

WOODNEWTON NEWS

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The Woodnewton History Group would like to hear from anyone who can name the pupils in any of the 3 photographs published this month. See back cover for the 3rd. Email parkdale05@hotmail.com.



NEWS & REPORTS

The Parish Council met on 4th January

Matters arising from previous meeting

Council has ordered some gravel for re-surfacing the parish path.

ENC permission granted for a planning application on Main Street

Allotments

Anglian water has carried out a Water Regulations Compliance inspection at the allotments. All mains taps require backflow protection meaning the two older taps need replacing. A follow up inspection will be carried out on 16th February

Churchyard

A new contractor is being sought to continue with the mowing of the churchyard.

Grant

A grant of £50 was made to the Woodnewton Historical Society

Finance

The Government has introduced different arrangements for the auditing of local councils. From 2018 'Smaller Authorities Audit Appointments Ltd' will oversee the arrangements for the annual audit of accounts. The Council has opted-in to this new arrangement.

The Council will also adopt the requirements of the new transparency Code with regard to financial conduct.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 1st February 8.00pm

Andrew Hansford - Parish Council Chairman

St Mary's Services

7th February	CW Sung Holy Communion	9.30am
14th February	Baptism & Morning Prayer	11.00am
21st February	CW Sung Holy Communion	9.30am (coffee served after service)
28th February	BCP HC said service	8.30am

Christmas Celebrations

Our celebrations started on the Tuesday of Christmas week with our Annual Carol service. Bathed in candlelight, a full church of adults and children from Woodnewton and nearby sang many of the popular Christmas Carols, some of which were accompanied by a group of young musicians from London. We were very grateful to

the representatives from different organisations who told the story of the Birth of Jesus through the reading of the seven lessons. Afterwards refreshments of mulled wine and mince pies were enjoyed by all who stayed behind to have a chat with friends.

On Christmas Eve, eighteen children and their parents gathered in church for the Crib Service. The children sang, read prayers, built up the Nativity Display with the Christmas Figures and then had to search for Jesus, the most important part of the Nativity. Maureen Woodd, who took the service, shared gold with the children, in the form of chocolate coins. The collection of £70 from the Christingle and this Service was sent to the Children's Society.

The Holy Communion Christmas Day service was celebrated by Revd Peter Konig.

The PCC are delighted to announce that there will be a Flower Festival in St Mary's Church, over the weekend of 11/12 June. On the Saturday evening over that weekend, the church will play host to a visiting choir who will perform songs from popular Shows. Other activities to go alongside the FF are also being explored.

Woodnewton Neighbourhood Watch

Police safety advice for the motorist ...

- Plan your journey carefully. Know what route you are taking and let other people know where you are going and when you hope to arrive. Keep a map in the car so that you don't have to stop and ask for directions.
- Never leave your keys in the ignition whilst you are out of the car for any reason. Keep the doors locked when you are driving and keep bags and other valuables out of sight.
- If someone approaches the car when you are parked or stopped at lights, only roll down the window enough to hear what they want but not enough for someone to get their arm through.
- Make sure your car is serviced regularly. In winter it is especially important to keep your lights clean and your battery fully charged.
- Check you have up-to-date breakdown cover and that you know the number to call if you break down or have an accident. If possible, carry a mobile phone with you at all times. If you break down, pull as far off the road as you can and put your hazard warning lights on. Call your breakdown organisation, letting them know if you are travelling alone and if you have children with you. If you break down on a motorway, it is usually safer to wait for assistance outside your vehicle, standing on the verge or behind the crash barrier. Take your keys with you and lock all doors except the one nearest to you, which you can leave wide open, so that you can get in quickly if you need to.
- If you witness an accident or someone tries to flag you down, think carefully before stopping. It may be safer to drive on and phone the police from a safe location.
- If you think someone is following you, keep driving till you come to a busy location such as a garage or motorway services. If you are really worried, drive straight to the

nearest police station. If you feel threatened make a note of the type of car and its registration number.

- If your car is hit from behind, think twice before you get out of the car. If you feel threatened, lock your doors and sound your horn to attract attention and use a mobile phone to contact the police.
- Avoid using poorly-lit car parks. Whenever possible, choose a manned car park and park as close as you can to the attendant. Reverse into the space and hide all valuables. Shut all windows. Lock all doors. Note where you have parked your car. When returning to your car, have your keys ready so that you can get in quickly. Before entering scan the back seat to check no-one has climbed in. Once you are in the car, lock the doors immediately.

And for the cyclist ...

- Make sure you have home insurance that includes your bike.
- Record your bike (take a photo, log the frame number etc) and register it. If the bike's stolen, report it. Mark your bike with SmartWater.
- If you're buying a secondhand bike, be vigilant and cover your back. If you buy a stolen bike, even unknowingly, you can forget about statutory rights – it'll be recovered and you're unlikely to see a penny. Don't be naïve: If you're buying a new racing bike for £200 and paying cash, something's not right.
- If you're buying a secondhand bike, use PayPal. The company's buyer protection scheme means that, should your bike later be found to be stolen, you'll be able to recover the money as long as less than 45 days have elapsed.
- When leaving your bike in a public place use two different locks (eg a cable and a D-Lock) – a thief will have to carry two tools to steal your bike.

WHAT'S ON?

Line dancing classes Woodnewton Village Hall

We meet every Monday, from 7-8pm, £3 per session. All welcome and no experience necessary. Just bring an expectation of having fun whilst getting fit!



THE VILLAGE HALL AGM

will be held on
MONDAY FEBRUARY 22nd at 7pm.
Please come along to see how you
can support this important facility

Gary's Walk

My next walk will be on February 20th and will be from Kingscliffe Church. If you would like to come along please be there for 10.00am start. Hope to see you there.

Gary



Gary's walkers enjoy coffee at Barrowden.



Nene Valley Railway volunteer open day... 5th March 2016

Volunteering is good for you!

While the benefits to the railway of having volunteers are obvious, it turns out that the arrangement isn't entirely one-sided. 10 minutes research on the internet will reveal that volunteer work has shown benefits in both psychological and physical health especially with those of retirement age and beyond. Put simply volunteering is satisfying and fun and allows retirees to continue to enjoy the self-worth that comes from achievement albeit in another field. It also fulfills the need for comradeship from like-minded individuals.

Drag all that blah... blah to one side and it can be summed up in two words: SATISFYING and FUN And who knows, perhaps you'll live longer too!

Interested? why not pop along to our volunteers open day on Saturday 5th March 2016 from 10am

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NEWS & REPORTS COND.

Communicare

Forward Notice: Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday 2nd March at 12.30pm in the reception area of Wansford surgery. We will be welcoming Rebekah Conway, a specialist dietitian, as our guest speaker – she will be offering advice and guidance on healthy eating with particular emphasis on prevention of many common ailments such as diabetes, heart disease and high cholesterol. Weather permitting we hope to see a good attendance for what should be an informative and interesting meeting.

We are currently updating our email database with the help of the reception manager at the surgery – all patients with email addresses are being contacted to seek permission for their details to be made available to Communicare. This will then enable us to provide information directly to patients, as well as continuing to use our usual media of village newsletters and the surgery website. This will not be a 'volunteer seeking' exercise – we believe that patients will appreciate receiving first-hand notices of meetings, surgery news and any relevant information passed to us by the local healthcare authority. It is our hope, however, that this more personal approach may encourage people to take an

interest in the format and work of the patient group and how it provides liaison with both the surgery and other various NHS governing bodies.

Around fifty members of the social group got together last month at Yarwell village hall for their annual post-Christmas lunch – thoroughly enjoyed by all. In view of possible winter weather conditions it has been decided not to hold a coffee morning this month – the next one will be on Friday 18th March at 10am in the Kings Cliffe Sports Active hall. These are informal and sociable events where new visitors will always be most welcome. If you require further information please contact Clare Wagstaffe on 01780 470437 or email: superfoguk@aol.com

Defibrillator Update

I am very pleased to announce I have reached the target figure of £1350. Thank you to everyone who donated towards this.

Look out for the defibrillator being fixed to the village hall near the front door very soon.

Thank you for all your help.
Eunice Williams

Len Reed

It is with great sadness that the History Group announce that one of their founder members, Len Reed, died on Saturday 16th January. His contribution to the group was invaluable, not only with village information but with his stories of old Woodnewton people. He will be greatly missed.

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COLUMNISTS



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Ingredients

250g granulated sugar

300g self-raising flour

4 eggs

200g butter, softened

5 drops vanilla essence

2 large apples, peeled

½ small beetroot

Serves 12

(depending on the size of the slices!)

Method:

1) Beat together the butter, sugar and egg yolks until smooth.

2) Chop the apples into small slices and add to mixture.

3) Finely grate the beetroot and stir in well. Add vanilla essence.

4) Whisk the egg white until stiff, fold into mixture.

5) Sift in the flour and stir well.

6) Grease and lightly flour a loaf tin, add the mixture and spread evenly.

7) Bake in a pre-heated oven at 180°C for around one hour. Poke a knife into the cake to see if it is baked; if there is cake dough on the knife, bake longer.

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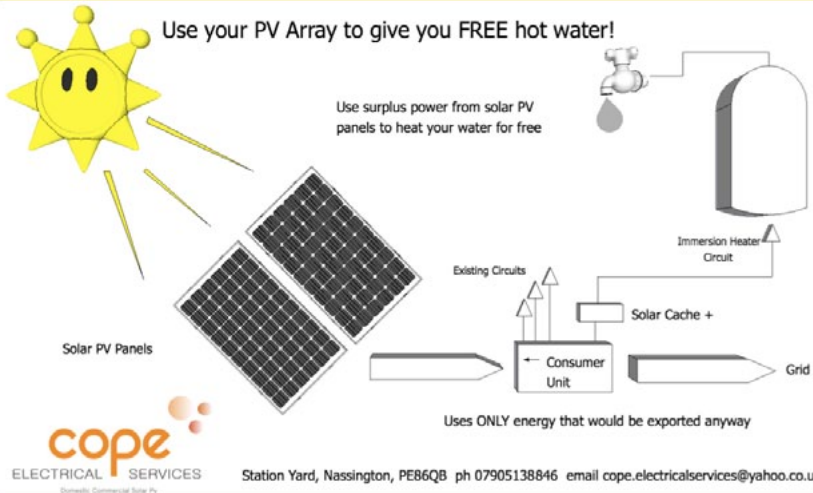
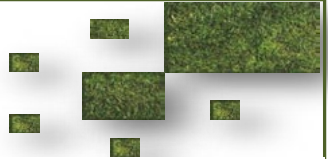
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Woodnewton Mobile Library 16:00 - 16:45 Orchard Crescent every fourth Wednesday of the month.

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