



# Warboys Diary

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## EDITORIAL

Is there light at the end of the pandemic tunnel?? It seems that we may be closer to restoring a degree of normality, even if we still have to exercise caution and accept personal responsibility for our own well-being and that of others.

Hopefully we can look forward to an exciting year, the highlight of which will be all the celebrations to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. There will be community events and we also hope that many of you will join in with your own gatherings of family and friends and why not decorate the village with bunting, garden displays and artwork.

From Andrea & Val – your editorial team

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## Headlines

### The WADS PANTO is back

Having reluctantly decided to cancel the planned January performances, WADS are delighted to announce they have rescheduled their ever-popular annual pantomime. This will now take place at the end of March - go to page 4 for detailed information

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## NEW OPEN SPACE FOR WARBOYS

The Parish Council is pleased to announce that the purchase of land adjoining the A141 and frequented for many years by the public with the consent of the owner was completed just before Christmas. For more information go to page 2

## LOCAL TRAFFIC ISSUES - DISTRICT COUNCILLOR INVOLVEMENT

Great news - Michael Haines our local District Councillor has committed to working with Stephen Green, Warboys Parish Councillor in an attempt to address local concerns about traffic flow. For more information go to page 2

## ALL CHANGE AT THE ROYAL OAK

The Royal Oak is about to reopen under new management. We would like to thank Ali & Aylin for their contributions to the community in what have been challenging times. We also wish Helen and Andy every success in their new venture and WCA look forward to working together in the future

## NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

### Proposed Development at Station Road

News was received from Huntingdonshire District Council in November that they were planning to dispose of a field in Station Road to a registered housing group for the development of affordable housing. This came as a surprise as the land is not allocated for development in the Huntingdonshire Local Plan to 2036 which was adopted in May 2019. The Parish Council alerted local people to the proposal and arranged a public meeting held electronically in December at which representatives of the District Council and the housing group explained what was intended.

Having learnt that the site is being regarded as a 'windfall' site by the District Council, the Parish Council has decided to obtain independent planning advice on the implications of the proposal. As capacity at the Parish Centre is limited by the pandemic and Council meetings must be held face-to-face, the Council will be making special arrangements to consider the planning application. The Council intends to call another public meeting electronically to enable those people who wish to comment on the application to be able to do so and to invite a limited number of representatives of the public to attend a meeting of the Planning Committee to formulate the Parish Council's response to the District Council.

### Purchase of Land Adjoining the A141

The purchase of land adjoining the A141 and frequented for many years by the public with the consent of the owner was completed just before Christmas. Grants have been obtained by the Parish Council that will offset approximately 90% of the purchase price from Red Tile Wind Farm Trust Fund, Huntingdonshire District Council's central Community Infrastructure Levy funds and funding from the Croftholme Close development for the provision of off-site public open space.

A working party will be meeting a representative of the Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, and Northamptonshire Wildlife Trust later in the month to discuss the future management of the land and an application for funding to improve the footpath crossing of the A141 to access the land will be considered by the County Council later in the spring. We will keep you updated about progress.

### Play Equipment

The musical chimes damaged by vandalism at Adams Lyons playground were replaced in January following a successful claim against the Council's insurance policy.

The pick-up-sticks play equipment that had to be removed at Jubilee Park due to the condition of the timber logs will be replaced shortly by a new multi-use item of play equipment for younger children, 50% of the cost of which will be met by a grant from the Whittome Wind Trust.

### Council Tax 2022/23

Having decided to replace the Parish Centre with a new village hall at the rear of the existing building, the Parish Council will be seeking further grant opportunities and a loan to help fund the capital cost which is likely to exceed £1 million. However, the Council has also found it necessary to increase its precept or share of the Council Tax by 5% in the coming year. This is equivalent to £4.05 per annum for a property in Band D or just under 8 pence per week. Despite the increase the parish precept for Warboys is still likely to be one of the smallest of the larger towns and parishes in Huntingdonshire.

### Traffic issues – Michael Haines/ Speedwatch

#### WE CAN AND WILL STOP THIS!



Although only recently elected as District Councillor, I know from personal experience as a resident of our ward that speeding and HGVs travelling through the village are two of the problems that impact on our quality of life.

Just before Christmas, I contacted Stephen Green to see how I can help. Stephen runs the Warboys Speedwatch Group and sits on the Warboys Parish Council. We had a very productive meeting discussing the issues and how best to tackle them on behalf of residents. It was agreed that the first step should be for

me to meet with representatives from the Huntingdonshire Police Force, who are tasked to deal with these problems and appointments have already been made for later this month. I am also hoping to bring the Police and Crime Commissioner here to Warboys in the very near future to see, first-hand, the suffering caused by drivers speeding through the village and by HGVs who, through no fault of the drivers, are having to use completely unacceptable village roads.

If you are interested in joining the Warboys Speedwatch group email Stephen who will send you all the info. We will keep you updated on progress.

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Stephen Green: [greensj@me.com](mailto:greensj@me.com)/ 07894 088000

**WCA thanks Warboys Parish Council for their continued support of the Warboys Diary**

## LOOKING AFTER YOURSELF AND OTHERS

### A MESSAGE FROM THE MOAT HOUSE SURGERY ABOUT REPEAT PRESCRIPTION ORDERING

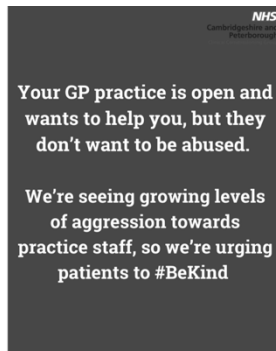
I have been part of the Moat House Team for nearly 17 years and the volume of requests for repeat prescriptions has never been greater. On a daily basis, we often receive over 100 emails from patients asking for their repeat medication. After a weekend or Bank Holiday, we can exceed 200 requests, not including paper requests in the post boxes.

We process these as quickly as we can and aim to clear the requests on the day but we do ask for 72 working hours before patients can expect to collect medication from their chosen pharmacy. We have noticed that many of the patients who order using email have already set up their online patient access through the NHS App or with a passcode from us at the surgery.

**We would ask that these patients use their online access to order their repeat medication instead of emailing.**



#BeKind



By using the NHS App or online access, requests go straight into the medicines management folder on the system for the clinician to approve, thus cutting out reception team in the middle. This helps to make the process quicker and less chance of mistakes and allows us precious time to carry on with our ever-increasing workload.

So please, if you already have online patient access make this your preferred way to order repeat medications. Your repeat items are already listed, and you just need to select what you need.

If you wish to set up this facility, please either collect a form from reception and bring in two forms of ID, one of which should be photographic and the other proof of your address. Alternatively, you can use the NHS App and then you do not need to visit the surgery, just follow the simple steps on the app. Once you have access this will allow you to get your COVID Pass, order repeat prescriptions, book appointments, view your health record, results, and more, please click on the link for more information. <https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-app/about-the-nhs-app/>

*On behalf of myself, Clare and Reception team thank you for your consideration*



**Looking after your mental health –**  
<https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/>

You can also go to  
<https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/>



**Support available for people looking after family members or friends**



We provide information and advice, run services in our local communities and campaign for carers' rights.

[caringtogether.org](http://caringtogether.org)

Do you care for someone who would find it difficult to cope without that support? This could be looking after a family member, partner or friend because of their illness, disability, a mental health problem or an addiction. If this sounds like your situation, then your role means you are recognised as a carer. Caring Together are a local charity who last year supported more than 17,000 carers of all ages and their families across Cambridgeshire, Peterborough, and Norfolk. Carers can be any age and have a wide range of situations. Whether you are new to your caring role, have seen your role evolve as the person you care for has needed more support over time, or have lost a loved one you cared for, Caring Together are there to help you. They can offer a range of advice, information and support, and help you, and the person you care for, access services that are helpful to you. To find out more call them on **0345 241 0954** or email them at [hello@caringtogether.org](mailto:hello@caringtogether.org). You can also visit their website: [www.caringtogether.org.uk](http://www.caringtogether.org.uk)

## GROUP NEWS

### Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2021

Many thanks to the residents of Warboys, Wistow and Oldhurst for their generous support of the Royal British Legion 2021 Poppy Appeal. Thanks are also due to the volunteers who made the door to door collections across the villages, and the local businesses who agreed to have our collection boxes on their premises. A special thank you goes to the pupils and staff of Warboys Academy School in raising just over £170. The money collected is used to provide support and services to any ex-service men, women and their families who are in need

**The total raised was just over £3,500**

Sadly, this year there were fewer volunteers, so many thanks to those who took on some extra routes. I will be recruiting in late summer, so please consider becoming a collector for the 2022 Poppy Appeal.

*John Edwards. Poppy Appeal Organiser*

### WARBOYS CHRISTMAS LIGHTING 2021/2



The Warboys Christmas Lighting Group have been busy over the past couple of months putting together a festive set of displays around the village. Despite not being able to hold fund raising events due to the COVID restrictions imposed, the group were able to purchase new Christmas Tree lights and a Nordmann Fir Christmas Tree following many generous contributions from Warboys residents and businesses including Stephen Cole surfacing, the Warboys Community Association, Swannells Transport and donations from Blakemore and Warboys Community Bonfire. The attractive contrasting display of coloured tree lights and fir tree were requested by village residents.

The planned erection of the displays was going smoothly until a car accident at the Clock Tower demolished a lamppost along with the power supplies and timer. This was further compounded when the contracted Clock Tower Curtain Lights erector failed to appear due to COVID related staffing issues. Three of the Tower column displays were installed but, without a timer, were permanently switched on. Sadly, the very high winds and rain on the scheduled 27<sup>th</sup> November grand "Lighting Switch On" caused the event to be cancelled for safety reasons. However, a few families still braved the weather and watched the lights come on from a safe distance which made it less of a disappointment for the team.

COVID variants permitting, the Lighting Group plan to hold fund raising events this year including the popular St Patricks Day Quiz on 12 March 2022 and a Halloween Quiz on 29 October 2022; both to be held in the Parish Centre. Other activities may be forthcoming so watch this space and social media for updates.

As always, the Lighting Group will continue to strive to improve the "all LED" (low energy) quality festive village displays. The Group are extremely grateful for the continued support and encouragement from so many of the village residents, organisations, businesses and also Warboys Parish Council. Hopefully 2022 holds a brighter future for us all.

### Ramsey Rotary Santa Float Update

Ramsey Rotary Elves and Santa spent a very enjoyable four evenings touring Warboys in December 2021 and **raised a fabulous total of £2,144**. Ramsey Rotary would like to send their sincere thanks to the residents of Warboys for their most generous donations, which will benefit a number of good causes and local charities.

### CONGRATULATION to the WINNERS of the WCA SNOWMAN COMPETITION

The outdoor winner was the lovely Elvis at 9 Fenton Road and the indoor winner was the very colourful window snowman at 11 Humberdale. Highly commended snowmen were located at 55 Ramsey Road and 33 Orchard Close



### Warboys Amateur Dramatic Society Pantomime Update

We were so sorry to postpone "Robin Hood" our pantomime for January 2022. We didn't know how the new variant of Covid, Omicron, would affect our cast, crew and community over Christmas and the New Year, and we wanted to keep as many people as safe as possible. WADS has now taken the decision to start back rehearsing at the beginning of February in readiness to perform Robin Hood in March. Our director Helen told me she "Cannot wait to finally put on this very funny Pantomime. Wads haven't performed for over two years because of covid and all of WADS are so looking forward to entertaining the Warboys community again."

**Tickets are only £5 per person and go on sale from Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February from Warboys Hardware or on [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk) Details are also on our Facebook page.**

**Our performances will be at the Warboys Primary Academy School**

**Friday 25 March – 7.30pm  
Saturday 26 March – 2pm and 7.30pm  
Sunday 27 March – Midday and 4pm  
(Entry half hour before curtain up)**



## GROUP NEWS: LOOKING AFTER OUR ENVIRONMENT

### Greener Futures

We hope you are all staying safe and sustainable...

Firstly, our first activity of the year will be a **Drop In Session for Energy Use**. This will take place on Thursday 17 February between 3pm and 7pm in the Sports Social Club in Forge Way (side panel)

Secondly, on **Thursday 19 March** at 7.30pm a local visit for a talk on **'The Future of Farming'** by Jan England includes effects of climate change and sustainability. Meeting to be held at England Marketing offices on Fenside Road. Car sharing from library carpark at 7.15pm.



On **Thursday 21 April** a guided evening tour of the new Eco Mosque at Cambridge. An inspirational building with great green credentials. Booking essential. Hopefully travelling by

minibus – watch this space for details – small cost for minibus. Meet at library carpark at 7.00pm.

More sessions are being organised so watch this space. Please let us know what you want GF to do, especially if you have relevant expertise to share. Contact: Betty Ball on 01487 822083 or [greenerfutures@warboys.co.uk](mailto:greenerfutures@warboys.co.uk).

### Climate Change

The Parish Council has established a working party to consider what measures be taken at a local level to try to offset the implications of climate change with a view to the development of an environment strategy. Further information will be announced as the working party begins its remit.

### Shrink Your Waste Footprint in 2022

Looking for an environmentally sustainable New Year's resolution? One of our

#HuntsWasteBusters looks at what makes up our landfilled waste. In 2020, Huntingdonshire residents sent over 29,000 tonnes of waste to the landfill. Much of this could have been directed elsewhere. Recycling, reusing, and composting are the keys to cutting our waste footprint.

### A New Year brings new recycling opportunities in Warboys!

Many of us are already actively putting items in our recycling bins which is great. Some special items are easier to be recycled if they are collected separately. We have made a start with some Warboys collection points.

- Old pens, markers and highlighters - new recycling points in the library and school
- Empty baby wipe packs - new recycling point at the preschool
- Printer ink cartridges - recycling point in the school car park
- Clothing bank - library and school car parks
- Battery collection – at Spar

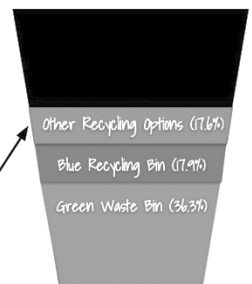
We are working towards extending this list, so watch this space

In 2019 the council completed a waste analysis. They found that over 70% of the contents could have avoided the landfill. Our blue bins can take a lot more items than you might expect and the council can

make compost from our green bin waste. Many soft plastics can now be recycled at larger supermarkets. Our Household Waste Recycling Centres accept a range of materials from paint tins to small electricals. Terracycle schemes also offer local drop-off points to recycle a wide variety of items.

### What's in our bins?

- Charity Donations
- Reusable items
- Terracycle
- Household Waste Recycling Centres
- Supermarket soft plastics recycling



2019 audit of household bin waste collected by HCC

### ENERGY ADVICE

Greener Futures have been concerned for many years about the effects of climate change. We have campaigned to get energy advice available within the village including solar panels and improved insulation. We are all becoming aware of the problems created by using fossil fuels – coal, oil, gas, etc. and the predictions that these polluting systems will be phased out.

Now we are all seeing the spiralling bills costs of energy into our homes, and the difficulties of getting independent advice. Consequently, we need advice on what help is available to households suffering fuel poverty. Also, advice on the newer, more efficient, systems like heat pumps. It is becoming clear that many of us will have to change our energy sources in the coming years.

**An Energy Advice Drop-in session will take place on Thursday 17 February between 3pm and 7pm in the Sports Social Club, Forge Way.**

We have organised for PECT, an environmental charity, to provide advisers. They will give advice on how to get help with fuel poverty and on alternative, more sustainable, energy sources

Duvets and pillows can now be recycled at Dunelms in Huntingdon

## MORE GROUP NEWS

### WARBOYS UNDER FIVES PRE-SCHOOL

Happy New Year to everyone from all of us at Warboys Underfives pre-school. We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who took part in our various Christmas craft activities, Christmas bazaar and raffle. Also, a huge thank you to all the wonderful local businesses who donated prizes to the raffle. We raised a fantastic £535 for the pre-school!

We have lots of exciting fundraising events planned for 2022 including our popular colouring competitions, annual yard sale, a ladies evening and valentine's cake competition. We also have a committee member bravely taking on a skydive challenge in aid of our preschool and we are excited to share that adventure with you! Don't forget to look out for our stall at various village fetes - we would love to see you!

Warboys Underfives Preschool are pleased to partner with Warboys Greener Futures to offer a local



#### baby wipe packs COLLECTION POINT

You are unable to dispose of your baby wipe packs via your blue recycling bin at home as they are not recycled at the main recycling facility by HDC. However, Warboys Greener Futures will collect and transport these items from preschool to our local Tesco soft plastics recycling scheme.

Please support us by removing any rigid plastic openings on your baby wipe packs and then pop them in the labelled black bin by the back gate for recycling.



TESCO



The children have settled back into pre-school and are again enjoying exploring all the different activities. They have been learning about recycling and the older children will be taking a walk to the recycling bank close to the preschool and donating one item of clothing they no longer need. Warboys Underfives are working together with Warboys Greener Futures and TerraCycle in a new initiative to recycle baby wipe packaging which currently cannot be recycled in your bins at home. See our adverts and posters around the village for more details of how you can get involved.

Spring Term finishes for half term on Friday 11 February and we welcome our pre-school children back for the second half of Spring Term on 21 February 2022

### WANTED



One treasurer to join our friendly preschool committee

If you're able to donate a couple of hours of your time per month to maintain our account spreadsheets and liaise with our admin officer we would love to hear from you - please email [chair\\_war@yahoo.com](mailto:chair_war@yahoo.com) for more information



### Friendship Club

This will be a busy year for us as we try to recover from the lockdowns last year. Over half our members have not returned, which was fine when we were limited in numbers, but now we can accept more people to join us, hopefully, some of you might like to look in. Because we still have restrictions, we continue to make our own entertainment such as word searches, quizzes, and bingo. We also have cakes once a month, made by two very talented ladies.

We are also trying to get more speakers over the year. Our first speaker was Andrea Murphy, telling us about the Hunts Blind where she works; she impressed us with some gadgets to help the visually impaired that we didn't know existed. We will also have some "bring and share" meals, which we all enjoy, but we are hoping to get caterers in for special meals at least once. In the meantime, we will continue to provide for ourselves and the odd fish and chip meal.

We open every Thursday from 10am until 11.30 am, coffee and biscuits for £1 (not bad), we have a free raffle and another for £1 where you have a chance to win £5.

Everyone is welcome to come along. Our average age is 70 but younger folk will be very welcome. This year is our 40th Anniversary so come along and support us in making it a special year.

Wishing all our regular members and future friends a very happy and healthy New Year.

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](mailto:warboysunderfives@hotmail.co.uk)

### Warboys Local History Society

Our next meeting is on Monday 7 February when Liz Davies will be regaling us with "*Tales from St. Neots Riverbank*". Liz is a regular speaker for us and her talks are always well received. Hope to see you there but you still need to book so please let me know ASAP if you want to come.

Plan B may be gone, but we are still required to wear face coverings as a condition of hire of the church. If anything changes, we will let you know. As the church still has special conditions in place numbers attending will be restricted to 30. For this reason, **we are asking that if you wish to join us you let us know by responding to this at [warboyslocalhistorysoc@yahoo.com](mailto:warboyslocalhistorysoc@yahoo.com). First come first served!**

## GROUP NEWS continued



### Warboys & District Day Centre

It is hard to believe that we are in 2022, and as I write, January is almost over. The festive period saw us enjoy a varied programme of activities and entertainment. Highlights included Christmas lunch, prepared and served by Housdens Outside Catering, as usual, this was a wonderful meal and was thoroughly enjoyed by all in attendance. This is the third Christmas that Housdens have catered for us, and I would like to acknowledge the excellent service that they deliver to our members.

In the week leading up to Christmas, we were given an extended entertainment session by Amanda the Singing Gardener. I don't know how Amanda felt when she went home, but all of our members were very happy and tired after all the singing and dancing. Our final event for 2021 was a buffet and Bingo on Christmas eve.

2022 will be the year that we hope we can get back to "normal", and as I have commented previously, the last two years have been very challenging, not only for us as a Day Centre and Charity, but for each of our members, and for many of our volunteers. We are all upbeat about the challenges ahead and look forward to these. We have a full programme of activities and entertainment planned for the next 12 months.

Some new members have joined us, and we have also had several enquiries from the Warboys and surrounding community. It must be noted that the support of our volunteers, committee and partner agencies is at the core of our success, and we would like to express our heartfelt thanks to them.

It is pleasing to report that our recent focus on our volunteers has generated some positive interest from the local community, and we are currently going through the process of getting them set up to join the team. I would like to reiterate, that if anyone else is interested in volunteering with us, then I am more than happy to meet with you and discuss any possibilities. As ever, my contact details are below.

We are located in the Warboys Parish Centre, Warboys and we 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, all for 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. Our contact number is 07548 949809.

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

**WARBOYS UNITES**

**We would like to say a huge Thank you to the following :**

- Emma for her fantastic fundraising cake sales.
- England Marketing.
- Pat & Pam- Community bonfire.
- Sainsbury's Huntingdon.
- Warboys Witches Netball Team.
- AND the many individuals who have donated either money or food items.

**We thank you on behalf of all our families- you have helped Make Christmas Special for them all.**

**Also a huge Thank you to all our volunteers, without you Warboys Unites would not be able to continue**



### Warboys WI

In December members enjoyed Christmas Celebrations beginning with individual 'Christmas Picnics' put together by committee member Joyce Reeves which proved great fun! This was followed by games and quizzes which completed a wonderful evening.

At our January meeting to greet the new year 2022, Tony and Carol Greenstock gave a presentation of their three-week USA Coast to Coast by Rail holiday with Tony showing the pictures and Carol cooking hotdogs for refreshments. This was another fun evening, this time with everyone joining in with the American theme and a wonderful start to the New Year. For our next meetings we have:

- Wednesday 9 February – Betty Ball – The Future of food.
- Wednesday 9 March – Alan Butler – "Did I really say that?"

Our meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7.15pm at the Parish Centre. If you would like to join us, you will be made very welcome.

## LOCAL GROUPS and CLUBS

### Warboys Art Group: 7.30 -9.30



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

### 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 on Wednesdays & Fridays in the Parish 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 <http://www.stivesandwarboyscc.clubbuzz.co.uk/>

### Warboys Colts

For more information contact warboyscolts@gmail.com or [www.warboyscolts.co.uk](http://www.warboyscolts.co.uk)

### Warboys Sports & Social Club

Sports Field, Forge Way. Visit [Facebook page](#)





## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	VENUE
7 February	WLHS: Tales of St Neots Riverbank - Liz Davies	7.30pm	Methodist Church
9 February	WI: The Future of Food (Betty Ball)	7.15pm	Parish Centre
17 February	Energy Advice- drop-in session	3 -7pm	Sports & Social Club
7 March	WLHS: AGM & Ramsey Then & Now -Martyn Smith	7.30pm	Methodist Church
9 March	WI: Did I really say that ...? (Alan Butler)	7.15pm	Parish Centre
17 March	Greener Futures: Future of farming	7.30pm	England Marketing
25 March	WADS Pantomime – ROBIN HOOD	7.30 pm	Warboys Academy School
26 March	WADS Pantomime – ROBIN HOOD	2 / 7.30pm	
27 March	WADS Pantomime – ROBIN HOOD	Noon / 4pm	
4 April	WHLS: Corby Roman Settlement - Patrick Lambert	7.30pm	Methodist Church
16 April	Emma's amazing fund-raising cake sale	10am	Heath Road
21 April	Greener Futures: Visit to Cambridge Eco Mosque	6.30 pm	Meet Library car park
9 May	WHLS: Invisible Imps – Medieval medicine	7.30pm	Methodist Church
<b>QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE LONG WEEKEND 2 - 5 June – full programme in next Diary</b>			
2 June	WADS Royal Variety performance	2pm	Warboys Academy
3 June	Platinum Jubilee Celebration Fete	11am - 3pm	Sports Field
4 June	WCA Live Music with Fish & Chip Supper (ticketed)	7 - 11.30pm	Sports & Social Club
5 June	Platinum Jubilee Grand Raffle draw	tbc	tbc
6 June	WHLS: Whistle Craft – Pip Wright	7.30pm	Methodist Church
2 July	PTFA Summer Fete	tbc	Warboys Academy
4 July	WHLS: Armchair Village Walk – Joan Cole	7.30pm	Methodist Church
8 August	WHLS: Six into One Goes – Tudor Fashion	7.30pm	Methodist Church
26/27/28 Aug	Beer Festival	tbc	Sports & Social Club

\* WLHS – Warboys Local History Society

### Warboys Primary Academy Term Dates 2021-2022

**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  
**Autumn term opens:** Monday 5 September  
**Half term:** 24-28 October  
**Autumn terms closes:** Wednesday 21 December

WCA have just acquired a lightweight folding wheelchair and 4 wheeled walker with brakes and a seat.

Both are available for short-term hire

### Need a venue for an event/ meeting/party? Options include

- ♣ Warboys Parish Centre (contact Roy Reeves)
- ♣ De Ramsey Court Common Room (contact Hayley 0370 192 4129)
- ♣ Sports & Social Club (contact Veronica 07904 358450)

### 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

### 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.

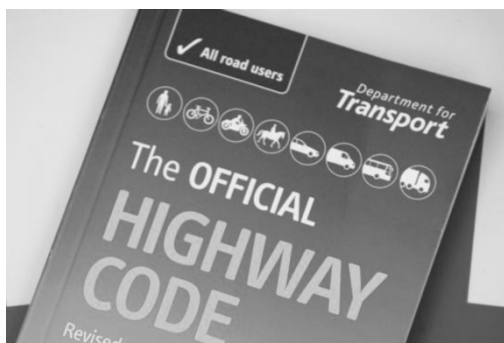
Our rates are very reasonable. To discuss hire fees and availability email us at warboyscommunityassociation@gmail.com or ring/text 07825 551975

### 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

## OTHER NEWS AND INFORMATION

### HIGHWAY CODE CHANGES FOR 2022



#### Make sure you stay up to date (*and avoid fines and points*)

An update to The Highway Code has introduced a hierarchy of road users, which creates 'clearer and stronger priorities' for pedestrians. The Department for Transport claims that the changes, which are split into three main rules, ultimately aim to improve safety for pedestrians, cyclists, and horse riders. A recent AA survey suggests one in three drivers are unaware of these major changes to road rules which **came into force on 29 January**.

#### Key points can be summarised as follows

- ♣ Drivers of large passenger vehicles and HGVs now have 'the greatest responsibility to reduce the danger posed to other road users'
- ♣ Drivers at a junction should give way to pedestrians crossing or waiting to cross a road that they're turning into
- ♣ Drivers should give way to pedestrians waiting to cross a zebra crossing, and pedestrians and cyclists waiting to cross a parallel crossing
- ♣ Cyclists should give way to pedestrians that are using shared-use cycle tracks Drivers should not cut across cyclists going ahead when turning into or out of a junction or changing direction or lane
- ♣ New 'Dutch Reach' technique tells road users how to open the door of their vehicle while looking over their shoulder

For more detailed information please go to <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-highway-code>

#### 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, e.g. 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**

#### A big thank you to Emma B for her all her fundraising endeavours

Over the last year Emma has used her baking skills to raise over £1000 for Warboys Unites.

In addition, she has run various tombolas and managed to raise another £370 for other charities including the UnderFives and Warboys Day Centre. We thank you on behalf of everyone.

**The good news is that Emma's next cake sale will be on Easter Saturday 16 April**

#### ADVANCE NOTICE FEAST WEEK 2022

Feast Sunday will be 24 July and WCA hope to be able to co-ordinate a week - long programme of events. Fingers crossed!!

## CHURCH and LIBRARY INFORMATION

### CHURCH NEWS

#### Warboys Parish Church

- Sunday Morning Worship services at 10am
- **Except 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month** when a Traditional Worship is held at 9am, followed by Family Café Time at 9.50am

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](mailto:rector@4parishes.org) or Curate: Rev. Maureen Dean - 01487 822391 or [maureendean1@btinternet.com](mailto: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](mailto:nicholas.witham@methodist.org.uk)

#### 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**

#### WARBOYS LIBRARY OPENING HOURS

- Monday 2 – 5pm
- Tuesday 10am – 1pm
- Thursday 10am – 1pm & 2 – 5pm
- Saturday 10am – 1pm

Closed Wednesday, Friday & Sunday

### Other Library Information

You can join the library online or by visiting Warboys Library during opening hours. For more information visit [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/libraries](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/libraries).

- Watch out for the new Spring programme of ‘**The Library Presents**’ events and activities.  
<https://www.library.live/the-library-presents>
- **Read A Little Aloud** Join us and listen to a variety of stories, poems and literature for adults. Each event has a different theme to explore through listening to our volunteer’s reading aloud. Relax and listen from the comfort of your own home by joining in RALA events on zoom (enquiries at [RALA.Online@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:RALA.Online@cambridgeshire.gov.uk), virtual tickets required).
- Join us for **Engage Online**, a programme of free interactive talks and events. Engage Online events are free to join, and hosted on zoom. Request your virtual ticket by sending an email to: [Engage.Online@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:Engage.Online@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)
- **Tuesday 8 February 2-3pm: Mike Cootes - Hearing Dogs for Deaf People.** A charity which trains dogs to alert deaf people to important and lifesaving sounds they would otherwise miss. A hearing dog makes a real difference to deaf people’s lives and can even save them
- **Tuesday 22 February 2-3 pm: Rosie Veitch – Your Library Wherever You Are: Our Digital Library Service** - Discover all of the services you can use away from your library – at any time of the day or night!
- **Digital Buddy** - If you would like help applying for or renewing your **Bus Pass**, or- if you need help with basic computer skills, why not book a session with our Digital Buddy

#### STOP PRESS

SPAR will be starting a home delivery service. At the moment, we don’t have details, so watch this space for updates

## QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS – 2- 5 June

### Dates for your diary and things to plan for



#### The Queen's Platinum Jubilee official timetable of events

##### Thursday 2 June

- ♣ Queen's Birthday Parade
- ♣ Platinum Jubilee Beacons lit

##### Friday 3 June

- ♣ Service of Thanksgiving

##### Saturday 4 June

- ♣ Epsom Derby
- ♣ Platinum Party at the Palace

##### Sunday 5 June

- ♣ The Big Jubilee Lunch
- ♣ The Platinum Jubilee Pageant

#### 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 working together to plan 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

### WHAT WE HAVE PLANNED SO FAR

#### WADS Royal Variety Performance

Thursday 2 June 2pm in Warboys  
Academy

#### Platinum Jubilee Grand Raffle

£100 cash 1st prize  
2nd prize drinks hamper and many  
more ...  
Tickets on sale from 1st April and  
over the weekend

#### Platinum Jubilee Celebration Fete

Friday 3 June - 11am - 3pm  
on the Sports Field

BBQ and refreshments  
Licensed bar in the Sports & Social Club  
Bouncy Castle for kids  
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Display of vintage vehicles  
Lots of stalls to browse and buy

#### DANCING THROUGH THE DECADES

LIVE Music from Graham Buxton plus a  
fish & chip supper

Saturday 4 June 7pm onwards at the Sports &  
Social Club

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@gmail.com

or ring Angela on 01487  
823041, Andrea on 07778  
672447 or Val on 07825 551975



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Thursday - Saturday 11.00 – 23.30  
Sunday 11.00 - 22.00

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**Testing Tuesdays - Quiz night**  
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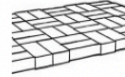
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Retirement Living

Alternatively, please feel free to come along to a coffee morning, held in De Ramsey Court Communal Lounge every Tuesday morning from 10.30am – unlimited tea & coffee for only £1. Just buzz through to the 'lodge manager' on the intercom system by the main building entrance on School Road.



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