



# GIRTON

## Parish News



September 2021



*Girton woman to tackle 100km Highlands trek for Charity See Page 11*



*Pandemic star picks up portrait See page 11*

*Thieves cause £1,000 of damage to car in matter of minutes See page 9*

S922BF  
150mm/6"  
14 TPI  
BIM





## Your local eco shop

Eco-friendly essentials delivered to your door

**Household - Bathroom - Incontinence - Periods - Pets**

Doorstep refills on a Tuesday (order by 6pm Monday)

[www.greenblueyou.co.uk](http://www.greenblueyou.co.uk)

## CAMBRIDGE CHAMOIS CREAM



- Award-winning 100% Natural Chamois Cream to ease chafing and cool the skin
- Handmade in Cambridge
- Suitable for both men and women
- Made with the highest quality and sustainable natural & organic ingredients
- Rich, concentrated formula - a little goes a long way!



[WWW.CAMBRIDGECHAMOISCREAM.COM](http://WWW.CAMBRIDGECHAMOISCREAM.COM)

## ANGUS' GARDEN SERVICES

TEL: 07856 279474

Call or text for quotes and queries

**General gardening services to fit your needs:**

- Lawn care
- Shrub and small tree removal
- Hedge cutting
- Border maintenance
- General gardening maintenance

Beauty by Amineh

**GIRTON GREEN BEAUTY ROOM**



*Never underestimate the power of your brows*

**Ombre & Powder Brows | Microblading | Lip Blush & Eyeliner Tattoo**  
**Holistic Facial | Brow Lamination | Highly Defined Brows | Lash Lift**  
**Facial Waxing & Threading | Makeup & Hair**  
**Other Beauty, Nails and Aesthetic services are also available by other technicians - Please email or text to ask for more information**

[www.beautybyamineh.com](http://www.beautybyamineh.com) | [beautybyamineh@gmail.com](mailto:beautybyamineh@gmail.com) | 07891205210  
 Abbeyfield Girton Green Beauty Room, Wellbrook Way, Girton, CB3 0GQ

## MOTUS PHYSIOTHERAPY

**SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE**

Chartered Physiotherapists | In Girton | Ample Free Parking | Home visits | Accept Private Medical Insurance and Self Funders

Online consultations via telephone, Skype or Face Time available

**01223 949405**

W: [www.motusphysiotherapy.co.uk](http://www.motusphysiotherapy.co.uk)

E: [info@motusphysiotherapy.co.uk](mailto:info@motusphysiotherapy.co.uk)

Prime Time Fitness, Oakington Road, Girton, CB3 0QH

Martin **Nelson** Motors  
of Girton

Doctors, Dentist, Shops

Official Girton Charity Hospital Trips

**The local Taxi Service**



**Tel: 01223 276654**

Local trips, Airports and any Long distance door to door service

Using modern 100% fully Electric vehicles



**DIRK RUSSELL**  
 repairs and maintenance for your home and garden  
[dirkrussell@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:dirkrussell@hotmail.co.uk)

**07803 255 405**

handyman services  
fencing & garden clearing

**DIRK'S HOME AND GARDEN SERVICES**

# SafeSwitch

Electrical

## ELECTRICIANS IN GIRTON

[www.safeswitchelectrical.co.uk](http://www.safeswitchelectrical.co.uk)

City & Guilds  
Qualified

**01223 226106**



## Publication Information

**Editor:** Rob Neal, 101 High Street, CB3 0QQ  
tel. 07875 374966  
email: [editorgirtonparishnews@gmail.com](mailto:editorgirtonparishnews@gmail.com)

**Secretary:** Sheila Bowler, tel. 276914

**Advertising Manager and Treasurer:**  
Marion Fisher,  
117 High Street, CB3 0QQ, tel. 570866  
email: [gpnads@girton-cambs.org.uk](mailto:gpnads@girton-cambs.org.uk)

Copy should be submitted to the editor in electronic form, with any photos, graphics or logos submitted as separate attachments, not embedded in the file. Questions about submission should be addressed to the editor.

The editorial team reserves the right to edit, accept or reject any material submitted for publication. The views expressed within the magazine are those of the contributors and do not necessarily reflect those of the editorial team.

A copy of the magazine is available on the Girton website at [www.girton-cambs.org.uk](http://www.girton-cambs.org.uk), where you may also find expanded versions of selected items.

### Advertisements

Prices for placing advertisements in the *Girton Parish News*, in black-and-white or colour, can be obtained from the advertising manager.

The advertising policy of the *Girton Parish News* aims to promote enterprises and activities from within Girton. The space available for advertisements is limited, and preference is given to businesses founded, situated, controlled and operated within Girton. The *Girton Parish News* reserves the right to decline to publish any advertisement which the advertising manager considers not to meet the objectives of this policy. Inclusion of an advertisement does not imply endorsement by the *Girton Parish News* of the product or service advertised.

The *Girton Parish News* is produced and distributed entirely by volunteers from the village, including the following:

*Typesetters* Sam Clift, Andrew Hawkes,  
Claire Lightley, Bill Rothwell  
*Distribution manager* Rosemary Jones, tel. 276491  
*Editors and proofreaders* Chris Bowler,  
Wendy de Horsey, Mike Fay, Marion Fisher,  
John Gibson, Alison Giles, Carol Huxley,  
Jenny Knights, Patsy Smith, Matthew Vernon,  
Ewan Wilson  
*Puzzle Corner* Sian Franklin  
*Webmaster* Andrew Haylett

plus many others. If you are interested in becoming involved in any capacity, please contact the editor.

Printed by Printerbello Limited, Girton, Cambridge  
Tel: 01223 855195

## Would you like to join the Girton Feast Team?

After a successful Girton Feast weekend this summer, we are starting to plan for next year. We would be delighted to hear from local residents who would like to join our team of volunteers. You are not required to have any special skills or experience but you may have ideas and suggestions as to how we can improve these events in the future. If so, please contact us.

We are a not-for-profit organisation which means that any surplus from Feast events is used to support future events. We work as a team and take on various roles as and when they are needed.

If you are interested in learning more or you have any queries or suggestions, please email us at [rowena@girtonfeast.org.uk](mailto:rowena@girtonfeast.org.uk) or [helen@girtonfeast.org.uk](mailto:helen@girtonfeast.org.uk). We look forward to hearing from you.

## Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning

Friday 24th September  
10.30 to 12 noon  
Abbeyfield Girton Green

Macmillan Cancer Support and featuring-  
FLUKES UKULELE BAND

Cake Stall | Games

## Contents

Pages 5-7	Parish Council and Councillors' Reports
Page 9	Catalytic Thefts
Page 11	Highlands Trek & Portrait Pickup
Page 13	Girton Cottontails Preschool
Pages 14-15	Girton Scoreboard
Page 17	Club 55
Page 18	Girton Green Fingers
Page 19	Girton Letters & George's Garden Tip
Pages 20-21	Girton Town Charity
Page 22	News for Older Residents
Page 22	Listening Lantern
Page 23	Puzzle Corner
Pages 24-25	Our Churches
Page 26	Rubbish Collection / Contacts

**Copy date for October issue: Wed. 15 September. Issue date: Sat. 2 Oct. Covers 2 Oct - 6 Nov 2021.**





# P S Dean Roofing

## Traditional Roofing Contractors

Slates, Tiles, Guttering, Chimney's and Re-pointing  
Re-roofing, Repairs, Lead-work, Free Quotations

**01223 572504 07752 711175**

[paul@psdeanroofing.co.uk](mailto:paul@psdeanroofing.co.uk) [www.psdeanroofing.co.uk](http://www.psdeanroofing.co.uk)

22 Longstanton Road, Oakington, Cambs, CB24 3BB

## K & S Services

All Aspects of Carpentry & Joinery  
Internal/External Painting & Decorating  
Wall & Floor Tiling Laminate & Wood Flooring  
Kitchen Fitting Bathroom Refits  
Fencing Heating Systems

84 Pheasant Rise, Bar Hill, Cambridge CB23 8SB

Tel: 01954 200869 Mobile: 07548 796094

## JASON KIRBY

*Professional Painting & Decorating Ltd*

*Tel: 01954 211775*

*[www.jasonkirbyltd.co.uk](http://www.jasonkirbyltd.co.uk)*



## MOBILITY EQUIPMENT

**SCOOTERS, WHEELCHAIRS, RISER/RECLINER  
CHAIRS, BEDS, WALKERS, FOOTWEAR,  
TOILET & BATHING AIDS, KITCHEN &  
HOUSEHOLD AIDS, CONTINENCE CARE,  
CUSHIONS, STAIRLIFTS AND MUCH MORE**

**HOME VISITS AVAILABLE  
EQUIPMENT HIRE, SERVICING AND REPAIR  
FRIENDLY AND CONSIDERATE SERVICE  
GUARANTEED**

**Scotsdales Garden Centre  
Horningssea, Cambridge  
CB25 9JG**

**Tel: 01223 863908  
[www.orchard-mobility.com](http://www.orchard-mobility.com)  
Open: Monday to Saturday  
9 am - 5 pm**



**Orchard**  
mobility centre

## RAH BUILDING LTD

## EXTENSIONS REFURBISHMENTS MAINTENANCE

RAH Building Ltd. work closely with private clients as well as landlords and property investors.

We can assist with regular, minor day to day maintenance tasks as well as comprehensive refurbishment projects and extensions.

Contact us now to discuss your next project.

**01223 819329  
[info@rahbuilding.co.uk](mailto:info@rahbuilding.co.uk)  
[rahbuilding.co.uk](http://rahbuilding.co.uk)**

## Girton Parish Council

August's Parish Council Meeting is traditionally for the receipt of payments only, and reports were presented on the Rewilding Project, Oakington Road Bridge, and the Pavilion refurbishment. Issues with parking at the High Street/Cambridge Road junction and the Local Highways Improvement grant application will be revisited at our next meeting.

Our appeal for new councillors has borne fruit in that Cllr. Ann Muston was co-opted in our July meeting; welcome, Ann. Two further parishioners have enquired about joining and will hopefully be co-opted in our September meeting. This will bring our number to 13 with two vacancies remaining. If you feel you can make a contribution to village life via the PC please contact the Clerk or any Councillor to register your interest.

The Pavilion refurbishment project has progressed to the appointment of a contractor who will produce the detailed design and costings before proceeding to construction. It seems unlikely that building work can begin before the end of the year so it is now proposed to keep the Pavilion open at least until Christmas. We shall also seek to schedule the work in phased stages to minimize the interruption to use of the changing facilities. To assist in funding energy efficient heating in the refurbished hall a grant application has been submitted to the SCDC Zero Carbon Communities Fund.

It is sad to report that at the end of September, after almost ten years as Parish Clerk, Susie Cumming has decided to move on to pastures new. We are very grateful to Susie for her contribution to the work of the Council and in particular for the way she co-ordinated the 'Helping Girton' initiative throughout the pandemic lockdown periods. Her willingness to lend a sympathetic ear to parishioners' problems will be particularly missed. We wish her well. If you would like to be part of the team please see Girton Parish Council job advertisement below. In the absence of a bookings assistant, Cllr. Mary Rodger has kindly stepped into the breach temporarily. Many thanks to Mary.

We have been made aware that there has recently been a number of reported thefts of catalytic converters in Girton and Oakington, so please take any security measures possible to protect your vehicles. See page 9.

### Next meetings

Residents are encouraged to contact Parish Councillors directly if there are concerns they wish to raise (please see the listing of Parish Councillors elsewhere in this edition). The next in-person meetings will be on Tuesday 21st September and Tuesday 19th October at St Vincent's Close Community Centre.

*A full list of Parish Councillors can be found on page 26.*



## Girton Parish Council

### Vacancy: Clerk

We are looking for someone who can be the face of the Parish Council, with excellent communication and people skills.

- Well organised and able to meet deadlines
- Able to supervise and manage other members of staff
- Attend all Parish Council meetings, prepare agendas and minutes
- Has good I.T. skills
- Attend training courses as necessary
- Willing to undertake other duties as required
- Able to use initiative when needed
- Confidentiality on all parish council matters is paramount
- 20 hours per week, over 5 days including some evenings

If you are interested, please contact Cllr Gill Cockley  
Tel: 01223 276703  
e-mail: grockley98@yahoo.co.uk

Closing date for applications:  
Monday, September 6th 2021

## From Our Councillors

### County Councillor Edna Murphy

#### Opportunity for Cambridgeshire schools to replace oil and gas powered boilers

The County Council has agreed to an innovative proposal that, by using a combination of capital and loan funding, supplemented by grants, council-maintained schools whose existing boilers need to be replaced could be assisted with the costs of retrofitting Air Source Heat Pump (ASHP) systems. This could make a significant improvement to the county's decarbonisation efforts!

#### Sorting out the Council's finances

There are a number of challenges for the new administration, and the ability to deliver will critically depend on the state of the council's finances. The challenge comes from a few distinct pressures: Covid and its continuing impact on health and services; the longstanding problem for Cambridgeshire of being an area of rapid growth; and the constraints and issues in relation to the arrangements and provision we have inherited.

One particular area we are looking at carefully is in relation to This Land, the wholly-owned subsidiary of

*continued on page 7*



# FM FAMILY LAW

We are divorce and family lawyers and mediators. Our team of specialists has over 70 years experience looking after clients going through relationship breakdown.

we understand family matters and we are here to help you and your family

- Divorce
- Arbitration
- Children
- Separation
- Mediation
- Injunctions
- Negotiations
- Collaborative Law
- Cohabitee Disputes
- Emergency Application
- Financial Settlement
- Court Representation

Get in touch with us now:

[www.fmfamilylaw.co.uk](http://www.fmfamilylaw.co.uk)  
01223 229933



Regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority no 559228



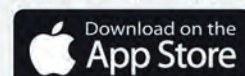
## Get out and about and save money with **PANTHER TAXIS**

Did you know that we now offer a **REDUCED RATE** village to village service to or from **YOUR VILLAGE?**



**Only pay  
door to door  
not a penny  
more**

Find out how much  
you can **SAVE** by  
downloading our app



With a fleet of over 650 vehicles running  
24/7, you know who to call:

**01223 715715**

[www.panthertaxis.co.uk](http://www.panthertaxis.co.uk)

Prices are fixed based on the Cambridge metered rates to or from the included villages.

**Villages outside of this area may still have a callout fee.**

continued from page 5  
the County Council, to which the council loaned millions of pounds to buy council land and develop it. This Land currently owes the council £113.85m. It is paying its debt to the council, but it needs to be commercially successful for the council's investment to be safe. The council is interested in maximising its return on this loan. Can it be a commercial success while servicing these debts? This is potentially a very high-risk strategy for the council and its invested funds.

### **More on Oakington Road Bridge**

Members of the Parish Council were able to meet with officers from the County Council to discuss a range of issues associated with the bridge including concerns from residents. In particular whether the parapet (which is cracked, and has been for some time) would be less able to withstand a crash than if repaired, what kind of repairs were planned and what options there would be for increasing the path for cyclists. The options are not yet defined but I am chasing officers to try to expedite these so that we can share them with the Parish Council and residents, and get feedback.

### **Contact me**

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me if you have a query or concern. My details are below.

*Edna Murphy*  
*edna.murphy@cambridgeshire.gov.uk*  
*01223 577 005*

## **District Councillor Corinne Garvie**

It has been a quiet month because people have gone on holiday, and I hope you have been able to get out in these sunny weeks.

### **Bins - assisted collection**

I had an enquiry about putting out bins when one is elderly or infirm. Marco de Luca, the Principal Operations Manager for Waste, has now placed the resident on the assisted collection list, which means that the crews offer additional help in moving the bins. The team managers have reminders for the crews to collect, empty and return the bins to a location that is convenient for the resident.

Please let me know if you need to be on the assisted collection list.

### **Increasing Biodiversity**

There is still time to comment on the new planning guidance about how to increase biodiversity in new developments, which has been published for public consultation by the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service. The consultation runs until Friday 17 September. Further information can be found on the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning website.

The Girton re-wilding group has met and will meet

again in the autumn to discuss how to encourage greater bio-diversity in the village. For more information email *mary.rodger32@gmail.com*.

### **Planning services performance figures – an update**

Last month Cllr Tom Bygott reported in the GPN that South Cambridgeshire District Council was being threatened with legal action for 'misleading' performance figures. The council has dismissed the potential legal challenge as "scaremongering" after the Government found nothing wrong with its planning processes.

In June this year a community campaign group said it intended to bring a legal challenge against the council over allegations that it was deliberately misleading the Government over how many planning applications had been determined within a set time.

But after the council wrote a letter to The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government to clarify whether it had been following processes properly, the ministry responded that the performance reporting is, and had always been, correct.

For further information please read:

<https://www.cambridge-news.co.uk/news/cambridge-news/cambs-council-dismisses-legal-challenge-21296217>

### **Resettlement of Afghans**

All councils have been asked to prepare housing ready to accommodate Afghan refugees. SCDC is ready to receive those allocated to them.

### **New housing policies**

Following consultation in the spring of 2021, Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire District councils have approved three new housing policies, affecting:

- the setting of Affordable Rents by Registered Housing Providers, for homes let to people on the councils' housing registers
- the location and mix of Affordable Homes in new developments
- the councils' expectations of new homes that are built specifically to be rented out (Build to Rent)

Both councils are committed to building homes that are affordable to live in, and ensuring that new Affordable Homes will be well-designed and located within new developments in such a way as to promote mixed, balanced and inclusive communities.

The two councils consulted jointly on these policies because they will add detail to the Greater Cambridge Housing Strategy 2019-2023, and are aimed at new housing developments across both Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire. They will also help to inform the proposed joint Local Plan.

*Corinne Garvie*  
*cllr.garvie@scambs.gov.uk*  
*01223 276184/07780 932267*



**C&C BLINDS**  
www.freewebs.com/candcblinds  
SPECIALIST MANUFACTURERS OF:

- Vertical Blinds
- Roller Blinds
- Dutch Blinds
- also
- Venetian, Wooden, Pleated, Roman
- Awnings
- Cleaning Service

any size, any colour  
free measuring & fitting  
shop in the comfort of your own home. FREE ESTIMATES

email: colincoleman64@hotmail.com  
tel: 01223 211171  
mobile: 07761 262070

**P. LOVERIDGE**  
*Carpentry & Locksmith Services*

TEL: 01954 202907 Mob: 07811 158018  
EMAIL: PAULLOVERIDGE31@GMAIL.COM

ALL ASPECTS UNDERTAKEN

FITTED WARDROBES	LOCKS REPAIRED & REPLACED
ALCOVE CUPBOARDS	EMERGENCY ACCESS
KITCHENS FITTED	LOCKS KEYPED ALIKE
FIRST & SECOND FIX	HOME SECURITY UPGRADED

**Art of Clean** Carpet, Upholstery, Rug & Stone Floor Cleaning

**For the Most Thorough Clean Ever or It's FREE!**

"Impressed that you got hose from the van down the back garden. More impressed that you cleaned stains out of a 12 year old carpet. Clearly a superior service. Thank you." Mr Tim Recordon, Girton

**Call today 01223 863 632**  
Please quote Girton 1



**Traditional Restorations**

Quality Restorer for All Types of Furniture

Repairs, French Polishing & Modern Lacquer Finishes  
Re-Upholstery (Quality fabrics at Trade Prices)

**Jon Porter**  
Providing a Friendly Local Service for almost 20 years  
Free Advice and Quotations Provided

Tel. 01223 835515 Mob. 07932 611184  
email - traditionaljon@live.co.uk

**Dry Cleaning & Laundry**

- Dry Cleaning
- Curtains
- Repairs & Alterations
- Leather & Suede
- Wedding Dresses
- Rug Cleaning
- Ironing Services
- Laundry




143 Milton Road Cambridge CB4 1XE  
01223 755 180 www.FarthingsCambridge.co.uk

**LM Groundworks & Landscaping**

- ❖ Patios
- ❖ Paving
- ❖ Footings
- ❖ Drainage
- ❖ Fencing
- ❖ & more

**Tel: 01638 743627 / Mob: 07934 642716**

**Cottenham Computers**  
**01954 593025**  
Call the experts for good honest advice

**We will come to your home or business to fix your computer**

**Got any of these issues?**

- ✓ Computer crashing
- ✓ Network Wi-Fi connection Issues
- ✓ Virus / Malware infections
- ✓ Windows won't boot
- ✓ Can't access your email
- ✓ Can't access the Internet
- ✓ Computer running very slow

**Services**

- ✓ PC & Laptop Repairs & Upgrades
- ✓ Macbook & iMac Repairs & Upgrades
- ✓ Broadband / Wi-Fi Installations
- ✓ Full Hardware Diagnosis
- ✓ Hard Drive Data Recovery
- ✓ New PCs & Laptop sales
- ✓ 3 Years Hardware Warranty on New PCs

**Working all day? Then we can collect and deliver FREE to and from your home or work place\***  
\* Within 10 Miles of Girton

**We cover Girton & surrounding towns & villages**

For all computer related problems give us a ring!  
**www.cottenhamcomputers.co.uk**

With over 16 years experience it is likely we have seen your problem before. We are happy to advise you free over the phone..

We don't charge a fortune  
So give us a call TODAY! We won't bite!

**Brilliant**  
★★★★★  
Neil is extremely reliable and efficient. He sorted my laptop out very quickly and efficiently and talked to me in language I understood, which is very helpful as being a silver surfer it can be confusing. I have no hesitation in recommending him to all."

- Jill - Histon

UK Reseller **eser** Computer specialists **intel** **Microsoft** 



## Thieves cause £1,000 of damage to car in a matter of minutes



A High Street resident has been left stunned after thieves removed the catalytic converter from under his car in a matter of minutes leaving him with a £1,000 repair bill.

The brazen thieves struck at 11pm on Wednesday 11 August and although the matter has been reported to the police (incident number 35/53489/21) the owner of the car, which was parked on the front drive under a streetlight, was told that without photos or CCTV of the thieves at work they are unable to take much action.

The car owner, who does not wish to be named, said: “I heard a very loud noise of metal drilling at around 11pm and thought it sounded rather urgent and mysterious but put it down to our neighbours. I did turn a light on in my room which might have scared off whoever was involved.

“The police have not shown much interest so far. They seem to require photos of the thieves at work. I did find a broken saw head on the ground near the car which

must hold some clues.

“It appears to be quite a commonplace crime at this moment involving the removal of catalytic converters but it is a rather horrible awakening for us never having dreamt of such an incident in Girton!”

According to Cambridgeshire Police, catalytic converters are often targeted by thieves for the precious metals found inside them. Using high-powered tools they can jack-up a car and cut converters out within a matter of minutes.

To keep your vehicle safe:

- mark your converter with a unique code so it's harder for thieves to sell
- approach your dealership for advice about fitting a Catloc or another protective device
- park with your exhaust close to a fence, wall or kerb to reduce the risk of theft
- install a 24-hour dashcam
- purchase a driveway alarm
- park in a well-lit area, ideally covered by CCTV
- if your catalytic converter is bolted on, consider having the bolts welded to make removal difficult.

Anyone who has any information about catalytic converter thefts should contact the police via the web chat service;

<https://www.cambs.police.uk/report/Report> or by calling 101.

Always dial 999 if a crime is in progress.

## **Yeomen (and women) wanted for Girton Musical Theatre!**

This month Girton Musical Theatre is starting rehearsals for its February 2022 production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *The Yeomen of the Guard*, and we are looking for new members!

Did you sing at school, and want to get back into it?

Do you think you would enjoy working with a friendly group of people to put on a stage production (including singing, dancing, painting and building scenery)?

Do you have Thursday evenings (and Fridays in January and February) free?

More information from our website

[girtonmusicaltheatre.org.uk](http://girtonmusicaltheatre.org.uk) or from Helen 01223 276940 or [helen@girtonmusicaltheatre.org.uk](mailto:helen@girtonmusicaltheatre.org.uk).

Our first meetings on September 2 or 9 will be a chance to hear the music of Yeomen, and sing-through as much as we can, in the Glebe School Hall from 8-10pm.





# G.S. DECORATING

CITY & GUILDS QUALIFIED Est 1988

## GARY M SMITH

SERVICE & QUALITY ASSURED



**Tel: 01954 781126 HOME**  
**01223 233011 OFFICE**  
**07787 571177 MOBILE**

OVER 17 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN QUALITY  
PAINT FINISHES INCLUDING TRADITIONAL  
METHODS & MODERN TECHNIQUES.  
DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL  
WORK UNDERTAKEN.  
FREE ADVICE GLADLY GIVEN.  
REFERENCES AVAILABLE.

SUMMIT



## LANDSCAPES

PAVING - DRIVEWAYS - BRICKWORK  
CARPENTRY - GROUNDWORKS



[www.landscapingpaving.co.uk](http://www.landscapingpaving.co.uk)  
**PHONE: 01223-929394**



**Prime**  
**Plumbing**  
& Electrical

For all your plumbing, electrical,  
heating and general maintenance needs  
Call Chris on

**07802 807237**

for immediate advice and free estimates



22a Cambridge Road, Impington,  
Cambridge CB24 9LR

**Tel/Fax: 01223 237795**

e-mail: [primeplumbing@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:primeplumbing@yahoo.co.uk)



## RICHARDSON TREE SURGERY

**Richardson Tree Surgery is a family business with over 40 years' experience of domestic and commercial arboriculture.**

All of our work is carried out professionally and reliably by our experienced and friendly team.

- Council and College approved • Fully qualified and insured
- Free estimates

**01954 203836 | 07799 386005 | [edward.rts@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:edward.rts@hotmail.co.uk)**  
**[www.richardsontreesurgery.co.uk](http://www.richardsontreesurgery.co.uk)**

**76 Hillcrest, Bar Hill, Cambridge, CB23 8TQ**



## Girton woman to back breast cancer charity with 100km Highlands trek



During the last eighteen months most of us have tried to take up hobbies, keep fit and active and get outdoors whenever we could; but not all of us have decided to sign up for the physical and mental challenge of a lifetime!

Over the course of several lockdowns, Chloe Harries has explored every nook and cranny of the village taking long walks whenever she could get them in. She began to eagerly look forward to her strolls and wondered if there was something more purposeful she could work towards.

“Watching so many charities that do such wonderful work suffer as a result of the pandemic has been heartbreaking,” said Chloe. “As a long time supporter of the breast cancer awareness charity CoppaFeel! I knew that I wanted to help a team that saves lives and makes a real difference.

“So, this month I’ll be traversing over 100km of the Scottish highlands, summiting several mountains, including Ben Lawers (1214m), across five gruelling days. It’s going to be an extremely physically demanding task.”

Chloe won’t be alone as several big name celebrities will be joining her, including Giovanna Fletcher, Emma Willis, Gemma Atkinson and Selasi Gbormittah from Bake Off fame, as well as 80 other women.

“I’ve spent the last few months training, breaking in hiking boots and generally feeling really nervous.” added Chloe. “I would absolutely love the support of the village behind me - if anyone wants to say hello and wave at me as I walk around the village I’d welcome it, and if anyone felt able to make a donation to my fundraising page they can find it here:



<https://coppafeel.enthuse.com/pf/chloe-harries-c5277>.”

For more information on CoppaFeel! And the incredible lifesaving work that they do, you can visit their website here:  
<https://coppafeel.org/>.



## Girton Walking Group

### 4 September

A walk of approximately six miles from Grantchester to Haslingfield.

We will meet by the pavilion at The Orchard Tea Garden in Grantchester at 10am and walk past Cantaloupe Farm to Well House Meadow in Haslingfield. It’s an easy stroll on footpaths and tarmac tracks. Objects of interest will include views of the Mullard Radio Astronomy Observatory, the Mackenzie window, an image of Queen Elizabeth I and possibly the fairies in Glebe Wood. Do bring a picnic lunch. We aim to return to Grantchester before “ten to three.” No dogs.

This walk will be led by Helen Gale.

For further details and to confirm attendance, please email [helengale00@hotmail.com](mailto:helengale00@hotmail.com).

### 2 October

This will be a local walk of about six miles starting at 10am from Whitehouse Lane (opposite the Beefeater on Huntingdon Road). It will go across Eddington and into the West Cambridge site, round the lake and over to Coton. We will stop at the American Cemetery (where there are views and toilets), so bring a drink. We then return over the fields to Girton. This walk will be led by Kay Green. For further details please email [kaygreen1@gmail.com](mailto:kaygreen1@gmail.com).

---

## Pandemic star picks up portrait

Last month we featured a story about Girton artist David Mitchell and his ‘lockdown’ project to capture his own stars of the pandemic.

Pictured is one of those stars, postman Phillip, picking up his portrait.






**ENTIRE**  
 GROUP


 300007


 Water Safe



The Complete Gas Heating and Plumbing Company

**Plumbing • Heating • Gas  
 Bathrooms • Water Softeners  
 Property Maintenance**

**Tel: 01954 204044 • Web: [www.entiregroup.co.uk](http://www.entiregroup.co.uk)  
 Email: [service@entiregroup.co.uk](mailto:service@entiregroup.co.uk)**

**W J Gutting & Drainage**  
 NO CALL OUT CHARGE - FREE QUOTATIONS



**Gutter Cleaning, Repairs,  
 Replacement, Fascia & Soffits,  
 Soakaways & Blocked Drains**

**01223 510623**  
**Mobile: 07720 146815**

2 Woodhouse Way  
 Cambridge



**Paul Waldmann Woodwork**  
 Established 1982

Furniture made & restored  
 Kitchens built  
 Cupboards & bookcases  
 Garden furniture & fittings  
 Made to suit your requirements

phone for a FREE ESTIMATE 01223 314001  
 41 Norfolk Street, Cambridge CB1 2LD  
 Email [paulwaldmann169@gmail.com](mailto:paulwaldmann169@gmail.com)  
[www.paulwaldmannndesign.co.uk](http://www.paulwaldmannndesign.co.uk)



**Church End Carpet & Vinyl Centre**  
 We are a family run business, established in Cottenham in January 1982

We offer a comprehensive range of quality carpets, vinyls and laminate flooring at highly competitive prices with a great service and fitting.

76 High Street Cottenham Cambridge CB24 8SD  
 Email: [sales@churchendcarpets.co.uk](mailto:sales@churchendcarpets.co.uk)  
 Tel: 01954 250287  
[www.churchendcarpets.co.uk](http://www.churchendcarpets.co.uk)

Open: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:00 - 18:00  
 Saturday: 10:00 - 17:00

**Dust Free Wood Floor Sanding & Restoration**  
 Is your Wooden Floor in need of Sanding?

*"In one day our scratched and stained parquet floor was restored to its beauty of once long ago.  
 Many thanks." Mrs Baker, Impington*


 The Ultimate FLOOR SANDING Company

Call today on  
**01223 863 632**  
 Please quote Giron 1

APPLICATED SERVICE PROVIDER  
 Art of Clean's Division

**ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS**  
 FOR

PLANNING & BUILDING REGULATION APPLICATIONS  
 EXTENSIONS, ALTERATIONS, LOFT CONVERSIONS ETC

CONTACT US now to arrange a **FREE** on-site meeting at your convenience to discuss your project

**01353 649649**  
[mail@elydesigngroup.co.uk](mailto:mail@elydesigngroup.co.uk)

**ELY DESIGN GROUP**  
[www.elydesigngroup.co.uk](http://www.elydesigngroup.co.uk)

**R. PETCH**  
**Painter and Decorator**  
 Quality work since 1962






Internal and External Decorating .  
 Wallpapering .  
 Friendly and Tidy Service Given .  
 Free Advice Given .  
 References if Required .  
 Free Estimates .



**Tel: 01223 861970**  
**E-Mail . [petch\\_decorator@hotmail.com](mailto:petch_decorator@hotmail.com)**


**[www.petch-quality-decorator.co.uk](http://www.petch-quality-decorator.co.uk)**



**Keep Your House Happy!**

**PAINTING, DECORATING  
 TILING, PLUMBING**

**All General Maintenance  
 Company Maintenance Work  
 No Job Too Small, Very Competitive Rates  
 Fully Insured**

**CALL FOR A FREE PROMPT QUOTATION**

**MKH PROPERTY MAINTENANCE**

**Phone 07808056881 or  
 Email  
[enq@mkhpropertymaintenance.co.uk](mailto:enq@mkhpropertymaintenance.co.uk)**

**Website  
[www.mkhpropertymaintenance.co.uk](http://www.mkhpropertymaintenance.co.uk)**





## Girton Cottontails Preschool

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer; we have

enjoyed the break, but also had great fun at our summer holiday activity days. The children were super busy at the arts and crafts day. We packed in so many activities including painting a huge footprint collage and decorating our own canvas bags. For the physical play day, we jumped around on the soft play, had obstacle courses and played parachute games. I hope the children slept well after that one, we certainly did! Our water play day was full of sprinklers and paddling pools. Our last day was princesses and knights and of course, we dressed up, made our own castle and princess carriage and we made fairy cakes too.

As the newly re-formed Girton Cottontails Preschool, we are now starting our second year. We've had a wonderful first year and it seems to have flown by. We have a brilliant team and we've been able to provide the children with some great experiences and learning opportunities. We are also aware though, that we are part of a wonderful community and we hope that as more restrictions start to lift, we may be able to begin to look towards providing more experiences for the children through visits to local places.

The new preschool year also brings about changes to the curriculum that as an early years setting we must legally follow. We have always believed in the value of children learning through play and this continues in the new curriculum. A welcome change is the emphasis on reducing the amount of unnecessary paperwork, so that practitioners can spend more time with the children. We are very much looking forward to getting back to basics and doing what we all do and love best.

We are a community interest company, so non-profit making and we greatly appreciate any support you can give. Please take a look at our gofundme page and our Amazon wish list, which you can find links to on our website.

We welcome children from the age of two upwards.



We accept 2 year funded and 3 & 4 year 15 and 30 hour funded children. Please contact us if you would like to apply for a place.

For further information about the preschool and what we have to offer, you can visit our website, follow us on social media or get in touch using the contact details below.

*Laura Norman and Emma Pell*

*Girton Cottontails Preschool Managing Directors*

*Email: [info@girtoncottontailspreschool.com](mailto:info@girtoncottontailspreschool.com)*

*Phone: 07368 180771*

*Web: <https://www.girtoncottontailspreschool.com>*

*Find us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter*



### The Royal British Legion 1921 – 2021

Mark 100 years of the Royal British Legion with this wonderful limited edition lapel pin, featuring a white enamel background with the iconic poppy shape and text that reads both 'ROYAL BRITISH LEGION' and '100 YEARS'.

Suggested donation £4

All profits benefit the considerable work of the Royal British Legion in supporting the Armed Forces community.

*To order a badge, contact your local Poppy Appeal  
Organiser: Wendy Ripley 07885190597*

*or email [girtonpa@yahoo.com](mailto:girtonpa@yahoo.com)*

Thank you for your support.



Specialists in Wood Flooring,  
Carpets & Vinyl Flooring Solutions

### QUALITY FLOORING SUPPLY, INSTALLATION & AFTERCARE

*"What a fantastic company. Knowledgeable and friendly staff and quality services. My company has used Art of Flooring on a number of occasions already and have been delighted with the whole experience. Thoroughly recommended and future projects will be coming your way." Mr Andy Ward, Cambridge*

141 Milton Road Cambridge CB4 1XE  
01223 755 802 [www.ArtofFlooring.co.uk](http://www.ArtofFlooring.co.uk)



# GIRTON scoreboard



## Girton Bowls Club

Girton Bowls Club was delighted to host the men's pairs semi-finals of the Cambridge and District League recently. The four clubs taking part were Abbey, who came from behind to beat Sawston, and

Balsham, who just beat Cottenham by two points in a thrilling game that was decided on the last end.

Our thanks once again to our volunteer maintenance team whose hard work is much appreciated – the green is looking splendid and has received many compliments from visiting teams.

Our annual Open Triples competition, which was again generously sponsored by Peasgood and Skeates, was a great success. We were pleased to welcome eighteen teams each of three players who played a knockout competition which resulted in a victory for the team from Cottenham, who beat Barton 5–4. The two losing semi-finalists were Milton and City.



*Target bowls Open Triples Competition July '21 sponsored by Peasgood & Skeates*

Our final Saturday Drive of the season was very well supported, but was restricted to three games instead of four due to an early downpour. Our winners were Debbie Foster and Dave Fryer. We have had three new players join the Club this season, two of whom were able to join in our last Drive.

Good news in the external competitions, our men's triples team playing in the Lacon Cup beat Milton in the quarter finals and went on to beat the Cambridge and County team in the semi-finals, having come from 7–1 down to win 15–10. They are now through to the final to be played at Great Chesterford on 12th September.

Our other semi-finalists in the Cambridge and District League are playing in the mixed pairs and ladies' singles and a mixed and ladies' pairs are playing in the Business Houses League. Congratulations and good luck to all our players.

We are maintaining our position in the four leagues in which we play. In the C&D League we are top, in the E&D league we are mid-table out of 12 teams, in the Business Houses League we are in 7th position, and in the Meldreth League we are also in 7th position with 5 more games to play.

This year's finals competition takes place on Saturday 4th September. There will be a full day of bowling with the triples and pairs matches, along with the men's and ladies' singles. Our Club Presentation dinner this year will be at the Old Crown on 6th October.

If you are interested in finding out about joining Girton Bowls Club, please see our website [www.girtonbowlsclub.weebly.com](http://www.girtonbowlsclub.weebly.com) or please contact our Secretary, Lynne McGill, at [lynnemcgill63@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnemcgill63@hotmail.com). We are always pleased to welcome new members.

*Lynne McGill*



## Girton Golf Club

Another month passes and we edge closer to normality with more matches, competitions and events at the golf club.

We held our Club Championships in the last few weeks, with Doug Bottomley winning the men's title and the Order of Merit (points accumulated over a number of major competitions) and Jacqui Storey winning the Ladies Championship.

One of the big days in our calendar is Charity Day on 18th September when we will be raising money for Alzheimer's Research, the Captain's charity for this year. As well as the good fun golf competition, we will be holding an exhibition of paintings by members, which will be for sale (the paintings not the members), with 20% of the money raised going to the charity as well. Anyone and everyone is welcome to come along and look at the paintings, which cover a wide spectrum of subjects, and purchase those that they particularly enjoy. This will be in the clubhouse from 10am to 5pm, with coffee, tea, snacks and lunches available as usual, so come on down and support Alzheimer's Research and spend an interesting and relaxing hour or so.

We are still open to new members and our Head Professional Sam Beckett is a wonderful coach for newcomers as well as low handicap experienced golfers. Call the club for more details of membership and our special deals for newcomers to the sport.

We hope to see you soon at Girton Golf Club.

*Alan Henderson-Smith*

*Tel: 01223 276169*

*www.girtongolf.co.uk*



## Girton Colts Football Club

Girton Colts are back after a relaxing summer break! This season we have 8 teams competing in the FA Cambridgeshire leagues in every age from Under 7 to Under

14. It's amazing to think it wasn't too long ago when we were only a few teams. In addition to these teams, we have our developing squads – the Under 6 team will be gearing up in September and we already have interest in the Under 5s starting in January.

The club looks forward to another season of playing football, having fun and keeping fit. If you are interested in joining any of our teams, please get in contact to see if we have availability by emailing [teamsec@girtoncolts.co.uk](mailto:teamsec@girtoncolts.co.uk).

## DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO COULD REFEREE?

We are supported so much by our club members, the Parish Council, Girton Town Charity and the Co-op, but we still need help with our referees. The Cambs FA don't have enough referees to send to every game and so we have to try to supply our own referees for home matches. This is a tall order and we would urgently like to hear from anyone keen on refereeing any of our matches. Perhaps you are retired or live in the village and fancy giving back to the community for an hour on a Saturday morning? Or perhaps you're a student in the village looking for some going out or books money? We need referees for all the age groups and we can offer you training if you're a bit rusty on the rules. Most matches for the younger teams are rated at £10 a match, with older teams paying slightly more. We have multiple matches on every Saturday, so it can quickly add up. If you're interested, please contact [chair@girtoncolts.co.uk](mailto:chair@girtoncolts.co.uk).

*Andrew Hawkes*



## Girton Netball Club

The team enjoyed its first competitive match in over a year with a game against Trumpington Tigers last month.

It was great to be out playing again. Mel and Jo did some fantastic

shooting. There was solid defending from Bee, Sally and Paula DM, and agility and speed on the wing and centre court from Cass and Lucy. We were sorry to

lose Paula P to injury early. In quarters 3 and 4 we were only one goal behind Tigers at 4–5 and 5–6, though Tigers eventually went on to win 26–17. Thanks to Mel for setting this up for us. We look forward to playing more competitive games as the season gets into full swing from September.

In other news, we marked the end of the season with a Pot Luck garden party. We were pleased to welcome special guest Claire, currently on maternity leave, though without baby Peter, who sadly couldn't stay up that

late. Former Girton netballer Rosie got married this month and we enjoyed seeing the beautiful photos of Rosie with teammates Mollie and Lucy at the wedding.

Training starts back on Monday 7th September, 6.30–7.45, at Girton Rec. Email [girton.village.netball@gmail.com](mailto:girton.village.netball@gmail.com) or facebook: *Girton Netball Club*.

*Emma-Louise Longden*



*Girton vs. Trumpington Tigers*



## Girton Tennis Club

The Summer League for our Mixed team has now ended and we finished in a reasonable position, drawing three matches

and losing two. It was really good to have several new ladies joining the matches and enjoying the experience. Well done to our team captain Mark and all the players who have supported this team.

Our club membership year runs from 1st April to 31st March so, as of the 1st September, we will be half-way through the membership year. If you are still considering joining our friendly club, we can offer a 50% reduction in fees for the remainder of this year. Just make contact using the details below.

The tennis club has use of the recreation ground courts and members who purchase a key and have a confirmed booking have court access during most daylight hours. Club members meet and play from around 7.30pm to 9pm on Friday evenings. Potential new members are very welcome to come along to our Friday club nights for one or two free sessions to check it all out.

Details about our activities can be found on our website [www.girtontennisclub.uk](http://www.girtontennisclub.uk) or by contacting our Membership Secretary Kevin Keeves by email: [info@girtontennisclub.uk](mailto:info@girtontennisclub.uk).

*Alan Franklin*



# M&M

## Heating & Building Services

- Full Gas and Oil Boiler Installation
- Extensions, Alterations and Repairs
- Full Heating Systems
- Refurbishment and Renovations
- Boiler Servicing and Landlord Certificates
- Kitchen Design and Installation
- Power Flushing
- All Carpentry Works
- Full Bathroom Design and Installation
- All Building Works Undertaken
- All Plumbing Works Large and Small
- Painting and Decorating

**01223 691599**

**Mob: 07766 281962/07832 261791**

info@mandmheating.co.uk • www.mandmheating.co.uk

10 SOUTH ROAD, IMPINGTON, CAMBS. CB24 9PB




## MOBILE HAIRDRESSER

ALL ASPECTS OF HAIRDRESSING DONE IN  
THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME



**CONTACT TANYA ON: 01954 211034**  
**MOBILE: 07719 902450**

## Rothwell's Carpet Cleaning

**01223 832 928**  
**www.Rothwells.biz**

*A few points that make us stand out from the others,*

Rothwell's has been in business since 1993.  
We're an honest local family firm.  
Our large truck mounted machines mean  
more cleaning & drying power.  
Members of both the NCCA and TACCA.  
We will move the furniture for a thorough clean.  
100% satisfaction or it's FREE.

*Call Oliver and Max Campbell for expert help today.*





## APPLETREES PLUMBING & HEATING

All types of domestic plumbing, heating and  
gas work undertaken.

City and Guilds Qualified and Gas Safe  
Registered.

Phone Number- 01353 741236

Email - info@appletrees.plumbing

## A. P. GROUNDWORKS

**Block Paving • Patios  
Driveways • Slab Laying  
Groundworks • Drainage**

**20+ years experience • Free Quotations  
CPCS • CSCS • CITB qualified**

Telephone Andy:  
**07944 813367 / 01223 233754**  
email: apascoe44.ap@googlemail.com

## YOUR PERSONAL WEALTH. OUR PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

At Tilney, we have been helping clients achieve their financial goals for more than 180 years. Whether you are saving for retirement, want to pass on your wealth or would like to have your investments managed by an expert, we can do the same for you.

To find out how we can help you, please call our Cambridge office on **01223 452 840** or email [nell.trickett@tilney.co.uk](mailto:nell.trickett@tilney.co.uk) for Investment Management or [laura.ingram@tilney.co.uk](mailto:laura.ingram@tilney.co.uk) for Financial Planning.



**TILNEY**  
PLANNING | ADVISING | INVESTING

Investments carry risk – investors can lose money investing.  
[tilney.co.uk](http://tilney.co.uk)

## ARTISAN LANDSCAPES

Est. 1988

**www.artisanlandscape.co.uk**

Paving, Fencing, Pergolas, Ponds, Pruning,  
Structures etc

**jonathan\_ashman@hotmail.com**  
**07768 821354**

 **Jonathan Ashman Artisan Landscapes**





## What happens next?

Club 55 was running very successfully until, like everything else, it was thwarted by the Coronavirus. Every effort has been made to keep some contact with members but due to illness and death, some have been lost and some activities have had to

be curtailed. Our officers have grown older and some have been affected by poor health, a hazard of old age I'm afraid. It is going to be difficult for us to get back to our pre-virus level of activities but we are hoping to continue with a computer and chat group and a monthly lunch club, albeit in slightly different formats.

We are looking for people who might like to help us run the Club and organise events or who are computer literate and may be able to help people with their IT problems. Our officer roles at Club 55 have been very rewarding. It's great to see people who live and spend many hours alone enjoying themselves over a nice lunch and a chat with friends. If you are over 55 years old, retired, want to fill your time with worthwhile activities and would like to be involved in these pleasant events, please contact us on the number below. Let's keep this club active.

**New computer and chat group:** We have been invited to run our computer and chat group from the restaurant at Abbeyfield and intend to give this a trial run beginning at 10am Monday 6th September 2021. This is a very informal group where people may drop in for help with their laptops, iPhones and iPads. Coffee and snacks will be available from the bar and you will be able to stay for lunch. There is no charge for attending but coffee, snacks and lunch, if you order them, will have to be paid for on the day. Drop in and see us just for coffee, you don't have to be involved with computers just come and enjoy a chat and a drink with friends. If you have problems with your laptop, iPad or iPhone bring it along and we will try to help you. Why not drop in and see what we are all about?

**Lunch Group:** Our first trip out to lunch after the virus break was on the 18th August 2021 when 30 members made their way to The White Horse public house at Milton. Everyone gathered in the marquee at the rear of the pub and took their places ready for their first meal together for more than a year and a half. People pleased to see their friends greeted each other and chatted.

The marquee was decorated with flags and the weather although a little breezy was warm and it was very pleasant in the tent whilst the group waited to be served. Drinks were collected and orders taken whilst the group waited and waited.

The wait for the food to arrive was excessive but when it came it was hot and tasty. The location was pleasant, greetings and chat were great but the service slow and

not well organised.

I was surprised by the number of people who turned out for our first



Waiting for food to arrive



Still waiting for food

lunch club meeting since the lockdown began, but was disappointed that the service was so slow. It was, however, great to see everyone chatting away and I'm sure that much gossip was released into ears starved of tittle tattle for months. It was a bit of an experiment to go along without pre-ordering our meals, it was a mistake that we will not repeat, in future all meals will be pre-ordered and pre-paid.

## Lunch trips for your diary:

**Wednesday 15th September 2021** a bus trip to a new and mystery riverside destination for lunch about one hour's ride from Girton, leaving the village at 11am and arriving home around 3.30pm. Lunch to include a choice of starters: soup of the day, farmhouse pate, prawn cocktail, a main course of prawn and crayfish salad, chicken caesar salad, pie of the day and fish and chips. Dessert choices include: chocolate fudge cake, lemon meringue, apple crumble and scoops of ice cream. Bus trip and two course lunch to cost £25, bus trip and 3 course lunch £30. Please note that the prices quoted take into account a £5 discount and that the 33 seat coach ordered has been fitted with air purifiers and filtered air conditioning. You will also be asked to wear a mask when on board. To obtain an order form and pay in advance for this trip please contact us on the telephone number or email address below.

**Wednesday 6th October 2021** – 12pm for 12.30pm lunch at Abbeyfield more details later.

Contact Sam Clift tel 07850740721 or email [samclift@ntlworld.com](mailto:samclift@ntlworld.com)

Sam Clift

DS

ELECTRICAL

Professional Domestic & Commercial Electricians

Mob: 07830 349199

Tel: 01223 521882

Electrical Safety Register

ELECSA

NICEIC

ECA

[www.ds-electricalservice.co.uk](http://www.ds-electricalservice.co.uk)





I was woken in the night by the remembrance that I needed to write the Allotment Society article before I went on holiday on Friday (I didn't fancy writing a 1000 word article on an iPad). So I'm starting on Tuesday 10th August and it looks like the promised warmer, sunnier and drier weather has arrived. And that is after a roller coaster of conditions over recent weeks: a spell of extreme heat in mid-July; then ever since grey sullen days with occasional sunny spells; but with little rain and hence parched soil; most recently some high winds (shame on me! my bean rack lurched over) and intermittent rain showers, although as we often remark to each other, serious rain so often skirts Girton.

Allotment activity continued steadily through all weathers, and now the returns for our months of sowing, planting, tending are being harvested. It's that rewarding time when fresh produce is taken into kitchen and freezer. And with other crops still to reach readiness, such as sweetcorn. Awaiting some members is the hard work of digging many rows of main crop potatoes.

A sign of fecundity at this point in the season are the heaps of 'help-yourself' marrows (mainly overlooked courgettes) placed at the pumps and gates. Marrows are the marmite of the vegetable world; some dislike them ("watery, no taste") while others (myself included) value them. They have to be cooked to advantage, roasted in my opinion, to take up the flavours of their accompanying herbs, spices, meats, cheese.

For some, it has been a good season for soft fruit: strawberries, black and red currants, raspberries, gooseberries. Frozen, and then brought out in the winter for pies and crumbles... a cheering reminder of high summer.

Tomatoes have done well this year. It is one of my pleasures to see trusses of the perfect globes, slowly ripening to gorgeous red, and then in bowls in the house. Some of us will have the embarrassment of riches, having grown too many plants and struggling to use all the fruits. Sauce for the freezer and distribution to friends are answers. My daughter bought me *The Big Red Book of Tomatoes*, containing 300 pages of recipes.

Potato blight, the air-borne organism causing browning, rotting and death of potato and tomato tissue, is always the subject of alarm and rumour at this time of year... false and justified. I recently talked with one usually cheerful but then grumpy member; he had just removed all his rotted tomato plants, destroyed by blight. Yet elsewhere on the site, the plants are healthy.

I think it partly depends on wind direction, shelter from the fungus-carrying breezes. So far I have spotted three tomatoes with the tell-tale brown marks; destroyed them; and now I am taking the precaution of picking fruit which has started to ripen before blight strikes; they will continue to ripen in the house. Also, weeks ago, some members cut the foliage tops of their early potatoes down to ground level when there were rumours of early blight. For me, blight is the worst adversary we have to contend with.

Here is an extract from an email circulated to Society members.

*We have been asked to help in a scientific survey of cabbage white caterpillars on the site.*

*This will entail simply finding and taking their temperatures, so there will be no other interventions.*

I was tempted to reply, enquiring whether this was a mistimed April Fool joke, or how does one insert the thermometer. But seriously, it's gratifying that the Society has been asked to participate in nature research, consistent with our policies of being active in enhancing the environment and nature.

Talking of butterflies, it is pleasing to be able to write that, after a dearth until recently, they are beginning to show themselves. Although, as often mentioned by the likes of Chris Packham, not in the numbers we used to enjoy. During a recent rare sunny afternoon, I sat on the allotment, near to my herb bed, and enjoyed for ages two gatekeeper butterflies feasting on the flowering heads of the herbs. (Should one allow herbs to flower?) It was a delight to watch. Now and then they would take to the air to chase and be chased by bees (wasps?). Tortoiseshells, peacocks, red admirals and a single copper have been enjoyed. And of course, many many of the aforementioned cabbage whites.



*Gatekeeper  
butterfly*

Finally, I would like to recommend a Radio 4 programme to those for whom allotmenting is in their bones (if it's not too late for BBC Sounds) – *The Patch* on Monday 9th August, 9am. The brief BBC Sounds summary says "one randomly generated postcode, and an unheard story unfolding in a corner of Britain we wouldn't otherwise know about. In an inner London borough, tales of loss and longing told through vegetables". It will make you emotional and glad to be part of the allotment fraternity.

*Graham Jones, Girton Allotment Society*



## Getting juicy in Girton

After such a great summer for the fruit trees, we are eagerly awaiting our harvest. Girton residents are able to make use of the village crusher, press and pasteuriser, kindly provided by South Cambridgeshire District Council community chest, for a mere £7.50 per year. It's incredibly easy to make juice and we provide full instructions and are very happy to give advice.

Although the press is designed for apples, it works equally well for pears, grapes and berries. Whether you have fifty pears, hundreds of apples or thousands of elderberries, or are simply keen and have friends or neighbours with spare fruit, juicing them and, maybe even, making cider, perry or wine, is a great way of preserving the fruit rather than simply adding them to your compost heap. It makes a great social occasion and the taste of freshly pressed juice is incomparable to anything you can buy in the shops.

For further information or to renew your membership please get in touch by email at: [apple-juice-club@googlegroups.com](mailto:apple-juice-club@googlegroups.com). By the way the previous email address and website have gone rotten!



## Thornton Road 20 mile-an-hour limit?

Dear Editor,

Congratulations to our elected representatives in securing the wonderful new 20 miles per hour limit all through Girton Village on the church side of the A14 bridge. This solves the problem, to some extent, of the dangerous crossing outside the Co-op shop, St Andrew's Church, Girton Baptist Church and our hostelrys. Parents, too, can feel more confident of the safety of their children trying out independent cycle trips.

Please could those representatives consider the Thornton Road area too for a 20 miles per hour speed limit? Cars often speed down Thornton Road, using it as a 'rat run' to avoid the slow T-junction of Huntingdon Road with Girton Road during the morning rush hour. (Yes, it is back after the joyous quiet of lockdown!) In addition, at night, cars speed down Thornton Road, which is a through road. Are they racing away from pursuit, we wonder, or just enjoying the fascination of speed?

Equality across the village is needed to save all children and cyclists from speeding cars. 'Level up' the Thorntons, please.

Best wishes,

*Christine Bromwich*

## George's Garden Tip

Well, unsurprisingly, several September tasks are weather dependent (and I don't have much luck in predicting what will happen next weather-wise, so if you find that's easy do let me know!). September and March used to be regarded as the best two months for lawn care, so if you have a lawn, as contrasted with a grassy area, you could while away the hours, scarifying, moss-killing and feeding. Remember autumn fertilizer contains less nitrogen, because too much new soft growth won't last the winter as well as allowing a more mature leaf coverage. Given the difficulty in anticipating what weather to expect, I suggest you get your ducks in a row (check the fertilizer, moss-killer, state of your rake) in readiness, and when you hear there is a low coming over and we are all going to get some rain, get weaving.

Have you tried growing green manure crops? I've used mustard, grazing rye, and phacelia, with reasonable

results, but the best I've tried to date was the Kings Seeds Summer Quick Fix Mix (I've always been a sucker for alliteration!). It grew well, covered the soil well and had a lot of pretty flowers, with a reasonable vase life! In fact, in summer, I sometimes figure that the cover of chickweed et al. is a reasonable ground cover, and is quickly hoed out when the space is required. However, the most useful type of crop is the one that covers most of the soil during the winter. In these days of unusually hard downbursts, protecting the surface from capping, and avoiding too much leaching of soluble nutrients with a cover of vegetation is an asset. A members' experiment by Garden Organic found a much better cover over winter from clover sown at the same time as French beans in May, than that sown in September after the beans were cleared. Still although worth bearing in mind for next May it doesn't help so much now we're in September, but Kings Seeds and others do advertise winter mixes which are usually sown in September or October.

*George Thorpe*



## **William Collyn Centre celebrates full opening with launch of Autumn programme**

After many months of stop/start activities, the team at the William Collyn Centre is delighted to announce that it is back in business and looking forward to welcoming residents of all ages to a packed programme, from Tumble Tots to Ballroom Dance Classes.

September feels like a new start for the Centre after what has been a very disjointed 18 months which has included full closures, restricted opening and now, thank goodness, full return, says Helen Johnson, Centre Manager.

We had to impose many strict measures to keep everyone safe at the Centre over this period and these were fully embraced by our hirers.

### **Reduced capacity**

Even though many restrictions have now been eased, we have kept some in place and rather than return to full capacity of up to 200 guests, we are maintaining a cap of 75 at any one time which allows users to stay distanced from others if they wish. We also request that face masks are worn in communal areas and it is then up to hirers as to whether these have to be worn during their classes.

Looking ahead we have a really full diary of events which includes regular groups running sessions for all members of the community and also many private bookings.

Businesses holding meetings are welcome to use the Main Hall if available, as this offers more space and good ventilation as well as a comprehensive AV set up for presentations.

Last but not least, in August we welcomed Ollie, a new member of staff who has joined our team to work alongside experienced Duty Supervisor Max and me. I am sure he will be a great asset to the Centre as we go forwards.

### **Older residents activities**

The Centre is keen to support members of the community who have been most affected by the pandemic and is running a couple of activities on weekday afternoons for older residents to encourage socialising and movement in as safe an environment as possible.

From Monday 6th September at 2.00pm, the Centre

is re-introducing Kurling sessions, a sport suitable for people of all abilities which can be played seated or standing and is great fun! It costs just £3 per person (payable on the day) and includes a hot drink.

Afternoon Tea Dances will also start shortly. Plans are being finalised so please keep an eye on the Centre's website and social media pages for more information and look out for details in next month's Parish News.



*Max, Helen and Ollie at the William Collyn Centre*

### **Overcoming challenges**

Ann Bonnett Chair of GTC added: The last year and a half has been very challenging for the team at WCCC and we are very grateful to them for steering everyone through a minefield of regulations, which were changing regularly.

At the helm is Helen and we are very fortunate to have her as our Centre Manager. Not only does Helen have excellent skills for the job, she has really gone the extra mile to ensure safe practices, organising additional cleaning and carrying out risk assessments, as well as encouraging clubs and groups to come back. The Trustees of Girton Town Charity are very grateful for everything she has done.

## Educational Grants 2021/22

Applications for an Educational Grant are invited from young people over 18 leaving secondary education and moving on to higher education and some training schemes or NVQ qualifications Level 4 and above.

The Grant covers books, equipment, tools or other direct costs relevant to the course and is a maximum of £300\* per year for up to four years.

Next payment date for grant applications received will be December 2021.

Applicants must have lived in Girton for a minimum of two years immediately before leaving secondary education.

Contact the GTC office for an application form.

\* Terms and conditions apply

Girton Town Charity exists for purposes which include the relief of need in Girton, either individually or collectively, or the support of any charitable purpose for the benefit of the inhabitants of Girton.

Enquiries on behalf of individuals or village organisations may be made in confidence and addressed to any of the Trustees below:

Ann Bonnett (Chair)	t: 276354
Marc Bermann	t: 277319
Dan Buck	t: 07775 839703
Colin Carr	t: 276312
Dr Robin Hiley	t: 277296
Andrew Muston	t: 07831 591809
Patsy Smith	t: 07503 282199

**GTC office:**  
**22 High Street, Girton, Cambridge CB3 0PU.**

**01223 276008**  
**email: [gtc@girtontowncharity.org.uk](mailto:gtc@girtontowncharity.org.uk)**  
**[www.girtontowncharity.org.uk](http://www.girtontowncharity.org.uk)**

Girton Town Charity Registered Charity No: 1130272

Please see website for up to date details of  
**Clubs and Classes [www.williamcollyn.co.uk](http://www.williamcollyn.co.uk)**

### Monday

9.30 - 1.00pm	Tumble Tots
2.00 - 3.00pm	Kurling for over 55's
6.30 - 7.30pm	Clubbercise
8.00 - 9.30pm	Whole Notes Gospel Choir

### Tuesday

8.30 - 9.30pm	Yoga with Julia Dale
10.00 - 11.00pm	Yoga with Julia Dale
6.00 - 7.00pm	Bounce
7.30 - 10.30pm	West Coast Swing

### Wednesday

9.30am - 12.00pm	Tiny Toes Ballet
5.00 - 6.30pm	Winners Chapel International
7.00 - 10.00pm	The W.I. (monthly - first Wednesday)
7.00 - 9.30pm	Girton Garden Society (monthly - second Wednesday)

### Thursday

9.45 - 10.45am	Bounce
7.15pm & 8.15pm	Ballroom Dance Classes

### Friday

10.00 - 10.45am	Shake Rattle & Roll for pre-schoolers
9.30am - 12.30pm	Little City Toddler Play (monthly - second Friday)
7.00 - 9.30pm	New Life Church Youth Club

### Saturday

9.00 - 10.00am	Bounce
10.30 - 11.45am	Yoga

### Sunday

11.00am - 2.00pm	Winners Chapel International
3.30 - 5.30pm	Cambridge Tamil Mandram

Wellbrook Way, Girton, Cambridge CB3 0GP  
01223 279587  
[info@williamcollyn.co.uk](mailto:info@williamcollyn.co.uk)  
[www.williamcollyn.co.uk](http://www.williamcollyn.co.uk)

The William Collyn Centre is provided and run  
for the benefit of Girton residents by Girton Town Charity.



## News for older residents

### Activities

It is encouraging that activities are gradually getting going. The Club 55 Computer class will be meeting again on Monday mornings in the restaurant at Abbeyfield. See the Club 55 page for more details.

A Thursday daytime Tai Chi class is on the cards, in addition to the Monday evening class. And the Fit as a Fiddle exercise class is due to restart in September.

Plans for other ventures are in the pipeline and I hope to tell you more about these in the October edition of the *GPN*. In the meantime, let me know any ideas you have for the best way forward this autumn. I would particularly like to hear the views of those who prefer not to meet in groups.

### Hope again

The next series of this bereavement support programme begins on Thursday 2 September and runs until 7 October. It will be held weekly from 14:00-15:30 in the Methodist Church in Histon with excellent speakers covering appropriate topics. More information is available by phoning 07707 263353 or emailing [HABG1@icloud.com](mailto:HABG1@icloud.com).

Would you like a digital photo frame? A Sony S-Frame is being offered for free and the owner will help in setting it up.

I plan to continue the pattern of working on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, though I will try to be flexible, if it is necessary.

*Patricia Johnston, Older Residents' Coordinator*  
Email: [patricia.johnston@ageukcap.org.uk](mailto:patricia.johnston@ageukcap.org.uk)  
Tel: 07469 660 866

supported by  
**Girton**  
TownCharity



## Listening Lantern

### Behind the picture

Let me paint a picture: four days on the glorious Dorset coast

collecting amazing fossils, going for long walks and exploring the little shops. If you look at this beautiful ammonite which we collected, you might have the illusion that the whole experience was idyllic. And yes, there were some wonderful experiences but that was not the whole picture. There was torrential rain and whipping wind, some of the driving in traffic jams along steep narrow streets was hair-raising and, unfortunately, the hospitality of the accommodation owners was distinctly lacking.



Things are not always how they seem. Social media doesn't always present the whole truth. Sometimes people feel the need to 'stage' their life and experiences. I aspire to be encouraging and positive whilst remaining realistic and honest so, in this spirit....we had a lovely holiday but we got soaking wet on several occasions and I never want to do a steep hill-start ever again!

### Signposting

Dual Recovery Anon UK & Ireland is an organisation which runs self-help groups for those with dual diagnosis, a substance use issue alongside a diagnosed mental health issue.

Phone: 0300 124 0373  
website: [www.ddauk.org](http://www.ddauk.org)

### World Suicide Prevention Day

Each year on September 10, organisations and communities around the world work together to raise awareness of how we can create a world which keeps people safer and reduces deaths by suicide. Every life lost to suicide is a tragedy and the ripple effect impact on those close and to others, is significant. The theme this year was 'Creating Hope through Action'. Remaining hopeful when life is difficult is not easy. Many people are not confident in knowing how to help and support someone when they are having thoughts of suicide.

If you would like to be entered in the draw for a place on my next Suicide First Aid [Understanding Suicide Interventions] course on 26 November 2021 you can apply by contacting me at [mhfa.julietadloun@gmail.com](mailto:mhfa.julietadloun@gmail.com).

*Juliet Adloun, a longstanding Girton resident, is a fully qualified and accredited Adult Mental Health First Aid Instructor experienced in delivering the full suite of MHFA courses and committed to supporting mental health within her local community. Contact her via: [www.facebook.com/listeninglantern.julietadloun](https://www.facebook.com/listeninglantern.julietadloun) or [mhfa.julietadloun@gmail.com](mailto:mhfa.julietadloun@gmail.com).*

## CODEWORDS

Each number 1-26 represents a different letter of the alphabet. Can You work out which is which? Use your word skills and the clues included. Note that Codewords can include names or well-known phrases. Answers are on page 26 in this magazine.



21	3	25	16		25	19	13	15	21	4	7	25
6		21		22		1		19		21		13
25	3	23	7	13		7	24	6	10	19	8	7
21		3		5		3		17		13		7
23	19	12	12	10	7	11		11	21	1	22	11
19				11		2				3		
11	5	11	25	7	13		22	3	10	10	21	23
		9				11		13				3
11	16	3	13	17		20	19	3	10	5	26	2
14		1		3		19		15		13		14
3	19	11	25	13	5	3		10	7	3	18	7
11		7		14		11		7		25		1
16	7	3	8	3	6	16	7		1	7	11	25

CLUES	
A	1
B	14
C	2
D	15
E	3
F	16
G	4
H	17
I	5
J	18
K	6
L	19
M	7
N	20
O	8
P	21
Q	9
R	22
S	10
T	23
U	L
V	24
W	11
X	12
Y	25
Z	13
	26

## WORDSEARCH – Fishing!

Can you find all these words in the grid ? They can read left to right, right to left, Up or Down or Diagonally. Tick them off as you go.

H	C	T	A	C	B	H	S	I	F	T	A	C
P	C	Q	S	A	L	M	O	N	U	I	O	K
I	F	R	Y	W	E	A	R	N	C	D	N	F
L	A	K	E	L	K	C	A	T	B	A	I	T
E	G	G	S	P	A	K	H	X	F	N	V	R
L	R	P	E	U	H	E	C	L	G	Z	E	Y
I	I	R	A	P	D	R	Y	E	I	E	L	O
N	L	A	R	V	A	E	R	W	L	A	A	L
E	S	C	H	O	O	L	A	O	H	S	T	K
V	E	B	K	L	I	N	E	M	P	H	J	S
U	P	O	L	N	W	A	P	S	S	A	B	A
J	O	I	G	Y	E	C	A	D	O	R	R	C
H	G	S	D	O	P	T	S	I	N	K	E	R

ALEVIN	GILL	REEL
BAIT	GRILSE	ROD
BASS	HAKE	SALMON
CARP	HOOK	SCHOOL
CATCH	JUVENILE	SEA
CATFISH	LAKE	SHARK
CHAR	LARVAE	SHOAL
COD	LINE	SINKER
DACE	MACKEREL	SPAWN
EGGS	NET	TACKLE
FIN	PARR	TAIL
FINGERLINGS	PERCH	TUNA
FLY	POD	YOLKSAC
FRY	PUP	





## Treasure

Even in times of prosperity and welfare, there are some countries where orphaned children live on the streets, searching rubbish dumps for any items that might earn funds for sustaining food. Living from day to day, these children depend on finding just enough to keep hunger at bay. One such boy was Alfred. Out of luck, he had gone three days without eating. Weak with hunger, he arrived at a house door, intending to ask for some small assistance, but when his knock was answered by a girl of his own age, he felt too ashamed to beg for food and muttered a request for water.

"Wait here," said the girl. She went indoors and moments later, returned with a mug of milk, two large cakes and some water, offering more food when the household meal had been prepared. "How did you know I was hungry?" Alfred asked. "I could see it in your eyes," replied Suza. "They are the mirror of the heart."

Satisfied and sincerely grateful, Alfred went on his way. "I will pray that God will look after you. He loves you Alfred," Suza called out.

Years passed. Suza's parents died, leaving her with a younger sister. Their savings diminished. Then Suza became ill and her only means of survival was to undergo an urgent operation, which was performed ahead of the medical bill. Suza was in utter despair, having no possessions to sell, nor friends or family able to supply a loan, she could not cover the expense.

Two anxious weeks passed. Then, one day a nurse handed Suza her exit documents along with a letter. In complete amazement, Suza read a copy of her long-ago conversation with Alfred the street boy. Weeping, she recounted the story to her sister. "Do good to everyone, even to strangers. God knows all we do," she whispered through tears of relief. Alfred, now a qualified doctor, had noted Suza's admission to the hospital where he now worked. He was able to offer her a job when she recovered, and stated that her medical bill had been gladly settled by a mug of milk, two cakes and some water.

Jesus urged his disciples to "Lay up treasure where moth and rust do not destroy and thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Ref. Matthew ch.6v21) Our resulting Western interpretation has sometimes been of a treasure chest of wealth awaiting our arrival in our heavenly abode, a kind of in-trust account or a mystical stocks and shares benefit. However, put into the context of the request to "do good unto all mankind," we can shift the mental image of treasure to the yet unknown ripple effects that deeds of kindness, support and genuine

concern have produced. Salvation is not earned by works, but active faith will work out the blessings of God's gift of salvation in us.

The glorious surprise in heaven could be in seeing at last, the accumulation of relief, joy and inspiration that our love has supplied. The treasure garnered by generosity (and sometimes self-sacrifice) will be evident in the eyes and hearts of those who were rescued in times of struggle and despair.

Such treasure is priceless, like the unsurpassing love that we ourselves have first received from God.

Acts of kindness to our fellows may often be misted over in the histories of daily life, but in that holy place where true love, layer upon layer, builds in sustaining value, the treasure endures, an enabling force of vitality in the lives of glad recipients. The early church understood the principles of methodical and unstinting care. We can continue in their wisdom and embrace.

Proverbs 3v 27,28. "Do not withhold good from those who deserve it when it is in your power to act ... or say I'll give it tomorrow, when you now have it with you."

*Iris Niven*



### Girton Community Warden Scheme

**Are you aged 60 or over?**

**Would you like help to continue to live independently in your own home?**

**The Community Warden is able to offer assistance by providing a daily phone call (Mon-Fri) and support such as:**

- Making drinks and a light meal
- A home visit
- Collecting prescriptions
- Small items of shopping
- A listening ear
- Help with paperwork and making appointments
- Signposting to other services where appropriate

If you are interested in this service and would like more information, please call **07979333963** or email **wardens@ageukcap.org.uk**

There is a **FREE** 2 week trial and then a small weekly fee afterwards if you wish to remain on the scheme.



**ST ANDREW'S GIRTON**

**Rector: Revd Michael Bigg**  
Tel: 01223 202145

Email: rector@girton.church  
Website: www.girton.church

**Associate Priest: The Revd Christine Barrow**  
Tel: 575089 Email: mcbarrow@me.com

**Licensed Lay Ministers:**  
Mr Dugald Wilson Tel: 276940  
Mrs Christina Deacon Tel: 525337

**Churchwardens:**  
Mr Bruce & Mrs Wendy Hunter Tel: 503958

### **Sunday Services: September**

<b>5th</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	Holy Communion
	<b>7:30 pm</b>	Taize Service (Online)
<b>12th</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	All-age Communion
	<b>6:00 pm</b>	Evening Prayer (BCP)
<b>19th</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	Holy Communion
	<b>6:00 pm</b>	Evening Prayer (BCP)
<b>26th</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Holy Communion (BCP)
	<b>10:00 am</b>	Morning Prayer

### **Weekday Services: September**

<b>Tues</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Morning Prayer (said) in Church
<b>Weds</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Morning Prayer (said) (Online)
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Morning Prayer (said) (Online)
	<b>9:00 pm</b>	Compline (said) (Online)

**Wed, 8 Sept 2:00 pm** Abbeyfield Holy Communion  
**Thu, 30 Sept 11:00 am** Gretton Court Holy Communion (BCP)

You are welcome to join us in person for our worship services. For those who wish to continue to worship remotely, Sunday morning services will continue to be streamed on YouTube for the foreseeable future. You may tune in at <http://bit.ly/GirtonParishLive>. Please check the church website for up to date information ([www.girton.church](http://www.girton.church)).

The Taizé service is being held remotely using Zoom usually on the first Sunday of each month. Anyone is welcome. Please email Kay Barrett at [singing.kay@gmail.com](mailto:singing.kay@gmail.com) and she will send the link to you in order to join in. Any problems, please do contact us via the website.

The church will be open daily for personal prayer. May you find peace and comfort in this sacred space.

*O Lord, help us, now and always, to listen for  
the voice of God, to think fairly, to love widely,  
to witness humbly, to build bravely.  
(Toc H prayer)*

**Girton Baptist Church**



**Minister: Revd Nick Lowe**  
Tel: 279289

**Secretary: Mrs Virginia Rootham-Smith**  
Tel: 520442

Website: [www.girtonbaptistchurch.org.uk](http://www.girtonbaptistchurch.org.uk)

### **September services, all starting at 10.30am at Girton Baptist Church and on Zoom**

<b>5th</b>	Communion, led by Nick Lowe
<b>12th</b>	Led by Nick Lowe
<b>19th</b>	Communion, led by Nick Lowe
<b>26th</b>	Led by Nick Lowe

For the link for Zoom please ring 07751 748757 or email [pastor@girtonbaptistchurch.org.uk](mailto:pastor@girtonbaptistchurch.org.uk).

Please use the church website for booking for in-person services. Masks are now optional.

### **A Bible verse:**

The LORD *is* good to all: and his tender mercies *are* over all his works.

(Psalm 145:9)

### **Some words from a hymn called "The Goodness of God"**

The Lord is strong to help the weak,  
Upholding those that fall,  
Restoring those bowed down with grief,  
And doing good to all.

My mouth shall bless the Lord my God  
And all His praise proclaim;  
Let all unite for evermore  
To bless His holy Name.

### **A prayer:**

Your goodness is prepared for those who trust in you, for those who trust in your word. I believe in you and I believe that not only your mercy, but your goodness will follow me all the days of my life.



**If you would like to discuss any Parish Council issues please contact the following:**

**Chairman**

Haydn Williams, 40 Church Lane, Tel: 474667  
chairman@girton-cambs.org.uk

**Vice-Chairman**

Gill Cockley, 73 Cambridge Road, Tel: 276703

**Councillors**

Jane Buckler, 28 Girton Road, Tel: 277636  
Julie Dashwood, 36 High Street, Tel: 276590  
Douglas de Lacey, 9 Woodlands Park, Tel: 565219  
Val Godby, 38 Woodlands Park, Tel: 276372  
Andy Griffin, 1 Churchfield Court, Tel: 07956 447674  
Roger Hickford, Manor Farm, Manor Farm Road,  
Tel: 07985 770082  
Anne Kettle, 11 Redgate Road, Tel: 277505  
Shahila Mitchell, 18 Northfield, Tel: 07519 265755  
Ann Muston, 59 Thornton Road, Tel: 07796 430345  
John Thorrold, 53 Cambridge Road, Tel: 276760  
Mary Rodger, 11 Fairway, Tel: 277316

**Formal correspondence to the Council should be addressed to the Clerk.**

**District Councillors**

Tom Bygott, Tel: 232966  
cllr@bygott.net  
Corinne Garvie, Tel: 01223 276184/07780 932267  
cllr.garvie@scambs.gov.uk

**County Councillor**

Edna Murphy, Tel: 01223 577005  
edna.murphy@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

**Parish Clerk and Acting Finance Officer**

clerk@girton-cambs.org.uk

**Assistant to the Parish Clerk**

admin@girton-cambs.org.uk

**Website:** [www.girton-cambs.org.uk/council.html](http://www.girton-cambs.org.uk/council.html)

**Postal address:** Girton Parish Council  
The Pavilion, Girton Recreation Ground  
Cambridge Road, Girton, Cambridge, CB3 0FH

**Bin collections September**

Friday 3 September	Black bin
Thursday 9 September	Blue and Green bins
Thursday 16 September	Black bin
Thursday 23 September	Blue and Green bins

**MOBILE LIBRARY**

**Thursday 23 September 2021**

Thornton Court	9.40 -10.00
Abbeyfield	10.05 -10.50
Cotton Hall/Church	11.00 -11.30
Orchard Close	11.35 -12.00
St Vincent's Close	12.05 -12.30
Gretton Court	12.35 -13.00
Churchfield Court	13.05 -13.30

**Contact numbers for bookings**

Cotton Hall	07759 983420
Orchard Close	01223 277164
Pavilion	01223 472182
St Vincent's Close	01223 276447
William Collyn Centre	01353 865029

**ANDREW EVANS**

**01954 780 999 – 01223 864335**

email: [andrew@omegaclean.co.uk](mailto:andrew@omegaclean.co.uk) [www.omegaclean.co.uk](http://www.omegaclean.co.uk)  
Family Business Since 1980

- |                         |                              |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| ✓ Carpet Cleaning       | ✓ Carpet & Fabric Protection |
| ✓ Upholstery Cleaning   | ✓ Allergy Relief Treatment   |
| ✓ Tile & Grout Cleaning | ✓ Odour Eradication          |
| ✓ Leather Cleaning      | ✓ Stain Removal              |
| ✓ Oriental Rug Cleaning | ✓ Carpet Fitting             |



**STEAMROLLER IRONING SERVICE**



GOOD RELIABLE SERVICE  
**PRICE 1LB IN WEIGHT = £ 1.35 (MIN £15)**  
**If you have tried the rest,  
now come to the best!**

**SUSIE 07742 319631 / 01954 210672**



Answers to this month's  
CODEWORDS puzzle (p.23).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
N	Y	A	J	I	C	E	D	W	L	S	Z	R
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
M	B	H	K	V	U	Q	O	G	P	X	T	F

## **Girton Social Club**

Join **Girton Social Club** at the  
Village Institute, Cambridge Road, Girton.

Monday – Saturday 7.30 pm – 11.00 pm  
Friday, Saturday and Sunday 12.00 noon – 3.00 pm

**For this year only** new members will pay half price at £5.00 / £1.75 concs. Current members will have their 2020 membership extended until February, 2022, at no extra cost or loss of continuity.

Lapsed members start again at £5.00.

Members must be over 18. Accompanied members' children and dogs are very welcome. Free wi-fi available.

Enquiries: [GirtonSocialClub@gmail.com](mailto:GirtonSocialClub@gmail.com)

Tony Bennett – Chairman, Girton Social Club.



## **French tuition**

**With an experienced, qualified, native French Teacher**

- any level
- 1 to 1, 2 to 1 or small group
- regular or intensive course

**Lessons are adjusted to your goal and your interests (holiday, French culture, conversation, exams, grammar, academic work, ...)**

**Please call Babelle on 0777 436 95 97**

## **• PAINT • DECORATE • DESIGN •**

Full decorating and Painting service  
Wallpaper removal  
Design ideas and advice  
Free estimates



Joanne Harmer  
Telephone: 01223 277012  
Mobile: 07787 068987  
[hello@joanneharmer.plus.com](mailto:hello@joanneharmer.plus.com)

## **The Girton Chiropodist**

(Mobile Service)

**ERICA NICHOLS**

M.S.S.Ch. M.B.Ch.A HCPC Ch20454

Glebe House  
39 Cambridge Road,  
Girton CB3 0PN

Tel: 01223 520077  
Mob: 07703 292354  
e-mail: [erica.n@me.com](mailto:erica.n@me.com)



## **www.OffBeatGlass.co.uk**

Artisan glass homeware and gifts. Free, fast delivery in Girton



3D Rotator



T-light holders

Made in Girton by Ciara Twomey

07522 775428

## **Wendy's of Girton**

**Private Hire Taxi Service**

Girton Town Charity Hospital  
Scheme Provider  
Taxi-card Vouchers Accepted

Short or Long Distance Travel

Local  
Reliable Comfortable  
Affordable

Phone: 528675  
or 07815 057 202  
Email: [wb9wg@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:wb9wg@yahoo.co.uk)



## **A COMPLETE PLASTERING SERVICE**

- Old ceilings and walls reskimmed and repaired
- Artexing / coving
- External rendering / stone dashing
- References available from customers in the village
- All work guaranteed
- For free estimates & advice contact:

**Louie Holliday**

10 High Street Girton Cambridge CB3 0PU  
Tel: 01223 277710 Mobile: 07980475856  
Email: [louieholliday@icloud.com](mailto:louieholliday@icloud.com)





## The Clubhouse at Girton Golf Club

Visit us for:  
Light snacks  
Freshly prepared main meals  
Fully stocked bar  
Hot drinks

Join as a Social Member for only £15.00  
or £20.00 for a couple

Members receive 20% discount

For further details please contact the Office on  
01223 276169 or [info@girtongolf.co.uk](mailto:info@girtongolf.co.uk)

GIRTON GOLF CLUB, DODFORD LANE, GIRTON CAMBRIDGE, CB3 0QE  
[WWW.GIRTONGOLF.CO.UK](http://WWW.GIRTONGOLF.CO.UK)

## Green Heat Limited

PHONE FOR A FREE NO OBLIGATION QUOTATION

# 01223 277278

**Special Offer:**  
Free magnetic system  
filter worth over  
£200 with all new  
boilers installed



**Smart new high efficiency 'A' rated condensing boilers are over 90% efficient, and will provide you with greater comfort, saving energy and reducing fuel bills.**



Smart heating controls can add a further 4% efficiency and allows you to control your heating from your smart phone or tablet when away from your home. We also have some great solutions to improve hot water efficiency such as 'flue gas heat recovery', enabling efficiencies of nearly 100% to be achieved.

Call Green Heat now to arrange a free visit and receive some expert advice from qualified heating engineers with over 50 years experience of providing home comfort.



Green Heat Limited: 27 Fairway, Girton, Cambs, CB3 0QF  
[info@greenheat.uk.com](mailto:info@greenheat.uk.com) • [www.greenheat.uk.com](http://www.greenheat.uk.com)

## Promoting health & wellbeing in Girton

**Abbeyfield**  
Making time for older people



**Girton Green offers spa membership to over 55s in the local community**

**Facilities include:**

- Fully equipped gym
- Sauna
- Jacuzzi
- Use of the pool is also available on a pay as you go basis
- Hydro pool
- Steam room
- Coffee shop and restaurant

From only  
**£30**  
a month

Call Andrew at Girton Green on **01223 277 188** for more information

• [www.abbeyfield.com](http://www.abbeyfield.com)

Girton Green, Wellbrook Way, Girton, Cambridge CB3 0GQ

Registered in England and Wales, Company 574816, Charity 200719, RSH No. H1046