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**FROM: REVD STEVE DAY**



I admit, I was skeptical. I'd heard about how good they were and how much they helped, but I thought they were just a fad – something which people who weren't that serious used as a bit of a 'pose'.

But then I tried them – and I discovered that walking poles really are great! Early in December, my son and I spent a few days tackling the next section in our project of walking the South West Coast Path. We had a notoriously difficult section to do – Clovelly to Bude – and I thought anything which might help would be worth a try, so we took walking poles.

We did three tough days walking, with lots of very steep ups and downs, but at the price of slightly aching shoulders and arms, which weren't so used to the exercise, I avoided crooked knees and back pains. Result! I now wholeheartedly recommend a pair of walking poles to anyone on a serious walking journey. It got me thinking what other tips I could offer to those on journeys, especially spiritual journeys.

Most people try to live good lives: caring for their families, contributing to their communities, looking out for their neighbours. These are all good things – part of living as a Christian – but they are hard to sustain without help. When the going gets steep, we feel the strain.

On the coast path, each steep climb or descent was made more bearable by knowing it was taking us nearer to our goal, and we need that on our life journey too. What are your spiritual goals for this coming year?

Then the 'walking poles': the two things which help me with the journey of being a Christian are regular prayer and Bible reading. I was skeptical about those, too! It took many years for me to appreciate the patterns of daily prayer which the Church of England offers, and even more years to gather the discipline to put them into practice, but now I find the regular times of Bible reading and prayer in the local churches to be a big help, especially in the spiritually 'steep' times. Why don't you give it a try? Drop me line to find out more.

*Revd Steve Day*

## NEWS FROM ELTISLEY PARISH COUNCIL:

We had a good attendance at our meeting in January with many residents wanting to hear about the progress being made exploring the question of affordable housing within our village. We received a briefing from Hastoe Housing that was very informative and also allowed the opportunity to ask questions. The key points highlighted by Hastoe to providing affordable housing, apart from the identification of a suitable site, is that the initiative has to be driven by need and have residents' support. From the discussion during the public forum a number of residents were questioning the need and enthusiasm for this initiative and later, during the closed session of the meeting, councillors agreed to conduct another 'housing-need' survey following the one conducted some years ago.

During the public forum the proposed development scheme on land adjacent to Greenfields was raised – there will be a presentation at the Cade Pavilion between 4.15pm and 7.45pm on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January. All interested parties are invited to call in during these times to look at the proposals.

We discussed with our County Councillor Mandy Smith progress on the A428 and our continued concern over the junction. Mandy is fully aware of our position and is actively campaigning for us - this, I am sure, will continue to be an on-going issue. The scheme to provide parking restrictions between the junction and the school in Caxton End is still being discussed with Highways and, again, Mandy is supporting us on this initiative.

The bollards on cross path have been reinstated with keys given to the nearby residents – the Parish Council also hold two sets of keys.

The budget for 2017/18 was fixed and the contract for cutting the Green has been awarded.

Finally we still have a vacancy for a parish councillor so if anyone feels they would like to apply and get involved please contact Jane Bowd, our clerk, on 01480 468451 or [eltisleypc@btconnect.com](mailto:eltisleypc@btconnect.com)

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm at the Cade Pavilion – we look forward to seeing you then.

John Pettifor, Vice Chairman, Eltisley Parish Council

# YELLING

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Correspondent: *Elly Peal*



## Cocktail Night



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Contact Angela on 880558



### YELLING AND DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

#### A Review of Our Lifestyles - Heart, Health Osteoporosis

**Carole Macbrayne**, who is well known in this area, will be advising on lifestyle/diet/exercise/alcohol intake

So, ladies - and your friends - in Yelling, Toseland, Graveley, Papworth St Agnes and surrounding villages do come along on **Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017 at 7.30 pm in Yelling Village Hall.** .... and in the coming months we have:

Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire Wildlife Trust - "Climate Change and Local Wildlife" - an evening discussion with the Trust's Chief Executive

Floral demonstration on the theme "Just for you"

Further information from Janet on 01480 880434

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## From Yelling Events & Social Committee:

A very warm and belated Happy New Year to everyone!

Some dates for your diary, further details to follow, all welcome.

**25th February 2017 – Race Night**

24th March 2017 – Cocktail Evening

8th April 2017 – Pie & Pint evening



## Yelling's Got Talent !

The Events Committee are considering putting on a 'Yelling's Got Talent' event, so we would be very interested to hear from anyone interested in taking part who could sing, dance, read, act or play an instrument. If you are keen please contact Angela 880559.

Many thanks.

## **PAPWORTH VILLAGE FETE 2017:**

After the success of last year's Fete, this year will be bigger and better:

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June will be a Sports Day hopefully including a Fun Run with Papworth Runners and the Queen's Birthday Cup cricket match; we really do need to win the cup back from Yelling.



Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June will be the Fete with a market zone, children's zone with free bouncy castles, cake competition, live music provided by Play Papworth, food and drink, a demonstration zone, a picnic area and tug of war competition.

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### **ELTISLEY FRIENDSHIP GROUP:**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2pm, at The Cade Pavilion.

Barbara Boddington will talk about her recent visit to Poland – 'Krakow Preserved'. All welcome. Guests: £1.



## ELTISLEY & CROXTON WI NEWS:

We ended our seasonal jollities with a very enjoyable evening at “Prezzo”, the Italian restaurant in St Neots, and with our theme for the evening being “Sparkle”, it was difficult for us to go un-noticed!

New members and lady visitors are always welcome to regular meetings that are usually held at The Cade Pavilion. To find out more contact Inez - 880358, or Carol - 880328, or just come along.



**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017.** Gardening expert Andrew Sankey will reveal “**Cottage Cures and Superstitions**”. Apparently there is more to a cottage garden than pretty flowers and delicious vegetables!

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March:** We are looking forward to hearing why “It shouldn’t happen to a Home Economist!” from Sian Fox, anecdotes from her career in the world of cookery.

## **A snowy day at Croxton Church**





## STUDIO SPACE TO RENT?



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**Tuesday 9am - 9.45am**

### **Stretch and Relax**

A Core Stability class (Pilates style approach) These exercises target your core stability - stomach & back muscles, improving posture, strength and balance. Helping to improve your flexibility and range of movement.

**Wednesday 6.15pm-7.00pm**

### **Wellbeing Workout**

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*Please feel free to contact me for further information* Carole MacBrayne, Eltisley 01480 880235 or 07429 598 562 [carolemacbrayne@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:carolemacbrayne@hotmail.co.uk)

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**Friday 17th February  
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### **REGULAR MEETINGS in the 6 Villages:**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** meets during term time fortnightly on Fridays, 10.30am, at Oaktree House, Potton End, Eltisley - Contact Sarah on 880214.

**HOPE BIBLE STUDY:** Every Wednesday during term time at 8pm - call 880409 for details.

**LADIES CIRCLE** For women up to the age of 45. We meet 2 Tuesday evenings a month with a varied programme. For info contact Nicky on 880114.



# ELTISLEY HISTORY SOCIETY



Eltisley History Society meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the Cade Pavilion, 7.45 for 8pm. Visitors (over 11 years old) always welcome, £2 per meeting, or enrol as a member. Interesting speakers.

**22nd February:** Women of Peterborough, a queen, a war heroine, a nurse, a Saxon princess, a woman who tried to introduce inoculation long before anyone else, speaker Stuart Orme.

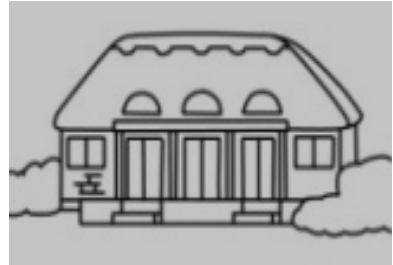
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Rural Crime continues to be problem across the region, threatening local livelihoods, putting pressure on policing resources.

Cambridgeshire was the fourth highest county for rural thefts last year. It's more important than ever that we work together to continue to address this threat.

The Police and Crime Commissioner Jason Ablewhite is confident working with other police forces across borders, in the same way criminals commit crime without any concern for borders, will help to reduce crime and protect our countryside.

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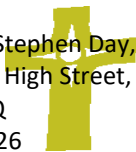
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**Church Services**

|                          | Eltisley      | Croxton       | Toseland               | Yelling       | Graveley       |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| <b>05/02/2017</b>        | 10.30am<br>HC |               | 6pm<br>Songs of Praise |               | 10.30am<br>MP  |
| <b>12/02/2017</b>        | 4pm<br>W4A    | 10.30am<br>MP |                        | 10.30am<br>MP |                |
| <b>19/02/2017</b>        | 10.30am<br>FW |               |                        |               | 10.30am<br>FHC |
| <b>26/02/2017</b>        | 6pm<br>FHC    | 10.30am<br>HC |                        | 8.30am<br>HC  |                |
| <b>Ash<br/>Wednesday</b> |               |               | 7.30pm<br>HC           |               |                |
| <b>05/03/2017</b>        | 10.30am<br>HC |               | 6pm<br>Songs of Praise |               | 10.30am<br>MP  |

HC = Holy Communion  
 MP = Morning Prayer  
 W4A = Worship for All

FHC = Family Holy Communion  
 FW = Family Worship  
 CHC = Combined Holy Communion

**Lent Course: Becoming Bigger Christians** Introduced by Bishop David at Wave on Wednesday 1st March, followed by a 6-week course on **Tuesday** evenings at Papworth Village Hall (starting on the 7th March) All welcome to come along as we learn about and discuss ways of developing good spiritual disciplines that help us to grow as disciples of Christ. Put the dates in your diaries - more information to come soon!

**CHURCH ROTAS**

**Ss John & Pandionia, Eltisley:** 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> February – Anne Hodgetts and Angela Weldon, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> February – Marzena Ciolek.

**Yelling:** February 12<sup>th</sup>: Mrs. E. Peal. February 26<sup>th</sup>: Mrs, B. Eveleigh.

**Graveley, with Papworth St Agnes:** February Flowers: Mrs Christine Eayrs, Church Cleaning: Mrs Jo George and Mrs Dee Munday.