

EDITORIAL

Life everywhere and in Warboys is awakening and beginning to return to a new normal. However, we are constantly being warned that we are not yet out of the woods and that autumn and winter are likely to throw up new challenges. The advice is to accept offers of vaccinations (flu, Covid and the Covid booster), lots of hand washing, social distancing, plenty of ventilation and wear a mask in crowded indoor spaces.

That aside we do have much to look forward to over the coming months in the build up to Christmas and a new year.

Take care and stay safe

Val & Andrea - your editorial team

Headlines

30 YEARS OF TRADING IN WARBOYS

Congratulations to Jimmy, Fizzy & Freddie of Ouse Valley Autos on servicing the community since 1992 – go to page 2

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GREAT NEWS WARBOYS COMMUNITY BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS IS BACK

This very popular community event will be held on **Saturday 6 November**

For more information see the enclosed leaflet

CELEBRATING THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE Thursday 2 June – Sunday 5 June 2022

Warboys, long with the rest of the nation, will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

The Community Association and the Parish Council are planning a range of events over this long weekend. Watch out for more information in future editions of the Diary, on Facebook and on notice boards

You need to remember that the usual Spring Bank holiday at the end of May has been moved to Thursday 2
June and we have an extra Platinum Jubilee bank holiday on Friday 3 June

WARBOYS COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH



After the very sad passing of Jill Taverner, I volunteered to be the new Speedwatch coordinator, this seemed to me to be a positive and relevant way of responding to lots of concerns being voiced by Warboys residents around speeding and nuisance traffic within the village.

We now have a group of 10 trained volunteers (including 2 from Jill's original team) and we have now commenced monitoring sessions. Our first session was on 7 August on the High Street. We observed 303 vehicles during this session and happily there were no vehicles caught speeding. Our second session was on Ramsey Road where we observed 342 vehicles and **27 of those vehicles were over the 30-mph limit**.

Community Speedwatch can only operate in 20, 30 and 40 mile per hour areas during hours of daylight. Speedwatch teams will only be deployed to areas where the Parish Council or the Police have identified a community concern.

Speedwatch operates from locations that have to be approved as safe for volunteers and road users alike. There are already 6 locations approved in the village – High Street, Ramsey Rd, Humberdale Way, Fenton Rd, Church Rd and Station Rd but more can be considered. It is hoped that our monitoring sessions will provide Cambridgeshire Constabulary with locally based feedback and problem-solving suggestions where speeding is of specific concern to the community. It is very important to understand that Speedwatch is not about enforcement: it is all about raising awareness of speeding within communities and educating drivers.

Volunteers run sessions and are organised by a coordinator. Sessions usually run for 60-90 minutes in approved locations and involve a minimum of 3 volunteers. Volunteers record the details of speeding vehicles, and this information is then sent to the Cambridgeshire Constabulary speed team in Huntingdon via an e-mail after the session.

Volunteers must be trained by Cambridgeshire Constabulary with initial virtual training online followed by 'hands on' roadside training. Volunteers are then insured under a Cambridgeshire Constabulary indemnity policy to carry out sessions. We are fortunate in that the Cambridgeshire Constabulary Forcewide Watch Coordination Officer is a Warboys resident and has been very supportive. Warboys is also fortunate to have its own camera equipment provided and maintained by the Parish Council.

We would be pleased to hear from any Warboys residents who would like to join our volunteer group.

Stephen Green Tel: 07894 088 000/

E: greensj@me.com

Names and contact details for all your Parish

Councillors can be found on the Warboys Parish Council website: www.warboyspc.info. Roy Reeves, Clerk to the Parish Council can be contacted by email: clerk@warboysparishcouncil.co.uk or ring 01487 823562

OUSE VALLEY AUTOS – 30 years of trading

Originally Jimmy, Fizzy and Freddy worked at Ouse Valley Motors of St Ives. When the garage closed down, they decided to relocate, become business partners and buy the Warboys Clock Tower Garage, renaming it Ouse Valley Auto's and becoming a Fiat franchise for five years.

They are now in their thirtieth year of trading, as they began on the 1

February 1992. Mick Murphy was the first one in the village to visit them and wish them all the best in their new venture. Jimmy said "I will always remember how nice that was of Mick". Jimmy, Fizzy and Freddy have always found the Warboys community so friendly and supportive over the years and would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all their customers.



In June 2021 they made the decision to stop selling fuel in order to concentrate on the mechanical side of the business. The garage does MOT's, services, tyres, batteries, exhausts and other mechanical issues for all makes and models of car

Their opening times are 8am – 4pm Monday – Friday Telephone 01487 822253. Email <u>ousevalleyautos@btinternet.com</u>

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

MOAT HOUSE SURGERY

Flu Vaccination Update

We are holding two Saturday walk-in clinics and we have sent all the invites out now. These walk-in clinics will be held on Saturday 2 October and Saturday 30 October and will run from 8.30 - 3.30 with no breaks. We will have:

- 2 one-way systems with one being the main entrance and the other one at the back of the surgery.
- We will have 8 vaccinators at each clinic.

If you can't make these dates we will hold 'mop up' clinics after the second Saturday.

We will be doing a Saturday children's flu clinic but date to be confirmed.

COVID Booster vaccination programme

The surgery will not be part of the COVID Booster vaccination programme. Patients will be invited by the National Booking System to attend a mass vaccination site.

WARBOYS UNITES

Struggling? - Tell Us Know someone? - Tell Us Embarrassed to ask? - Tell Us 100% confidential ANARARA A

- ring us on 01487 710555 option 2
- message us via our Facebook page: @covid-19warboysunites

ITEMS THAT WOULD BE REALLY HELPFUL

- green long-life milk
- squash
- coffee
- breakfast cereals
- jams and other spreads
- hot and cold tinned meats such as minced beef, chilli, curry, ham, corned beef, spam
- baked beans, spaghetti hoops, ravioli, macaroni
- tinned vegetables
- hot & cold puddings of all types e.g. tinned fruit, sponge puddings, custard
- biscuits
- toiletries such as loo rolls, toothpaste, body wash, shampoo, deodorants
- laundry products
- household cleaning materials

All donations can be left in the boxes outside 16 High Street







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settings where you come into contact with people you do not normally meet

Download and use the NHS COVID-19 App

For more information, visit gov.uk



GROUP NEWS

St Ives & Warboys Cricket Club

The Club is very proud to have won 2 prestigious awards at the ECB Grassroots Cricket Awards ceremony held at Northants County Cricket Club. These awards are made to recognise the achievements of volunteers from the world of cricket who have supported the game locally.



Our first award was in the "Inspired to play" category which recognises an Individual or group which has gone above and beyond to open the game up to new audiences.

This is an award the club are extremely proud of winning and was awarded in recognition of our 'Inclusive Cricket Programme' which opened up cricket for those with physical or mental abilities



Our team of Derek Staines, Joe Notarnicola, Chris Whitfield, Ben Jessop, Mel Jessop, Mike Farmer & Jake Moore developed and delivered a total of 11 weeks of

cricket related activities to those with physical and learning difficulties. The team aren't stopping there though and have already starting their development of indoor

sessions to build on this success.

Our second award was the "Rising Star Award" which recognises a young volunteer (aged 11-16) who is making a difference. As a club we are lucky enough to have a great number of young volunteers, but one has always stood out, not only for the volunteering he does, but also for how he encourages everyone around him and who acts as a fantastic role model for others to follow. The winner of this award was Daniel Wells. Daniel's dedication to a sport he loves, his willingness to help the club and others, alongside his fantastic sportsmanship makes him a very worthy winner of this award.



It may not end there though for our winners as they are now automatically nominated for National Awards at an event that will held at Lords Cricket Ground later this year. We are all keeping our fingers crossed for you.

As a club, we would also like to recognise all of our own volunteers for the key roles they play and also all the other winners from other clubs at the ceremony which included a number from our local area

Warboys WI

In September we were very pleased to return to our monthly meetings in the Parish Centre with a very enjoyable Ceramic Activity evening. Because of Covid we are still restricted to 36 people in the Parish Centre, plus the wearing of masks and social distancing. So for the moment we would be very grateful please if any non-members wishing to join us for one of our meetings would please phone Gill on 824776 to say if they wish to attend. This will help us greatly in not having to turn people away at the door. Thank you for helping us in this way.

- October 13th we have Britain's first female bomb disposal expert, Lucy Lewis talking about her time in the Army.
- November 10th AGM.
- December 8th Social Evening.

At the moment we are planning for next year and hope to have a wonderful programme of interesting and fun evenings for our members to look forward to.

We meet in the Parish Centre the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7.15pm.

Warboys Art Group Autumn Exhibition

Members of Warboys Art Group have continued to make art during the recent Covid-related restrictions and some fine examples will be exhibited at their forthcoming Autumn 2021 Exhibition, to be held at the Warboys Sports and Social Club on Saturday 30 and Sunday 31 October. The exhibition will be open from 10am-5pm on the Saturday and from 10am-4pm on the Sunday.

Entrance will be free, with donations accepted for local charities. Some of the displayed art will be available for sale and some of our artists may also be available to take commissions. Do come along and enjoy this wonderful opportunity to view and possibly purchase original works of art.

GROUP NEWS

Greener Futures Visit to Madeleine's Patch

On 19 August members of Greener Futures (GF) made an evening visit to Madeleine's Patch in the Fen. We were few in number but those who went found it hard to believe the nature treasure that sits below sea level in our parish. Steve Parnwell has a team of inspired volunteers who have set out to provide a sustainable home for wildlife of all kinds. Starting from a monoculture a few years ago, mature trees and hedges are well established and provide food and shelter for wildlife. Numerous ponds have been dug with variations in design to meet the needs of

different creatures. Future ambitions are to link into a network of corridors for wildlife to be able to move through the landscape and colonise new areas as climate change intensifies. It is hoped that the area on the other side of the A141 bypass which the Parish Council is in the process of purchasing will add to this network and be further re-wilded. The GF visit was too late in the summer to enjoy the wildflower areas at their best, but the photographs are telling us that we should make a GF visit there in 2022. You can find out more about Madeleine's Patch by visiting:

facebook.com/madeleinespatch/ and donate to the project via https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/madeleines-patch

Steve Parnwell has kindly supplied the following report on their work and how you can get involved:

> 'Madeleine's Patch Nature Reserve is located adjacent to First Turn Fen Drove, approximately 10 minutes' walk north from Fenside Road and is always open to the public. Madeleine's Patch is a not-for-profit organisation and seeks to raise funds to assist in maintaining and expanding the reserve to create a bigger, better, more joined up reserve and wildlife corridors linking to green steppingstones across the Fenland landscape.

Thurs 14 October 2021 at 7.30pm in the Methodist Church, High St, Warboys (next to the W 'The Transition to Clean Energy by Clive Coker

Greener Futures

Developments in clean energy, and lower costs of batteries will have implications for our homes and cars. I will look at changes that will affect us over the next 5 to 10 years. I will focus on how Flectric Vehicles have started to disrupt transport, leading to winners and losers. I plan to help you look ahead and avoid choices that could be overtaken by technology and regulatory changes. : by email at Greenerfutures@warboys.co.uk

It is resource for local community groups and schools to visit and learn about nature, observe and photograph the flowers and insects or to just take in the tranquillity within the wildflower meadow. Volunteers are sought to join "Madeleine's Mates" to help with maintaining and expanding the reserve, staffing open days and assisting at training events etc. Or maybe just baking a cake for open days.

If you have a few hours to spare and fancy becoming a 'Madeleine's Mate,' then contact Steve at steveparnwell@greenwillowsassociates.co.uk

The White Hart Bowls Club

would like to thank Mrs Doris Dunbar, Mrs Margaret Harlock and Mrs Peddie of Warboys for donating woods to the bowls club, after our request for woods in the Diary in the summer.

We would like to have a ladies' team next season, so if you think you would like to join us, we play on a Monday evening from 6pm. Teenagers will need a responsible adult to accompany them.

Notice will be in the Diary after Christmas, giving dates and times of our open days.

WARBOYS FRIENDSHIP CLUB

We are pleased to report that Warboys Friendship Club has returned to "near normal" and since July we have been able to welcome back all our members, as well as some new ones.

We have been meeting in Warboys Parish Centre and have been busy with a variety of events and activities including bingo. wordsearch competitions, guizzes, other games to play and there is always a jigsaw on the go. Future events include a "Bring and Buy" harvest themed event, a Fish and Chip lunch and our usual Christmas lunch.

We continue to open our doors on Thursday mornings from 10 -11.30am in the Parish Centre. All ages are welcome, so why not pop in for a tea or coffee, as well as a biscuit, for a very modest £1 and maybe you'll bump into someone you know and be able to catch up on all the goings on.

If you want to find out more, please contact Sean Beale on 01487 823114 or via bealesean@aol.com

55 Plus Group

We haven't yet been able to get together as a whole group but we are in the process of planning a full programme of activities for 2022

MORE GROUP NEWS

WARBOYS UNDER FIVES PRE-SCHOOL

We are really pleased to welcome the children back to preschool or to preschool for the first time following the summer holidays. We have lots of new families and it is going to be a busy term.

The children are settling in well and engaging with different activities both indoors and outdoors. They have been particularly enjoying the garden and garden toys in

the recent lovely weather.

If you would like to know more about when your child can start Preschool or if you would like to be part of the committee then please contact us directly on 01487 823190

We are celebrating Harvest Festival at Preschool and are collecting food donations for Warboys Unites who help people in our village.

We are working on dates for future events, but when these are finalised, they will

be posted on village notice boards and Facebook. Watch out for details of our Xmas Bazaar.

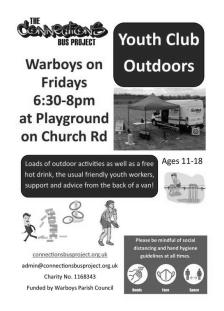
Warboys Rainbows and Brownies



We started face to face meetings again a few weeks back and it was amazing! We had lots of new girls to both groups

which is brilliant. We are getting close to being full at 1stWarboys Rainbows and Brownies now, after our huge intake of girls, so the best thing to do if your daughter would like to join us is visit www.girlguiding.org.uk and this will put your daughter on the waiting list, I will then get in touch with you. There are alternative groups in Bury and Ramsey, but I will be in touch with you all as soon as I hear from Girlguiding with your details.

We are always after parent helpers, so if you would like to be a parent helper please get in touch with me by email warbovsbrownies@hotmail.com



WARBOYS SCOUTS are BACK

All our groups have returned to the normal sessions, with activities restarted in September.

Beavers restarted with 8 returning children, when they made "smores" and practiced knot tying with strawberry laces - with even some parents staying to help/join in

Cubs had 16 children and enjoyed a game of rounders and also learning more about the scout meetings

Scouts restarted with 16 children and we invested 10 new joiners into the group with outdoor games and a welcome ceremony

If your child is interested in joining scouts, the groups we currently run are held at Warboys School We would love to welcome you into the groups

- Beavers 6 8 years Tuesday 5.30 to 6.45
- Cubs 8 10.5 years Wednesday 6.30 to 8
- Scouts 10.5 14 years Wednesday 7 to 8.30

Please contact us on <u>gslwarboys@hotmail.com</u> to register your interest.

As a group, we are only able to run with the support of volunteers - we still have several vacancies across all sections :

- Secretary
- Cub Leader
- Cubs: Young Leader
- Beaver Leader
- Beavers: Young Leader
- Occasional helpers at sessions

If you are interested in joining and helping to run scouting, please contact **Andy Lamb (Chair)** andrew.jlamb@yahoo.com

Upcoming activities

- Bacon Butties Sunday 10 October venue to be confirmed
- Scouts will be lighting the community bonfire on 6 November
- Remembrance Sunday 14 November
- Bacon Butties/Mulled wine Christmas lights switch on 27 November

WARBOYS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

We now have our own Facebook page where affiliated groups can post information about their planned events – we are trying to create a onestop shop to build on the Diary calendar of events. Like us and follow us.

GROUP NEWS continued



WARBOYS & DISTRICT DAY CENTRE GROUP

Supporting older people in the community

Since the end of the third lockdown, we have been back in full swing offering a varied programme,

including indoor

games such as Croquet, Crazy Golf, Skittles and Quoits. More recently, we have been pleased to welcome back many of our regular entertainers including James LeBec, The Singing Gardener, and the Banjo Man. We have also welcomed some new acts who have proved to be popular with our members.

We have seen that the prolonged period of restrictions has increased the need for services that support the social and mental well-being of older people, as such, we have not only welcomed back our regular attendees, but have seen an increased interest resulting in several new members joining us in recent months.



As ever, it is the commitment, dedication and professionalism of our volunteers that make our service much loved and appreciated by those attending the Day Centre. Likewise, our support partners are invaluable in enabling us to continue.

As our service grows, we are keen to recruit and welcome anyone who has an interest in volunteering to promote and support the well-being of older people. If you enjoy good company, having fun and can commit to at least 3

hours of your time each week, I'd love to hear from you, my details are below.

We are located in the Warboys Parish Centre, Warboys. We are open on a Wednesday and Friday between 10am and 2:30pm. We offer transport, a 2-course lunch (hot main) and a varied entertainment programme, for which we charge a nominal fee of £12.00 per day. This much-loved local charity offering support to the older people in our community looks forward to meeting you, either as a member or a volunteer. I can be contacted on $-07548\,949809$.

NEWS FLASH

We have just received confirmation that Dr Nik Johnson, Mayor of Cambridge & Peterborough will be visiting the Day Centre in October

Why not follow us on Facebook - Friends of Warboys day Centre @WarboysandDistrictDayCentre

The Old Village Board School Trust (OVBST)

The OVBST was formed when the site of the old school (where the library is currently located) was sold off and the school transferred to the new site in Humberdale Way. Some of the money was invested and the interest from that money can be used to give small grants to young people from Warboys to help with their education. Young people must live within the parish of Warboys or within half a mile of the parish boundary and should be aged less than 25 years. Grants can be used

- for the purchase of special educational materials like books or equipment for College or University
- to buy special tools needed by someone who is undergoing special training or starting out in a trade or craft
- to purchase special sporting equipment or musical instruments
- for educational travel to broaden the education and experience of young people
- to allow young people to undergo special training courses that may not otherwise be available to them

It can also be used by school and youth groups, <u>e.g.</u> sports, religious or uniformed groups in the Warboys area to provide equipment to further the education and development of local young people.

How to apply: If you think that you have a need with which a grant from the Trust could help, write with details of your age, what you need, how it would help and send to OVBST, c/o 86 Ramsey Road, Warboys, PE28 2RW or email to wovsbt@gmail.com

In need of an outdoor shelter?

Are you planning a gathering of family and friends and worried about the weather?

Warboys Community Association has several available for hire – including 3 x 3m gazebos, a 4.5 x 4.5m Coleman's Canopy and a 3 x 8m Gala Tent.

Our rates are very reasonable. To discuss hire fsee and availability email us at warboyscommunityassociation@gmail.com or ring/text 07825 551975

WARBOYS LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

We are delighted to be back together. We have an exciting programme planned for the next 12 months. We normally meet on the 1st Monday of each month in the Methodist Church. At the moment numbers for each meeting are restricted so booking is essential and members will be given priority. Please contact warboyslocalhistorysoc@yahoo.com or 07813594229.

LOCAL GROUPS and CLUBS

Warboys Art Group: 7.30 -9.30

Wednesdays - Sports & Social. Karen Shipton 07703 495431 or Malcolm Bowd 07927

028743

Warboys Amateur Dramatic Society (WADS). Contact Andrea



Murphy on 07778 672447. Meets on Thursday evenings Friends of Warboys Library (FOWL) www.fowl.org.uk

Contact via webmaster@fowl.org.uk



Warboys WI

Contact Gill Skillings 01487 824776 or Christine

Ford 01487 824628

55 PLUS - we meet monthly and offer a great range of social

events. Contact Hilary Moulds 01487 822135 or Angela Wyatt

01487 823041



Friendship Club - for the best coffee in the

village come along every Thursday 10-11.30 in the Parish Centre. Contact Sean on 01487 823114

Warboys Day Centre

Supporting older people in the community. Meet

Monday & Wednesdays in the Resource Centre. Contact Sue 07548 949809 for more info

Royal British Legion

Meets monthly in the Sports & Social Club,

Contact Martin warboysrbl.secretary@yahoo.com

Warboys Local History Society. Contact Joan B - 07813 594229; History Joan C 01487 822395

or Brian 01487 822296

Warboys Archaeology Group

Contact: roger.mould@hotmail.com



Warboys Christmas Lighting Group

Contact Mary on 01487 824222 or mary.bucknell@outlook.com

If you would like to add your club/ group to this listing, please contact us by email

> WarboysDiaryEd@outlook com



Greener Futures protecting our

environment. Contact Betty Ball 01487 822083 or greenerfutures@warboys.co.uk



Old Village School Board

Trust Gives grants to young people /youth groups for educational and sports purposes. Contact wovsbt@gmail.com



Warboys **Academy PTFA**

Contact

warboys.secretary.ptfa@gmail. com



Warboys Beavers, **Cubs & Scouts**

Contact via gslwarboys@hotmail.com

1st Brownies & Rainbows for

girls aged 5-7 and 7-101/2. Contact Paula on 07742 229262 or

warboysbrownies@hotmail.com

Warboys Table Tennis Club

WARBOYS

Warboys Under **Fives**

UNDERFIVES Contact us on 01487 823190



Warboys Walkers

Walks for all abilities throughout the year. **Contact Roy Reeves**

01487 823562 or roy.reeves@hotmail.com



Contact Martin Croucher on 07825

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White Hart Bowls Club

Contact Graham Spalding on savuka2014@gmail.com

Warboys Colts

For more information contact warboyscolts@gmail.com or www.warboyscolts.co.uk

Warboys Sports & Social



Club Sports Field, Forge Way. Visit Facebook page

St Ives & Warboys Cricket Club Contact www.warboys.play-cricket.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	VENUE
4 October	WLHS: Robert Sayles: Buildings & People	7.30pm	Methodist Church
13 October	WI: Lighting the Fuse – a talk by author Lucy Lewis	7.15pm	Parish Centre
14 October	Greener Futures: The Transition to Clean Energy	7.30pm	Methodist Church
30/31 October	Warboys Art Group Autumn Exhibition	10am - 5pm	Sports & Social Club
1 November	WLHS: the Gunpowder Plot - Stuart Orme	7.30pm	Methodist Church
6 November	Community Bonfire and Fireworks	6.30pm	Warboys Airfield
10 November	WI AGM	7.15pm	Parish Centre
13 November	Emma's Cake Sale - fund raiser	10am -1pm	11 Heath Road
14 November	Remembrance Sunday	11am (tbc)	Starts at War Memorial
18 November	Greener Futures: Climate Change and COP 26	7.30pm	Methodist Church
27 November	Sports &Social Club Christmas Fayre	2-5pm	Sports & Social Club
27 November	Christmas Lights Switch-on	5pm	The Weir
3 December	Warboys Day Centre Christmas Quiz (ticketed)	7.30pm	Parish Centre
5 December	Service of Remembering	3pm	Parish Church
6 December	WLHS: The History of Christmas – Maureen James	7.30pm	Methodist Church
8 December	WI: Social evening	7.15pm	Parish Centre
11 December	Emma's Cake Sale - fund raiser	10am -1pm	11 Heath Road
2022			
28 January	WADS Pantomime – ROBIN HOOD	7.30 pm	
29 January	WADS Pantomime – ROBIN HOOD	2 & 7.30pm	Warboys Academy
30 January	WADS Pantomime – ROBIN HOOD	Noon &	School
		4pm	
7 February	WLHS: Tales of St Neots Riverbank - Liz Davies	7.30pm	Methodist Church
7 March	WLHS: AGM & Ramsey Then & Now -Martyn Smith	7.30pm	Methodist Church
4 April	WHLS: Corby Roman Settlement - Patrick Lambert	7.30pm	Methodist Church
QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE LONG WEEKEND 2 - 5 June			
2 June	Events to be announced		
3 June	WCA: Community Jubilee Fete	11am - 3pm	Sports Field
4 June	WCA Live Music with Fish & Chip Supper (ticketed)	7 - 11.30pm	Sports & Social Club
5 June	Events to be announced		

^{*} WLHS - Warboys Local History Society

Warboys Primary Academy Term Dates 2021-2022

Half term: Monday 25 - Friday 29 October

Autumn term closes: Thursday 17 December

Spring term opens: Wednesday 5 January

Half term: Monday 14 - Friday 18 February

Spring term closes: Friday 1 April

Summer term opens: Wednesday 20 April

May Bank Holiday: Monday 2 May

Half term: 30 May - 3 June

Summer terms ends: Friday 22 July





EYFS OPEN SESSIONS

Is your child due to start school in September 2022?

We would like to invite you to one of our three open sessions. During the sessions, we will be offering parents/carers the opportunity to visit our Early Years Foundation Classes and have a tour of the school.

There will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have at this most important time of your child's education.

Tuesday 9^{th} November 2021 - 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Monday 15^{th} November 2021 – 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Monday 15th November 2021 - 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Please contact the School Office if you would like to join us

office@wpa.education

01487 822317

LESS THAN 90 DAYS TO CHRISTMAS!

WARBOYS CHRISTMAS LIGHTING 2021

The Warboys Christmas Lighting Group have been voluntarily organising the Village Christmas lighting displays for 19 years. The erection/removal of the displays is but a small part of the Group's activities. They usually hold fund raising events throughout the year including their very popular quizzes however sadly, COVID has severely curtailed these activities including the Halloween quiz originally planned for 30th October. The pandemic restrictions still being felt reduce attendance numbers at an indoor event to such an extent that holding the quiz would be nonviable. As soon as the restrictions ease sufficiently to allow a Quiz to be held the Lighting Group propose to arrange an event.

Nonetheless, Warboys residents, businesses and organisations have been incredibly generous and the Group funds have been supplemented by very kind donations of £500 from Stephen Cole Surfacing Ltd, £400 from Warboys Community Association, a Blakemore donation of £200, a SPAR bucket collection showing £185+. The Just Giving page is still open and currently stands at £400

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/warboysxmaslights

Should anyone wish to offer assistance in any way, please kindly contact Steve Bales (stevebales@me.com) or Mary Bucknell (mary.bucknell@outlook.com)

COVID permitting, it is planned that the switch on of the Warboys Christmas Lights at the Weir will take place on 27 November at 5.00pm. The Lighting Group are delighted to confirm that in response to community feedback and as funds are now available a 26ft Nordmann Fir Christmas tree will again be at the Weir with new LED coloured lights replacing the old, faded ones. The Clock Tower will again have the four sides covered with the white twinkling lights and the distinctive Lighting column displays on the High Street will feature once more.

As always, the Lighting Group will continue to strive for quality festive village displays and when restrictions allow,

community fund raising events will follow. The Group are extremely grateful for the continued support and encouragement from so many of the village residents and also the Warboys Parish Council. Our heartfelt thanks.



Supporting older people in the community



Help us raise money for our local Day Centre

Come along and join our post lockdown CHRISTMAS QUIZ & RAFFLE



FRIDAY 3 DECEMBER starting at 7.30pm
WARBOYS PARISH CENTRE



Enter in teams of up to 6
people
Tickets £4 per person
Bring your own drinks and
nibbles

TO RESERVE A TEAM TABLE CONTACT VAL - ring /text on 0782 555 1975 or email

val.musson@icloud.com FOR SAFETY REASONS, WE ARE LIMITING THE NUMBER OF TEAMS TO NINE

Please book your place in advance and book early to avoid disappointment

Warboys Snowman Competition

Sponsored by Warboys Community Association Entries open on 1 December

Why not create your own snowman to help decorate the village during this festive season?



Your Snowman can be displayed outside in your FRONT GARDEN or INSIDE in a FRONT WINDOW It can be of any size and made of any materials, but ideally ones that are recyclable. Feel free to decorate it with whatever props, costumes or accessories you would like - let your imagination run wild.

Your snowman should be

- ready to go on display no later than 12 December and should stay in place until 28 December or later
- visible from a public footpath
- able to cope with all sorts of weather if outside.

Judging will be by a public vote (paper voting slip, email, facebook poll)

Paper voting slips can be collected from and returned to the results box at 15 High Street

Voting will open on 12 December and will close on 22 December

Results will be announced on 23

December and will be published in the next edition of the Diary.

Prizes will be presented depending on number of entries. To enter, complete your entry form (available on WCA Facebook page or from 15 High Street) and post it in the competition box by the front door of 15 High Street with your £1 entry fee.



If you have any questions please contact Val on 07825 551975 or email us at warboyscommunityassociation@amail.com

IT'S NEARLY PANTO TIME!

Warboys Amateur Dramatics Society Panto News 2022!



It's official! WADS will be back performing (unless there are new government restrictions with covid in 2022) their new family Pantomime, **ROBIN HOOD**

Performances will be

- 7.30 pm on Friday 28 January
- 2pm and 7.30 pm on Saturday 29 January
- 12 noon and 4pm on Sunday 30 January

Tickets will be on sale from December and more detailed information will be in the next edition of the Diary. We can promise fun, laughter, slapstick, fabulous music and great acting

from the young and slightly more mature members! Tickets will also remain at £5 per person for this pantomime, we don't do inflation very often unless it's for an armband!

Just to be safe, we will be performing five shows over the weekend, instead of four. At audiences of seventy maximum instead of one hundred. If you see WADS members walking or jogging around the village, they are in training for the extra show!

We cannot wait to start rehearsing again after eighteen months of lockdown. We have new members to introduce you to as well as the established team. So put the dates in your diaries and remember to look out for the posters, banners and adverts on our WADS Facebook page, as well as in the next Warboys Diary. All information will also be on the WCA Facebook page in the coming months. Cheerio and stay safe - from all at WADS.

LIBRARY AND CHURCH UPDATES

CHURCH NEWS

Warboys Parish Church

Sunday morning worship services at 10am

Weddings and christenings are now taking place again

The Church is open for individual private prayer and quiet reflection - daily Monday to Saturday, usually from 9.00 to 5.00

Harvest Sunday at 10am on 3 October

For more information please contact: Rector: Rev. Garry Dawson-Jones **rector@4parishes.org** or Curate: Rev. Maureen Dean - 01487 822391 or **maureendean1@btinternet.com**

Warboys Baptist Church

We are now meeting in person: Sundays - morning and evening - at 10.45am and 6pm. Tuesdays in the back hall at 7.30pm.

All are welcome. Watch our website or Facebook page for details of meetings '

Warboys Methodist Church

Join us at 6pm on a Sunday evening for worship Sunday, 10 October – Harvest Festival celebration All are welcome. Minister: Rev. Nick Witham nicholas.witham@methodist.org.uk

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Good news - back to normal opening hours

- Monday 2pm -5pm
- Tuesday 10am-1pm
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SERVICE OF REMEMBERING Warboys Parish Church 3pm Sunday 5 December

Christmas is often a time when the absence of loved one is most keenly felt. The Service of remembering offers a time to step aside to remember those we love but no longer see; to give thanks for all they have meant to us in the past and all that they will go on meaning to us in the future

Everyone is welcome – do join us if you can

OTHER BITS & PIECES

LOOKING AFTER OUR ENVIRONMENT - WASTE MINIMISATION - Let's feed soils, not climate change

Did you know that 30% of global greenhouse gases come from producing our food? And if food waste were a country, it would have the third biggest carbon footprint after the USA and China? In fact, 70% of food waste (post farm gate) is generated from households, with the average family throwing away £700 of edible food every year.

In Huntingdonshire, this is not always disposed of in the best way. Approximately 4% of the residential recycling collections are rejected due to food waste. This would be enough to fill 6 refuse trucks a month. But more shockingly, 1/3 of the residential general waste collected comprises of food waste; enough to fill 70-75 refuse trucks a month.

Placing food waste in your grey refuse bin means this valuable resource goes to landfill. Due to the unnatural conditions, the food waste releases methane as it decomposes. Methane is a greenhouse gas and is 30 times more potent than carbon dioxide. The best way to avoid this is by reducing the food that is wasted; even some unavoidable food waste can be reduced by eating crusts, some vegetable stalks, and peels, or doing things such as making stocks.

However, some food waste is inevitable. The best way to dispose of this would be in your green garden bin or a home compost bin. During this time, the food waste will release the carbon dioxide it had absorbed during its growth as it decomposes. However, the additional benefit of adding it to your green garden bin or home compost is that it also produces compost at the end of the process, which then is used on farmland, in parks and in gardens to help feed the soil.

Let's feed soils, not climate change!

Some simple tips which will make a difference:

- Use up leftovers; maybe a leftovers dinner night once a week.
- Plan ahead; think about what you are going to use over the coming days or weeks and make sure you do not buy anything that will not be eaten in time.
- Take a 'shelfie' when shopping, so you know what you already have in the fridge and cupboards.
- Have a **short date shelf** in the fridge, ensuring you do not forget about it at the back of the fridge.
- And simply, buy what you eat and eat what you buy.
- Complete a **food waste audit**. Most people don't think they waste much food. But by documenting what is thrown away, you quickly see how it adds up.
- Join a local group, such as our Hunts Waste Busters or Warboys Greener Futures. Meeting more likeminded people, sharing experiences and ideas, helps overcome any challenges and keep motivation.
- Talk to others, share what you know; not everyone will be aware of the impact food waste has.



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As the colder part of the year approaches, please remain wary of similar calls and remember if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

If you aren't expecting to hear from a salesperson or business, be cautious of your dealings with them. Do not feel pressured into handing over money or bank account details to pay for a product or service that you weren't planning to buy before they called or arrived at your door.

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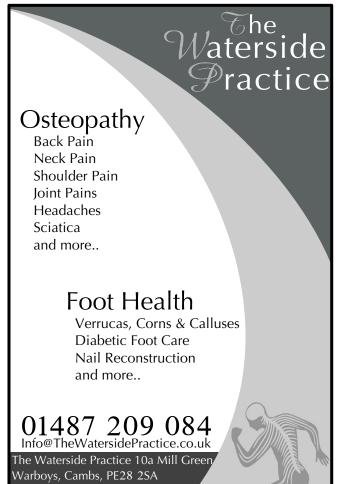
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