see an increase in visitors to St. Michael's church as people come from far and wide to visit this special building. However, it remains to be seen the effect the recent Airfield Road closure will have on these visitor numbers. This, of course, is crucial in respect of the donations made to the Churches

Conservation Trust. The Trust is constantly encouraging new ideas and initiatives in an effort to increase the revenue stream it requires to maintain the 350 churches in its care.

One of the latest initiatives is to provide venues for *This is My Theatre*, a small Sussex-based theatre group, to perform a variety of plays in the Trust's churches. St. Michael's volunteered as one of the churches willing to host the group's production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. All those attending on 5th June agreed that their expectations of a good performance were exceeded as we watched a dedicated and exceptionally talented group of young actor/musicians entertain the audience. This is My Theatre's next production, *The Importance of Being Earnest*, will be on Saturday 4th August. We again thank the Co-Op for its support at the theatre events.

Fundraising efforts continue and so please remember to come along to the Cream Teas afternoon on Bank Holiday Monday 27th August; in September, the Michaelmas Fair (12-3.30pm) will provide a variety of stalls and competitions for children and adults. Traditionally, pre-Henry VIII, Michaelmas marked the end of the productive season, the harvest, and the beginning of a new cycle of farming. We invite flower arrangers to use Harvest and Henry VIII as themes for their creations. Interested stallholders please contact fosm2017@gmail.com

Thanks to the Parish Council for the recent restoration of the churchyard wall and gate entrance. This has been most welcome. The thatch repair remains our primary target for fundraising, albeit challenging. The support of the local community is always appreciated.

The Friends of St Michael's Church
Fosm2017@gmail.com (01954 201766)

Our future calendar of events:

- **27th August:** Bank Holiday: Cream Teas
- **29th September:** Michaelmas Fair

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"WILD HAIR" COMPETITION

In this issue we have a "hair-raising" competition! In the grid opposite there are pictures of 12 famous people with "wild hair", but who are they?

To enter the competition, send the name of these celebrities to Longstanton Life either by (a) posting at the Village Institute, or (b) email to longstantonlife@hotmail.com **before Friday 14th September**. Remember to include your name and contact details.

The first person randomly selected from those with the correct answers will receive a £15 voucher, kindly donated by Skatz Hair Design/Bethan's Beauty Shop.



The winner will be announced in the next issue. **Good luck!**

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Coffee Morning

In aid of Macmillan

Tuesday 25 September 2018

10am – 12noon

The Dale Community Centre
Longstanton

All welcome! Come along for a drink, cake & a chat, all proceeds will be donated to Macmillan! Donations welcome!

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Bank Holiday Monday

27th August

St. Michael's Church
Longstanton
(2- 5 pm)

Cream Tea

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LONGSTANTON STREET NAMES COMPETITION WINNER



There was an overwhelming number of entries for the Longstanton Street names competition! Unfortunately there could only be one winner and that was Chris Poultney. Congratulations Chris! He is pictured here receiving his voucher from Nikki, staff member at the Black Bull. Our thanks once again to the Black Bull for donating the prize.

The answers were: Fews Lane, Rampton Drift, School Lane, High Street, Prentice Close, Thornhill Place, Hattons Road, Ladywalk, Woodside and Eaton Way.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, LONGSTANTON



Save the date for our next family event on 15th September which will be a Treasure Hunt around the village with refreshments afterwards.

We are very pleased to announce that **Revd. Jenny Hill has been licensed as Interim Team Rector** to cover the four Parishes of Longstanton, Over, Willingham and Swavesey during the vacancy. If you wish to speak to clergy during the vacancy then Jenny can be contacted on 07970 949331 or email: revdjennyhill@5folds.org.uk

Our regular Sunday morning services are at 9.30am - do come along and join us. Check the website 5folds.org.uk for all the latest news. Don't forget that our All Age worship is on the second Sunday and starts with juice, croissants and coffee at 9am.

If you would like more information on any of the above or have questions about baptism, marriages or funerals, please don't hesitate to contact our Administrator, Gillian Beale (01954 203459 | admin@5folds.org.uk) or one of the Church Wardens: Roger Valentine (01954 230519 | rvalen6199@aol.com) or Sue Gamon (01954 782371 | sgcoutures64@gmail.com).

A BIG thank you to all those who came along with their teddy bears to experience a fun afternoon in June as they watched their courageous cuddly toys ascend to the top of the church in a 'hot air balloon' and then parachute down. Seventy toys took part and £105 was raised from this to help pay for the work we do with children in the village. The ladies serving teas were kept busy too and raised a further £165 for the kitchen and toilet fund. **Another 'thank you'** goes to the Sing for Joy group who gave a lovely concert in the church on the 13th July to help us raise money for the toilet/kitchen fund. Thank you to all the singers and to everyone who came along to support. £168 was made for the fund.

100 CLUB



A small lottery that has been set up to help raise money for the proposed re-ordering project in All Saints' Church, Longstanton. The Friends would like everyone to come and see what is afoot. A display with graphic impressions is in the church, which is open during daylight hours every day.

You can take part in the project's realisation. The '100 Club' is one way of doing that. If you like the idea of supporting the project and feel you have a small amount to give towards the funds then this could be a way for you to do so. It has the added benefit of the chance to win some money back. A donation of £2 per number per month (for a year) will buy you entry into the lottery. The lottery will be drawn monthly with a chance to win £50 (based on 100 members).

For more details and a full set of rules please contact: Louise Gamon - louise.gamon@gmail.com or 07429 317803

Or details about our **re-ordering project** and the '100 Club' can be found on the Friends' website at www.friends-of-all-saints-church-longstanton.org.uk

'100 Club' winners so far:
April: 1st - No.4, 2nd - No.65
May: 1st - No.8, 2nd - No.41
June: 1st - No.2, 2nd - No.4
July: 1st - No.14, 2nd - No.68

The Friends of All Saints' Church, Longstanton
 Charity Registration Number 1115069

EMMANUEL CHURCH, NORTHSTOWE

A new church meeting 10:30am each Sunday, including creche and Bible clubs for primary school children. All are welcome.

For location and more details see our website: emmanuelchurchnorthstowe.org



Church Times

All Saints' Church, Longstanton

For exact dates and details of activities being held please refer to the church notice board or go to the website:

www.friends-of-all-saints-church-longstanton.org.uk



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Please contact: Paul Joel (Minister) 07955071160
 Alan Wright (Secretary) 01954261770
 Church Office 01954260538
 Church is situated on George Street



The Salvation Army Silver Street, Willingham

Everyone is welcome to join all our meetings.

Please ring Daphne Watts on 07919024857 or Sergeant Major Gordon Spackman 01954 260066 for more information.



All Saints' Bell Ringers



I think it would be fair to say we are struggling to ring for service on a Sunday morning. After 3 good years of surplus ringers, our young ringers are now heavily committed to their studies and other matters and unable to attend as much as they would like.

Some of them were as young as 10 years old but most were 11 when they joined us from Hatton Park school. We gained countrywide recognition and featured in Ringing World - "We were famous"! Us oldies knew it couldn't last but hoped it would. So we are back to just a handful of us to carry on the tradition.

Or perhaps we could try again with a new bunch of youngsters, we will have to see.

However, if anyone in the village would like to come along and give it a try we would be delighted to see you.

If you would like to come along for a trial, please contact me on: mikec321@btinternet.com or tel. 07768 735910.

Mike Cartwright

Ball Room Dancing



The summer term has now finished and the summer holidays are upon us. It has been a good year for us and we look forward to starting back in September.

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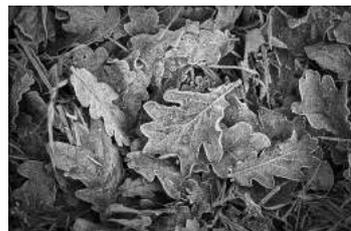
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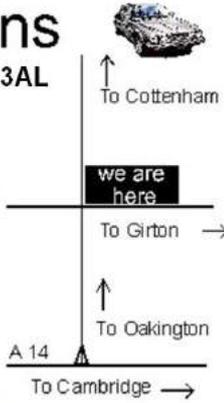
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The design of each window will be kept a secret until the day it is illuminated. We are hoping that as many will take part. These can be households, companies, school, nursery, etc.

Those taking part will be given a day that they will 'open' their window to the public.

A map will be made available for residents to walk around the village to see the 'Living Calendar'

How can I take part?

If you would like to create a window display, please complete the registration form below and return to the Parish Clerk at the Village Institute, or email parish.clerk@longstantonvillage.org.

If you would like to help organise, please contact the Parish Clerk by email parish.clerk@longstantonvillage.org



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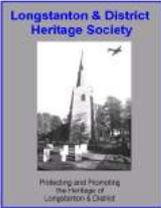
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Longstanton/Oakington Road Link Severed

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very survival and development of the local villages. Many years before the invention of the car or lorry, pedestrian and horse drawn carriers took local produce to markets in local villages and Cambridge, bringing back payment either in cash or kind. When the public's love affair with the bicycle and the first combustion engine vehicles began in the early 1900s, this same route was used.

The above labelled photograph was taken by a drone (courtesy of AP Aerial Film with thanks to Adam Price) and clearly shows the new haul road intersecting the Airfield Road, thus preventing any public traffic passing between Longstanton and Oakington. Further, it is planned that once Northstowe infrastructure is complete to incorporate two main roads, one from the B1050 from A14/Bar Hill and the other from the Oakington/Dry Drayton Road—these would cut the old Airfield Road permanently into three!

Severance of this historic road connecting Longstanton and Oakington heralds the next phase of Northstowe. It effectively physically breaks two communities apart. Longstanton will now look more and more towards Northstowe and Oakington will perhaps become part of Cambridge in the distant future.

Could this be the most significant destructive act so far in the process of creating this new town in our locale?

For the moment, this old route is still open to pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders and provides a very pleasant link to local pubs and shops in either direction.

Local Well Appeal

A local agriculturist, whose livelihood depends on the availability of a constant supply of water from his licensed well, was struggling to cope even before this current heat wave. The well pump was stopping to wait until the water level in the well had trickled back to its minimum level to switch it back on again, taking over an hour to do so. He has had to adapt to this reduction in his water supply for this season, by laying off two green houses, He also reports that he has lost several trees, with more dying on his property.

He has taken his case to Heidi Allen, MP for Cambridgeshire. She is hoping for an early meeting with LPC, SCDC and Gallagher to raise these concerns.

We reported on this case as long ago as Feb/March 2016 as a suspected consequence of dewatering of the ground, prior to building Northstowe phase 1. We can only lend our support and hope that Heidi Allen can do the same.

Surviving Families WWI Memorial Appeal



In connection with a planned marking of the 100th Anniversary of the end of WWI our parish council are appealing for information from any surviving family members of the men listed on the WWI memorial, to be found in All Saints' churchyard

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LDHS AGM & Talk

Please remember that if you can come to our AGM 2018, your highly valued vote is required to validate last year's minutes, accounts and to confirm the position of our new treasurer and two remaining trustees that are required to put themselves forward for re-election.

Afterwards, (the AGM should take no more than 30mins), Dr Gordon Hewlett will give one of his popular talks, this time outside his usual local subject frame, a talk on **'The Brontes'**, Gordon's talks can always be counted on to be entertaining and good humoured, yet always delivered in a professional and well-researched manner—so come early and grab a good seat.



Gordon on 7 May 2016, 'Sir Christopher Hatton'

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