What's On In Landbeach - January 2020

Happy New Year to you all!

Did you look at the latest brochure from Urban & Civic about Waterbeach New Town? Sounded like the Promised Land, didn't it? Excuse me, but how are we in Landbeach going to get there to use these facilities? What happened to the idea of improving the crossing over the A10 at Taste of Goa? No sign of that in this brochure! Thank you to our Parish Council, who are investigating on our behalf. And thank you to the PC and their Clerk for their year-round work.

There was almost continuous rain during most of December. Was anyone pleased? Yes, of course - my ducks loved it! They gathered happily to splash in puddles and my hastily-dug soakaway. I guess this shows that some species will benefit from climate change - just not us.

Christmas Day, however, was a beautiful clear, sunny day. I hope you all found something enjoyable to do during it.

We are still in the Twelve Days of Christmas, with the Magi following the star to Bethlehem. That's the theme of the next Community Breakfast Church. Here's the star in the nave at All Saints', made sustainably of lopped boughs by a church neighbour (ok, not the lights, obviously!)



Items for Feb are needed by Mon 20th Jan, 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), Website: http://stjohns-waterbeach.org.uk

We invite you to join our welcoming and generous Christian family in this lovely historic Parish Church. The church is accessible to all, and we hold varied services and other events for people of all ages. Refreshments are served after all morning services.

Tues 31 **DEC** - 23:45 Prayers and Midnight Bell Chiming, refreshments. All welcome to see in the New Year in this traditional way

Sat 04 - 10:00 Coffee Morning + Bring & Buy
Sun 05 - **from 09:30 Community Breakfast Church**
Sun 12 - 10:00 Parish Communion. *No Evening Prayer during winter*
Sun 19 - **10:30** (note time) **WATERBEACH BAPTIST CHURCH**
Joint Service for Christian Unity
19:00 Taizé Service
Sun 26 - 10:00 Parish Communion

Alternate Tuesdays - 19:30 at The Old School, United Bible Study Group

Alternate Fridays - Bell Ringing, enquiries welcome - Barbara (860283). *You can learn this traditional skill here via lessons with qualified tutors. We need more ringers to join in with our service and community ringing.*

Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church - Mo (01954 202402), 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 05 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship with Communion, led by Liz Herrington
Sun 12 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship, led by Andrew Dalwood
Sun 19 - 10:30 **WATERBEACH BAPTIST CHURCH**
Joint Service for Christian Unity, speaker Dr Paul Hills
Sun 26 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship, led by Rev Brian Macdonald-Milne

Sunday Evening Worship at 18:00; venues vary; please ring one of the above contacts for more information

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

Film Afternoon - Tu 07 - 14:00 Baptist Chapel, "No Greater Love", tea & cakes, all welcome. Lifts: 01954 202402.

The Old Forge Landbeach Sports & Social Club AGM
Thursday 30/01/2020 at 7.30pm

Community Breakfast Church
All Saints' Church

"Follow the Star to Jesus"

Sunday 5th Jan
Breakfast served 9:30am to 11am

Community Cupboard still available @ All Saints' Church

Free events at The Tithe Barn in Jan

Meet the Carpenter - Sat 18th Jan, 10am
Meet the Thatcher - Mon 20th Jan, 10am

Through a **talk and demo**, learn more about these traditional crafts. For those who would like to, there will be an opportunity to climb the internal scaffolding to view the roof structure.

Book at https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/tithe-barn-trust-27492103979

Let's Run Girls Waterbeach

Ladies! If you are looking for a bit more motivation, or need a running buddy, Let's Run Girls Waterbeach are starting their next Monday evening couch to 5k group.

Next block starts in January. Runs start at 7pm with a short warm up on the village green. If you fancy joining in, do search for 'Let's Run Girls Waterbeach' on Facebook to get started!

Waterbeach Running Festival to return for 2020!

The Running Festival will be entering its fifth year, with tickets going on sale January 1st 2020. Dust off those trainers, people, and get the 16th May in your diary! More details to follow!

Regular Village Events

Busytots baby & toddler group

Every Wed 10am - 12 noon @Landbeach Village Hall

Kids can get hands-on at this baby and toddler group: weekly craft activities, toys, snacks - and either a sing along or story time
£1.50 single-child families, plus 50p per additional child

Back on the 8th Jan.

Find us at facebook.com/LandbeachBusytots1
or email Claire via busytots1@hotmail.co.uk

Friends of Worts Meadow Work Parties - Wed 22 (and 4th Weds of each month) - 09.30 to about 11.30. Meet at gate entrance to Bourne Wood, Cockfen Lane. Info. Frances 861836 or frances.dipper@sustenergy.co.uk

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

Knit & Natter - Wed 08 - 14:30 to 16:30 at 65 High St (contact Pat Park 860918)

Line Dancing Group - Tuesdays (restarts 7th) - 18:30 to 20:00 Baptist Church. Beginners and improvers welcome. Nancy (861332) or John (01638 601253). £5

Lunch Club - Tu 14 (2nd Tu of month) - 12:15 for 12:30 Village Hall, book with Gill Diver (861151) - £5

Mobile Library - Fri 17 (3rd Fri) - 13:30 to 14:00 opp. High St bus shelter

Village Coffees - Th 16 - 10:00 to 11:30 Village Hall Lounge. Do come and join us for refreshments and a chat. Info: Margaret, 860128. £2

Wednesday Club - Wed 08 & 22- 14:30 to 15:30 at Landbeach Baptist Church. Gentle, chair-based exercise, tea and friendship. Nancy (861332). £2.

W.I. - Wed 08 - 19:30 at the Village Hall. “Road to Chelsea”. Info: 860692

Catch it this month

Friends of Worts Meadow meeting - Wed 29 - 19.30 Village Hall lounge. All welcome, please join us to help plan our events for 2020. Refreshments provided.

Tesco Milton Petrol Filling Station

Temporary Closure - Th 2 Jan 2020 to Weds 12 Feb 2020

while underground tanks are relined

Book these dates

Waterbeach Development Forum - Wed 26 FEB - 18:00 to 21:00 Waterbeach Baptist Church

Landbeach Society - Wed 18 MAR - 19:30 Village Hall. AGM with speaker and wine & cheese.

Notices

URGENT! Volunteer drivers needed for
Beaches Community Car Scheme

Call 07807 875878, or email m.dean@ntlworld.com. **THANK YOU!**

Beaches Community Car Service - **Booking line** 07807 875878. For trips to hospital, doctor etc. Please give as much notice as possible.

Bus timetables and fares are on the Stagecoach website https://www.stagecoachbus.com

Landbeach Community Facebook group - a friendly forum for our local community to share news, ask for help, introduce activities and groups, or just to say hi. Feel free to visit the group and ask to join.

Landbeach Village Hall Bookings - Anne Bullman, 01223 860692

Landbeach Village Hall is available for hire

Excellent facilities for children and adults, 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

Announcements

Table Top Sale

December's Table Top Sale took £249 profit for the Village Hall Improvement Fund.

Thank you to everyone who attended, and to everyone who helped out.

Waterbeach Independent Lending Library

Mon 3-5 pm, Wed 3-5 pm & 6-8 pm, Fri 3-5:30 pm, Sat 10-noon

In the Community Room at the rear of the Waterbeach School site. You can use your County Library card. Free Internet access. Free wi-fi.

The Library will reopen on Friday 3rd January 2020

Find us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/ WaterbeachLibrary

The Old Forge Landbeach Sports & Social Club Opening Times -

Monday & Tuesday	only if Darts Night
Wednesday	5pm - 7pm
Friday	5:30pm - 11pm
Saturday & Sunday	noon - 3 pm

Located at the end of the Village Hall building

Help needed to Feed the Birds

During winter I (Frances Dipper) fill our FOWM bird feeders (in the pond area bordering Bourne Wood) every weekend. The birds polish it all off in a few days!

If anyone is willing to top up the feeders one day during the week, on a regular or irregular basis, perhaps whilst out walking the dog, then I'm sure the birds will appreciate it.

Contact Frances (861836 or frances.dipper@sustenergy.co.uk) and I can give you supplies.

Or please feel free to add suitable bird food (e.g. peanuts, sunflower seeds or any wild bird food) whenever you pass by the feeders.

Landbeach Tithe Barn News (Registered Charity Number 1167108)

See p. 3 for our current series of events. Free admission to all our events, but of course donations are welcome towards the restoration of the Tithe Barn. Thank you for your support.

Tithe Barn entrance opposite 2 Waterbeach Rd, Landbeach, CB25 9FA

Contact us

www.tithebarntrust.org.uk E-news: www.tinyurl.com/z9d4s4p
email tithebarntrust@gmail.com 07986 717958
FB: FriendsofLandbeachTitheBarn Twitter: @TBarnT

Donate at https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/mypage/TitheBarnTrust
Become a Friend - http://www.tithebarntrust.org.uk/become-a-member
Volunteer or become a Trustee – email tithebarntrust@gmail.com or visit https://do-it.org/organisations/tithe-barn-trust. You could enjoy -

- Making new friends
- Volunteering in an amazing place
- Knowing that you're helping a great cause.

We have the following volunteering opportunities –

- **Event Volunteer**
- **Education & Learning Volunteer**
- **Marketing Volunteer**

Landbeach Parish Council would like to wish all our Parishioners a Happy and Peaceful Christmas and health and happiness in 2020

Landbeach Parish Council

Clerk - Maria Sylvester, Landbeachparishcouncil@gmail.com 07724 047656

Please do report any problems you have to the Clerk. Just leave your contact details and she will be happy to call you / respond to messages.

Bins - Mon 30 Dec is Blue only; Mon 6 Jan is Black; Sat 11 Jan is Blue and Green. Then back to Fri. Monthly Green bin collection until March.

Facebook for PC - http://www.facebook.com/landbeachparishcouncil

Parish Council meetings 2020 - 13 Jan, 3 Feb. 2 Mar, 6 Apr, 27 Apr (APM - Annual Parish Meeting), 11 May plus AGM, 1 Jun, 6 Jul, 7 Sep, 5 Oct, 2 Nov, 14 Dec

South Cambs District Council (with Cambridge City Council)

Greater Cambridge Local Plan: The First Conversation

This consultation is about the kind of place we want Greater Cambridge to be in the future. It will explore the 'big themes' – climate change, biodiversity, social inclusion and great places – that will influence how homes, jobs and infrastructure are planned, and where growth might go. It will run between 9am Monday 13 January and 5pm Monday 24 February 2020. See www.greatercambridgeplanning.org or email localplan@greatercambridgeplanning.org or call 01954 713183.

We want to hear as many views as possible, particularly from under-represented groups, about what to include in the next Local Plan.

You can post online using #GCLocalPlan – look out for our short videos which will be going live at the start of the consultation, and please share to your local social media groups.

During the consultation we will be taking a pop-up 'roadshow' to places around the area including shopping centres, schools, community centres and other places where we can reach out to as many people as possible, making it easy for you to spend a few minutes finding out more and sharing your views. It's at Tesco's Milton on Sat 25th Jan, 2-4pm.

We will also be holding a 'Big Debate' on the evening of 18 February, where we are inviting local groups to share their ideas about what should be in the Local Plan, in a fun, provocative and lively public event. If you are interested in being one of the groups to present, please contact Hana Loftus at localplan@greatercambridgeplanning.org. Also look out for details about how to book your seat in the audience on the night, when we open the consultation in January.

Moving to Landbeach in 1947

We moved from Bishop's Stortford to the school house in Landbeach on March 1st of that year. Our mother was to be head of the 2 teacher village school with about 30 pupils. It was during the great freeze up in that year that has been widely documented. Snow was still thick on the ground and roads were treacherous. We were lucky there were still a few trains combating the conditions and we were able to get one to Waterbeach station. No buses were running so we walked the last lap of the journey along the slippery pavements. I was seven years old, the youngest of my mother's three daughters, and very excited about our new home. I was longing to see it. I remember that my hands were numb with cold so I was anxious to arrive and have a hot drink of cocoa.

I was unlucky. We were told that our predecessor, preparing to move away, had cut the cable to the electric cooker without switching off the mains. It was the rubber on her shoes that saved her life. The electricity in the house had not yet been re-connected. There was nothing for it but to warm up by helping to move the furniture. Our grandfather had a seed business in Stortford and loaned two of their lorries for transporting our things. The first one had arrived but the second was delayed in the snow for some hours. Our uncle had made us two sturdy wooden sledges which immediately came into use for moving furniture.

There was a water pump in the kitchen of the house, which was the only water supply in the building. There was none in the school. We were lucky, for many in the village had to collect their water from the village pump. Some people were still doing this when we moved away in 1958. Shortly after our arrival our pump was replaced by a cold tap and I think the tap must have been installed at the same time in the junior cloakroom. This room led directly from the house into the school. A back door shared by the school and house was built into the outside wall of this cloakroom. Our bungalow bath hung on a nail outside and nearby we had a mangle for wringing out washing. We purchased an electric copper for heating water and on bath nights we'd bring the tin bath into the narrow kitchen and place it beside the copper to receive water from its tap. There was enough to fill a few inches of the bath. We'd then follow one another to use it. I think we emptied it at the end by baling out the water. We also used the copper for any washing that needed to be boiled. A laundry lady helped by calling regularly at the door to collect larger items such as sheets for washing. We boiled small quantities of water for such things as hot drinks in a kettle on the electric cooker.

Monica Meeneghan (née Griffiths)