

# Moulton Matters

**JUNE 2015**

## **Village of the Year Competition 2015**

It doesn't seem like 3 years since Moulton participated in the last Village of the Year Competition, how time flies.

Once again the Parish Council would like Moulton to enter this competition.

The application is in 3 main parts:

1. Community Spirit
2. General upkeep of the village
3. Special achievements

We have the job of finding examples to illustrate the above criteria and complete the application form.

Round 1 (the District round) begins week commencing **22nd June** with a visit to the village from the judges and they will be checking the examples given in the application form against the set criteria. Other villages eligible to take part in this round are Barton Mills, Exning, Gazeley and Red Lodge. The winning village in round one then goes forward to round two, the County Round, judging for this round takes place on **23rd July** and the top three go forward to the final being judged on **15th August**.

So, what we need from the village is your support in keeping the village litter free and generally tidying paths and pavements and open spaces for the week **22nd June** so visually we look good. The rest is up to the judges! Fingers crossed!

Tony Franklin very kindly took over the Moulton Newsletter a few years ago and for the last 18 months has continued to manage all the advertising aspects. Tony has now decided to retire and therefore we are going to take this on as part of our editorial role. We would like to say a huge **'thank you'** to Tony as this has not been an easy task and we are sure we will need his advice in the future. Therefore all advertising requests or queries need to be directed to us. The newsletter is a great way to stay in touch.

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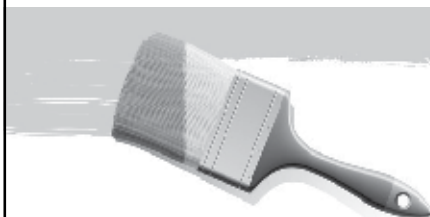
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# Parish Council News

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This year there has been a change in Moulton Parish Council members. Three members have stepped down, they are Dorothy Bowes, Bev Culloden, and Dale Birch. They will all be missed for their contribution on the Council. So often we take for granted the things that make Moulton such a great place to live but it is the voluntary work of people like these three members above and others, that help to keep our village thriving. On behalf of all of us I would like to say a big 'thank you' to each of them. I know they will continue to play an important role in other guises.

We welcome two new Councillors Julie Bonner and David Clarke. We are still looking to co-opt a final member at our next meeting in June. If anyone is interested and would like to be considered please apply in writing to Lorraine Stone, Clerk to the Council at [moultonpc@gmail.com](mailto:moultonpc@gmail.com).

We also welcome a new District Councillor, James Lay and look forward to working with him.

As I have mentioned before the next twelve months will be busy for Moulton Primary School as pupil numbers will be increasing from September 2016. The Parish Council are keen to see quality buildings and facilities that will ensure our children receive the best education and if possible that these new developments can incorporate community use as well.

We will continue to apply pressure on the developers and planners to ensure that the new developments at Moulton End, Kentford are finished to the standard promised.

Please do come along to any of our meetings.

**The next meeting will be on Monday 13th July at 6.30pm at Moulton School.**

**Moulton Parish Council as of the 7th May 2015.**

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# St Peters Church News

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At last work is complete on creating the community space at the rear of the church by removing the rear pews, and replacing the old pine floor with new solid oak boards. This has not been untimely when the boards were lifted from the southern area and the vestry it was discovered that the majority of joists were completely rotten. How they had not given way is almost unbelievable and no one hurt. This area will give us many opportunities to use the space for wider use not only in the church but the community as a whole.

In addition we are bringing the Sheela-na-gig from its hiding place in the vestry, in one article for the Courtauld Institute newsletter called "The Nightmare behind the vestry curtain". It is not a nightmare but a stone carving from the latter half of the 12th century depicting a man and a woman. It is an important piece of our history, but it is not known when it came to St Peter's, and should be on view to all. Many thanks to Nu-Plan builders for their professionalism in completing the community space and overcoming the problems as they arose when working on such an old building.

We are going all out to finish the second part of our project and install the toilet and small kitchen area beneath the Tower which should be completed before Christmas. The ever growing need for the toilet has been emphasised by the many weddings in the church this year where we are constantly asked if there are such facilities. On completion these facilities will allow greater use of the church, not only by members of the church but the wider community. With a concentrated effort we hope to raise the funds to complete the project, we are still in shortfall but with the fundraising and requests for donations it will be completed.

As well as our normal services on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 10.30 and the 7 more weddings this year, on 11th June at 7.30pm we have the Archdeacons Visitation. This is a service where the Archdeacon officially appoints the Churchwardens of our Mildenhall deanery (which covers an area from Brandon to Dalham also Newmarket to Elveden). We welcome all our fellow Churchwardens to St Peter's.



On Saturday 20th June our annual churchyard strimming party will take place from 9.30am, come and join us, it usually takes 2 hours with a coffee break. If you have a petrol strimmer please bring it along, but there are some spares that can be used.

As many of you may be aware, Stephen Mitchell our Vicar has informed us of his intention to retire in May 2016, this is indeed sad news as he has been our vicar for 13 years and has been a very inspirational incumbent. Not only looking after our benefice of five churches but as Rural Dean for the Mildenhall Deanery, and more recently Priest in charge of 11 churches in the Deanery (the highest number for any priest in the Diocese) he will be sorely missed! Now the process of finding a new incumbent begins, hopefully this can be achieved before next May, but it may take a while longer due to the process set out by the Church of England. Exciting times indeed, hopefully we will get it right!

Rock in the Meadow – Saturday 4th July from 7pm, with the same bands from last year. Traditional chargrilled sausages from the 'Flying Chef' lady and the 'Cool Beanz' Coffee Co. will be there as will our usual bar. Tickets will soon be available from the Post Office also this year the Affleck Arms in Dalham (who will be offering a free drink with each ticket purchased). Tickets will be £10 each if purchased before the event or £12.50 at the gate, children under 14 have free entry.

Bob Saltmarsh  
Churchwarden

# Gerry Blum

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Gerry was a familiar sight walking round our village with his pusher and yellow jacket. Sadly he fell in the street and spent five weeks in hospital where he died on February 25th. We came to this wonderful village 13 years ago and loved every moment. Last year Gerry celebrated his 90th birthday in the village hall. With the help of you all, especially Mike and Cathy at the shop, he enjoyed meeting people and sharing his great sense of humour.

I would like to thank you all for your help and support at this sad time.

How lucky we are to live in this caring community.

Bridget

## *Church News*

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Our Communion Service at St Peter's Church on April 5th brought over ninety people together for a splendid celebration of Easter. With all the colours of the spring flowers back in church after Lent, the beautiful singing of the Benefice Choir, the bright sunshine and the joyful message of Eastertide, we knew another season had begun in our Christian year.

It was at this service we were invited to a Whit Sunday Workshop – Our Parishes: The Future

On Sunday May 24th from 2.00 – 4.00pm in Gazeley Village Hall we will meet with people from all five Benefice Parishes. The Reverend Mark Haworth who is Team Rector of the North Bury Team and Rural Dean of Thingoe Deanery will guide us through some of the processes involved in advertising and selecting the priest to succeed Reverend Canon Stephen Mitchell. This is going to be a new experience for many of us. Those of us who know Stephen and meet him regularly for worship at church have expectations ourselves as to the new incumbent. Today I am asking all parishioners, if you have any thoughts on this matter please talk to Bob or myself during the next four weeks. Stephen is a gifted minister who does lead, preach, inspire, challenge, teach and motivate his congregations and the members of the Mildenhall Deanery of which he is Rural Dean. He is a humble man who truly serves his churches, and we face this task of finding his replacement with some trepidation.

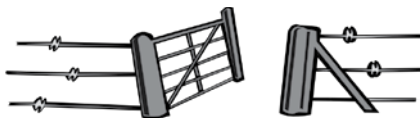
On Ascension Day (May 14th), several of us from the benefice joined Stephen at All Saints Church and Vicarage Gazeley for a Study Day. This was to explore the essence of our faith, with worship, a workshop, and a bring and share lunch. As with any day set aside for focussed thinking, listening and talking we all agreed the sharing of our thoughts, beliefs and feelings proved beneficial.

Also on May 14th our new Bishop of Ipswich and St Edmundsbury was ordained in a service at Westminster Abbey. Bishop Martin Seeley and his family will be settling into a different routine with all the mixed feelings of excitement and anxiety rolled into the practical tasks of relocation and reorganisation of their lives, home and surroundings. We pray for them, and Stephen in this time of change.

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### Green Fingered Volunteers Urgently Wanted

As part of the initiative for Moulton in Bloom, two new flower beds have been created (with permission of the Parish Council) at the cross roads.

Volunteers are now urgently required to help plant out these beds and tend them through the summer.

The Parish Council will provide the plants but we need some people to take responsibility for them – don't worry if you haven't got green fingers! Please can you also help look after the

Village Hall car park garden?

We would like to do the planting on Saturday 13th June at 10:00 am. If you are interested please contact either Jill or Lisa on 551851 or 552631.

This will also help with our application for Village of the Year competition!

### Moulton Community Choir: Stop the press!

Do come and listen to us perform at the Newmarket Summer Festival of Choirs on Saturday 6th June, at St Mary's church, Newmarket (tickets priced £5, available at the door) or join us at our end of term concert, which will be held at St Peter's Church, Moulton, on Tuesday 7th July at 7.30 pm. Admission to the end of term concert will be free, with a retiring collection to be split between the church restoration fund and the choir. Light refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing you.

For further information please contact:

Marian Brown: 01638 552953 or email [music@thebrownfamily.com](mailto:music@thebrownfamily.com)

# Village Shop & Post Office



have just returned from Uni for my mammoth summer break and it is so lovely to see all the smiley familiar faces that frequent the shop and brighten the day whatever the weather. I still remember each customer's little qwerks whether it's a particular mug that they like or how many grains of sugar they want in their tea or coffee. This all adds to the

## Summer is a coming!

As the sun attempts to break through the clouds giving us the usual intermittent summer that we always get, we at the shop are keeping on our toes with many of you joining us and the coffee brigade no matter what weather England brings us!! Yes, on days when the rain is pouring, wind is blowing and Mike shouting "Girls! Bring the awning in or it will go!!" - Still, some of you brave it in order to get your coffee fix, huddled in blankets! Kids swarming in after school using up all of the ice-cream machine's energy. Fran, as 'Mrs Machine' its humble assistant, produces marvellous displays of the stuff and Mike remains bottom of the league table of Ice-cream makers! I (Harriet)

uniqueness of our shop, the fun and madness definitely sticks in my mind! The Saturday crew never fail to turn up in force bringing lots of laughs, listening to Mike's repeated stories and making the grill work harder than the Ice Cream machine, thank you!

Despite the current weather lapse, lets hope for some sunshine! Keep joining us and help to make this another fabulous summertime at Moulton shop!

## Don't forget the old adage- 'USE IT OR LOSE IT!'

P.S. Keep an eye out for the new window display courtesy of our very own "Ali MacKay"

# A Galloping Success

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Race Night at the Village Hall in April provided a great evening's entertainment for over 75 people.

The professional team of Neal and Theresa had everyone organised by providing races to watch and administering the Tote. Local businesses and villagers had sponsored each race and the 56 horses had all been sold prior to the start of the first race. The winning horse owner from each race won prize money as well as any bets on the tote. There was plenty of opportunity to be a winner!

A tasty fish and chip supper arrived for the interval and a second interval was declared so we could enjoy Dorothy's Roulades and Guinness cake. Bob and Mick worked hard behind the bar and committee members sold raffle tickets.

At the end of the evening a profit of £1500 was made which has been divided equally between the Village Hall and the Church.

A big thanks to all who helped with this event and to all of you who supported it.

Jill Goodwin

Secretary Moulton Village Hall

## High Sheriff of Suffolk's Group of the Year Award 2015

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### Highly Commended Community Speed Watch (CSW)

Moulton CSW Team, along with other schemes in Suffolk who operate similar schemes, received this award in recognition and appreciation of the positive contribution we have made to our local community.

We all know that we have speeding vehicles through the village and although we have a dedicated team of volunteers we would like to recruit more people. The process is really simple with just a couple of forms to complete and then training to use the equipment. We usually only do a few hours each month.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or want to know more about the scheme, please contact me Lisa Rampling, CSW Coordinator 552631



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# Moulton WI has sadly finished ... hopefully only temporarily!

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Notes from a small island; yes I know Bill Bryson said it first but that is how I view Moulton. We are a small village in the sea of East Anglia and we have everything; at least we did until the WI had to close. I count myself very lucky to have found the village in 1999 and managed to buy a property here. There is everything needed for village life, a church, school, post office, shop, play group, village hall which holds events and activities run by dedicated people and a green where children can play and boys can practice football and dream of becoming the next Wayne Rooney.

I enjoyed my time at the WI, and regret its closing very much; it gave me somewhere to go each month to make friends and talk to others as much in need of respite and conversation as I did, and still do. Meeting other people from diverse backgrounds and walks of life makes one realise problems are the same no matter who you are and what outside influences colour your life. Sharing experiences and talking through situations puts them into perspective, having the opportunity to do this is essential in life, the WI gave me this.

Hopefully, at some future date the group will reform. There will soon be another bench on the village green where weary dog walkers, vigilant mums and ardent coffee drinkers can pause and soak up the atmosphere of this beautiful village in which we live. Read the inscription, it is presented to the village by the WI for the whole community to enjoy. WI's were created to enrich women's lives and give them a voice, it has moved on over the years but still stands up for the greater good of society and is not afraid to take on the power of Westminster. For past members I say, be proud of your heritage and achievements you have created a great legacy for future members to build on.

Andrea Bignell

## Allotments and/or Pig Club

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Would you be interested in getting an allotment?

Sadly we don't have any in the village at the moment, however, it's something we can change if there is a sufficient level of interest.

At the open meeting of the Parish Council (7th April) I discussed the possibilities and was given the assurance that if we had a good level of interest, the Parish Council would help search for some land.



On a separate matter, a Pig Club has been successfully set up in a nearby village. The basics are fattening weaners (4-5 of them) for

about 5-6 months. Everyone takes turns to feed and check the pigs. Based on the experience, members really enjoyed being with the animals not to mention some great sausages. As with the allotments, if there is sufficient interest, I can start to investigate more.

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# About Safer Neighbourhoods and Community Speed Watch

Suffolk is one of the safest places in the country where people enjoy a high quality of life. Although crime is falling people still feel it is on the increase. Suffolk Constabulary want to try and change this by building neighbourhoods that are not only safe but feel safe.

To do this, the police are working with councils and other organisations to deliver a service that is visible, accessible and responsive to what local people need. This way of working is called 'Safer Neighbourhoods'.

Safer Neighbourhoods aims are to:

- Listen to you and identify your concerns
- Work together to tackle the issues you have identified, and
- Keeping you informed of our progress

A network of teams has been set up across Suffolk as the foundation of Safer neighbourhoods. Each team is made up of Police Officers, Police Community Support Officers, Special Constables and Police Support Volunteers with an Inspector who oversees the policing element of the team. Working together they will identify and tackle local problems to achieve the following benefits:

- Increase public confidence in policing
- Increase feelings of safety
- Reduce crime and disorder
- Improve customer service to the public

The police will continue to provide emergency and 24 hour response. The main focus of the SNT's will be to deal with the local problems and concerns that affect feelings of safety and / or quality of life.

Each SNT in Suffolk has their own website which provides details of the team members, contact details and their current local priorities.

These websites can be reached via the Suffolk Police Website [www.suffolk.police.uk](http://www.suffolk.police.uk) and the OneSuffolk community website [www.onesuffolk.co.uk/safersuffolk](http://www.onesuffolk.co.uk/safersuffolk)

Suffolk Constabulary fully supports Community Speed Watch (CSW). Speed is a contributory factor to both fatal and serious injury collisions. CSW schemes have been shown to have an impact on driver behaviour and reductions in the speed of vehicles.

Speed monitoring is carried out by trained volunteers from the community to verify and record the registration numbers of offending vehicles. Details of vehicles exceeding the prescribed limit are then forwarded to Suffolk Constabulary and a letter will be sent to the registered keeper asking for their cooperation by reducing speed in their community.

CSW volunteers are part of the PSV scheme and just one of several which make a significant contribution to making neighbourhoods safer. They add value and support the work of Suffolk Constabulary staff, whilst also helping to forge closer links with communities.

The schemes aim is NOT to catch as many speeders as possible. It is to reduce speeds in areas of concern and to make drivers aware that excessive speed within posted limits is socially unacceptable.

**In May the Moulton CSW volunteers reported 72 drivers to the Police, 65 received 'warning letters' with one repeat offender. 48mph was the highest speed recorded!**

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## Moulton Dog Show and Family Fun Day



Moulton Pre School would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came and supported the dog show and fun day in the village on Sunday 10th May.

The day was a huge success and was greatly helped by the wonderful summer weather.

Ash Tree Vets organised a tremendous dog show with over 280 entries in the 8 classes! Congratulations to Phil the wonder whippet who walked away with the 'Best in Show' prize (pictured).

With a hog roast, delicious homemade cakes, a bar, bouncy

castle, timed dog scurry and plenty of stalls there was lots to keep all the family entertained. Thanks to our sponsors and to all of your generosity on the day we raised over £3000 for Moulton Pre School and the Blue Cross. We hope you had fun!

# Moulton Walking Scene

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## Annual Walks Week-end 6th/7th June

**Saturday Grass Track Fun Walks (Register on the day before 12.15)**

**12.30pm Under 8's 100m under 10's 200m under 13's 300m Parents' 300m**

**1.00pm 5 miles Road Walk Challenge (Register on the day before 12.30)**

inc. The Suffolk County AA & EVAC championships - Under Race Walking Association Rules. This event is ideal for anyone who likes a challenge. A Badge is awarded to walkers who complete the course in less than one hour for the first time. The scenic, undulating route is out to Dalham Windmill and back along the B1085. The minimum age for the Challenge is 16.

Advance Entry £5 - on the day £7 Latest check-in 12.30pm

**Sunday 10.00am 3 Churches Amble/Ramble (Register on the day)**

Moulton Wanderers is a group which meets at the Village hall at 10am on Tuesday mornings. Their walks vary in distance depending on the ability of the walkers attending, and newcomers are advised to contact Ron Wallwork prior to their first walk. It costs nothing to join the Wanderers and new friends are always welcome.

Not all village walkers are members of Moulton Wanderers. The picture



shows Moultonian's Rachel Lewis, Annabel Burch, Helen Spurgeon, Kate Lake, Marie Weaver-Smith, Kate Goode and Laura Briggs near the summit of Mount Snowden, up which, in cold rainy conditions they walked on 11th April. Well done ladies!

Race Walking: Callum Wilkinson was selected to walk for Great Britain in the junior 10km at the European Cup meeting staged in Murcia, Spain on 17th May. On paper he was ranked 19th, but on the day finished 12th in a personal best of 42.49 and thus qualified for the European Track & Field championships to be held in Sweden in July..

Anyone requiring further information about Moulton Wanderers, Walking Challenges or Race Walking, don't hesitate to get in touch with: me Ron Wallwork on 01638 751869 or [rwallwork4@sky.com](mailto:rwallwork4@sky.com)

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This year the under 15's had an excellent season which ended in getting through and winning the Cambridgeshire League Chris Fordham Trophy. This is a great achievement by the boys and coaches. I have been told it is the first League trophy Panthers have ever won in the last 20 years! (see picture).

We will soon be taking our summer break after this years' end of season presentation where all the players receive awards and special awards are given out for Players Player, supporter's player, manager's players, most improved and clubman of the season. This year we are having our awards presentation at the Footgolf centre in Milton. So instead of hitting golf balls around an 18 hole course, they have to kick balls!

But this would not be possible without all our coaches and the sponsorship from Mike and Kathy at Moulton Stores who have continued to support the club by sponsoring waterproof jackets for the under 15 team, Race Right who have kindly sponsored the under 15 kit. Genix, and Wilson Physiotherapy Ltd. So a BIG THANKYOU!!! But we are still looking for new sponsors, if you would like to sponsor a team kit, jumpers or any kit/training equipment to support your local youth teams we would love to hear from you. For more information please contact.

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**What we need to know now is how many people are interested** so that we can start to book the coach etc. If you can call at the shop and put your name and contact number down on the Provisional Booking Sheet we would be very grateful. Full details will be in the next edition of Moulton Matters.

# St Peter's Church Lighting

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Firstly, I must apologise not only to those who generously subscribed to the Floodlighting scheme last year, but also to the wider community, for the intermittent fault of the lights tripping out. The floodlights were replaced in 2013 with LED lights, which are cheaper and give a brighter light, but it has been found by many professional people in the electrical industry that they can interfere with electronic timing switches. Nobody was able to find an answer to the problem, but, after much research by Will Nash, it was decided to resort to trying the old mechanical timing clocks. Will has rewired the lighting system with the old clock and they appear, at long last, to be working properly!

After 17 years Peter Collin sadly has decided to retire from organising the scheme, which he started in memory of his first wife Judith. In this time he has raised over £6,500 towards much needed funds to keep the church viable. Peter's contribution not only to the church, but to the village as a whole, is very much appreciated but not often recognised. He still continues to look after the clock, ensuring it is wound weekly and telling the correct time. Once again, many thanks Peter, for initiating the scheme and ensuring its success.

The scheme will continue to run, please see notice below for details of how to support it.

Bob Saltmarsh

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# Moulton Social Events

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In the last edition I asked for your feedback/ideas on a range of topics that may be of interest including cinema club, history, gardening etc.

Whilst a very small number of people responded in writing I have had a lot of interest and some offers of help to get events planned for the year. These are the results in order of popularity:

Cinema Club / Local History/ Cheese & Wine / Fish & Chip suppers / Quiz / Internet Café and Trips outside the village.

As you will see as you read through this edition we are trying to respond to these requests. Hopefully the activities/outings will appeal to you as it is only with support that clubs and outings can take place. Your feedback or new ideas are always welcome.

The Moulton Millennium Club (MMC) is arranging an outing to Peterborough Dogs which should be a fun evening with the opportunity to advance book and enjoy a lovely meal in the restaurant there.

A Quiz Night with fish and chip supper is also planned after the huge success of the Race Night in April.

## Cinema Club

Lots of people have asked for a Cinema Club in the village so we are looking into organising this. There are various ways that we can borrow, hire or purchase all the film projection equipment and films and it is taking us a little time to organise. Therefore we will hope to start the Cinema Club for the Autumn, details of films etc will be in the next Moulton Matters. We will have a bar and will serve hot dogs. Any profits made will be put back into village projects.

Lisa Rampling on behalf of the Moulton Millennium Club (MMC).

## Moulton C.E.V.C. Primary School

For those of you who don't know about the school the original part was built in 1959, over the last few years, as pupil numbers have increased, the school building has been extended. In addition to our seven classrooms we also have a large hall, a library and a computer suite. Our outdoor environment includes an all-weather sports pitch, a very large playing field, climbing equipment, a hard surface play area, wildlife area and pond area. We also have a heated outdoor swimming pool.

We are very proud to be a Church of England school and we value the links that we have with St Peter's Church. Our Harvest, Christmas and Easter Services are held in the church. Our vicar, Stephen Mitchell is a school governor and a regular and welcome visitor to our school

Although our school website is very informative and includes the Weekly School newsletter and twitter feed, the best way for you to find out about us is to visit us and see us in action! We are very proud of our school, so visitors are always very welcome.

To arrange a visit to the school please contact Mrs N Snowdon, Headteacher 01638 750236 or email [head@moulton.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:head@moulton.suffolk.sch.uk)



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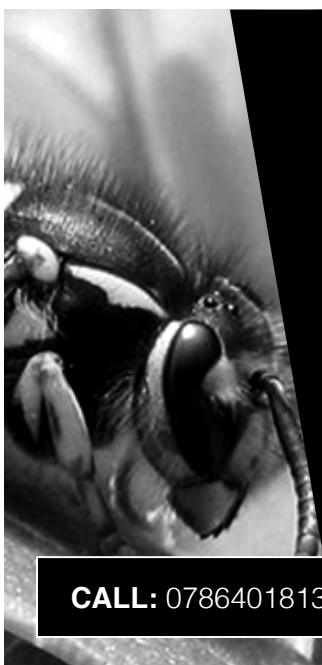
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### Lakenheath Fen

#### Lakenheath Fen

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#### **Saturday 20 June Botany, bees and butterflies 1pm-4pm**

Join us for a walk around the reserve to discover the massive variety of wildlife that calls the reserve home. The reserve will be awash with the colours of over 100 Fenland plants and there will be lots of weird and wonderful bugs to see. Please wear long trousers and bring insect repellent. **Adults £6/ Children £3 (Non-Members) Adults £4/ Children £2 (Members)**

#### **Dusk Walk 7pm-10pm**

Find out what goes bump in the night, as we go for an evening walk around the reserve to look for the owls, bats and other mammals that call the reserve home. Please bring a torch and insect repellent. **Adults £8/ Children £4 (Non-Members) Adults £6/ Children £3 (Members)**

#### **Camp out Setup from 4pm onwards**

If you are feeling particularly adventurous, you can camp out on the reserve! The price includes the Dusk Walk on Saturday 20 June, the Dawn Walk on Sunday 21 June and a continental breakfast on the Sunday morning. **Adults £18 Children £9 (Non-Members) Adults £14 Children £7 (Members)**

#### **Sunday 21 June Dawn Walk 4am-7am**

Join us for an early morning walk to experience the reserve waking up. The reedbeds and poplar woods will be full of the sound of early morning birdsong, a truly unforgettable experience. Price includes a continental breakfast.

**Adults £10/ Children £6 (Non-Members)  
Adults £8/ Children £4 (Members)**

#### **Marvellous moths 8am-10am**

Many marvellous moths of all shapes and sizes call the reserve home. Join Katherine our moth-loving Warden as she opens the traps to discover which moths were caught on the reserve the night before. Don't forget to bring your camera!

**Adults £5 Children £2.50 (Non-Members)  
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#### **Dazzling dragonflies 11am-1pm**

Join us for a walk to look for some of the dazzling dragonflies and damselflies that call the reserve home. Highlights should include colourful species such as black tailed skimmers, scarce chasers and hopefully emerald damselfly.

**Adults £6/ Children £3 (Non-Members) Adults  
£4/ Children £2 (Members)**

Please Note - Outdoor clothing and footwear is essential and binoculars are recommended.

**Booking is essential for all events unless stated otherwise.**

For all enquiries and bookings, please contact: 01842 863400 or email: [lakenheath@rspb.org.uk](mailto:lakenheath@rspb.org.uk);

Other Information: Most events have outdoor components so please dress appropriately. Stout footwear and warm, waterproof clothing are strongly recommended. We suggest you bring a torch to evening events.

## In the local area

Sunday 7 June Open Farm Sunday at Bowes Farm (Postcode: IP25 7AF) 10am-4pm

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### **Sunday 5 July Nature Friendly Zone Farm Walk 10am-Midday**

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**Please note, directions and a map for car parking will be sent out at time of booking. There will be a maximum of 20 places available.**

We will also send out a letter of confirmation at time of booking. This will include the map and more information about the walk. Booking is essential. To book, please use the contact details listed below.

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## **Bitten by the bug**

If I'm honest, I never thought that I would get into bugs! When I was growing up, I was more into big and obvious things such as birds of prey and the wildlife of Antarctica. Even during my formative

years with the RSPB as volunteer and part time member of staff, I never took much notice of the so called creepy crawlies that could be seen at the wonderful reserves I worked at.

Inevitably, after working at a wonderful reserve like RSPB Lakenheath Fen for a couple of years, I started getting into the weird and wonderful world of bugs and believe me; it is very weird and very wonderful!

I remember a couple of years ago in June finding a bizarre looking creature in the visitor centre. It was obviously a beetle but it had ridiculously long antennae relative to the length its body. I eventually found it in a book in the office and found out that it was a golden-bloomed grey longhorn beetle. To me, this sounded like something out of a Monty Python sketch! Further research found that it had an even more ridiculous sounding scientific name: *Agapanthia villosviridescens*!

Since then, I started taking more notice of some of these strange little creatures and I learnt that the more time I spent out on the reserve with children, the more I found. This is because they are much better at looking down than us adults!

Nowadays, I look forward to June every year when I can unleash my inner child and start looking for creepy crawlies on the reserve. Admittedly, I am no expert but I have learnt a lot in the last couple of years. It never ceases to amaze me the variety of beasts of different shapes, sizes and colours that call the reserve home.

If you want to try bug hunting for yourself, the good news is that anyone can do it! If you come to the reserve, we have plenty of bug pots and identification charts that we can lend out. Another great thing is that if you make several visits, you will find a different range of bugs each time you come, as there are just so many different species to see.

I hope this article has inspired you to come and get "bitten by the bug" here at Lakenheath Fen (but not literally of course!) We hope to see you soon.

David White  
Visitor Experience Officer  
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I'm sure many of you know, my cat went missing early in May. He has since been found safe and well in a garage close to home! Naughty boy!

Firstly I want to say a massive thank you to all my friends and neighbours for their efforts hunting high and low and delivering leaflets, but also to thank the anonymous people I met along the way!

Had I not lost my cat, I wouldn't have encountered so many friendly and caring faces living in the village! I stopped and chatted to so many people, had numerous phone calls of possible sightings – the man out with his dog, the lady looking out of her bedroom window and the phone call of support and encouragement to 'just keep on looking'!



I pestered security guards at the grain store and spread the word at the school and shop! All of whom were more than willing to help.

So I'm glad my story has a positive outcome, in more ways than one – not only do I have my cat, but I can say that I am proud to be part of such a happy, friendly and supportive village! Well done Moulton!!

Best Wishes,

Kate

## Dates for your Diary

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full details in the newsletter

1st June	Oil Ordering deadline	
6th/7th June	Annual Walks Weekend	(see times inside)
13th June	Gardening at the crossroads and Village Hall	10am
20th June	Strimming Party at St Peter's Church	9.30am
4th July	Rock in the Meadow – Church Meadow	7.00pm
17th June	Packhorse Inn Curry Night	
13th July	Parish council Meeting at the school	6.30pm
18th July	Quiz Night with Fish & Chip Supper	7.00pm
7th Sept	Oil Ordering deadline	
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# Moulton Village Hall

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Oakfield Surgery	01638 662018
Orchard House Surgery	01638 666887
Rookery Medical Centre	01638 664338

## NEWMARKET

All Saints Church (Rev Max Osborne)	01638 662514
Catholic Church (Fr Simon Blakesley)	01638 662492
Citizens Advice Bureau	01638 665999
Day Centre	01638 664262
Dial-a-Ride	01638 608080
Library	01638 661216
Sports Centre	01638 662726

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Forest Heath District Council	01638 719000
Local County Councillor (Lisa Chambers)	01638 552716
Local District Councillor (James Lay)	01638
Moulton Parish Council (Bill Rampling – Chairman)	01638 552631
Moulton Parish Council Clerk (Lorraine Stone)	01638 720971

## MOULTON VILLAGE

Ash Tree Veterinary Surgery	01638 554477
Moulton Matters	01638 551851/552631
St Peters Church (Rev Stephen Mitchell)	01638 552630
The Packhorse Inn	01638 751818
Village Hall Bookings (Jill Goodwin)	01638 551851
Village Shop (Mick & Kathy)	01638 750242
Village Bulk Oil Ordering Scheme (Tony Franklin)	01638 552958
Village School (Naomi Snowdon – Head Teacher)	01638 750236
Village Website (John Scott)	01638 552820
Village Police Community Support Officer (Becky Simpson)	01284 774100

## TRAVEL

Newmarket Taxi Hire	01638 561561
Railtrack Enquiries	08457 484950
Stagecoach – Cambus	01223 423578

## EMERGENCY

FIRE (999)	01473 260589
Police (999)	
Ambulance (999)	

## NON EMERGENCY

Crimestoppers	0800 555111
Gas	0800 111999
Police – Non Emergency	101
Power	0800 7838838
Water	08457 145145

# Kentford Manor

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**Kentford Manor** is a purpose-built, luxury nursing home.

We specialise in many different areas of care: residential, nursing, memory, rehabilitation and respite care so our residents have no requirement to move elsewhere if their care needs change.

We welcome visitors and if you would like more information or to view **Kentford Manor**, please contact Christine Davies, Home Admissions Adviser:

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