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Quendon & Rickling Parish and Church

NEWS

October 2023

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Recent Aerial View of Villages



Priest in Charge of the parish of Quendon and Rickling, Coordinating Chaplain Stansted Airport (2 days per week)

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From the Vicarage Study

Rev. Peter Allen,

Priest-in-Charge of Newport with Widdington, Quendon and Rickling.

A few Harvest thoughts from Rev Pete

Those of us fortunate enough to live cheek by jowl with those who work the land, produce dairy products, and breed animals for the table are probably in the minority within the UK. Most people cluster around town and cities, and apart from the occasional foray out into the countryside any contact with the farms and livestock is probably limited. The result of this, and that we are in the low single figures of the population in terms of church attendance in England and Wales, means the churches' annual celebration of Harvest is a minority event nowadays in terms of the numbers of adults who engage with it. I say adults because, in my experience of school work, the majority of infant and primary schools celebrate Harvest and try to make clear the connections between the provision of God, the work of food producers, and the process and work necessary to put food on our plates.

Despite all of the above, and maybe even more because of the above, it is important to reflect on the bounty of food we have access to and most importantly of all the One from whom all such food provision comes. A Harvest church service helps us to do just that whether we are a townie or country bumpkin. We may no longer be asked to bring along, in the same quantities, our vegetable patch produce that can then be distributed to those who may be in need of such good food, but we are still encouraged to bring along good staple food products that are in great demand within a population where the haves and have nots seems to be growing wider and wider.

Add all this together with the other issues celebrating Harvest raises and we can recognise that such an annual celebration gives us the opportunity to:

- Give thanks to God our creator and sustainer.
- Recognise the good and much needed work of those who work the land and with livestock and hear their stories.
- Think about our position and responsibility in the world of being a people of plenty who live amongst people who have very little.
- Bring an offering from our plenty for the benefit of those with little.
- Take the opportunity Harvest affords to determine to help others 52 weeks of the year and not just at Harvest.
- To come together in our churches, whether we are a person of faith, an agnostic, or of

no faith to recognise we have much to be thankful for.

This Harvest why not come along to one of the Harvest services in the churches of the local benefice of churches which are as follows.

Newport Sunday 1st October 9.30am

Widdington Sunday 1st October 11.15am

Quendon and Rickling Sunday Oct 8th 11.15am at Quendon church

All food gifts will be welcomed and delivered to organisations that work to support those in the wider community that are in need of food. Fresh produce will not be turned away but in terms of storage and shelf life good staples such as pasta, rice, tinned produce, and other food with a good shelf life are most welcome too.

Hopefully see you at one of Benefice Harvest services, Rev Pete

PS Newport church is hosting a **Dance through the Decades** event as part of its wider Harvest celebrations. Please see the poster for further details.

Church Services in the Benefice

Sunday 1st Oct

Newport 9.30am Harvest Celebration

Widdington 11.15am Harvest celebration

Sunday 8th Oct

Newport All Age Service 9.30am

Quendon Harvest Festival 11.15am

Sunday 15th Oct

Newport Communion Service 9.30am

Widdington Communion Service 11.15am

Sunday Oct 22nd

Newport Morning Worship 9.30am

Rickling Communion Service 11.15am

Sunday Oct 29th (A 5th Sunday in a month)

Benefice service at which all the churches come together at Widdington church 10am

Wednesday November 1st All Saints Day Memorial Service at Newport 6.30pm

If you wish the name of your loved one to be remembered and read out at this service please contact Rev Pete at revpete07@gmail.com or on 07878176551

Quendon & Rickling 100 Club

Congratulations to the September 2023 Winners

1st Prize L Chandler £32

2nd Prize C Holt £21

3rd Prize M Atlee £10

Quendon & Rickling 100 Club generates a source of funds for the Village Hall and both our two churches, All Saints, Rickling and St Simon & St Jude, Quendon.

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Parish Information

Welcome Packs

The Parish Council provides a Welcome Pack of information for new residents to the Village. If any newcomers to the village have not received a copy of the pack, do please let the Clerk know on the contact details below and a welcome pack will be provided. If an e-mail address is provided the pack can be sent digitally.

Allotments (part of the Quendon Hall Estate):

Peter Warwick, No.5 Thistley Crescent, Green Road, Rickling
Telephone: 01799 543526

Highway Problems

The Essex Highways website is available for anyone noticing a problem to report it: <http://www.essexhighways.org/Report-a-problem.aspx>

A tracking facility for all reported faults is available.

Contact our Parish Council

Details of Parish Council meetings may be found on the village web-site <https://www.quendonandrickling.co.uk> and on village notice boards. All are welcome to attend.

The Parish Clerk is Keith Williams

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Contact our District Councillors

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See also monthly report in every issue of *The Link*.

Contact our County Councillor

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Contact our Member of Parliament

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From the Parish Council Chair

Hello Villagers,

If you're reading this before Saturday 30th September then I'd urge you to come down to The Green for our Autumn Daze event from 1pm that day. As well as the opportunity to admire the horticultural talents on show in the Village Pumpkin Competition you can press and taste our fresh apple juice, and bring your own apples for pressing. There'll be a bouncy castle and many other stalls - food, drink and local businesses - to entertain! Many thanks to Sue Joannou for getting this organised, with Phil and Gari's help.

Also a belated thankyou goes out to Tony Dear for handling the great signage and posters for this event and previous ones - thanks for all your help, Tony!

Earlier in September a party of villagers set out on a Boundary Walk around the perimeter of the parish. Organised by Ljiljana Ortolja-Baird, Rob Timmins of Maces Farm accompanied us and was happy to answer questions and explain the business of the farms; it afforded us an opportunity to explore parts of the village normally off-

limits to the general public as well as showing us all footpaths never trodden before. Fortunately all those recently qualified First-Aiders didn't have an opportunity to make use of their new skills!

Sad to say, though, we bid farewell to Ljiljana now, however. Her work commitments mean she doesn't have the time to perform PC duties. Thanks, Ljiljana, for all your dedication and time spent setting up Speedwatch again, organising grants including the pond grant, grasping the defibrillator responsibility and providing challenge and thoughtfulness to our discussions.

Of course that means there's an opportunity for any villager to make their mark as a Councillor. Talk to any of us to find out more - detail of who we are is available on the website at <https://www.quendonandrickling.co.uk/parish-council/> - where you will also find contact details for Keith our Clerk to whom to apply. Come along and make a difference!

Meantime work on the Neighbourhood Plan progresses. Phil Sowter has been hard at work on the environmental extensions to the current plan, identifying local green spaces, validating and making more robust our proposed Locally Important Views (which contribute so much to the sense of place outside the built environment), and identifying and codifying the local heritage assets. This all feeds into the refreshed NhP which will be circulated in due course to the village for approval and adoption next year.

Later in autumn work will start on a partial clearance of Dell Pond (on the Green) and the pond on Brick Kiln Lane. The plan here is to dredge out and remove a proportion of the mud and reeds; not to remove it all, which provides a valuable habitat for smaller wildlife, but to expand the amount of clear water in order to encourage a wider biodiversity. This work is being funded by a zero-carbon grant from UDC. Many thanks to Paul Wilsher, our environmental co-opted authority, for pursuing this project and managing our end of the work.

No news yet of Call for Sites decisions. The Reg18 document listing the initial proposed sites for development in Uttlesford is due for publication in October-November so we'll be keeping a keen eye out for that. The initial publication is for consultation in the community on the sites chosen.

A sliver of information on the permitted development at Bradleys Barn. It appears that it will only be in summer 2024 that any work will commence on this conversion of the barn into five properties by Pegasi.

You may have heard "our" Gari Spearpoint playing his tenor horn outside the pub in August. This was the first incarnation of a village brass group, led by David Clulow, who are booked to provide the musical accompaniment to the next PC event - Christmas Lights switch-on, Friday 1st December, at the Cricketers Arms. With Jim the cob and his carriage back for a second year, and a redoubtable Father Christmas, it promises to be memorable!

That's all for now but perhaps I'll see you pressing apples on the 30th at Autumn Daze

- or else may I wish you good fortune over Autumn: season of mists and mellow fruitfulness!

Tom Duncan.

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District Councillors' Report

General

There is no Council “recess” in August and several meetings were held including a Full Extraordinary Council Meeting, a Cabinet, the Investment Board, a Scrutiny Meeting and a meeting of Stansted Airport Advisory Panel. Of course, the usual Planning and Licensing Committee meetings were held – Planning is every month of the year without fail.

For those of us with portfolio responsibilities the six Cabinet Members meet informally on a fortnightly basis throughout the year with officers, typically to go through forthcoming business. Meetings alternate between the conference facilities at Little Canfield, where the bin lorries are based, and the Walden office.

A meeting has also been held with the Department of Levelling Up, Housing & Communities in support of UDC’s forthcoming request to the Secretary of State, Michael Gove, to “de-designate” UDC. This would bring all major planning applications (eg of more than 10 houses) back to UDC, instead of having the current option of applying directly to the Planning Inspectorate. Further news on this is anticipated shortly.

The draft Local Plan

In the week beginning 30 October a draft plan should be published proposing policies and setting out where in the District potential development might be permitted. The Local Plan should identify, in general outline, areas where additional housing, sites for businesses and other infrastructure (including schools and health facilities) can or cannot be located during the Plan period, which will run until 2041. It should include detailed policies on the environment, landscape, heritage and many other updated topics and against which individual planning applications will be decided.

The Government requires Uttlesford to plan for about 700 additional houses every year on average during the Plan period, going towards its national annual build target of 300,000 additional homes. Despite all the talk this requirement has not yet been dropped, and a new government may reinstate it.

Residents will be able to comment on this draft and make submissions on it during the six-week period after publication. This stage is known as Regulation 18 and once all the input on the draft is considered and considered, then in Summer 2024, an updated version (Regulation 19) will be submitted for the Planning Inspectorate to begin its work.

Neighbourhood Plan

This is progressing rapidly and is a refresh of the current Plan. To illustrate where new

housing may or may not go some drone photos have been taken including the one on the front cover of this magazine.

The list of Heritage Assets has been reviewed and some additions will be requested to the UDC list, including the finger post. Green Spaces to be protected have been identified and letters are going to inform the landowners of the intention.



Housing site assessments have been done, and landowners written to for those sites not already in the Local Plan Call for Sites.

A meeting has been held with consultants AECOM to work on types and sizes of houses needed, and the overall housing number will come from UDC to be in accord with the new Local Plan.

A public consultation on housing and all the other matters is planned for October. It could be still two years before we have a Local Plan and the intent is to press on with the Neighbourhood Plan update as soon as possible.

Bin collections

The 2021 census showed that we have 10000 more people in the district than in 2011. Additionally, Essex moved the transfer station, where UDC trucks pass their contents to Essex who are the Waste Authority, from Dunmow to Braintree. So, as well as more houses to service, our crews are typically driving to and from Braintree twice on every shift. This has put the service under stress. An IT system is used to optimise the rounds and various improvements made, but further options are being considered. This of course includes adding an extra round to the ten existing ones, but this has significant cost.

You will not be surprised that the council tax covers only about 35% of UDC running costs and so the extra households are a financial disadvantage and the extra income doesn't easily cover services like the refuse collections.

UDC Investments and finances

To cover the government restriction on council tax increases a proportion of UDC's income is derived from rents from commercial property. All of these, apart from Chesterford Research Park (described here as Aspire – a company wholly owned by UDC), have been acquired since 2019.

The commercial assets are listed here, and tenants include Waitrose, Amazon, B&Q, Aldi, Weston Homes, MOOG. Chesterford Research Park is a 50/50 Joint

Asset No.	Asset	Acquisition Price	Rent p.a.	Yield
		£	£	%
1	Loan to Aspire (CRP) Ltd	60,656,500	2,796,057	4.61
2	Skyway House, Takeley	20,000,000	1,128,000	5.64
3	1 Deepark Road, Livingston	4,758,374	372,548	7.83
4	Regional Distribution Centre, Chorley	54,608,773	2,840,000	5.20
5	Stane Retail Park – Phase 1	27,004,322	1,784,024	6.61
6	Distribution Warehouse, Gloucester	42,692,000	2,293,433	5.37
7	Headquarters, Tewkesbury	37,749,262	1,667,000	4.42
	Total	247,469,231	12,881,069	5.21

Venture with the insurance giant Aviva and is let to scientific and bio research enterprises (thus forming part of the South Cambridge science cluster). The latest valuation of the portfolio shows it to be worth £32m more than was paid for it. At the Full Council Meeting held in August, mentioned above, a proposal for further funding of £21.06m was passed in order to finance UDC's 50% share (i.e., with Aviva meeting their matched share to invest a further £21m) in the highly successful Chesterford Research Park. This is to fund a solar power plant making a significant contribution to our net-zero goal at UDC and to build 55,000 square feet of bespoke office and laboratory accommodation in one of the most dynamic markets in the UK to bring more local, well-paid jobs to Uttlesford residents and revenue towards council services.

Many will have seen in the press over the summer reports about the difficulties which some councils (Thurrock and Woking particularly) have got into. There are no similarities between the policies and procedures of those councils and UDC since precautionary policies and measures were always put in place and applied at UDC, while none of these existed or were not applied at Thurrock and several at Woking were absent. We have also carried out a comparison of our procedures and this has been reviewed by the Investment Board.

RAAC concrete

When the crisis broke UDC stepped up immediately to accommodate pupils and teachers of one school in temporary class room facilities set up within the UDC main building in Saffron Walden. In the event, that fortunately proved to be unnecessary. However, there is RAAC within the roof structure of the squash courts at the Lord Butler Leisure Centre. This has been known for some time and the facilities were closed several months ago to allow a thorough evaluation, risk assessment and determination as to possible remedial measures. The courts remain closed until those tasks have been completed, and the latest news is that the required works are not as extensive as first feared.

Councillor Surgeries

These are in Dorringtons every Friday from 10.30 to 11.30. If we must cancel these, we will post on the village facebook.

Our contact details are:



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Other News from Uttlesford District Council

You can get email newsletters and alerts on a whole range of topics via Keep me posted – sign up and find out more at www.uttlesford.gov.uk/keepmeposted.

Rickling/Quendon Community Café

Quendon & Rickling Village Hall,
Quendon CB11 3XQ



Fun Bingo

Wednesday 18th October
Coffee Morning
10.00-12.00am
Please contact:
Angie 01799 218061

Crafty Christmas Event

Hi everyone we are holding a Crafty Christmas event in the village Hall on Saturday 28th October 2023 at 2-5pm.

Do we have any crafty people in the village who would like to be part of this event? Would you like a large table £10.00 or a small table £5.00 to sell your craft. If so contact me on 07552 748367 or 01799 218061

We have teas and coffees and lots of great things for Christmas. Look forward to hearing from you. Angie Hutton

07874-385541



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In August the Garden Group paid a special visit to Heyrons, High Easter, a former farmyard and barn converted into a house and garden, a 45 year labour of love. The house looks onto a beautiful walled courtyard with glimpses, through an archway, of the gardens. These comprise mature trees under planted with herbaceous borders, a rose garden, a former lawn tennis court, a dry garden and views across the Essex countryside.

The group were welcomed and put at ease by their hosts, Catherine and Richard Wollaston. On their tour Richard explained how each part had developed according to family



need and enthused over plans for the future - the next being the creation of a wild life pond which the Group hopes to see on a future visit. Afterwards they lingered over a hugely generous tea with seemingly endless supplies of cakes.

What a great morning! Our fourth Saturday Seminar this year, August 19th, with Professor Patrick Parrinder, was a huge sell out success. H.G.Wells, Utopian, English novelist, journalist, sociologist and historian, best known for his science fiction novels such as The Time machine and The War of the Worlds, was also a prolific writer of

many other novels and short stories. He grew from shop work apprentice to world famous author. He was a larger than life character, influential and energetic, reaching in his lifetime, what would now be worldwide rock star fame. Our next Saturday Seminar, on 14th October, will be “An Introduction to Venetian Painting” with Jo Brooks. Details on the website.

The speaker at the October 19th General Meeting will be Ian Currie, Fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society. Ian is a full time weatherman, broadcaster, columnist, editor of the Weather Eye magazine and runs a website www.frostedearth.co.uk which includes daily weather forecasts. His talk is called "Gales, Green-houses and Global Warming".



THE HUNDRED PARISHES SOCIETY

www.hundredparishes.org.uk

Thatch has been used as a roofing material for thousands of years. It was once common in rural areas because the material was cheap and readily available. Now, a thatched roof is much more expensive but the skill of the thatcher can still be seen throughout The Hundred Parishes.

A thatcher undertakes a five-year apprenticeship with a master thatcher before becoming a master thatcher himself. Most properties in the UK use either long straw, wheat reed or water reed. Many thatched properties are listed and when



re-thatching is needed there is a requirement to use the same type of material as before.

Securing Long straw

In medieval times wheat grew to nearly 6 feet tall, while today's modern farming methods produce shorter-stemmed wheat and this has weakened the straw and its longevity. Now



Work in progress

specialist growers produce taller-stemmed varieties, grown especially for thatching.

There is some debate about the longevity of a thatched roof. To some extent, life expectancy relates to the material used, but it is also dependent on factors such as pitch, orientation and air circulation. A good thatch will typically last from 20 to 50 years, providing excellent insulation. The ridge, along the top of the roof, will last between 10 and 20 years, so requires more frequent attention.

Traditionally a new layer of material is laid over the seasoned roof; this is called “spar coating”. The bundles of straw taken up onto the roof are called “yelms”. Twisted



hazel sticks known as “spars” or “gads” are used to secure the thatch in place. A thatcher may mark his work by placing a distinctive straw finial on the ridge.



Thatch appears not only on houses. There are several thatched pubs, a thatched church at Duddenhoe End in the parish of Elmdon, and a partly-



thatched village hall in Ashdon.

Ken McDonald, Secretary

Letter to the Editor

I have enjoyed reading the farm news in the Link recently.

Having been born in the village many decades ago, I remember, as children spending most of our school holiday in the harvest fields. We knew the names of the beautiful shire horses and sometimes were allowed to lead them from heap to heap when collecting sheaves. We thought we were helping. It was a much longer job than working with a binder. My two older brothers were interested when the steam engine arrived for thrashing.

Many thanks to Mr Timmins.

Maureen Hawkins

Bowls Club

The outdoor bowls season has now ended and it has been a very successful year for the club. We have been promoted in both the Steeple Bumpstead and NW Essex leagues and in our first season in the Herts & Essex seniors league we achieved a creditable 4th place. Indoor short mat carpet bowls in the clubhouse on a Wednesday evening has started and is a good way to meet the club members, see our refurbished clubhouse and have a light-hearted friendly game, no experience needed.


Our social evenings in the club have started with a general social evening on every 2nd Friday of the month and social plus cash bingo on the 4th Friday, eyes down at 8.00. You don't need to be a bowler to have social membership and the benefits it offers are not least a licensed bar at club prices.

On the intervening Saturday we will be hosting another Race Night, Quizes and other special evenings. Details will be posted on the parish notice boards and Facebook.

We are also intending to hold an Xmas bazaar and craft fayre on the 16th December; any local clubs/societies or small businesses who would be interested in renting a space please contact Mandy Ingham (mandyingham1962@gmail.com).

For any other information about the club we will be at the Autumn Dayz event on the green.


Ray Hart (Ray-janice@hotmail.co.uk)



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Conductor Robert Hodge
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Violin Joo Yeon Sir

West Road Concert Hall
Saturday 14 October 2023 7.30pm

Tickets: £20 Adult, £10 Student, £6 under 14
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Saffron Walden Choral Society
Choir of St Peter's College, Oxford
Chameleon Arts Orchestra
Quintin Beer conductor

Catherine Hopper mezzo-soprano
Mark Wilde tenor
Sam Evans baritone

Saturday 18 November 2023, 7.30pm

Saffron Hall

Ticket Prices: £15, £25 & £33 Junior 25%, £10, £13 & £17
Tickets available from: www.saffronhall.com

Quendon Estate & Macs Farms

On Tuesday 5th September 2023 we officially reached the finish line of harvest 2023. It has certainly been a challenging year with a wet summer creating a number of difficulties and we also saw the impact the wet spring has had on our crops with lower yields and crop quality being less than previous years.

We would like to say thank you again to the local community for your understanding and cooperation throughout our harvest campaign.

Although one busy chapter of work reaches a close, we have already started on the next. Before we begin drilling our autumn crops, Anglian Water have been on farm to spread piles of biosolids (the large mole hills) on various parcels of land. This land has then been cultivated with our terrano to incorporate the biosolids into the soil to replenish nutrients.



We have also ploughed fields where next year's sugar



beet will be drilled. Other parcels of land have been cultivated and culti pressed to create a fine seed bed in readiness to plant next years crops.

Subject to the weather, we plan to start drilling our winter barley before the end of September and we will continue to plant our winter wheat and bean crops in October. One crop that is already in the ground is our oil seed rape and we have also planted a number of



fields with a forage cover crop which will be grazed off in the New Year ahead of planting Spring crops.

If you see us out and about whilst drilling, please do give us a wave. We kindly ask that if you watch us during the drilling campaign that you remain a safe distance away on public rights of way or on the roadside. Please also keep dogs under close control at

all times (on a lead preferably) should you see our machinery in the field or approaching along public rights of way.

We had a wonderful time participating in the Parish Boundary walk on the 16th September. Thank you to Ljiljana and Tom for organising and we look forward to a repeat in the future. We hope everyone who attended enjoyed the walk whilst learning more about the Quendon Estate and Maces Farms.

As part of our continued commitment to the local community, Mark Gemmill and I recently attended Rickling C of E Primary School to donate a range of new sports equipment to help with PE lessons and for the children to enjoy during break times. Whilst at the school we shared some crop samples from our harvest and handed round some sugar beet for the children to study. We are always happy to share information relating to the farm and the agricultural industry with local schools, so please do let us know if this may be of interest at another school in the locality.

Following the completion of harvest, we will be recommencing our community meetings with the first being Tuesday 26th September 2023 from 10am to 6pm at Maces Farms Office. If you would like to attend, please feel free to register by emailing RTimmins@pegasi.co.uk

Thank you again for the positive feedback regarding our information boards. A summer update will be released shortly so please do scan the QR codes when you are out on a walk.

Robert Timmins

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Emergency Life-saving

Should someone suffer a cardiac arrest or show symptoms of a heart attack e.g. pains in the chest, then your first action should always be to phone the ambulance service on 999. The service will refer you to our Automated External Defibrillator which is at the front entrance to Quendon & Rickling Village Hall. Another is sited outside Reception at the front of Rickling School. Anyone can save a life by using one of them until an ambulance arrives. In addition you can seek help from any of the volunteers listed below.



Name	Home Telephone	Locality
Robert Arnold	01799 543075	Northern end - Cambridge Road
Sandra Arnold	01799 543075	Northern end - Cambridge Road
Andrew Thomson	01799 543253	Northern end - Cambridge Road
Karen Thomson	01799 543253	Northern end - Cambridge Road
Chris Phillips	01799 542351	Middle - Cambridge Road
Sue Phillips	01799 542351	Middle - Cambridge Road
Wendy Stannard	01799 541869	Middle - Cambridge Road
Ljiljana Ortolja-Baird	07793600697	Southern end
Paul Carrol	07889 344869	Southern end - Cambridge Road
Joanne Hales	07903 596011	Rickling Green
Janice Hart	01799 541196	Rickling Green/Brick Kiln Lane/Rickling
Ann Merrit	01799 542110	Rickling Green/Brick Kiln Lane
Tom Duncan	01799 541299	Brick Kiln Lane
Sue Joannou	07805 037586	Rickling Green
Jacolin Lampon	07710 281382	Southern End - Cambridge Road

For further information see www.communityheartbeat.org.uk/

Remember: Using the defibrillator can't cause injury. Doing nothing can.

What's On

Where no organiser is shown for any event in Q&R Village Hall, contact the Hall Manager,
Christine Osbourn on 01799 543367 for details

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes
Saffron Searchers	<i>1st Monday/month</i>	20.00-22.00	Q&R Village Hall	
Pilates	<i>Mondays</i>	09.00-10.00	Q&R Village Hall	Jan Crawley 07742 182272
Dance Exercise	<i>Tuesdays</i>	10.30-11.30	Q&R Village Hall	Christine Alexander
Community Café	<i>3rd Weds/month</i>	10.00-12.00	Q&R Village Hall	Angela 01799 218061/Carol 543807
U3A Choir	<i>Wednesdays</i>	11.15-13.15	Q&R Village Hall	
Carpet Bowls	<i>Wednesdays</i>	19.00	Quendon Bowls Club	David Soloman 07817248301
Social Evening	<i>2nd & 4th Fridays</i>	19.00-23.00	Quendon Bowling Club	
Macmillan Event	29th September	14.00-22.00	Cricketers Arms	
Autumn Daze	30th September	13.00 onwards	Rickling Green	
Harvest Festival	8th October	11.15	Quendon Church	
Holy Communion	22nd October	11.15	Rickling Church	
Crafty Christmas Event	28th October	14.00 -17.00	Village Hall	

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