



Warboys Diary

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EDITORIAL



We have survived the pandemic and risen to the challenges it presented. Well done to everyone.

We have much to look forward to as 2022 should be a year of optimism and getting back to something like normal. Groups are putting plans for next year in place and we have the Queen's Platinum Jubilee long weekend to look forward to at the beginning of June.

In the meantime, all members of the Warboys Community Association wish you great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

From Andrea & Val – your editorial team

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SANTA is coming back to Warboys

Thanks to a special invitation from Ramsey Rotary, Santa will be travelling around Warboys between Wednesday 1 December and Saturday 4 December

For more information about dates and routes go to **page 10**

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WARBOYS COMMUNITY BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS DISPLAY

OH ...WHAT A NIGHT

It was a bumper turnout and a fantastic £6300 was raised for the community.

Pat, Pam and their team of volunteers did a fantastic job in making this all happen. You are brilliant and you should be well proud of the amount of money you have raised over the years – must be many, many thousands

To find out more about who was involved this year and how this money will be used, please go to **page 4**

WHY NOT MAKE A NEW YEAR RESOLUTION AND BECOME A VOLUNTEER?

All our local groups do a fantastic job, but they are reliant on volunteers to keep everything running smoothly.

If you have a few hours to spare in a week or a month why not give it a try. There is something for everyone and volunteering can be a really positive experience.

go to **page 12** to find out more

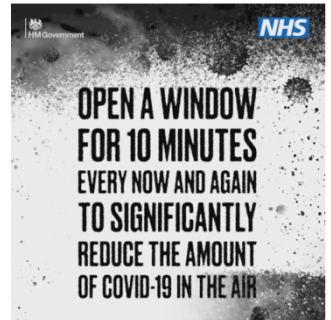
LOOKING AFTER YOURSELF AND OTHERS

AN UPDATE AND A MESSAGE FROM THE MOAT HOUSE SURGERY

The Partners & staff at Moat House Surgery would like to say a huge thank you to Warboys Bonfire & Fireworks Group for donating £700 to the surgery. This money will be put towards refurbishing Treatment Room 2, which is used by our Health Care Assistants.

Flu Clinics

This year we ran two walk-in flu vaccination clinics which were very well attended. We still have stock of the Over 65 vaccine, so if you are 65 or over and not yet had the vaccine please call the appointment line and we will get you booked in. We are expecting a delivery of 240 Under 65 vaccines at the end of November. We will send texts and advertise on our website once these have arrived so that patients under 65 will be able to book in.



COVID Infections



Cambridgeshire and Peterborough are still seeing fairly high levels of COVID infections as well as a lot of other colds and viruses. If you have any symptoms including high temperature, continuous cough, headache, loss of taste/smell, sore throat, congestion and sickness or diarrhoea, please book a PCR test online <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119. Lateral Flow Tests are only for asymptomatic people.

COVID Vaccinations

You can still book your COVID-19 vaccine appointments online or by calling 119, or you can walk in for your jab at a walk-in site - go to www.thevaccinators.co.uk to see the full list. We are unable to make these appointments at the surgery.

Primary Care Network

Moat House Surgery is part of the St Ives Primary Care Network and this has enabled us to have a number of new roles at the surgery, including a Physiotherapist (Michelle), Clinical Pharmacists (Adam and Anwar), Social Prescribing Link Worker (Heather) and a Care Coordinator (Vickie).

PLEASE BE KIND TO OUR STAFF

Over the last 18 months Moat House Surgery staff have been supporting the pandemic response and ensuring our patients have been able to get their COVID-19 vaccination, as well as continuing to deliver primary care services. This has made our surgery very busy and our staff have been working incredibly hard to keep services open and also working on their days off at the vaccination clinics. ***So please, if you contact us, be kind. Thank you for your patience and support.***



#BeKind



Warboys pupils race to the finish in mini-London Marathon

Pupils from Warboys Primary Academy enjoyed a fun and active start to November by taking part in a sponsored mini-London Marathon around the village. The run was organised by the school as part of the official London Marathon event and all children receive a London Marathon pin badge and certificate for taking part.

From the smallest reception children up to competitive Year 6, every child had the opportunity to participate in the mini-marathon by completing a 2.6-mile route - either running, walking or a combination of both! As well as being a fun team event for the children, and a great way to get lots of fresh air and exercise, the **children also raised more than £1,600 through sponsorship - an amazing achievement!** The money raised will be put towards our new playground equipment

The pupils all had a fantastic time and it gave them a flavour of what running the official London Marathon might be like! Thank you to all the children for taking part, to their parents and families for their enthusiasm, generous donations and being race marshals and group supervisors and to our local community for their support.

NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

Following the low-key event due to the pandemic in 2020, the **Remembrance Sunday** service at the War Memorial on 14 November attracted a huge number of people to pay their respects to the nation's fallen in past conflicts. The service was led by the Rev. Garry Dawson-Jones, with wreaths laid by representatives of village organisations and RAF Wyton and commemorative crosses placed by children of the uniformed organisations in the village.



The success of **the week-long holiday sports club for children** in August funded by the Council with support from the Whittome Wind Trust has led the Council to budget for a further event in 2022. This will be extended to two weeks with attendance increased to 25 children per day who live in the Parish. A small charge of £5 per child per day will be made next year to help deter 'no-shows' on the day which occurred from time to time in August when places that had been booked were left unfilled by children who didn't arrive. Further details on how to book will be announced nearer the time.

An accident involving a car late on the evening of 6 November has resulted in one of the **ornamental lighting columns, electricity feeder unit and a bollard being damaged at the Jubilee Clock Tower**. Balfour Beatty, who carry out the lighting maintenance contract for the Parish Council, removed the damaged units within 48 hours but it will mean that the lights around the Clock Tower will be without power until the insurers give the go-ahead for the replacement. Sadly, this includes the Christmas lighting display which is always such a striking feature around the Tower. Balfour Beatty are ready to undertake the necessary works as soon approval is obtained from the insurers and although this won't be until after the official lights switch-on on 27 November, it's hoped that the festive lighting will be on display before Christmas.

The planning application for the **replacement of the Parish Centre** is now being considered by the local planning authority and comments have been invited from statutory consultees and residents living nearby. The outcome is expected in the next few months.

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

Warboys, along 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 and activities to mark this landmark occasion.

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

The Council has been funding a **Timebank scheme** in Warboys for the past 5 years, with a part-time Co-ordinator employed by the Council itself. The departure of the previous Co-ordinator in September enabled the Council to review the performance of the scheme. The venture has been slow to develop in Warboys and while it has no doubt



Warboys Community Association would like to thank Natasha for all her endeavours in the three and a half years she was our Timebank Coordinator. Her litter picking initiative and tug-of-war triumph will be remembered. We wish her well in her new life

helped some within the community, it has never achieved the impact that was anticipated at the outset. The Council has therefore decided not to replace the Co-ordinator and to withdraw funding for the scheme. It's open to Timebank members to continue the scheme if they wish to do so on a voluntary basis.

Healthwatch Cambridgeshire need your help

Do you, a loved one, family member or friend live in a Cambridgeshire or Peterborough care home? Healthwatch Cambridgeshire is calling out to local families to share their experiences of care homes over the last 12-18 months. From communications and visiting restrictions to Covid testing and end of life care – they want to hear what it's been like for you or your family. What you tell Healthwatch will help local health and care services prepare better for the future.

Share your views at: <https://www.healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk/care-home-survey>. If you're not online, get in touch and they can send you a paper questionnaire and a pre-paid envelope. Call 0330 355 1285

WARBOYS COMMUNITY BONFIRE AND FIREWORK DISPLAY

WOW..... what a fantastic night
We have raised a massive **£6,300**

Donations we have made so far

- **Doctors** - £700
- **Sports field** - £700
- **School** – £700
- **Play-school** – £700
- **Warboys Christmas lighting Fund** - £500
- **Warboys Day Centre** - £250
- **WADS** - £150
- **Warboys Colts Under 8s team** - £80
- **Other donations will be given out in the very near future.**

Thank you to

- Titanium for an **AMAZING display** yet again.
- The **Stokes Family** for everything they do for us, without their help the event wouldn't happen.

All our unpaid **volunteer** helpers

- **Warboys Hardware & Amar Food Store** who both sold an amazing number of tickets.
- **Spar Warboys**
- **GT Trax** for loan of barriers
- **Stephen Cole Surfacing**
- **Warboys Community Association**
- **Warboys Baptist Church**
- **C & G Coaches**
- **Miramar Engineering**
- **illumino Ignis**
- **Johnson's of Old Hurst**
- **Sainsburys Huntingdon & Tesco Ramsey**
- **Kanazawa Security Solutions** for supplying First Aid & Security

Every year we are very fortunate to get more help from local businesses so

Thank you to all our advertisers in our Bonfire Programme and thank you to our fantastic sponsors

MANCHETT'S TRANSPORT-Warboys

QUATTRO TECH - St Ives & Peterborough

J.SINGH TRANSPORT – Warboys

UK CARPET FITTERS – Warboys

WOODFORD RECYCLING – Warboys

DIRECTLINC – Warboys

BEN & CO - Warboys

WATERSIDE PRACTICE – Warboys

PARROT PRINT – Ramsey

SUPERIOR SURFACES – Warboys

ILLUMINO IGNIS - Yaxley

SWANNELLS TRANSPORT – Warboys

Finally, THANK YOU to you all for supporting our event, see you next year - fingers crossed. This will be subject to getting enough sponsorship, please contact us if you are interested.

We do need more volunteer helpers - please contact Pat (pcollins949@gmail.com) or Pam (pam.hicks@talk21.com)

GROUP NEWS



The **White Hart Bowls Club** has entered 2 teams into the local league for next year. The Men's team will be playing on Thursday evenings and there will be a mixed team

playing on Wednesday afternoons. There will also be the roll-ups on Friday afternoons at 2pm

We are always looking for new members, so if you are interested, please contact Graham or Janette Spalding on 01487 822139 or email savuka2014@gmail.com

The season is from mid-April to beginning of September

55 Plus

55 Plus members enjoyed a carvery lunch at Hartford Mill in October and we had celebratory gathering on 24 November in the Parish Centre. A Turkey and Tinsel afternoon is booked for 2 December.

We hope to be back to a full programme of meetings in 2022. The first meeting will be on 26 January

GROUP NEWS

Warboys WI

We held our Annual General Meeting in November where Gill Skillings, our current President, was re-elected for another year to loud applause. We now look forward to our December Meeting, “A Christmas Celebration.” To begin the 2022 New Year, we have the following booked

- 12 January: Tony Greenstock - “USA Coast to Coast by Rail.”
- 9 February: Betty Ball - “The Future of Food.”

Our meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Parish Centre beginning at 7.15pm. If you would like to drop in and see us, you will be made very welcome.

Take extra home safety precautions

Most burglaries are a result of a thief spotting an opportunity and although the police continue to target burglars and bring offenders to justice, often a lack of security, empty homes and the cover of darkness is all the invitation a thief looks for. Simple things like installing good interior and exterior lighting, used together with timer switches or motion sensors, keeping valuables hidden and entry points secure are all ways to put off a burglar. Other advice includes:

- Closing your blinds or curtains at night to prevent people from looking into your home
- Not leaving spare keys hidden outside – a burglar may look for these first
- Not leaving car keys near the front door or anywhere easy to find
- Installing a driveway alarm
- Installing a visible burglar alarm

Warboys Unites: Make Christmas Special

It's that time of year again! We've put together a **Reverse Advent Calendar** to help those who are looking to support Warboys Unites this Christmas.

Simply fill up a box with as many items as you can from our list and drop it in the box outside 16 High Street. The items listed are suggestions based on what we provide in our food parcels plus some extra treats for Christmas. We know it's only November, but we would greatly appreciate receiving your **donations by the 12 December** to ensure we can deliver them in time for Christmas.

The past 18 months have been particularly challenging and all donations (big or small) help us make life a little easier for those who are struggling in the village. You can donate as many items as you wish.

Thank you as always for your continued support

**PS - we are OK for Christmas puddings and toys as we already have enough of both*

Greener Futures

wish you a Happy and Sustainable New Year

We are back with a programme of talks and visits on the **3rd Thursday of each month** in 2022. Talks are held in the Methodist Church (next to White Hart) at 7.30pm

Watch out for posters, visit Greener Futures Facebook page or pick up a programme in library and shops.

Hear from experts and then join in the discussion on what changes are needed for our future world.

- 20 January: **Greener Warboys – a Better Future.** New Year Think Tank. Discussion: Bring your ideas to share on where we go from here.
- 17 February: **Living well for the planet.** Talk by Martin and Sarah Cooper of The Refill Shop of Ikigai, St Ives. Consuming less, eating sustainable, being green ‘whatever that means’...
- 17 March: **Jan England on ‘The Future of Farming’.** Visit to ‘England Marketing’ on Fenside Road. 7.15pm cars meet at Library carpark

All welcome at our meetings. Visitors will need to pay £2/meeting or become a member.

Contact: GreenerFutures@warboys.co.uk or call Betty Ball on 01487 822083



MORE GROUP NEWS

WARBOYS UNDER FIVES PRE-SCHOOL

The children have been very busy this term. We recently introduced the fire drill, reinforcing the importance for listening, following instructions and staying safe. The drill went well and we are very proud of how well the children concentrated and followed instructions. This also linked into discussions with the children about bonfire night. The children learnt how to stay safe around bonfires and fireworks and watched us use sparklers in the garden area. We used cardboard tubing to make firework pictures and lollipop sticks and shiny paper to create sparklers.

The children have been learning about Diwali and gaining an understanding of this festival. The home corner was transformed into an Indian Restaurant and the children were able to share their experiences of trying Indian food or visiting a restaurant of any kind. The children used chalks to make rangoli patterns.

To commemorate Remembrance Day on 11 November, the children learnt about 'heroes' and made poppies during craft time.

We held our annual Pre-school Committee AGM in October and a new committee was elected. We would like to say a big THANK YOU to all our members who have stepped down, to those staying on for another year and a warm welcome to our new committee members. We are still looking to recruit a Treasurer to join us. If you would like details about this important role, please email our Chair Sophie Clark on chair_wu5@yahoo.com.

Our recent fundraising events were a huge success, and we raised a fantastic £300 for the preschool. We would like to thank everyone who took part and the Warboys Fireworks Committee for their extremely generous donation of £700. These funds will be put towards building improvements inside and outside the pre-school.

If you would like to know more about when your child can start Pre-school or if you would like to be part of the committee then please contact us directly on 01487 823190 or email warboysunderfives@hotmail.co.uk

Christmas celebrations are just around the corner at pre-school. The children will be spending time learning the Christmas story, singing Christmas songs, creating festive crafts and having a little Christmas party. Our ever-popular Christmas bazaar is back online with Christmas themed competitions and crafts and of course a raffle with lots of fabulous prizes kindly donated by local businesses. Enter now via the pre-school Facebook page or email underfivesfundraising@hotmail.com for details. Winners will be drawn on Friday 10 December.

Autumn term closes on Thursday 16 December 2021 and we will be welcoming our pre-school children back for the Spring term on Wednesday 5 January 2022

WARBOYS SCOUTS

Our return to scouting has been a great success, with each group welcoming back returning members and investing new starters into the group. Some recent highlights include:

- the AGM, which was held at the Parish Centre
- building Guys for the bonfire at the Warboys fireworks display – enjoyed by everyone
- the fantastic turnout for Remembrance Sunday, with all units well represented and the children did us all proud as they marched to the memorial and then onto the church

We are looking for new members, so if your child is interested in joining us, 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 register your interest via gslwarboys@hotmail.com or andrew.ilamb@yahoo.com

As a group, we are only able to run with the support of volunteers - we still have several vacancies across all sections. Have a look at Page 12 to find out more

Christmas celebrations are just around the corner at pre-school. The children will be spending time learning the Christmas story, singing Christmas songs, creating festive crafts and having a little Christmas party. Our ever-popular Christmas bazaar is back online



Our annual **Christmas Bazaar** online again for just one more year!

www.facebook.com/warboysunderfivespreschool



- ★ BIG raffle draw
- ★ 50/50 bucket draw
- ★ colouring competition
- ★ and more...

Winners drawn & shared on Facebook Friday 10 December - evening

Closing date for entries: Wednesday 8 December. Please contact Dawn on 07597 432346 or underfivesfundraising@hotmail.com for entry forms and more information

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

GROUP NEWS continued

Warboys & District Day Centre

It has been a busy couple of months for us. 15 October proved to be a highlight for us all, as we welcomed Doctor Nik Johnson, Mayor of the Cambridgeshire, and Peterborough Combined Authority to the Centre



As Mayor, Dr Johnson advocates a policy of Compassion, Co-operation and Community (his 3 C's), his visit to us allowed us to showcase how we work to achieve his 3 C's in a practical and realistic manner. Dr Johnson spent time talking to our volunteers, members, carers, and representatives from some of our partner agencies. His visit ended with the opportunity to sit down and chat with member of our charity committee. We were all really pleased to meet Dr Johnson, and to share with him our work to address social isolation and loneliness within the local elderly community. Members also appreciated the opportunity of sharing life stories, ideas, and thoughts with him.



As usual, we had a variety of our favourite entertainers visit us, who as always were well received by members. We also enjoyed the opportunity to do some crafting for Halloween, guided by one of our more artistically creative volunteers – Lucy. In the latter part of the month, we had the opportunity to host Josie Stone from Cambridgeshire County Council. Josie is working as part of a project that is looking into the benefits of Day Services. We continue to have many inquiries from prospective members, and our group continues to grow. We would also like to hear from anyone who may be interested in joining us as a volunteer. Our group is lively, friendly and has a real family feel.

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 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. We can be contacted on – 07548 949809. *Why not follow us on Facebook - Friends of Warboys Day Centre @WarboysandDistrictDayCentre*

Warboys Art Group Autumn Exhibition Resumes

After a two year wait because of COVID-19, the Warboys Art Group was at last able to hold its autumn exhibition on the 30 and 31 of October in the Sports and Social Club. During the pandemic most of the group's artists have been busy painting, some more than others. A few have found that the lack of regular meetings dampened their enthusiasm to paint particularly as the stimulus of the exhibition was missing last year -this is always a catalyst to produce new works.

In all over 140 pictures were on display covering a wide range of subjects from animals to landscapes, seascapes, abstract, to flowers, still life and people, painted in oils, acrylics, watercolours, pastels and pen and ink. Karen Shipton, John Parsons Tony Greenstock and Dave Woosey in particular have been very active over the past 18 months displaying around 40 pictures between them. Also, during the exhibition Mick Mitchell demonstrated painting two sunset scenes in oils attracting many favourable comments.

Over the two days more than 100 people attended the exhibition with one lady from Whittlesey being especially impressed - *"the exhibition was well worth visiting and was thoroughly enjoyable"* She also praised the high standard of work singling out some of the artists that particularly impressed her.

As with previous exhibitions, entrance was free but donations in support of Breast Cancer UK and Cancer Research UK were requested and resulted in over £170 being collected.

Warboys Sports and Social Club

A non-profit making club that is open to all. At the moment there is no membership fee, but we will reintroduce this in January.

We put on lots of different events

Saturday 11th December 7pm for 7.15 start. Big Christmas Quiz. £2 per person, maximum 6 per team.

NEW YEARS EVE 7pm - very late, Free family disco, all welcome

New Year's Day Charity Football Match. Bar open

Not forgetting our **fortnightly Bingo nights**

- Sunday 5th December
- Sunday 19th December
- Sunday 2nd January
- Sunday 16th January
- Sunday 30th January

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; 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 7-10½. Contact Paula on 07742 229262 or warboysbrownies@hotmail.com



Warboys Under Fives
Contact us on
01487 823190



Warboys Walkers
Walks for all abilities throughout the year. Contact Roy Reeves 01487 823562 or roy.reeves@hotmail.com



Warboys Table Tennis Club
Contact Martin Croucher on 07825 186205



White Hart Bowls Club
Contact Graham Spalding on savuka2014@gmail.com



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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	VENUE
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
11 December	Big Christmas Quiz	7pm	Sports & Social Club
12 December	Carol Service	6pm	Methodist Church
17 December	Carols by Candlelight	7pm	Baptist Church
19 December	Carol Service	6pm	Parish Church
21 December	Coffee and Seasonal Fayre	10 – noon	Methodist Church
24 December	Christingle & Crib service	4pm	Parish Church
31 December	New Year's Eve Family Disco (free entry)	7pm till late	Sports & Social Club
2022			
12 January	WI: USA Coast to Coast by Rail	7.15pm	Parish Centre
20 January	Greener Futures: A Greener Warboys think tank	7.30pm	Methodist Church
25 January	Warboys Community Association AGM	7 pm	De Ramsey Court
26 January	A Meal with a Message (please pre-book)	7pm	Baptist Church
28 January	WADS Pantomime – ROBIN HOOD	7.30 pm	Warboys Academy School
29 January	WADS Pantomime – ROBIN HOOD	2 / 7.30pm	
30 January	WADS Pantomime – ROBIN HOOD	Noon / 4pm	
7 February	WLHS: Tales of St Neots Riverbank - Liz Davies	7.30pm	Methodist Church
9 February	WI: The Future of Food	7.15pm	Parish Centre
17 February	Greener Futures: Living well for the Planet	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	<i>Events to be announced</i>		
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	WADS Royal Variety performance plus Platinum Jubilee Grand Raffle draw	tbc	Warboys Academy School

* WLHS – Warboys Local History Society

Warboys Primary Academy Term Dates 2021-2022

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

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 one-stop shop to build on the Diary calendar of events. Please send your posts to sarafensome73@gmail.com



WARBOYS!

Warboys Sports and Social Club, Forge Way,
PE28 2TN, Warboys

All cash prizes!
Prizes for 1 line and full house!

10 games each night
+ heads and tails
All welcome, anytime
£6 per book (10 games)
+ £1 for the jackpot game

Eyes down sharp every other Sunday at 19:00
Starting Sunday 10th October than every fortnight thereafter


For further info contact Veronica 07904358450 or Chris 07923266455

Only beverages purchased on site to be consumed.

Dates for 2021 10/10, 24/10, 7/11,
21/11, 5/12, Xmas Special 19/12.

CHRISTMAS & the NEW YEAR are nearly here



Rotary 

SANTA will be returning to Warboys after the pandemic.

His 2021 CHRISTMAS TOUR will start on Wednesday 1 December

Santa and his Elves will start each trip at about 5.30pm and will follow the street order shown below

It would be really good if you could make sure you have some CASH to hand as Santa doesn't do credit cards!!

Wednesday 1 December	Humberdale Way, First Avenue, Bottels Road, Knowles Avenue, Garner Avenue, Second Avenue, Flaxen Walk, Woodlands, Goldpits, Old Mill Avenue, High Street, Statfold Green, School Road
Thursday 2 December	Mill Green, Padgetts Close, Mill Close, Wilthorne, Pasture Close, Great Pastures Estate (Searby Place, Mahaddie Way, Eldrida Drive, Saxon Way, Lawrence Drive, Collings Close), Station Road, Ash Close, Orchard Close, Coronation Avenue.
Friday 3 December	Fenton Road, New Road, Bencroft Lane, Madecroft, Forge Way, The Furrows (Farriers Way, The Smithy, Fyson Way, Clydesdale Way, Suffolk Close) High Street (to Pathfinder Way).
Saturday 4 December	11 am – 3pm: Warboys Christmas Tree Farm
	5.30 pm onwards: Pathfinder Way, Wellington Close, Lancaster Close, Stirling Close, Church Road, Popes Lane, Throckmorton, Beech Close, High Street, Ramsey Road, Longlands Close, Haycroft Close, Oaklands, St. Mary's Green, Wiggs Close, Jubilee Avenue.

All activities have been risk assessed and appropriate COVID secure measures put in place

Warboys Amateur Dramatics Society Panto News 2022!

WADS would like to say a big thank you to Pat and Pam for their most generous donation of £150 from the proceeds of the 2021 Warboys Bonfire and Fireworks display. This will be used to buy a banner, advertising WADS, for use at our fundraising events.

Rehearsals for the January 2022 Pantomime “Robin Hood” are going well and tickets will be on sale from 1 December 2021. Please check our flyer that is inserted into this edition of the Warboys Diary for all the details.

We have added another performance so we can limit the numbers of the audience and be able to follow the Government guidelines for amateur dramatic performances. We will be keeping the audience social distanced from the stage and our crew that are situated front of house. There will be other changes to keep us all covid safe. We will not be able to admit late arrivals or anyone that turns up without a ticket expecting to pay on the door. All tickets will need to be paid for at the Warboys Hardware (cash) or through the Ticket source website (online)

Hand sanitisers will be available

and we are recommending that anyone over the age of 14 wears a face covering if able to do so. All chairs will be cleaned between performances.

WADS are so keen to perform to the Warboys community again. We will be using our new row of staging that we bought with funds donated from Angie Martin and her family Luke, Lea, Lane and Larna. Lea and Larna have been part of our WADS family for a few years and it was such a sad time for all of us when their Dad Greg passed away last year. Greg loved coming to see his girls take part in WADS productions and it was the family’s wish to donate some of the funeral collection to WADS. We have had a metal plate engraved with details of this generous gift from this talented and lovely family and have had it attached to the new staging We look forward to seeing you in January. Come along and enjoy a show filled with fun, laughter and music. Oh yes it will be!

WASTE MINIMISATION AT CHRISTMAS: REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

Ensure you know when your waste collections day are - there are **four weeks of disruptions** this year due to how Christmas falls. View your dates via www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins.

CHURCH and LIBRARY INFORMATION

CHURCH NEWS

Warboys Parish Church

- Christmas Carol Service: Sunday 19 December at 6 pm (no morning service that day)
- Christingle and Crib Service on Christmas Eve at 4pm
- First Communion of Christmas on Christmas Eve at 1130pm
- Christmas Day Family Service at 10am
- No service on Boxing Day

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

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
All are welcome. Minister: Rev. Nick Witham
nicholas.witham@methodist.org.uk

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

Warboys Baptist Church - 'A Meal with a Message' -

Wednesday 26th January at 7pm

All are invited to a meal and a 20-minute bible talk from Nigel Graham, on the theme of 'Why am I here? What's the point of life?'. For anyone just looking for answers to this big question.

Please RSVP if you'd like to come:
73, High Street, Warboys, PE28 2TA
or (01487) 823405
nigelkeithgraham@gmail.com

Warboys Parish Church

Our cafe church service relaunches as “Family Cafe Time” on Sunday 12th December at 9.50am.

We will be incorporating Together (our Monday morning group for carers and youngsters), with live Bible storytelling, as well as crafts, worship and bacon rolls - all in a family friendly, relaxed environment.

Family Cafe Time is “Church, but not as you would know it” and happens on the second Sunday of every month at 9.50am

We look forward to seeing you - everyone welcome

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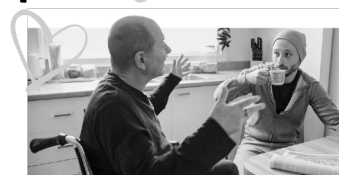
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ON BEING A VOLUNTEER



Warboys is a vibrant community with a considerable number of very active groups and organisations. Nearly all of these groups rely on a team of volunteers to help them achieve their objectives.

It is important that as Warboys grows we build up a larger pool of individuals who are interested in being a volunteer. It doesn't matter who you are, whether you are a youngster or an older person, if you have a bit of time to spare and are wanting to do something a bit different there are plenty of varied volunteering opportunities in Warboys that might interest you – **see below**

Each volunteer has a unique set of experiences and life skills to bring to the role. Each volunteer has their own individual reason for stepping forward as a volunteer and each will get something different out of the experience. One of the Day Centre volunteers has said *"I enjoy the camaraderie between members and volunteers and have been struck by the relationships that develop – it has a wonderful family feel"*. This sense of friendship, being part of a team and giving something back is what volunteering is all about.

We realise that taking those first steps towards volunteering may be quite daunting -there is always an element of the unknown and a degree of trepidation. In talking to new volunteers quite a few expressed feelings of apprehension about embarking on something new and joining an established team. Several commented that *"initial doubts / anxieties quickly faded away"*, and that now they *"really look forward to their volunteering time"*.



Group	Opportunities	Contact details for more information
Warboys & St Ives Cricket Cup	Fundraising, coaching, junior team managers	Martin: martincroucher@sky.com
Warboys Beavers, Cubs & Scouts	Secretary, quartermaster, beaver/cub leaders, beaver/cub young leaders, sessional helpers	Andy: andrew.ilamb@yahoo.com or gslwarboys@hotmail.com
Warboys Rainbows & Brownies	Sessional helpers	Paula: warboysbrownies@hotmail.com
Warboys Under 5s	Looking for a Treasurer	Sophie: chair_wu5@yahoo.com
Warboys Day Centre	Supporting older people	Sue Tolland: 07548 949809
Warboys Christmas Lighting Group	Fund raisers, general volunteering	Mary: mary.bucknell@outlook.com Steve: stevebales@me.com
Warboys Amateur Dramatics	Budding actors, chaperones, backstage helpers	Andrea: and.murphy@btinternet.com
Warboys Community Bonfire	Helpers on the day	Pat: pcollins949@googlemail.com Pam: pam.hicks@talk21.com
Warboys Community Association	Secretary, help with community events, roving reporter for the Diary	Val: warboyscommunityassociation@gmail.com

Letter to the Editor

I have been a resident of the village for nearly 20 years and from the day we moved in received a warm welcome and friendliness from everyone we met. Walking round the village usually involves stopping to pass the time of day, and over the years there have been 2 topics that come up in conversation and these have been the sad neglect of Newman's Stores and the state of the pavements.

Newman's Stores has at long last been purchased and is now subject to a planning application for conversion to residential accommodation and I hope that it will be sympathetic to retaining the facade. With the growth in population that has taken place with the new housing around the village, I had hoped that it would be opened as a restaurant that would complement the White Hart and Royal Oak, both of whom are regularly fully booked.

The state of the pavements particularly in the High Street is a disgrace. In the past I have spoken with Roy Reeves and understand that the Parish Council has little or no influence on road and footpath upkeep, and that it is higher authorities that are responsible for carrying this out. There have been some minor repairs around the village but as far as I am aware nothing of note has been done in the High Street. It is clear that without pressure from within the village, this state of affairs will continue until someone has a fall on the really bad section from Amar's shop up to the bakery and successfully sues the relevant authority. I believe that the only way apart from an accident that nobody wants is for a petition to be started and I would ask through the Warboys Diary for anyone with experience of raising and running a petition to step forward. Personally, I would be happy to help but lack the knowledge to

take the role of organiser, and personal circumstances would make it difficult for me. I hope that this letter will be the start of making the improvement to the pavements that the village deserves.

James Dale

A reply from Roy Reeves

'Cambridgeshire County Council are the highway authority responsible for the condition of all highways in the village that have been adopted as maintainable at the public expense. This includes both the carriageways and the footways. Mr Dale is correct in pointing out that many of the footways are in poor condition and need resurfacing. The County Council do have a maintenance budget but this is insufficient for what's needed due to a lack of funding and other pressures on their budget.'

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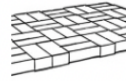
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