

St Mary's Church Restoration Committee

The touring theatre company "This Is My Theatre"
presents Shakespeare's

A Midsummer Night's Dream

St Mary's Church - 30th May 2018 at 7.30 pm

*"I have had a most rare vision. I have had a dream,
past the wit of man to say what dream it was.
The woods outside Athens are truly bustling on this night!"*

Runaway lovers, mischievous fairies, their feuding King and Queen
and the rehearsals of a band of amateur actors make this one of
Shakespeare's most-loved plays.

Using the play's original language in combination with traditional
folk music played live, choral song and modern characterisation,
this beautiful adaptation will captivate audiences of all ages.

Tickets are available **online** at:
<https://www.thisismytheatre.com/a-midsummer-night-s-dream>

Bar and Raffle

As usual a busy month ahead of us. Of particular interest is the talk to the WI from Alan Gray MBE, a retired Wimbledon umpire. Hopefully he will provide witty anecdotes and an interesting insight into the world of the professional tennis player. Please also note the appeal for part-sponsorship below. Have a good month and let's hope it warms up a bit!



gamut - sponsorship

Sponsorship opportunities are now available to help with the production costs of gamut. If you or your company are interested in providing part-sponsorship, please contact the editor, details below. Many thanks.

On Friday, May 4th The Guilden Morden Football Club is looking to raise funds for new goals/nets and to refurbish the pitches. The idea is for a World Open Charity Golf Day that's open to all players to enter a four-ball team. The basis is the football team and the Edward Glue Pot players will play against everyone else. The entry fee will be £30 per person. Entry forms will be available from the Edward VII Pub. Further details next month.



The 17th ASHWELL FLEA MARKET
will be held in St. Mary's Church, Ashwell,
on Saturday, 24th March from 9.30 am - 1 pm

Many interesting and useful items for sale at bargain prices. Come and browse and pick up some bargains at this famous event! Tea and coffee available. Proceeds go to Church Restoration Appeal.

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Update on The Three Tuns

Another month has passed and the community group has still not been allowed access to the pub, despite having raised pledges, grants and loans to support our fully funded bid of £300,000. We repeatedly requested access to conduct surveys throughout the moratorium period, including when we submitted our offer on 19th January and again on 29th January. We also raised the issue of access with the estate agent during February.

Last month, many of you received a flyer circulated by the owner of The Three Tuns stating that she is prepared to consider selling the pub to GMCPL for £325,000, subject to a covenant on future use and a rapid timescale for completion. **We would like to make it clear that GMCPL has not discussed or agreed to any of these terms with the owner.**

While we welcome the suggestion that the owner would consider selling the pub to the community, we can only move forward if we are able to undertake surveys to assess the condition of the building and quantify the potential refurbishment costs required. The cost of repairing and refurbishing The Three Tuns is likely to be considerable. The building is Grade 2 listed and has been unoccupied for over five years, and over the last 15 years it has only been temporarily lived in by a caretaker who was there for a few months in 2013.

There is no scope for us to proceed until we are allowed access in order to undertake suitable surveys. We have a responsibility to those of you who have committed pledges to enable the community to buy the pub. We also have to satisfy the requirements of the government-backed scheme to support rural pubs which is providing the grants and loans that we need. The grant and loan providers require professional surveys to be completed before they provide the funds. We could only justify revising our offer if we had a more accurate assessment of the potential refurbishment costs involved.

The Three Tuns Community Group: Colin Beales, Alan Boyd, Nick Buckland, Marian Chapman, Dr James Fettiplace, Mike Greenstein, John Harrison, Doug Johnston, Ken Lock, Dennis Tear (Chair)

Email: thethreetunsguildenmorden@gmail.com

Please PLEDGE online - www.thethreetunsguilden.co.uk

Home Start

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Royston & South Cambridgeshire

CÉILIDH EVENING

SATURDAY 17TH
MARCH 2018



Live entertainment from

**the
CYRACS**

Join us at:

Melbourn Village College, The Moor, Melbourn, SG8 6EF

Doors open at 7.15pm to start at 7.30pm

Tickets £15 to include supper - sausage or burger

Vegetarian option available

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To book your tickets please call our Home-Start office
on 01763 262262, email admin@hsrsc.org.uk or online through
www.ticketsource.co.uk/hsrsc

Charity No 1105385



**THE LENT LUNCH
IS ON WEDNESDAY 7TH MARCH
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, GILDEN MORDEN**

12.30 for 1 o'clock

**Join us for:
A choice of delicious home-made soups,
bread and cheese and coffee or tea.**

Tickets £7.50 available from:

**Pat Holroyd 853742
Jill Hillman 853400
Steeple Morden Post Office**

Easter Cards, General Cards, Raffle and Bring and Buy



Thursday 15th March

Speaker: Allan Gray MBE

**Subject: "You cannot be serious!"
Tales of a Wimbledon Umpire, 1988 - 2012**

This will be an open meeting so that anyone can attend, male or female. There will be a charge of £3.50 for admission on the door.



**GILDEN MORDEN
CHERUBS CRICKET CLUB**



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY 2nd MARCH - 7.30 pm

AT THE EDWARD VII PUB, ALL WELCOME

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED
BY A FISH & CHIP SUPPER FOR THOSE
WHO WANT TO STAY ON AFTER THE MEETING.
(ORDER ON THE NIGHT)**



EVERYONE WELCOME, YOUNG AND OLD

Steeple Morden Bowls Club

(Situated behind the Village Hall)

24th March - Our usual Race Night 7 pm for 7.30 pm.

£10.00 entry, which includes a fish and chip supper.

This event is always popular so make sure you book your tickets early





Guilden Morden Social Supper Saturday 17th March



in the Congregational Chapel Schoolroom

Celebrate St Patrick's Day with an Irish-themed supper

Tickets are £7.50 per person to cover the cost of the food

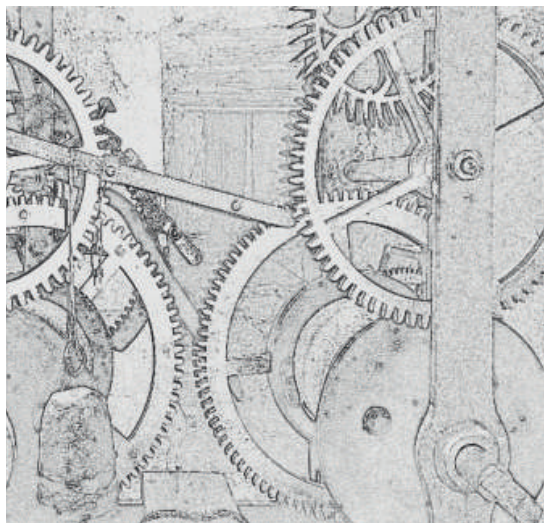
The ticket is an envelope to donate to our nominated charity
CALM - (the Campaign Against Living Miserably)

This is a charity dedicated to the prevention of suicide in young men.
Suicide is the single biggest killer of men under 45 in the UK.

<https://www.thecalmzone.net/>

If you would like a ticket, please email Janet on:

townsendstojc@btinternet.com



Church Clock Winding - Volunteers Needed

You are invited to join the Guilden Morden Church Clock Winding Team. Volunteers wind the clock once a day for one week, Monday to Sunday, once or twice a year on a rotational basis. Each wind takes around 5 to 10 minutes to complete. Full training will be given! If you are interested, please contact Hugh Murfitt via Church.Clock@celm.co.uk by 16th March 2018.



Wheels for Martin's Friends



The next quiz will be held on Thursday 29th March
Maximum of six people per team and £2.50 per team member.
7.30 pm for an 8 pm start at The Edward VII Pub - see you there!

congregational church diary

www.guildenmordencongregationalchurch.com

Sunday 4th Mar	10.30am Family baptism service led by Angus McCormick.
Monday 5th Mar	10.30-12.00am Men's Guild in the school room
Wed 7th Mar	9.00-11.30am Mix and Match Coffee Morning
Sunday 11th Mar	11.00am Mothering Sunday service at Littlington
Wed 14th Mar	9.00-11.30am Mix and Match Coffee Morning
Sunday 18th Mar	10.30am Joint service with St Mary's at the Chapel, led by Sandra Galton
Wed 21st Mar	9.00-11.30am Mix and Match Coffee Morning
Sunday 25th Mar	10.30am Palm Sunday service led by Chris Stirling
Wed 28th Mar	9.00-11.30am Mix and Match Coffee Morning
Fri 30th Mar	10.00am Good Friday Walk from the Chapel, finishing at St Mary's
Sunday 1st April	10.30am Café service for Easter Day, including an Easter Egg Hunt for the children. All welcome at this all-age service with coffee and croissants.

Thank you to everyone who came to our Christmas Eve service and donated so generously. We have been able to send a cheque for £200.84 to the Disasters Emergency Committee Rohingya Appeal.

100 Club Winners for January:

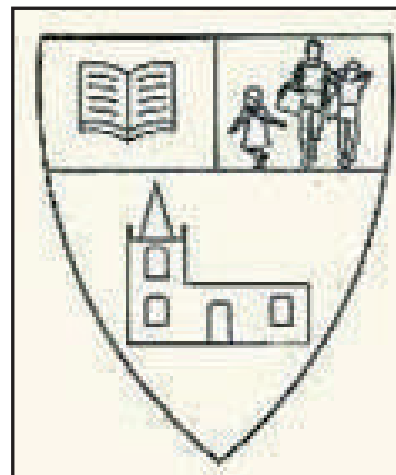
1st: (£15)	K.CATCHPOLE (29)	3rd: (£8)	J.TYNAN (28)
2nd: (£10)	J.WHISKIN (16)	CONGRATULATIONS!	

Thank you for your continued support

www.guildenmorden.gov.uk

Guilden Morden C of E Primary School

“Muffin Mayhem” was very popular in the school at the end of January as some of the pupils arranged a cake sale in aid of the Cancer Research Charity. They raised £47.22, well done to the “Muffin Mayhem” organisers and all those who bought and enjoyed the cakes. As well as selling, making and eating cakes, the pupils have been busy with their lessons and have been working really hard.



The school was fortunate to be accepted for the Tesco Bags for Help Award Scheme and many of you, when visiting Tesco in Royston during November and December, will have chosen to ‘vote’ for Guilden Morden School with your tokens. Many thanks to everyone, because the Headteacher was delighted to hear that the fundraising for outside play equipment was the most successful and the school will be receiving a grant award of £4,000. There is still some way to go to reach the target amount of £8,000 but the plans will be looked at again and it is hoped that new play equipment will be in place for the beginning of the next school year, or earlier if possible.

The pupils that attend Cool Club have been busy. They have enjoyed making pizzas for a snack and have been making bracelets and rings with loom bands. The Spanish Club continues to be popular; they have been learning the words for different parts of the face and have been writing descriptions of themselves in Spanish. They have also learned all about the ingredients for a pizza, i.e. queso, jamon, pan, piña, maiz and champiñon amongst others. They particularly enjoy the Spanish songs they have learned.

Parent Teacher Friend Association.

The PTFA have been busy this month preparing for the fitting of a safety grate over the school pond. It was all hands on deck on 28th January as we got to work strimming, weeding and clearing waste to ensure that the pond area was clear. We hope that the children will enjoy using this safe area now for pond-dipping and other nature-related activities. We will be asking for donations such as plants and seeds shortly so watch this space!

We are now looking forward to another busy month celebrating ‘World Book Day’ on 1st March with a cake and book sale and a Mother’s Day pop-up

shop in which the children can choose gifts and have them wrapped ready to take home for a special surprise.

Guilden Morden Pre-school

The pre-school has settled nicely into the New Year and our five new children are now settled and happy. We have been busy doing our normal craft activities and are looking at "our bodies" and "time" this term. We have done lots of work on phonics and number work.

The children love being outside so we play outside more now the weather is getting better and have planted lots of bulbs which are starting to grow. We have been celebrating Chinese New Year this week and the children have enjoyed dog craft activities as it is the year of the dog, they enjoyed learning to use chopsticks as well! We are open Mondays and Thursdays from 9:05 - 3:05pm and Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:05 - 1:05 pm.

The Morden Players
Present

"This England"

A sociable celebration of our green and pleasant land in words and music - sentimental, stirring and sublimely silly

Friday April 27th and Saturday April 28th
7.45pm at Steeple Morden Village Hall

Licensed bar
Tickets available early April

Gamut deadline is the 20th of the month

regular events

monday

Bell Ringers - practise at St Mary's Church. Contact Alan Boyd 852354.

Men's Guild - first Monday of each month. 10.30 to 12.00. All welcome.

Bridge Club - 7.30 pm at the GM Primary School. All abilities welcome. Please contact Trevor Osborne 852006 for more information.

tuesday

Mobile Library - first Tuesday of the month, St Mary's Church, 11.15-11.55 am.

wednesday

Over 60s Club - second Wednesday of the month, GM Village Hall 2.30 pm.

GM Local History Group - second Wednesday of the month at 7.30 pm in the Chapel schoolroom. Contact Geoff Harper on 853845.

Mix and Match - Toddler group and coffee morning - 09.30 to 11.30, in the Congregational Church schoolroom.

Provenance Kitchen - every first Wednesday at the Edward VII Pub. 6pm to 9pm.

Reading Group - third Wednesday of the month, 8 pm in the Edward VII Pub.

Morden Ruffians Bridge Club - every Wednesday at 7.30 pm in Steeple Morden Village Hall. Duplicate bridge in a friendly atmosphere. Visitors and novices welcome. Contact Peter Rice 01763 242577.

thursday

Mordens Fair Weather Cyclists - meet outside St Mary's Church 9.30 am. All abilities catered for and all welcome.

The Mordens WI - third Thursday of each month, Village Hall 7.30 pm.

friday

Pilates - every Friday, Village Hall, 9.30 to 10.30 am.

Bingo! - fortnightly, Village Hall, 8 pm to 10 pm.

sunday

Bingo! - Fortnightly in the Edward VII pub. Cash prizes and debacles from 8 pm.

Village Hall bookings? Contact Janet Townsend-Stojic on 01763 852824, or online at http://www.guildenmorden.gov.uk/GM_Village_Hall_Booking.html



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ST MARY'S CHURCH



Guilden Morden

Saturday 10th March

11 am – 2 pm

There's been some interest from the village to de-clutter and St Mary's is also really keen to offer the church as a venue for refreshments as well as sell various donated items.

RESERVE YOUR TABLE

So, why not bring your things along to St Mary's? Pitches are available in church for anyone wishing to sell their items there. A table will be provided and space for a single hanging rail. A voluntary donation of £5 can be made to St Mary's.

**** Please get in touch if you would like to reserve a table; tables are limited. ****

RESERVE THE DATE

If you haven't got items to sell then come along and snap up a bargain. You never know what you'll find! Alternatively just come along, meet your friends and enjoy the tea, coffee and delicious cake that'll be on offer!

We look forward to seeing you, buyer or seller, on the day.

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~ De-clutter ~



~ FOR SALE ~



~ Spring Clean ~

