

REACH

Out of Reach

**Welcome to the ancient kingdom of Reach,
Cambridgeshire, England**



The ancient Township of REACH, or RECHE, has been inhabited for 2,000 years. Local legend says that it was once a city boasting seven churches! Situated at the termination of the great earthwork known as the Devil's Dyke, with Reach Lode giving direct access to the sea, it survived the Conquest as an inland port. It was the centre of considerable trade in mediaeval times, being granted a charter to hold an annual fair at Rogationtide by King John. Later, as the activity on its hythes decreased and its maritime importance declined, Reach, with its great fair dwindling to the proportions of a village 'feast' and its many inns closing one by one, gradually lapsed into a purely agricultural community. Reche the port has gone, only Reach the hamlet remains.



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Church Services



Services at Burwell and Reach		
Nov 08	St Mary's Burwell	St Etheldreda & the Holy Trinity Reach
2nd 4th before Advent	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Family Service 3.00pm All Soul's day Memorial Service	
9th 3rd before Advent <u>Remembrance</u> <u>Sunday</u>	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Parish Communion 2.30pm Act of Remembrance at War Memorial by PO Followed by 3.00pm Remembrance Service In Church	10.45am Act of Remembrance at War Memorial on Green Followed by Remembrance Service In Church 7.00pm "Sunday @ 7" Informal Contemporary worship
16th 2nd before Advent	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Parish Communion	
23rd Christ the King	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Parish Communion	
30th Advent Sunday		9.30 am United (5th Sunday) Parish Communion

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Oct 08	<i>St Mary's Burwell</i>	<i>St Etheldreda & the Holy Trinity Reach</i>
5th Trinity 20	<u>Harvest Festival</u> 8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Family Service 6.30 Service of Healing	
12th Trinity 21	9.30am Parish Communion	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 7.00 pm "Sunday@7" Informal contemporary worship
19th Trinity 22	No 8.00am service this week (as at Parish Weekend Launde Abbey) 9.30am Parish Communion	
<u>Clocks change</u> 26th Trinity 23/ Bible Sunday	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Parish Communion	

Editor's Notes



The purpose of Out of Reach is to serve the whole village by circulating information and interesting articles free to every household in Reach. Issues are published bi-monthly with cover dates of Dec/Jan, Feb/Mar, Apr/May, Jun/Jul, Aug/Sep and Oct/Nov. Items for inclusion should reach the editor two weeks before the 1st day of the first month on the cover. Inclusion date for Oct/Nov issue will be 14th September.

From the Editor

Lots of good reading this edition. I have had several letters regarding the proposed changes to the buses and I have printed the report from Allen Alderson. Should anyone require more detailed information please contact myself, Ian de Massini or Allen.

The "Reach Olympics" was a great success and you can read all about it on page 17.

We have two poems this time from Bill Estall, who I understand is putting together a book of his work, plus another contribution from an anonymous poet.

Ladies, please note the details for the Christmas function on page 23. Book early to avoid disappointment.

Grahame Radford

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Oct/Nov Diary

Oct	Thur 2nd	10.00am	Toddlers Service at St Mary's Church
	Fri 3rd	7.00pm	St Ethelreda's Harvest Supper at Village Centre
	Sun 5th	9.30am	Harvest Family Service at St Mary's Church
		12.00pm	St Mary's Harvest Lunch in Guildhall
		6.30pm	Service of Healing at St Mary's Church
Nov	Sun 2nd	3.00pm	All Souls Day memorial Service at St Mary's
	Thur 6th	10.00am	Toddlers Service at St Mary's Church
	Sun 9th	10.45am	Act of Remembrance at Reach War Memorial
		11.00am	Service of Remembrance at St Etheldreda's
		2.30 pm	Act of remembrance at Burwell War Memorial
		3.00pm	Service of Remembrance at St Mary's Church
	Sun 15th	12.00-2.00	Gift Day at Reach Village Centre Plus lunches in aid of St Etheldreda's Church
Sat 29th	10.00-4.00	Advent Quiet Day at Reach Village Centre	

WRIST WATCH MYSTERY

As a boy I was very proud of my Mickey Mouse wrist watch which kept good time (well, good enough to get me to school roughly on time !).

Many years later I had one which gave the date as well. Very up-market for that time.. It wasn't always the correct date (and this was not because I dipped it into a cup of tea like the March Hare !)

But I mustn't give too much away.....come and meet the March Hare and the other guests at the Mad Hatter's Tea Party at the Quiet Day on Saturday November 29th at the Reach Village Centre.

We start at 10-00 and have 5 meetings with the characters on each hour till 4-00 (but just come for part if you cannot manage all day).

Drinks provided, and bring your lunch.

I hope to see you there.

David Bush

(741839)

Reach Village Centre

To help raise money for the Village Hall extension we have a 100 club. Tickets are just £10.00 each.



The 100 club has 10 draws a year.
8 draws of £20.00 on the 3rd Wednesday of the month
2 draws of £50.00
July and December

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Please contact Joyce Harrison 742405

Church News



From Gill Smith

Dear Friends

Risking change - for God's sake

One of my favourite pieces of music is Arvo Pärt's *Spiegel im Spiegel* (literally - "mirror in the mirror") - a duet for piano and violin. If you don't know it, I implore you to listen to it - even if only for a 30 second preview on i-tunes. To me it is a mirror that reflects something of what God is like: the piano part providing a secure, strong and measured constancy around which the violin part weaves an exquisite, elegant, wandering exploration - all the time wrapping itself around its rolling base. Perhaps the same characteristics are echoed in the picture Jesus gives us of himself as the Vine - ancient, steadfast, sturdy, yet with vivid green tendrils darting out deliriously in endless direction, wrapping and reaching into the unknown - all the time rooted in safe strength.

The Lord's character of course is far too multi-faceted for any human to describe or understand, so we rely on catching small glimpses such as these in the world he has given us, reflecting and wondering in awe at them.

Pärt's beautiful piece is one of the things that is helping me currently to understand that just as God's character can be reflected in a parable or a piece of music, so it can be reflected in us, his people. The way we live our lives, the way we answer his call on our lives, can show him to others that have eyes to see. He chooses to reflect his glory through us - like a mirror. What an amazing honour.

For Bob and me, answering God's call on our lives means our leaving Burwell and Reach later this year to live for a period in the small town of Potton in Bedfordshire. It is a risk - we don't know what is in store for us and it is painful for us to leave our church family and very dear friends and close family. But just as tendrils can reach out into the unknown safe in the certainty that they are rooted in the vine, and just as the violin can weave a dance - exquisite because it is wrapped around its base, so I believe that God will enable us to take the risk of unknowing for his sake, because we are rooted in and loved by him.

Dear friends, we are at the same time sad and excited. You are the most wonderful people and we have been so blessed in our time here; but as well we are looking forward to what God asks of us in our next parish in Potton. But whatever happens, Burwell and Reach will surely stay in our hearts for ever.

With love and blessings

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Gill

Diary Dates



DATES for your DIARY

October

Weds 1	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	7.30 pm
Fri 3	Recycling Day		
Fri 3	Harvest Supper	Village Centre	7.30 pm
Tues 7	Mobile Library	Village Green	1.10 pm
Wed 16	Hall Committee	Village Centre	8.00 pm
Fri 17	Recycling Day		
Tues 21	Mobile Library	Village Green	1.10 pm
Sun 26	Pub Quiz	Dykes End	7.30 pm
Fri 31	Recycling day		

November

Tues 4	Mobile Library	Village Green	1.10 pm
Weds 5	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	7.30 pm
Fri 14	Recycling Day		
Tues 18	Mobile Library	Village Green	1.10 pm
Weds 19	Hall Committee	Village Hall	8.00 pm
Fri 28	Recycling Day		
Sun 30	Pub Quiz	Dykes End	7.30 pm

Reach Village Centre 100 club

Latest Winners :-

Aug - Ross Clark
Sept - Ron Greenhill

REMEMBER – To win it you've got to be in it

Notices



HARVEST SUPPER

Harvest Supper is under new management but the same chefs!

Friday October 3rd in the Village Hall at 7.00 pm

Advance warning of this fabulous evening of good food, good company and, thanks to Hilary Fielding (Almond) and team, great entertainment.

Tickets £7.50 (adults) £3.50 (children), £20.00 (family).

Contact Joyce Harrison 742405, or Helen Oliver 742484
helenoliver01@btinternet.com

Village Games for Hire

Following this year's Fair we have a number of stall Games for hire.

These include:-

Feed the Frog, Drop the Dice, Splat the Rat and Hoopla.

Ideal for private parties, fund raising etc.

Interested?

Then telephone Jan Tabecki on 01638 742552 (Deposit required)

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Farmers' Market Burwell Village College

**2nd Saturday each month 9.30 - 12.30
Refreshments Available**

Our English summer has arrived and we have the very best local soft fruit and vegetables available, juices, organic bread, relishes, beef, beer and pies. In addition we can offer single estate coffees, selected cheeses and even hand made bath and beauty products and local honey. Not forgetting a wonderful selection of bedding plants and perennials. There is always fresh and smoked fish direct from our own Lowestoft fish merchant who buys first thing Saturday morning to offer the very freshest fish you can buy.

July 12th, August 9th, September 13th

CHURCH NEWS

We are very grateful indeed for the organisation of Reach Harvest Supper on October 3rd by Helen Oliver and Juliet Vickery and for all who cooked wonderful food and provided entertainment for this joyous family occasion. It is really good to have some newer, younger, input into the organisation of church social events. The next social occasion for the church will be the Gift Day and Soup Lunch on Saturday November 15th from 12-00 to 2.00 p.m. at Reach Village Centre. Jan Robinson has kindly offered to organise this, but she would be very grateful for offers of help in making soups, providing articles for sale at the various stalls, selling raffle tickets etc. We usually have a Christmas theme at this time, so anything Christmassy would be welcome. Jan's number is 743563. We shall, as usual, be distributing a letter and a Gift Aid envelope to each house in advance for your generous donations to the Church Gift Day and hope that you will bring it along to the Soup Lunch on November 15th at the Village Centre.

Jenny Moseley

A Message from your District Councillor

There are proposals to cut some of the bus services on the 10 and 10A routes (Cambridge, The Swaffhams, Reach and Newmarket). It is proposed to cut services after 6.00pm and Saturdays and Sundays altogether. Not all bus journeys in Cambridgeshire carry enough passengers to run at a profit and the bus operators are less willing to run some rural services serving fewer people as they are not commercially viable.

In these cases Cambs County Council attempt to set up subsidised services. Currently there are 70 such services at a total cost to the Council of £2.77million per annum.

I can see no justification for the removal of the 10 and 10A services and no evidence has been provided of alternative provision.

At a time of high fuel prices removal of these services is bound to hit families, the young and older people particularly hard.

I have protested in the strongest terms to the axing of these services and am supported by our County councillor, Hazel Williams, and the three Parish Councils in our ward.

Manu other people have voiced their concerns and are putting the utmost pressure on the County Council to reverse some or all of these proposed cuts.

I have sometimes been asked if we have a "source separated" or "co-mingled" system for our re-cyclables. For those that are interested the end processors are :-

Paper—Aylesford Newsprint Ltd, Kent (stays in UK)

Glass—Berrymans, Yorkshire (stays in UK)

Aluminium Cans—Reprocessed in West Midlands (stays in UK)

Steel Cans—Reprocessed by Corus (stays in UK)

Plastic Bottles—

Type HDPE - Sent to NW England (some stays in UK, some goes to
(China and India)

Type PET—Sent to Leicester before shipment to Middle East

Type PVC— Sent to China

Organic Waste - Composted at Donarbon Waste Management in
Waterbeach and used locally.

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough have been awarded Beacon Status for their re-cycling efforts. They are ahead of targets set and aim to improve still further.

For Hire from Reach Village Hall

Marquees - £80.00
(includes erection by
experienced personnel)

10' x 10' Gazebos - £20

Large BBQ - £20.00 deposit
(£10.00 returned if the BBQ is returned fully cleaned)

Please contact Andrew Hall on 01638 743737



Reach & Swaffham Prior Community Broadband



Your local internet / e-mail provider
(Before going to BT contact us)
£20 per calendar month

Name.....

Address

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Tel No.....

Please fill in this form if you require Broadband and return it to
Paul Catling, 10 Adams Road, Swaffham Prior

For further details contact Paul on 07005 800 991

**News from
Swaffham Prior
Church of England
Primary School**



Everyone has settled back into school life and routine very quickly. Our new Reception children have settled in very well and are fully involved in the life of the school. The Year Six children are enjoying their new responsibilities, especially our Year 6 buddies who are helping to ensure that all children enjoy their play time.

The swimming pool appeal has gone extremely well and thanks to the efforts of the local community, children and parents we are able to have the pool installed this year, ready for use next summer. We will of course be having an opening ceremony, so watch out for details as we would like as many local people to be involved as possible.

We have been working hard over the last few months to re-design our new curriculum and the children have been fully involved in this. Each class now has an over-arching theme for each term, which all subjects are based on and which teach important key skills as well as thinking and communication skills. The children have responded very enthusiastically, showing that their creativity and independence are developing already. The term started off with a 'wow' factor when all children visited the mobile planetarium for the day which was housed at St. Cyriac's church. This fitted in well with this term's 'contexts for learning', 'Mission to Mars' and 'Wow, that's amazing!'

We have been very successful in achieving many awards recently. Just before the summer holidays we were told we had achieved Health Promoting School status, which was a real triumph as we had put in a lot of hard work towards this over the year. We just need to make sure we stay healthy now! We also achieved our International School's Award this month in recognition for the amount of work we do with the children which relates to other countries and cultures.

We will be having another Walk to School week from the 6-10th October, so hopefully you will see lots of children walking to and from school on those days. We are continuing with our Walk on a Wednesday campaign where the children have to walk to school or park at least half a mile away from school and walk the rest of the way. If the children achieve every Wednesday in a month, they receive a special badge.

The Clerk will also contact Michelle Burrell of ECDC who oversees play areas locally to see what help they might be able to financially give.

11. 2007-2008 Accounts

These have now been audited by our external auditor and will be reviewed prior to sending off to the Council's internal auditor. This topic will be added to the Agenda of the September meeting.

12. Maps

The Clerk will provide maps of the Parish in sufficient detail to allow Parish Councillors to have full information on local geography and Parish Council responsibilities.

13. Payments

These were made as follows;

100838	Ben Burgess	Mower Repairs	£729.43
100839	Ben Burgess	Mower Repair	£307.05
100840	Browns	Mower Diesel	£25.80
100841	Ben Burgess	Mower Repair	£68.51
100842	D. Blocksage	Cemetery Mowing	£130.00
100843	Anglian Water	Cemetery	£24.41
100844	Helen Platt	Expenses	£11.33
100845	Mead Construction	Roller Loan for Green	£58.75

14. Planning Applications

- (i) Land Adjacent to 36 Swaffham Road, Reach, Cambridgeshire, CB25 0HZ (08/00650/FUL).

After review, the Parish Council had no objections to the application. It will, however, make comment that the "access to rear of site" is a public right of way and not owned by the owners, which the Site Plan appears to indicate.

- (ii) Construction of one house on land adjacent to 8 Ditchfield, Reach, CB25 0JA (08/00709/OUT).

After review, the Parish Council had no objections to the application and added no comment.

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 3rd September at 7.30pm

The Clerk would endeavour to identify grant opportunities.

The Parish Council should be invoicing the Woodland Trust for mowing Reach Wood. Penny Lang will get the information to the Clerk to allow this invoicing to take place.

5. Reach Fair Plaque

Sue Edwards of Cambridge City Council has placed an order on Ivett and Reed to get the plaque refurbished. The Clerk will liaise with Sue, the contractor and John Cole to ensure that the work is carried out satisfactorily.

6. Traffic in Reach

Deferred to the September Meeting.

7. Overgrown Footpaths

The Chapel Lane to the Hythe footpath is impassable. The Clerk will write to the Rights of Way Officer at the County Council to get this remedied and also check on any response to a letter sent by the Parish Council regarding a fallen/dangerous tree.

The bushes around the Fair Green Bus Shelter are overgrown and hinder the view of waiting passengers when they are in the shelter. The Clerk will take this up with the owners of the local land.

There have been complaints regarding the blocking of Little Back Lane by a vehicle. The Clerk will take this up with the owners of the vehicle.

8. Village Hall Alarm System

Instructions for resetting the alarm system within the Village Hall are now in place above the unit.

9. Pollution in Agricultural Land

The Parish Council has been contacted by a Scientific Officer from Environmental Services at ECDC regarding a letter sent to the Parish Council in April 2006 regarding this problem. The Clerk will look into this and the issue will be added to the September Meeting agenda.

10. Playground Inspection

An inspection was carried out in April 2008 and decisions need to be made on any subsequent work to be carried out. This will be added to the Agenda of the September Meeting. In the meantime, one issue is the leg on one of the swings which was, in the view of the Parish Council, not satisfactorily dealt with by the contractor when work was last carried out. The Clerk will contact Wickstead to ask them to remedy this particular fault at their cost.

We will soon be celebrating Harvest and our Harvest Festival service will be held at St. Mary's on 3rd October at 11am. It would be lovely to see some of the village community there and all are welcome.

Emma Vincent
Head Teacher

Swaffham Prior

**CHRISTMAS
MARKET**

Saturday 15 November 2008
2.00 – 4.30 pm
in the Village Hall

Tombola - Raffle
Wheel of Fortune
Children's Corner
Other Stalls
Refreshments

Admission 50p – children under 12 free
Proceeds to St. Mary's Church

I wrote this as you can see back in 1978, when a young Mike Greenhill would go from door to door selling garden produce and flowers. He had a cheeky grin, was always polite and prompted me to write this poem

Bill Estall

OUR BARROW BOY

With arms so strong and a cheeky grin
He pulls his barrow full to the brim
With spuds and greens, all sorts of things
A bunch of flowers, all tied with string
With a new set of scales, for all to see
So he can weigh each pound carefully,
He does not want to cheat, or try to gain
Just to please us, is this young lad aim
But no calculator, does this boy need
He counts the cost, with lightning speed
Now is that a marrow I see, peeping
Under the straw? Packed carefully
Next to the carrots, scrubbed quite clean
A bunch of fresh beetroot, can be seen
Now he pulls his barrow from door to door
And sells his goods, but he gives us more
His smile gives us pleasure, and much joy
This my friends is our young barrow boy

BILL ESTALL 1978

Swaffham Bulbeck (in the Pavilion Car Park, Station Road)

Tuesday	5 th August	17.00-17.30
Wednesday	3 rd September	11.00-11.30
Wednesday	1 st October	11.00-11.30

The surgeries give you the opportunity to tell PCSO Maria Green directly what concerns you about the area you live in.

A list of recent local crimes, as supplied previously, will be asked for by [Ross Clark](#).

Village Hall Committee Report

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman have been re-elected. A cheque for £1,794 was donated to the Amenity Fund based on proceeds from the 2008 Reach Fair. [The Clerk](#) will email the Secretary of the Village Hall Committee a copy of the Agreement between the Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee to facilitate payment of the 2007 donation of £727.21.

Instructions for resetting the alarm system within the Village Hall are now in place above the unit.

Matters Arising

1. Cemetery Fence

It was agreed that Ron Greenhill would be asked to carry out the work, based on an estimate of £80. [Penny Lang](#) will communicate this to Ron.

2. Lower Limit on 3 Quotations Requirement

It was agreed that for any expense below £100 (excluding VAT), it would not be mandatory for three quotations/estimates to be sought.

3. Bollards in Quay

[The Clerk](#) will write to the County Council Highways Department and Quay Parish Council regarding the Reach Parish Council's concerns over the traffic calming measures in Quay.

4. Parish Mowing Requirement

The current mower continues to be expensive to maintain and unreliable. The Parish Council identified the options of replacing it or sub-contracting out the activity.

It was agreed that [the Clerk](#) would seek quotations for sub-contract. [Michael Aves](#) would ask Robert Aves to review the current mower over the weekend.

One possible secondhand mower was identified by Bryan Pearson. This would be used as a benchmark for comparison and Bryan will keep in touch with the current owner.

District Council Report

This is summarized as follows;

The District Council has been awarded a £697K grant which is likely to be used for improving planning services.

The process to find a new company to run the Maltings in Ely continues. Whoever is selected will need to provide high quality services and promote a cinema.

Despite press comments to the contrary, the council is wholeheartedly committed to the weekly refuse collection system.

Should anyone have any recycling or refuse collection difficulties they should contact the council Waste Services on 01353 665555.

On the 23rd July Allen Alderson attended a liaison meeting between Sanctuary Hereward and ECDC. Various issues, including lettings, allocations, resident involvement and older people's housing were discussed. One problem identified by Allen Alderson was that their bidding system of allocation housing always favoured homeless people, at the expense of existing tenants who have a very pressing need for more suitable accommodation.

Police Liaison Committee Report

Julie Spence, Chief Constable has emailed as follows;

"We are committed to delivering the highest possible standard of service to residents of Cambridgeshire. To do that we need to constantly develop a better understanding of what people in Cambridgeshire think about their local police service. We want to hear from you, even if you've never been a victim of crime. Have your say, complete our online survey and help us to improve our service. Please visit <http://www.cambs.police.uk>"

Dates for Police Surgeries coming up during the next three months are as follows;

Swaffham Prior (at Swaffham Prior C of E Primary School, Station Road, in the car park).

Tuesday	5 th August	1	16.00-16.30
Wednesday	3 rd September		10.00-10.30
Wednesday	1 st October		10.00-10.30

THE BOOK OF LIFE

Look on your life as a book, and every day as a different page
And every page will turn into a chapter, as you make your way
Along the long bumpy road of life, with all its ups and downs
And recording all the good times, all the smiles and the frowns
Chapter one is when your life begins, the very day you arrive
When you are a baby each day something new, and a surprise
Sitting up and being fed, then learning to crawl and then walk
Going to nursery school every day, when you begin to talk
Then from nappies to your school days. Chapter one is through
When you have to start school, and the start of Chapter two
Now your life is much more fun, but now learning must begin
To learn what is right and wrong, and about the world we live in
There will be many bridges to cross, and new friends to make
This will help and guide you, on what road you want to take
Although by then you will know, what in life you want to be
As this is the end of Chapter two, now its on to Chapter three
When you start your working life, in a job you trained to do
And play your part in everyday life, with honesty and truth
With new challengers every day, your learning comes to the fore
To give you faith and confidence, to face what life has in store
All to soon your working days are done, end of Chapter three
When you retire from your working life, time is then all free
And each day the passes is a bonus, with time on your hands
To do whatever you please, even take a visit to far away lands
So we must now end the book of life, and come to Chapter four
When you can look over your life, who could ask for more
You have always done your best, and didn't want riches or fame
No matter if you won or lost, but how you played the game
So your book of life is closed, many changes you have seen
You have no regrets in your life, even what might have been

BILL ESTALL 2008

Guardian Angel

Eyes of fire,
Hair so bright,
My guardian angel is here tonight.
To shed a tear,
To shake in fear,
No matter; my guardian angel is here.
If I laughed,
If I cried,
My guardian angel would be by my side.
When I don't,
When I do,
I'll share my guardian angel with you.
If you want,
If you care,
My guardian angel will always be there.
If you are hurt or lonely,
If you are sad or down,
Remember my guardian angel,
And wipe away that frown!

Anon

Planning Application

Proposal: 1no three bed dwelling

Location: Land adjacent to 36 Swaffham Road, Reach, Cambridge CB25 0HZ

Reference: 08/00650/FUL

After viewing the plans and discussing the application, the Parish Council had no objections or comments to make on this application.

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 6 August at 7.30pm

Minutes of Reach Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 6 August 2008

Attendance

Michael Aves	Chairman	Present
Ross Clark	Vice Chairman	Present
Rita Dunnett	Councillor	Present
Joyce Harrison	Councillor	Present
Angela King	Councillor	Not Present
Penny Lang	Councillor	Present
Helen Platt	Councillor	Present
David Parr	Clerk	Present
Allen Alderson	District Councillor	Part-Time
Hazel Williams	County Councillor	Not Present

Forum for Members of the Public

The bus stop area opposite the bus shelter at Ditchfields was discussed and will be added to the agenda of the September meeting. In the meantime [Allen Alderson](#) will look into whose responsibility this is.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2nd July 2008 were confirmed and signed.

Matters Arising
Cemetery Fence

Cllr Aves had met with Ron Greenhill to assess the cemetery fence. They agreed that it would be best to purchase some wood to patch it up at this stage. Some members of the Parish Council were concerned that we should get costings of this before we go ahead. Hazel Williams suggested that the Parish Council set an agreement that any work costing under £100 should be authorized (if appropriate and acceptable) so that action can be taken and the job will get done without dragging on for months!!

Reach Wood

Cllrs Lang, Platt and King had met Jonathan Plowe from The Woodland Trust at Reach Wood. He said that as the wood had not been designed to accommodate horses this situation would not change; he would not enter into further discussion unless the owner of the field next to the wood agreed to sell some of his land to the Fenland Bridleways Association.

Bollards in Quy

Ross Clark expressed concern over the new traffic calming bollards through Quy. They are encouraging people to take short cuts and detours. The clerk agreed to write a letter to Mark Kemp at CC Highways and Quy Parish Council.

New Clerk

The Parish Council were pleased to welcome David Parr to the meeting. He is very keen to become the new clerk, replacing Claire Denniss. Cllr Clark proposed that David take on the clerk's position. Cllr Lang seconded this. All were in favour. David Parr will liaise with Claire Denniss and take over as of the next meeting in August.

Parish Mower

The Parish mower is constantly breaking down and causing expense. The time may have come to renew the mower. Bryan Pearson has agreed to get quotes for new/secondhand mowers.

Postman Trevor

Trevor, our village postman is leaving his position. Everyone has come to know and rely on Trevor and he will be sadly missed.

Reach Fair Plaque

Sue Edwards at the City Council had written saying the plaque needed cleaning. It was agreed that Sue should be asked where the plaque was made so it could be removed and cleaned professionally.

Letters to the Editor



To EVERYONE in Reach.....

....and especially to the valiant troupe of ladies and gentlemen who organised the farewell party for me on Saturday 9 August.

Ann and I were absolutely flabbergasted at the reception I received on arrival, the friendliness, happy atmosphere and enthusiasm throughout the evening. These are memories I shall always treasure.

I would like to say a huge "Thank You" to all of you for your good wishes and many gifts.

I will certainly miss the round that I have come to enjoy over the last seven years and hope to see you all round and about at some point in the future.

Once again.....THANK YOU ALL

Trevor

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Dear Editors,

Once again it is time to remind all who consider themselves eligible for our Christmas grant that they should apply as soon as possible.

As usual, the majority of these applications will come from our pensioners, particularly those who have to manage on the state pension, but if you are in particular need, or know of anybody who may be in difficulty, but is unlikely to apply on their own behalf, the Trustees will always be happy to consider requests for assistance.

Applications should be sent to me, or to any Trustee, and I stress that this assistance is available at all times, not merely at Christmas.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Pam Waters
Clerk to the Trustees.

Bus Timetable



We are indebted to **Ian Massini** who has kindly volunteered to provide and maintain an up-to-date timetable in "Out of Reach" for the residents.

Mondays to Fridays

Newmarket Rookery	Reach	Swaffham Prior	Cambridge Drummer St	Bus
06.22	06.54	06.57	07.38	10
	07.39	07.42	08.36	10
09.22	09.54	09.57	10.35	10
Then .52 & .22 past each hour	Walk 12.54	Then .27 & .57 past each hour 12.57	Then .05 & .35 past each hour 13.35	10/10A 10
Then .52 & .22 past each hour	Walk 16.54	Then .27 & .57 past each hour 16.57	Then .05 & .35 past each hour 17.35	10/10A 10
16.22	17.54	17.57	18.35	10
17.22	18.24	18.27	19.08	10A
17.52	Walk	19.27	20.05	10
18.52	Walk	21.52	22.30	10

Cambridge Drummer Street	Swaffham Prior	Reach	Newmarket Rookery	Bus-
07.00	07.32	07.35	08.11	10
09.00	09.32	09.35	10.08	10
09.22	09.54	09.57	10.35	10
Then .30 & .00 past each hour	Then .02 & .32 past each hour (walk)		Then .38 & .08 past each hour	10
12.00	12.32	12.35	13.08	10
Then .30 & .00 past each hour	Then .02 & .32 past each hour (walk)		Then .38 & .08 past each hour	10
16.00	16.32	16.35	17.08	10
17.00	17.32	17.35	18.08	10
18.00	18.32	18.35	19.08	10
18.30	19.08	(Walk)	19.38	10A
19.00	19.38	(Walk)	20.08	10
21.00	21.38	(walk)	—	10
23.00	23.38	(walk)	23.08 (Tesco)	10

Parish Council Meetings



Minutes of Reach Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 2 July 2008

Present

Chairman Cllr Aves, Vice-Chairman Cllr Clark, Cllr Harrison, Cllr Lang, Cllr Platt, Cllr Dunnett, Cllr King, C/Cllr Williams and David Parr

Apology

D/Cllr Alderson

Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th June 2008 were confirmed and signed.

Reports

County Council Report

The Transport Innovation Fund bid (inc Congestion Charging) is probably going to be looked at again, although despite what the papers are saying, it has not yet gone to Cabinet of Full Council.

County Council elections next year are likely to be changed to June 4th, the same date as the European elections.

Traffic calming at Quy is causing some disquiet but because it is in the South Cambs Division, Cllr Williams had no knowledge of it before they started work. Presumably Quy Parish Council gave their approval.

The Eco-town near Duxford continues to have the disapproval of everyone except Tesco who own the site.

Village Hall Committee

The AGM of the Village Hall committee has taken place. The window plaques were discussed and also it was agreed that the shed would be re-done.

Concern was raised over the 25% profit that should come to the Reach Amenity Fund from the Fair. This money has not been received. This matter would be looked into.

Know your Parish Council

Reach Parish Council has seven councillors:

Michael Aves – Chairman 742800

Ross Clark - Vice Chairman

Joyce Harrison - 742405

Rita Dunnett - 742943

Helen Platt - 742331

Penny Lang

Angela King

The Parish Clerk is **Dave Parr**. His telephone number (for street lights not working, Burial Ground enquiries, etc.) is **01638 744081**.

Councillors are also elected to various sub-committees.

For the year 2006–2007, the following Officers have been elected and any inquiries about the various committees can be made through them:

<i>Village Hall Committee</i>	Penny Lang/Joyce Harrison
<i>Police Liaison Committee</i>	Ross Clark
<i>Swaffham Prior Primary School</i>	tbc

Honorary posts:

Swaffham Prior Parochial Church Charities

John Robinson - 74563

Tree Officer

John Reed - 742140

Saturdays

Newmarket Rookery	Reach	Swaffham Prior	Cambridge Drummer St	Bus
06.52	(walk)	07.27	08.05	10A
Then .52 & .22 past each hour	Walk	Then .27 & .57 past each hour	Then .05 & .35 past each hour	10/10A
09.22	09.54	09.57	10.35	10
Then .52 & .22 past each hour	Walk	Then .27 & .57 past each hour	Then .05 & .35 past each hour	10/10A
12.22	12.54	12.57	13.35	10
Then .52 & .22 past each hour	Walk	Then .27 & .57 past each hour	Then .05 & .35 past each hour	10/10A
16.22	16.54	16.57	17.35	10
17.22	17.54	17.57	18.35	10
17.52	18.24	18.27	19.08	10A
18.52	Walk	19.27	20.05	10
—	Walk	21.52	22.30	10

Cambridge Drummer Street	Swaffham	Reach Prior	Newmarket Rookery	Bus
07.30	08.02	(walk)	08.38	10A
08.30	09.02	(walk)	09.38	10A
09.0	09.32	09.35	10.08	10
Then .30 & .00 past each hour	Then .02 & .32 past each hour (walk)		Then .38 & .08 past each hour	10
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19.00	19.38	(Walk)	20.08	10
21.00	21.38	(walk)	—	10
23.00	23.38	(walk)	23.08 (Tesco)	10

Sundays and Bank Holidays

Newmarket Rookery	Reach	Swaffham Prior	Cambridge Drummer St	Bus
—	(walk)	09.09	09.39	10
—	(walk)	11.09	11.39	10
—	(walk)	13.09	13.39	10
—	(walk)	16.09	16.39	10

Cambridge Drummer Street	Swaffham	Reach Prior	Newmarket Rookery	Bus
10.25	10.52	(walk)	—	10
12.25	12.52	(walk)	—	10
15.25	15.52	(walk)	—	10
17.55	18.22	(walk)	—	10

BURWELL LIBRARY

Something for the grown ups.....

ENGAGE IN THE MORNING is the name of the new club starting at Burwell Library. We will be meeting on the second Wednesday of every month from 10.00 to 12.00 – the first session is on the 8th October. There will be guest speakers and events, tea, coffee and biscuits will be served and you can have the library to yourself to choose your books.

Our first speaker will be Cathy Inman from Trading Standards who will talk about doorstep selling and rogue traders, etc., and will answer any queries you may have.

Please come along, you will be very welcome. The sessions are free and, if you're not already a member of the library, it's very easy to join. Just turn up on the day or, if you would like more information, call into the library.

We will also be very pleased to hear from anyone who would be willing to come along and speak to us about any special interests they may have.

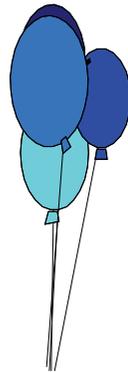
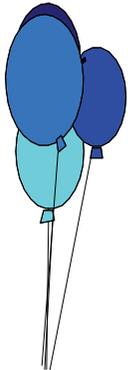
Birthdays

Congratulations to :-

Hannah Webb who will be 11
years old on November 5th

and

Adam Tarasewicz
whose birthday is on 15th



Bottisham Players presents **BLACK COMEDY**

**The Hilarious Farce
by Peter Shaffer**



**An amateur production in
association with Samual French**

**Supported by
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**The Comedy
by Alan Robinson**



**Bottisham Village College Main Hall
16, 17 and 18 October 2008 at 7:30pm**

Tickets £7, Concessions £5 Thursday/Friday
Bottisham Post Office Stores, Bottisham Library
and from Tina's in Burwell
or Booking Office Tel: 01223 811033

Tickets ordered must be paid for prior to performance



Bag2School Collection
Monday 17th November 2008

10am – 4pm

At Bottisham Village College, Lode Road, Bottisham

Please bring in Good quality adults' and children's clothing,

Bedding, curtains, shoes belts and handbags.

All items are for **RE-USE**. No Bric a Brac Please



Sports News



REACH VILLAGE SPORTS DAY

Numbers were increasing rapidly first 4, then 12 then 20 odd until finally over 30 children between the ages of 2 and 14 had descended on the village sports field. The cause of the gathering? The prospect of being able to race around tied together with black tights or engulfed in hessian sacks, half drowning in buckets of water or 'wheel barrowing' each other from one end of the field to the other. In true Olympic style this year's village sports day opened with a torch (i.e. a garden 'flare, silver and gold foil and red orange and yellow crepe paper) relay from the village green and around the field and ending with a mass of party poppers. I am sure we could give the organisers of the 2012 Olympics some tips!

Then it was into the games proper starting, rather uncertainly, with the potato race in which half the field misunderstood the rules of the game and one poor little girl arrived at the spot where her final spud should have been to find it had been innocently pinched by the 'boy next door'. Things progressed a bit more smoothly after that despite a few tumbles in the sack races, general chaos in the three legged races and wheels coming off the barrows in the wheel barrow races. Reach village kids could teach many 'would be Olympians' about the true spirit of these things. Plenty were happy just to finish a race and receive a gold star for their efforts, others 'dug deep' in their quest for the extra points awarded for coming 1st, 2nd or 3rd. Adults, having encouraged their children to 'have a go' had little option but to do likewise - much to their offspring's delight and amusement it has to be said.

Thanks mainly to the generosity of John Robinson there were a few more cups to award this year. Based on the points scored from all the races there were cups for winners and runners up in three age groups:

Junior (prize for winner only): Maisey Snaith

Intermediate: winner David Cane, runner up Freya Thomas

Senior: winner Ben Snaith, runner up Edward Neve

One race takes competitors off the field – the reach marathon. In the absence of long term winners of the Junior and Senior men (Theo and Ross Clarke) it was an open field. Ben won the junior men's by a 'country mile' as they say (but he will have to watch his back in a few years time as his sister Maisey shows every sign of being as speedy herself). The Junior girls marathon was won for the fifth year running by Charlotte Gillard. Happily for me, I retained my women's marathon title while Andy Mitchell took the men's marathon cup home.

After the final race that ends with apple bobbing, lots of totally soaked kids joined in the closing ceremony - the slow bicycle race won with great skill by Rupert Neve –and then replaced the expended energy with bar-b-q sausages and burgers.

LADIES OF REACH ASSOCIATION

LO.R.A. Festive Dinner

Friday November 28th

DYKES END

8.00p.m. for 8.30p.m.

The organising committee agreed it was a great games, if we kept records I am sure a few would have been broken in Usain Bolt or Michael Phelps style and without the assistance of any new technology. Human rights were not mentioned, there were no protesters or 'performance enhancing drug' scandals and we came in well under a small budget!

Huge thanks to:

Brian Pearson for line painting the 'track', Bidy and Andrew Neve for organising the bar-b-q, Susan Gillard for scoring, Helen Oliver and Andrew Towers for lots of help setting up and above all to my husband, David Thomas, who now realises just how good I am at delegating.

Juliet Vickery



Harry Oliver-Towers carrying the Reach Olympic Torch followed closely by George Hull



'Three dads in sack!' (from left to right) Andrew Neve, Graham Lingley and John Cane crossing the finish line

Numbers are again limited to 24 people for the event. The menu is printed below and the cost is £25.00 per head. We need to have cheques, payable to The Dykes End, together with menu choice by Friday 7th November. You can contact either Hilary or Karen as shown below. We suggest you use this page for your menu choice and write your contact details on the back of the cheque or envelope.

Starters

A fresh soup of spiced pumpkin with parsnip crisps (v)

Horseradish-cured gravadlax of salmon

A timbale of artichoke, potato and roast garlic with char-grilled peppers (v)

Seared breast of duck with a traditional haricot cassoulette

Main Courses

Roast Christmas turkey with traditional accompaniments

Rump of lamb, with a rosti of root vegetables and a star anise glaze

Winter vegetable, pearl barley and chestnut pie with a swede dauphinoise (v)

Pan fried halibut with butter sauce, fennel and confit of red peppers

To Finish

Christmas pudding and brandy butter

Duet of red and white wine-poached pears, vanilla cream and sloe-gin sauce

Baked chocolate and ginger cheesecake

A selection of cheeses and biccuits

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"Friends of Bottisham Village College" Proudly Present:

XMAS



CRAFT FAIR

Sunday, 30th November 2008

10 am - 4 pm

Bottisham Village College

FANTASTIC PRIZES

Paintings

Aloe Vera



Tombola

Cards

Wood Turning

Gifts

Jewellery



Xmas
Puddings

Preserves

Plants



Entrance £1.00

Accompanied children FREE



Winners of 'the games' and marathon cups from left to right back row: Andy Mitchell, Ben Snaith, Juliet Vickery front row :David Cane, Edward Neve, Freya Thomas, Charlotte Gillard, Maisey Snaith



Competitors of the Reach 2008 Olympics with their certificates and Torch bearer John Robinson, who donated cups to overall winners and runners up



Official Re-Opening of Bottisham Sports Centre

A Community Fun Day on Sunday 14th September saw the official re-opening of the Bottisham Sports Centre following a brief closure over the summer to enable exciting refurbishment and upgrading of the facilities to take place. The opening ceremony was carried out by Juliet Vickery, who is currently British, European and World Tri-Athlete in her age range, following an extremely successful season. Juliet lives in Reach and is looking forward to once again using the facilities at Bottisham as part of her demanding training programme.



The opening also marked the transfer of the management of the facilities from a dedicated team of Bottisham Swimming Pool Association Trustees to the governing body of Bottisham Village College. The governing body, on behalf of the local community, would like to thank the Trustees, past and present, for their commitment, hard work and enthusiasm over many years, in helping to ensure that we have first class swimming facilities on our doorstep.

Supported by a successful application for funding to Cambridgeshire County Council, a demanding programme of work took place during the summer holidays including:

- Internal and external decoration of the centre including new signage
 - Refurbishment of the Fitness suite and the installation of new fitness equipment
 - Refurbishment of the Sports Hall, Gymnasium and changing rooms
 - Of interest to younger readers the purchase of a bouncy castle, soft play equipment and pool inflatable for both fun sessions and birthday party bookings
- Last, but not least, the re-tiling and re-lining of the swimming pool itself.

The governors of Bottisham Village College see this as the beginning of an exciting stage in the development of these facilities, for the benefit of all members of the community. Dave Rayner, our recently appointed Sports Development Manager is very keen to hear from local sports associations, clubs and individuals to explore ways in which they would like to see the facilities develop in the future. The early feedback from both regular users and participants in the Community Fun day is extremely positive and we look forward to many more of you coming to use the facilities in the near future; you can be assured of a very warm welcome to these superb facilities.



QUIZ NIGHT
FRIDAY
10th OCTOBER 2008

7.30PM START

At
Bottisham Village College

TEAMS OF UP TO EIGHT

Tickets £8.00 each
Including supper

Tickets available from

01638 730169

01638 508133

Or

email: friends@bottishamvc.org