Moulton Matters March 2024



Moulton's Shop of Horrors Village News and Events

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Dear Reader – Update on Colin!

It is almost a year now since Colin had his accident and sustained life changing injuries and ,at long last the matter has come to court—shame no one thought to tell Colin or Shirley!!! The van driver pleaded guilty to causing serious injuries by careless driving and received a one year driving disqualification, an 18 WEEK suspended sentence and a fine. I will leave you to ponder on the justice of the sentence for the crime!

Meanwhile Colin has spent the last three months in Royal Buckinghamshire Independent Rehabilitation centre for intensive physiotherapy in order to improve his level of strength and capability before returning home — assisting in the transition from hospital to home living. The initial date of coming home was January but has now slipped to some time in March. Whilst phase one of the building work at home has been completed, there is still a lot of work to be undertaken setting up care plans ,ordering the right bed and equipment etc.

Even in hospital Colin has not been exempt from the coughs and colds we are all suffering from at this time of year but Colin, is now much more vulnerable and it takes longer to recover and get back to physio and of course prevents Shirley from visiting. How Shirley and Colin keep so positive is a miracle.

Moulton's Amateur Dramatics cast and crew of their latest production of Little Shop of Horrors missed Colin this year as he has been very involved in our performances from the outset. However, if you were at a performance you would have heard Colin's voice deliver the introduction and the team dedicated the Saturday night performance to Colin. Shirley has maintained the family connection by being our much needed prompt this year, managing rehearsal around visits!

Let's hope that by our next Moulton Matters issue we will be able to report that Colin is settled at home! And both he and Shirley are adapting to a new life.

Sending all our love to you both.

The Future of Moulton Matters

Following my request for help in the last edition of Moulton Matters I am very fortunate that Pauline Barker ,who lives in the village has come forward to help me in the production of the newsletter. Thank you Pauline.

Moulton Parish Council Report

Meetings of Moulton Parish Council took place on Monday 20th November 2023 and Monday 15th January 2024. County Councillor Andy Drummond and District Councillor Roger Dicker attended the meetings. Minutes of the meeting are available on the Parish Council's website.

Finance

The Parish Council has approved its budget for 2024/25. The precept request submitted to West Suffolk Council is £36,665. The Parish Council element for a band D household will be £84.85 per annum an increase from £81.66 which equates to £3.19 per annum per band D household, an increase of 3.91%.

Moulton Parish Council has been left a very generous legacy of £20,000 by the late Tony Franklin. Tony was well known in the village and valued the local community therefore the money will be used to pay for village projects. Please let Moulton Parish Council know if you have any ideas on this.

Flooding in Moulton after Storm Babet

Storm Babet caused extensive flooding from the River Kennett. River levels rose and one property was flooded with other properties coming close. A number of vehicles were stranded in the flood water.

The Environment Agency has carried out some minor works since the flooding to improve water flow near the Packhorse Bridge but believes that significant work needs to be carried out along the River Kennett on the stretch between Moulton Church and Riverside. Moulton Parish Council has sent a report to the Environment Agency requesting that work be undertaken to clear and deepen the river between the Packhorse bridge and Riverside to increase capacity and the flow rate, to flail the river sides upstream towards Dalham, remove silt from the river bed and clear under the car bridge at the junction of Brookside and Church Road. A meeting took place on site between Moulton Parish Council and the Environment Agency to discuss future management of the River Kennett to reduce the flooding risk in the village and we are awaiting the Environment Agency's response.

In the event of future flooding, it is important that it is reported both to the Environment Agency and Suffolk County Council. The Environment Agency has an emergency incident hotline which is available 24/7. The number is 0800 807 060 or call Floodline on 0345 988 1188.

Any flooding that is deemed to be dangerous to either private property, the highway or any of its users should be phoned through to Suffolk County Council on 0345 606 6171 so that it can be immediately assessed and action taken quickly.

This number is available 24 hours a day. Other flooding should be reported using Suffolk County Council's online **Highways Reporting Tool** <u>https://</u> <u>www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/highway-maintenance/report-a-highways</u> <u>-issue</u> Click on **Report It**, then click **Drainage and Flooding** and select the most appropriate drop down option. Where possible photographs should be submitted with the report particularly in cases of drainage or flooding problems, as in many cases, the flood water will have subsided by the time their teams attend.

Moulton Speed Survey

One of the most frequent concerns raised by Moulton residents is speeding. The three VAS and Community Speed watch regularly record speeds well in excess of 30mph throughout the village. There are some possible options Moulton Parish Council could pursue to tackle the problem but we would need to evidence that we have the support of the community. A positive community response will help us lobby Suffolk County Council to be more proactive in tackling speeding.

A survey will be delivered to households in Moulton in March. Please take the time to respond as without your feedback we will not get the evidence we need. Thank you for your support with this.

Speed survey near Boy's Grave crossroads on the B1065

The speed survey carried out by Suffolk Council showed that the vast majority of traffic was travelling under the 60mph limit in both directions therefore Suffolk County Council does not feel that there is an issue with speeding along this stretch of the B1065 and would not consider it necessary need to install a lower speed limit at this location.

The junction onto the B1065 from the A11 is under investigation due to the spate of accidents there. The Give Way sign on the approach road from the A11 has now been replaced and is more visible for drivers.

Planning application for the Animal Health Trust site

The applicant has submitted an appeal which will be decided by a Planning Inspector.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Affordable Housing Working Group

Moulton Parish Council is looking for volunteers to join a small working group to look into the possibility of bringing forward a small development of affordable and smaller homes in Moulton in response to the need highlighted in the recent Housing Needs Survey. If you are interested in joining the group, please contact the Parish Clerk, Joanne Kirk, as detailed below.

Police update

A new community policing model was introduced in December 2023 with the intention of being much more visible, involved in many more local engagements and in working together with other agencies and stakeholders in order to tackle community issues such as anti-social behaviour much more effectively. The new Community Engagement Sergeant in Newmarket is Chris Williams and the Beat Officer for Moulton is Emma Harper. The Team has already been active in Moulton following reports of anti-social behaviour near St Peter's Church and carrying out speed checks. To contact the Mildenhall Safer Neighbourhood Team email <u>cpt.forestheath@suffolk.police.uk</u>

Next meeting.

The next meeting of Moulton Parish Council will take place on Monday 25th March 2024 at 6pm in the Lanwades room in Moulton Village Hall. Please use the outside entrance which can be accessed via the playing field if the Pilates class in the main hall has already started.

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From the Vicarage

'Many people have dishwashers, yet they are responsible for one of life's little disappointments. Even though they save us time we are often mildly irritated that we must unload them and then the great upset is when one of the cups or jugs isn't actually clean. How annoying to have to handwash!

I doubt Jesus knew anything about mechanical dishwashers in his earthly life, but he did know something about clean cups. In the Gospel of Matthew 23.25 he suggests that the Pharisees who preach and teach the Law bother about cleaning the outside of their metaphorical cups but their insides are filled with 'robbery and indulgence'. He suggests strongly that they therefore have no moral authority. My dishwasher is more likely to leave coffee grains or an item unclean because of improper loading (surely not he says?!) but Jesus' point is true for us all. What are our intention. Are the 'cups of our minds' as clean as they might be? Do we have clean hearts and hands when we purport to serve others?

The pharisees relied on their institutional authority when it came to teaching – yet the itinerant preacher with no legal authority was the one the people followed and accepted. He was the one with a clean heart and honest intentions. He was the one who wanted to help the people not lay burdens on them and stress and worry over trifles.

On the 4th February we celebrated Candlemas and so began the run of the churches year up to Lent and Holy week. One of the most powerful Bible verses suggested for Ash Wednesday is Psalm 51 v 11

'Create a clean heart in me O God, and renew a right Spirit within me'.

Many Christian people pray that each day – though we all fail – but I hope that is our renewed intention this Lent.

Some of you will have seen in church our special monthly prayer and weekly thought kindly provided by Rev Gill Anderson. Please take them for your use.

And on a personal note: Thank you all for your support at my Induction as Team Rector of Forest Heath on the 7th February .It was a memorable occasion.

And in other news from St Peter's

Following my appeal in November we did finish the year in better financial position than we might have hoped although we still needed to borrow £2k from our diminishing reserves to avoid default. Thank you to those who supported us and please continue to do so!

We are awaiting a Specification for the necessary internal works at the west end and more particularly roof and stone repairs – which will certainly well outstrip our funds. Please support the events we are organising – and look out for more events being planned by a new group who are keen to help. Our congregations are significantly increasing so we are moving in the right direction though we are 'not out of the woods'!

If you would like more regular updates, I am happy to email the weekly News Sheet that already goes to 140 addresses. Just let me know.

Our church account is :

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Cheques may be left with our Treasurer Geoff Dobson at 23 Lark Hill. His email is <u>dobsonjune@yahoo.com</u> and my phone number 01638 429212 **Chris**





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Newmarket Cricket Club is based at Dullingham Sports Field providing cricket for all in a fun, safe and inclusive environment.

Although we are not based in Moulton, we are the only Cricket Club within a 10 mile radius of the village and are keen to encourage anybody interested in cricket, even if it is just watching, to contact us to find out more about our Club. During the season, April – September we play on Saturdays, Sundays & Wednesdays with training on Thursday evenings. Currently we train indoors on Saturdays from 12.30pm at Newmarket Leisure Centre (CB8 0EA). We welcome new players of all ages and abilities to our community Club and hope that you will come along and join us.

If you require any further information please contact me on:

07771 808606 or <u>info@newmarketcricketclub.co.uk</u> Or check our website out: <u>www.newmarketcricketclub.co.uk</u> I look forward to welcoming you to Newmarket Cricket Club

Tom Brame @ Newmarket CC

Easter bin collection changes

Usual collection	Revised collection	Change
Friday 29 March	Tuesday 2 April	4 days late
Saturday 30 March	No collection	
Sunday 31 March	No collection	
Monday 1 April	Wednesday 3 April	2 days late
Tuesday 2 April	Thursday 4 April	2 days late
Wednesday 3 April	Friday 5 April	2 days late
Thursday 4 April	Saturday 6 April	2 days late
Friday 5 April	Monday 8 April	3 days late
Monday 8 April	Tuesday 9 April	1 day late
Tuesday 9 April	Wednesday 10 April	1 day late
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Please come along and tell us if you would like a traditional fun day with duck race and dog show or perhaps something else?

Would you like to help? Can you become a committee member and help with the organisation?

We would love to hear your views



Lots of good news from the shop...



We're very happy to welcome the springtime despite many of you showing sheer Britishness throughout the winter months and joining us for many a warm beverage outside! Blankets, heated cups, an extra coat or two – you name it and you all showed up despite the cold. Thank you.

Through January and February, we've basked in the sunrise over the fields, soaked up any ounce of sunlight on our faces, cheered as the lightness creeps in earlier and stays later and clasped onto anything else to keep us going. But here we are, we've made it to spring!

Excitement fills us as more and more customers continue to join for tea breaks later in the day as the days get longer and brighter. Children are even starting to ask when the Mr Whippy machine will be turned on. Hold fire, kids! Though we do love a bit of optimism...

There is so much to look forward to in our special village in the next coming months and at the shop we're keeping spirits high with anticipation for it all. The Moulton Shop of Horrors productions, the new Packhorse renovations, the Spring Ball and a busier more vibrant shop!

The flowers in support of Isleham Horse and Pony Rescue have landed, a sight which everybody is delighted to see. They smell delicious, bring lots of smiles and make our shop front look more beautiful – we all love a bit of colour in our lives!

There's plenty of colour too in the variety of salads that Liz has been making as people strive to be healthier. Efforts usually broken when they look at the top shelf in our bakery counter and see the array of sweet goodness looking back at them! From Amy's Bakes to Liz's famous Paradise Cake and Bread Pudding, nothing sticks around very long at all.

Continuing with the theme of light and positivity we are excited to have a little shuffle round in the shop too bringing in more natural light and making everyone's shopping experience even more special. We always hear good things inside our doors and recently we've had some fabulous one-liners:

'This shop is going to be lethal now I've found you.'

'It's a wonderful place.'

'You must have so many hats, there's always so much going on and the vibes are just brilliant.'

'You stock everything'

We love our loyal customers!

As Moulton warms, we can't wait for guests to relax and enjoy our beautiful gardens at the Bed and Breakfast too. There's no place like it and when sitting peacefully in the surroundings you really could be anywhere in the world. Especially if you add a cheeky glass of vino on a summers evening - trust me, it's wonderful!

In fact, as more and more bookings come in for the coming months, we're excited to be heading into year two of Moulton Lawn House Bed and Breakfast. We're excited to greet returning guests who enjoyed their stay so much last summer they wanted to come back for more and to be welcoming new ones. From wedding parties to race meets to visiting relatives all the way from Australia, we've got guests joining us for so many reasons and we look forward to meeting them all.



On this note, we want to say a huge thank you to Kate who did a sterling job of keeping our rooms like-new throughout the first year.

All in all, we look forward to a bright, sunny and busy spring and summertime – let's make it the best yet!

Harriett Mills



Moulton Scouts

Hello again everyone!

We are the 1st Moulton Beavers, Cubs and Scouts! We meet every Tuesday night (during term time) at the village hall. We are run by a brilliant team of adults and teenagers who all volunteer their evenings to give children life skills and memorable experiences.

So far this year Beavers have learnt about Fairtrade foods, made masks and did some science experiments . The Cubs are getting ready for our first camp for many years, we have so many fun things planned: campfires, climbing, shooting, crafts, and so much more. (A scary amount more!!). Scouts have been busy with sharing their hobbies, learnt some new sports, made pancakes and have all manners of hikes and camps planned going ahead.

We are always looking for extra pairs of hands, (as we are very busy and oversubscribed) we're a friendly group of adults with various ages, jobs and experiences. If you are willing to donate a couple of hours a week please contact us at gsl@moultonscouts.org.uk.

Scouting can't happen without people like you!

Toby Walker

1st Moulton Cub Section Leader

Moulton's Shop of Horrors

This year Moulton's Amateur Dramatics team moved away from a traditional panto and delivered a 'production' incorporating music, dancing, singing and a little bit of panto!

Once again, our brilliantly talented script writer Shelly Boss, set to work on writing an adaptation of a Broadway hit musical, in line with her vision of the story, to suit Moulton Village and didn't she do well!

With such a change in direction and this being a very personalised script it was only right that Shelly directed the whole production too – this ensured the performance was exactly as Shelly saw it in her mind's eye.

The music used was from the original 1986 version of the film with our cast lip-syncing along!

The production begins with a warning narrative about the future delivered as a recorded piece by Colin Wilkinson and then opens with a fantastic song and dance routine from our amazing Baguettes - 3 of our team- Jodie Montague, Vicky Steenkamp and Ellen Merry dressed in colourful 60 style swing dresses with sticky out petticoats, ponytails, and bows. Amazingly choreographed by themselves! The Baguettes then supported the production throughout with their tantalizing dancing routines.

The story line is set around the struggling Moulton Village shop, owned by Hattie, played by the talented newcomer to the group—Leticia Valentine. Hattie is supported by her dear friend, the love sick Seymour, brilliantly portrayed by our very own Rob Spurgeon.

Also, in Scene One we meet the baddie! Booooo! Monsieur Robin-le-Bonk who wants to add the shop to his empire of small shops all over the region and doesn't care how he gets it! Perhaps I should just add that I got to play the part of the baddie!!!!

Seymour could not do enough for Hattie and so one day when she was particularly down having no customers and being threatened by Robin-le-Bonk, he gave her a present – a plant from his allotment! This rare and exotic plant was small and cuddly looking and named Hattie Two (Twoie for short). The plant attracts customers and soon Hattie's shop is thriving! This does not please Robin-le-Bonk!

Unfortunately, the plant has an unusual diet – blood and fresh meat! Seymour feeds it pork pies and ham from the shop and drops of his own blood but soon that is not enough as Towie grows **bigger and bigger**! Towie takes on a naughty mischievous character and starts to tease and bully poor Seymour who is trying to protect Hattie from Twoie's bad behaviour!





Moulton Shop of Horror's Cast

Rob Spurgeon—Seymour

Leticia Valentine—Hattie

Andrew Ellis—Twoie

Jill Goodwin-Robin le Bonk

Jodie Montague Vicky Steenkamp and Ellen Merry—The Baguettes









Cast and Crew enjoy fish & chips between performances.

The Baguettes in Money Mode.

Creative team—Zayana Price, Jenny Wilson & Liz Turner.

Ice cream sales & extra—Rachel Webb.

Seymour and Hattie's wedding







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Hattie loves Twoie as he has changed her life and the future of the shop is secure but is she aware of what he is up to?

Twoie pretends he has eaten local villager Stan, but must tell the truth that he just frightened him away when Seymour gets upset with him and Hattie wants to know why Stan has left his shoes behind? Towie starts to try to control Seymour but will do anything for Hattie.

In Act Two we see Robin-Le-Bonk try to cut down the plant and take over the shop and the village, luckily Seymour comes to the rescue! We then follow Twoie's controlling behaviour with poor Seymour. In the last scene Robin-Le-Bonk goes to the shop at night with weed killer so that he can get rid of the plant once and for all and the shop will be his. However, Twoie decides that he wants to protect Miss Hattie's shop and so decides he is going to eat this bad French man and so has him for supper! Twoie then has a belly ache and the sound effect engineer had a field day with all the burps etc (which the kids loved!)

Hattie then realises some of what Twoie is up to, and she gives him a piece of her mind telling him that if he wants to stay he has to stop bullying Seymour and change his diet to vegetarian – Twoie loves Hattie and so has to reluctantly agree. With the bad Monsieur-Le-Bonk out of the way and the shop doing so well, everyone is happy, and Seymour finds the courage to ask Hattie to marry him and Hattie says YES!

Hattie then discards her shop duster coat to reveal her beautiful wedding dress and whisked a veil out of her pocket with the words, 'I have been ready for this all my life'. 'Me too' says Seymour as he reveals his tux under his duster coat and the production finishes with a beautiful love song from Hattie and Seymour and in come the 3 bridesmaids (Baguettes), carrying baby Twoies in place of flowers! Ahhhhh!

A huge thankyou to Shelley and the cast and all the volunteer backroom crew. It takes months of hard work and commitment to put a production together and in that time, we form a happy family so it is always sad when it is over.

Thank you to those who attended and supported us – over 320 tickets were sold over the 4 performances and the team were able to donate a substantial sum to the village hall and therefore back into the community.

Hope to see you next year!

Jill Goodwin

Moulton Wildlife Group

New Bird Station

Watch out for our new bird station! It's situated on the playing field opposite the shop. Many thanks to John Gunson for setting it up. Do keep an eye on it and see what flies in. Please let us know if you'd like to volunteer on the weekly bird feed rota!

Our nesting boxes are all ready for their occupants now. They are sited on the Maltings Road green area, on The Green and on the playing field. Keep an eye open to see which birds decide to take up residence.



The new hedgerow along the playing field seems to be surviving with only a few casualties. Two new dwarf fruit trees – a plum and a cherry are being added to it and the small dead pine tree has now been replaced with a larger one.

With spring in the air we've bought more wild flower mixes for both the shadier area on the edge of The Green and for the area by the Church ford, which we hope to extend in Spring. These mixes are purely native wild flowers, with no grasses, and should create a splash of colour as well as attracting bees, butterflies and other insects.

We have a list of volunteers prepared to help with clearing and seed sowing. If you would like to help then please contact us and we'll let you know when it's happening.

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Luncheon Club

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Volunteers always welcome.

Look forward to seeing you soon.

Yvonne, Dorothy, Zayana & team



Moulton Community Speed watch

Speeding traffic in the village is a concern to many residents. The function of the Speed watch group is to help make the roads safer and encourage drivers to slow down. A recent survey of traffic on Newmarket Road indicated over 40% of motorists exceeded the 30mph speed limit.

We are looking for more volunteers to join our group and enable us to increase our activities and help improve the safety of all residents.

On April 6th we will be holding an informal get together at the Village shop in Mouton at 10:00 am to discuss our activities and ask for your help. Coffee and rolls will be served as an incentive to join us on the day! Please come along and we can discuss what is involved with joining Speed watch. Also it is an opportunity to let us know your concerns about speeding traffic issues.

Graham MacGregor

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Moulton Oil Scheme

The price of oil has remained stable this winter with oil prices showing a very small increase since the Autumn . The order dates till the summer break are

8 April 2024

3 June 2024

22 July 2024

These dates are slightly different to what was printed in the last edition of Moulton Matters so please change your calendars if necessary .

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School Report

A belated happy new year from all of us at Moulton CEVC Primary! Christmas seems a while ago now, but I would like to thank all members of the community who joined us for our Reception nativity with coffee and cake.

One of the highlights of last term was some of our Y5 pupils taking part in Messy Messiah, a performance of Handel's Messiah at Bury Cathedral – we now have a young chorister as a result!

We were delighted with out KS2 progress results, which see us among the top few schools in the country.

Our Y5 and Y6 pupils are soon off to Horstead in Norfolk, to a Church of England residential centre. The children will take part in archery, bushcraft, canoeing and climbing, with the trip culminating in a talent show – everyone is very excited!

We held our first spring reading café recently – the school was full of children, parents, squash and biscuits. It was a lovely event, and we are looking forward to another reading café next half term.

We are aware that traffic around the school can be tricky. Sadly, our school was not designed for 210 pupils, and despite several measures in school to ease it, there are busy periods at the start and end of the day. We will continue to remind our families about safety and consideration. We appreciate your patience.

We have more trips on the horizon: Y3 pupils are off to Colchester Castle; Y4 pupils are off to the Jarmin Centre for their first residential – there will be many more in the summer term.

We are looking forward to the warmer weather, and lots more fun in school!

Mrs Deborah Shipp

Head Teacher



Dalham & Gazeley WI

Ladies of Moulton do come along and join us on the first Tuesday of each month in Gazeley Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm and finishing by 9.30pm.

Our next speakers are:-

5th March - Sophie Ellis - her talk is entitled "What really goes on inside

our prisons - and why we should care".

Now a researcher at the Institute of Criminology at Cambridge University, Sophie spent 9 years in the Prison Services as an assistant/trainee forensic psychologist, working with adult males and specialising in the rehabilitation of serious violent offenders.

2nd April - Marc Williams - from Arthritis Actions "Arthritis actions, selfmanagement and you". How you can manage arthritis and symptoms with confidence to live life to the full by making positive lifestyle choices through diet, exercise and access to physical therapies.

This takes us up to May which is our AGM & Resolutions Discussion.

The proposed resolutions are:

Dental health matters

Impacts of poor housing conditions

Say 'no' to gambling advertising!

Improving outcomes for women in the criminal justice system

The WI is not just a local group of ladies but nationwide. In the past the WI has made a real difference after putting its resolutions to the government so come along and find out more.

Visitors are £3 to include your raffle and refreshments – a bargain of a

night out. You will be sure to find a friendly welcome.

ST PETER'S CHURCH NEWS

You are very welcome to join us at the following services, which will start at 10.45am and be followed by refreshments.

Sunday March 3rdFamily ServiceSunday March 17thHoly CommunionSunday March 31stEaster Day Holy CommunionSunday April 7thFamily ServiceSunday April 21stHoly Communion

(Sunday March 10th the Mothering Sunday Service is at Gazeley 10.45am)

These service details are displayed on the church gate noticeboard, the welcome table in church and in the copies of the 'Worship Diary' available for you to take home. Church is usually open at this time of year from 10am to 3pm each day.

Our PCC and Friends are making plans and would love you to come along to;

The Lenten Soup Lunch is planned for Saturday 9th March, 12 for 12.30 pm in the church, raising funds for St Nicholas Hospice.

Friday 5th April 7 pm The Half Cut Theatre – The Canterbury Tales. This performance has been advertised on Facebook. Seats are booked through Eventbrite, you pay what you decide after this brand-spanking-new production of 'The Canterbury Tales', a hilarious musical and time-bending odyssey. As always, tickets will be 'Pay What You Decide' after the show.

Here is the link to Eventbrite to reserve your places to be sure of a seat!

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-canterbury-tales-st-peters-church-moulton-tickets-754506618607?aff=ebdssbdestsearch

Wednesday 17th April You are most welcome to attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in St Peter's Church at **7pm**. It will be followed by a PCC committee meeting.

Do come and hear about our church year.

Friday 26th April 6.30pm for 7pm Julian's Summer Talk. £15 per person to include a Fork Supper. Julian intends to 'travel talk' his experiences in China and Taiwan.

On Wednesday February 7th in Gazeley Church over 160 people attended the Institution, Induction and Installation of the Reverend Canon Chris Childs as the Team Rector of the Forest Heath Team.

At one point in the service the assembled Clergy, Readers, Elders of the Team, Churchwardens and the congregation listened to Bishop Martin Seeley say:

"The ministry of the church is shared by all of God's people, exercising their particular gifts. Scripture calls each of us to use our gifts to build up the body of Christ in love. Chris has accepted the call to serve and minister with you as team rector, so I now ask you, the people of God in this team, to commit to supporting him".

Bishop: "People of God, will you uphold and encourage Chris in his work and ministry?"

All: "With the help of God we will".

May we all share in the work and life of the church.

Keep well and stay safe. May God's infinite grace enfold us and those we love this spring time.

Best wishes from your Churchwardens Anne & Bob

Anne Garmston 15 Dalham Road 01638 751188

Bob Saltmarsh 10 Dalham Road 01638 750190



Carpet Bowls Good News!

Carpet Bowls is up and running again from Friday 15th March 2024 in the Village Hall from 7 pm until 9 pm every week!

Yvonne Slater is going to run the sessions and has a few new members who have shown an interest in joining ..

For more information just turn up or contact Yvonne on 01638 750547

Healthy Walkers (lots of Walking and Talking!)





THE PACKHORSE INN

REOPENING SOON!

We are currently closed for a full refurbishment of our pub and kitchen, expanding our restaurant, and commencing the construction of eight additional bedrooms.We want to thank you for your patience while the building work is carried out. We look forward to showing you your new and improved pub from the 3rd of April.

For the latest news and sneak peeks of our progress, follow our social media accounts listed below and look out for updates posted on the Moulton community Facebook page.

Facebook @packhorseinn Instagram @thepackhorseinn thepackhorseinn.com

Moultom Walking Scene

The Wanderers is an informal group who meet on Tuesday mornings at the village hall or some other local designated venue and first timers should contact Ron Wallwork (details below), who will be glad to answer any queries appertaining to the group.

There are no fees involved and no long term commitment – simply turn up, walk and just enjoy the company when you feel like it.



Most of the walks are three miles (5km) and very rarely over four and a half (7km) and completed by lunchtime so as not to impinge on any afternoon activities.

Local venues include Cavenham Heath, Kings Forest, Barrow, Cheveley and of course Newmarket.

Moulton Walks Challenge

Details for this year's challenges have yet to be finalised and will be published as soon as they are confirmed. *Pictured: Rob Dobson and Kate James the local winners in last years challenges.*

Race Walking

The village's race walking brothers Callum and George Wilkinson are both back in training after injury and lengthy rehab. In spite of the setback Callum remains optimistic about GB selection for the Paris Olympics in August. George is suc-

cessfully coaching youngsters at Newmarket Joggers and would be pleased to hear from any villagers wishing to try the race walk discipline. Contact me in the first instance.

Alison Wilson who missed the Moulton 5 miles challenge last June, took part in a race at Enfield in September. The distance was 10km and she finished 4th in a very creditable 67.22.

Contact Ron Wallwork on 07460 041643 or ronc893moulton@gmail.com





2023 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

Winners!

<u>AREA ONE – Chippenham Road, Bridge Street, Primrose Hill, Benefield Road, Tweed Close,</u> <u>Riverside Walk</u>

FIRST- 5 Chippenham Road - house with homemade decorations

Runner ups – Phil & Ali Kirk Walnut Cottage, Lucy Greives & family, neighbour Anthony' and family and Thatch cottage Chippenham Road

Additional Prizes: Alex Burch and his neighbour in Riverside, a bungalow in Tweed Close and a house in Chippenham Road.

AREA TWO – Lark Hill, Newmarket Road, Maltings Close, Milburn Drove

FIRST – Andrew Ellis and family in the old Chapel – Newmarket Road

Runner up – 41 Newmarket Road

Additional Prizes: Pair of cottages between the Chapel and Maltings and Debbie & Charles – in Maltings.

Elaine & Colin Richmond in Lark Hill together with the Hargraves house and the corner property nearby.

<u>AREA THREE – High Street, Mayes Close, Park Road, Dalham Road, St Peters Avenue, St</u> <u>Peters Close, Church Road, Brookside</u>

JOINT FIRST – Nicola Talbot (38) and Emma/Nev (37) in St Peters Close

Runner Up: Flint cottage Church Road

Additional Prizes: - Marsha and Shelia St Peters Avenue

Mel (Postie) The Street

Debbie Noel and Jasmin Bond and Jo (shooting star).

A big thank you to Jackie and John Chapman and Lesley and Tim James who judged and allocated the prizes. Thank you to everyone who took part and brightened up Moulton over the festive period.

Parish Council

The Parish Council meets regularly in the village hall and residents are all welcome to attend. Meeting dates and Agendas are listed on the village website at the bottom of the page and are also regularly posted on the village noticeboards.

PARISH COUNCILLORS

David Almond (Chairman)	01638	428250
Mark Price (Vice Chair)	01638	750200
Ryan Bragg	01638	751153
Ed Chambers	01638	750014
Richard Edge		
John Derry	01638	751902
Jane Horsnell	01638	750879
Douglas James	01638	750897
Tim James	01638	482012

CLERK TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Priest	Cannon Chris Childs	01638	429212
Village Archivist	John Gunson	01638	750131
County Councillor	Andy Drummond	01638	751411
District Councillor	Roger Dicker	01638	750392
Member of Parliament:	Mathew Hancock		
Parliament Office		02072	197186
Constituency Office		01638	576692

MOULTON MATTERS

Jill Goodwin	jerryjill99@hotmail.com	01638 551851
Pauline Barker		
Colin Wilkinson	c.wilkinson67@btinternet.com	01638 552779

MOULTON VILLAGE WEBSITE

http://moulton.onesuffolk.net

Telephone Directory

Medical	
Addenbrooks Hospital	01223 245151
Newmarket Hospital	01638 558400
West Suffolk Hospital	01284 713000
Oakfield Surgery	01638 662018
Orchard House Surgery	01638 666887
Rookery Medical Centre	01638 664338
Churches	
All Saints Church (Rev Chris Childs)	01638 429212
Catholic Church (Fr Leo Marianu)	01638 662492
St Peters Church (Rev Chris Childs)	01638 429212
St Peters Church Wardens - Bob Saltmarsh	01638 750190
- Anne Garnston	01638 751188
Newmarket	
Citizens Advice Bureau	01638 665999
Day Centre	01638 664262
Dial-a -Ride	01638 608080
Library	01638 661216
Leisure Centre	01638 662726
Moulton Village	
Ash Tree Veterinary Surgery	01638 554477
Pack Horse Inn	01638 751818
Village Shop	01638 750242
Village Hall Bookings (Jill Goodwin)	01638 551851
Village Oil Ordering Scheme (Lesley James)	01638 482012
Village School Head Teacher (Deborah Shipp)	01638 750236
Village Website (Ryan Bragg)	01638 751153
Travel	04000 504504
Newmarket Taxi Hire	01638 561561
Nation Rail Enquiries	03457 484950
Stagecoach CamBus	01223 423250
Emergency	
Fire, Police, Ambulance	999
NHS	111
Non-emergency	
Crime Stoppers	0800 555111
Power	105
Water	0800 145145
Police	101

Moulton Village Hall

Management Committee Officers

Chairman	Richard Marshall	750488
Deputy Chairman	Alex Nicholls	07817 234337
Treasurer	Jerry Goodwin	551851
Secretary/Fund Raising	Jill Goodwin	551851 (07966 133551)

The General Manager, Stuart Wright is responsible for taking bookings. To make bookings, or make enquiries about the hall, please contact Stuart on 07821 394479 or email: villagehallmoulton@gmail.com

Please note MVH Birthday Party Hire Policy

MVH offers the hall facility for children's birthday parties 0-12 years and adult birthday parties 40+ only. Residents may apply in writing to the bookings clerk for the hire of the hall for teenage birthday parties and 20's and 30's birthday parties. MVH Committee will consider individual requests.

If you are interested in joining a group or activity, set out below are the names and contact details you will require:

Monday	Pre-School	09:15	Susan Wade-Miller	07958 290837
Monday	Pilates	17:30 - 18:30	+Alison Wilson	07752 360839
		18:40 - 19:40	Alison Wilson	07752 360839
Monday	Parish Council/ Villag	ge Hall Commi	ttee meetings TBA	
Tuesday	Mini Tots	10:00 - 12:00	Emily Tasker	
Tuesday	Healthy Walks	10:00	Ron Wallwork	07460 041643
				01638 751869
Tuesday	Community Lunch	13:00 - 15:00	Last Tuesday in the r	month
			Yvonne Slater	01638 750547
Tuesday	Cubs/Beavers/Scout	18:00	Paul Walker	
			gsl@moultonscouts.	.org.uk
Wednesday	Pre-School	09:15	Susan (as above)	
Wednesday	Yoga		Bridget Pooley	07758 540739
Wednesday	Dance	19:30 - 20:30	Private Hire	
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Thursda y	Pilates		Alison Wilson	07752 360839
Thursday	Bridge Club	14:00 - 16:00		07834 570894
Thursday	Mindset Yoga			07810 544588
Thursday	Badminton	20:00 - 22:00	Yvonne Slater	01638 750547
Friday	Pre-School	09:15	Susan (as abova)	
Friday			Susan (as above) Yvonne Slater	01638 750547
Friday	Carpet Bowls	19:00-21:00	rvonne slater	01038/5054/
Saturday	Panthers U 10/U8/	10.00 -12.00	Mark McTrusty	mmct@live.co.uk
Saturuay	U7	10.00 -12.00	secretary@moulton	-
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With the extra support that our care home offers, new residents are often surprised at what they can do, whether that's being able to continue with an activity they've enjoyed in the past, or even discovering new hobbies with our daily activities.

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Kentford Manor care home Jeddah Way, Kennett, Newmarket CB8 8JY 01638 438 349 careuk.com/kentford-manor

Join us for our upcoming event

Forget me not café Last Thursday of every month, 10am - 12 noon

Join us at our Forget me not café for freshly brewed coffee/tea and delicious homemade cakes, prepared by our Head Chef.

Contact home to RSVP.

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