What's On In Landbeach – August 2016

What a contrast between June's and July's weather! June was a wet month, with a total of 87.25mm of rain, falling on 22 days. Most of July, however, was hot and dry, with a max of 29°C and only 6.5mm of rain (with 3 days to go). Dark clouds often gathered, but produced only a few drops of rain before veering away. By the end of the month, however, the weather was becoming cooler and wetter. Looking back a year, June 2015 was a dry month, but, in July 2015, the thunderstorms hit, rather than missed, so July was the year's wettest month. There's nothing like variety!

My own little hens have arrived now – three pretty miniature Wyandottes (Astra, Quinney and Shadow) in different tweedy colours. They are definitely good for humans' health, as I am continually dashing down the garden to play with my charming new pets. Their favourite foods are sunflower seeds and clover. What an amazing range of sounds they make!



Green woodpecker, Julie Wentworth (Landbeach Drawing & Painting Group)

Items for Sept are needed by Sat 20th Aug, please. Barbara Le Gallez, 113 Waterbeach Rd, 01223 860283, blegallez@yahoo.co.uk.

Regular Church Events

All Saints' Church - Rev Paul Butler (860353), Ray Gambell (860757), Robert Stripe (862297). Website: http://stjohns-waterbeach.org.uk

Through the reading and preaching of the scriptures we proclaim the forgiveness of sins and salvation through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. We aim to promote growth in the Christian faith.

Sat 06 - 10:00 Coffee Morning + Bring & Buy
Sun 07 - 10:00 All-Age Service
Sun 14 - 09:15 Parish Communion; 18:00 Evening Prayer
Sun 21 - 10:00 Morning Worship, refreshments and discussion group -*"Jesus and Women will be an opportunity to consider how Jesus reached out to, and was supported by, women in a society where generally they were allowed to play little part. And how is this relevant to us today?" (Same topic as advertised last month, as that was displaced by a baptism relocated from St John's Waterbeach.)*
Sun 28 - 09:15 Parish Communion;

Every Tu - 19:30 at The Old School, United Bible Study Group

Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church -
Neil (01223 860410), Maureen (01954 250118)
We meet each week to worship God, to learn more about the Christian faith, and enjoy fellowship. We are a warm and welcoming church who would love others to join us.

Sun 07 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship with Communion, led by John Finch
Sun 14 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship, led by Dominic Jackson
Sun 21 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship, led by Andrew Dalwood
Sun 28 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship, led by Rev Robin Giles

Sunday Evening Worship at the church at 18:00,
except on the 4th Sunday of the month, when it is at Girton at 18:30

Every Wed - 18:30 Craft Group, Jen Coxon (01954 202402)

Film Afternoon - Tu 09 (note this is the second Tu and not as usual) - 14:00 Baptist Chapel, "The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel", tea & cakes, all welcome. Lifts: 01954 202402.

Waterbeach Brass - Practice every Mon - 19:30 to 22:00 at Waterbeach Barracks. New members welcome. Info: David Pell: (01223) 860396, 07703 352080, www.waterbeachbrass.org

All Saints' Church

PUDDING EVENING

Saturday 17 September

7:30pm

Come and enjoy a variety of hot and cold Puddings,

Tea / Coffee and Quizzes

all for £5

Tithe Barn Trust News (Registered Charity Number 1167108)

Please complete our survey to shape the future of the Tithe Barn, either online via our website www.tithebarntrust.org.uk/2016/07/11/have-your-say or, if you'd prefer a paper copy, call 07986 717958.

We are preparing a Heritage Lottery Fund grant bid; but we still need your help. We have raised over £64k - over £250k is needed.

Milton Country Park summer programme

Milton Country Park have released their summer events programme. Events include theatre, paddle boarding, family fun days, forest school and fund raising events for a variety of charities. Check out the full list at http://www.miltoncountrypark.org/events

Regular Village Events

Bell Ringing - Every Fri - 19:00 to 20:30. All Saints' Church. New learners welcome to join our friendly group. Qualified tutors. Please check first. Barbara Le Gallez (860283, blegallez@yahoo.co.uk).

Busytots Baby & Toddler Group - Every Weds - 10:00 to noon. V.Hall.

Indoor Bowls - Every Tu - 19:30 to 21:30 Village Hall, Terry Pauley (860600) or Mike Park (860918)

Knit & Natter - Wed 03 - 14:30 to 16:30 at 20A High St (contact Marion Lant 860787)

Landbeach Painting & Drawing Group - Summer break in Aug, restarts Sep 14 & 28 - 10:00 to noon All Saints' Church. We explore all media and welcome people to join us to see what we do. Pearl (860406) or June & John (860669).

Landbeach Society - Summer break until Wed 21 SEP

Line Dancing Group - Summer break until restarts Sep - 18:30 to 19:30 Baptist Ch. Beginners and improvers welcomed. Nancy (861332) or John (01638 601253). £5

Lunch Club - no meeting in August, usually 2nd Tu of month - 12:15 for 12:30 Village Hall, book with Gill Diver (861151) - £5

Mobile Library - Mon 08 (2nd Mon of month) - 15:40 to 16:20 opposite High St bus shelter

Sing to Remember - Summer break until term starts, then every Th during term-time - 11:00 to 12:30 Baptist Church. For anyone with any form of memory loss and their carers. Volunteer helpers sought to serve refreshments. Free (but donations).

Village Coffees - Th 01 SEP (delayed for 2 weeks due to redecoration of Village Hall Lounge) - 10:00 to 11:30 Village Hall Lounge. Do come and join us for refreshments and a chat. Please note there will be no September Village Coffees, as it is replaced by a Macmillan Coffee Morning - see under "Book these dates". Info: Margaret, 860128. £2.50.

Wednesday Club - Summer break in Aug, then alternate Weds 14:30 to 16:00 Baptist Chapel. A varied and interesting programme for men and women of retirement years. Info: Nancy (861332).

W.I. - Wed 10 - 19:30 Village Hall, "All about Alpacas", Nicola Sly
Why not try an evening with us? Coming soon:
"Flowers and Foliage", "The Donkey Sanctuary", "Many uses of Ribbons"
You might decide you would like to join! For info, call 440961.

Catch it this month

Special Bell Ringing - your lovely bells specially requested by visitors - Mon 01 - noon to 12:30, by The Rambling Ringers, and
Wed 17 - 09:45 to 13:15, a full peal - the first in Landbeach since 2009!

Book these dates

Pond Dipping - Sat 03 SEP - 14.30 Friends of Worts Meadow are holding their annual pond dipping afternoon in Worts Meadow. Mainly for children (who should be accompanied) but adults can also have a go. An expert is on hand to identify what lurks beneath the surface. Fully supervised and in shallow water. Wear wellies, nets are provided.

City Deal Public Exhibition - Wed 07 SEP - 17:30 to 20:00 Wb Primary School. Give your views on plans to tackle congestion in Cambridge.

Emmaus Fete - Sat 10 SEP -10:00 to 16:00 - Stalls with a wide range of vintage items, bric-a-brac, food and drink. Speech by Terry Waite. All money raised to fund training and development opportunities for Emmaus Companions at communities all over the UK, helping them to gain the skills and experience they need to move forward with their lives.

Trad Jazz & Classic Cars - Sat 10 SEP - noon to 16:30 Old Rectory. A return visit by the highly-acclaimed clarinet and reeds player George Huxley and his band. Free to residents / classic cars, but please book with Tom Poole 861507. Small bar.

Macmillan Coffee Morning - Fri 30 SEP - 10:00 to noon. Village Hall Lounge. With large raffle. Donations of prizes welcome beforehand, please, to 2 Matthew Parker Close. Entrance £3 (includes refreshments)

Landbeach Parish Council

Parish Clerk, Maria Sylvester, mariasylvester@hotmail.co.uk, 01954 252400

Landbeach Helpline - contact the Clerk to obtain contact details for relevant groups/agencies who may be able to help you.

Speedwatch - There have been several complaints of speeding in the village. Milton PC are not interested in sharing a Speedwatch, but the PC are in consultation with Highways about speeding in the village.

A14 Community Fund - Grants up to £10K available for local projects - see www.cambscf.org.uk/A14.html. Deadline for first round is 15 Sept.

Devolution consultation for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough - The proposed Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority would include a councillor from each of the local councils and the Local Enterprise Partnership. There would be an elected Mayor. Powers and funding normally decided by Government would be devolved. Give your views via the survey at https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/devosurvey

Announcements

Christian Aid Week - The total was £226.24 + Gift Aid £31.50. Thank you to all those who donated despite the extra trouble of having to return your own envelopes. Thank you also to the envelope deliverers.

Dogs - The Friends of Worts Meadow request that dog walkers keep their dog on a lead whilst in any part of Worts Meadow the cattle are using. Also please always pick up after your dog - BAG IT, BIN IT!

Emmaus Cambridge - please follow us - Twitter @EmmausCambridge and Facebook www.facebook.com/CambridgeEmmaus

Supporting Busytots - Did you know you can help Busytots by collecting FREE donations every time you shop online? Find out more and join here: easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/landbeachbusytots

Tithe Barn Trust - Now a Registered Charity, Number 1167108.
Ways to get involved -

- Become a Friend - www.tithebarntrust.org.uk/become-a-member
- Volunteer - Join our Events or Fundraising team.
  Email tithebarntrust@gmail.com for further info.
- Make a pledge – www.tithebarntrust.org.uk/make-a-pledge

Website www.tithebarntrust.org.uk
Email tithebarntrust@gmail.com
Facebook: Friendsoflandbeachtithebarn
Twitter: @TBarnT

Village Web Site - new online Event Calendar is now full-screen and easier to read! See **www.landbeach .org.uk/calendar**

Volunteering Opportunity with Busytots - a not-for profit baby and toddler group, run entirely by volunteers at Landbeach Village Hall.

Would you like to get involved? Can you spare a few hours, once a month, on Wednesday mornings? We're looking for 1 Snack volunteer and 1 Busytots Assistant to join the small but friendly volunteer team:.

If you'd like to find out more, see our website www.busytots.weebly.com or contact Gemma on 07986 717958 or email busytots1@hotmail.co.uk

Mobility Exercises
New Mid-Week Club at Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church
Monday mornings, 10:30-11:30
starts 12 September
Led by physiotherapist Jean Gurling

Village Hall 100 Club -

July	£25 no.90	£10 no. 70	£5 no. 37
August		£10 no. 63	£5 no. 67

Notices

Beaches Community Car Service - To book a lift (min 48 hours' notice, please), 07807 875878. To volunteer, 01223 575698.

Buses - Early morning journeys into Cambridge, and evening journeys from Cambridge, are by Citi2, not 9. See at: http://bit.ly/stagecoach9

Bus times Landbeach–Waterbeach–Ely (Mon–Sat):
Outward departs: Landbeach High St bus shelter at 09:36 and 12:36; Waterbeach Green at 09:39 and 12:39
Return departs: Ely, Market Street at 12:19 and 17:34

Landbeach Village Hall Bookings - Anne Bullman, 01223 860692

Parish Council Meeting Dates 2016 - 19:30 Village Hall - 5 Sep, 3 Oct, 7 Nov, 5 Dec (no meeting in Aug)

Sports & Social Club Opening Times -
Mon - Th: only if Darts Night; Fri: 5:30 pm-11:30 pm; Sat: noon-3 pm & 7:30 pm-11 pm; Sun: noon-3 pm. Bill Dixon (07889 295949)

Village Hall 80th Anniversary BBQ Thanks

Thank you to all the Committee for all their hard work
to organise such a wonderful day.
A special thanks to the Cooks & helpers, the Chefs on the BBQ,
the Bell Ringers & the Parish Council
for all their assistance in making the day run so smoothly.
The weather was perfect, too!

Anne Bullman

Landbeach Village Hall is available for hire

Did you know you can hire the village hall?
It offers excellent facilities for children and adults
at competitive prices.

For further info and a booking form
visit www.landbeach.org.uk/directory and click 'Village Hall'
or call Anne on 01223 860692

Roll of Honour Biographies

Last month we had four WWI deaths and no room to write about them. The 1911 census for Cambridge yields the following about Privates Fromant and Long, who died on the 1st day of the Battle of the Somme.

John Henry Fromant, who fell on the first day of the Battle of the Somme, is likely the younger brother of Ernest Tom Fromant, whom we heard of last year, who fell on 22 April 1915. At least, the census shows that both were born in Quy and, in 1911, when John was 17 and Ernest 19, both were listed as Farm Labourers. Their father was probably the Arthur Fromant born in Milton and listed in the census as a Horseman on Farm. Their mother, Mary A Fromant, was born in Landbeach. So Arthur and Mary, in their early 50s in 1916, had now lost two sons.

Frederick Charles Long was even younger, but in 1911, aged only 13, he was already working as a Farm Lad. His father, Frederick Long, was a Horsekeeper on Farm. Both Fredericks were born in Landbeach. His mother, Emma Long, is harder to place in the census, but may be the Emma Long who was born in Swavesey. Probably they lived in the row of cottages at Cottenham turn (now Beach Babies Nursery). Frederick may have had a little sister, as several little girls with the forename Emma are listed. Frederick and Mary were 39 and 40 when they lost their son.

The two young men who died together would have known each other well, and hopefully the families would have consoled each other in their loss.

Privates Fromant and Long would have been volunteers, as conscription only became law in March 1916, leaving insufficient training time before July.

They were enlisted in the 11th Battalion of the Suffolk Regiment. This was one of the battalions of volunteers "of common background" created by Lord Kitchener, War Secretary, from 1914 onwards. It was formed at Cambridge on 25 Sept 1914, by the Cambridge and Isle of Ely Territorial Force Association, and was called the "Cambs Suffolks". Cambridgeshire men initially enlisted in the Suffolks in this way, as at the start of the War the Cambridgeshires was only a Territorial, not a Regular Army, Regiment.

The 11th Battalion first occupied a camp at Cherry Hinton, then moved to Ripon in June 1915. In May 1915 it came under command of 101st Brigade in 34th Division. It subsequently moved to Salisbury Plain and on 9 January 1916 it landed at Boulogne. So the men were well-trained by July 1916.

The "Cambs Suffolks" followed the "Grimsby Chums" - another Kitchener battalion with whom they always fought - into action on 1st July 1916