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THE GUILDEN MORDEN VILLAGE NEWSLETTER



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Editorial

If you're planning an event in the forthcoming months, please send me your advert and I'll publish it in the next edition.

September deadline - 25th August.

Have a great month!

Mike Allton - Editor

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Parish Council Meetings

Guilden Morden Parish Council meets approximately every four weeks in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm on the third Monday of each month.

The meetings alternate between full meetings and planning meetings.

The next meetings are:

August 18 - planning meeting

September 15 - full meeting

If you would like to become a member of the Parish Council, please contact the clerk, Ben Stoehr, at the email address shown on this page.





Support and friendship
for families

We're delighted to invite you to another unmissable Home-Start Royston, Buntingford & South Cambridgeshire event – our Literary Afternoon Tea with bestselling author and former senior homicide detective **Russell Wate**.

Russell is back, by popular demand, to share his fascinating insights and experiences from his incredible career. From solving high-profile cases to writing gripping crime fiction like the DCI Alexander McFarlane series.

This talk - **“How to Catch a Murderer”**- promises to be a truly captivating look into the world of major crime investigations, all told with his trademark authenticity and expertise.

Join us on Thursday, 21st August at the Seth Ward Community Centre, Buntingford (SG9 9SG).

Your £15 ticket includes a delicious afternoon tea from **2 pm**, followed by an engaging chat and Q&A with Russell.

It's the perfect way to spend a summer afternoon; great company, and a fascinating speaker - all in support of the vital work we do helping local families.



We are a small, friendly group of ladies meeting on the third Thursday of the month, usually in Guilden Morden Village Hall at 7.30 pm. We have a wide variety of activities to choose from and interesting speakers throughout the year.

If you would like to join us at any of our meetings, or to know more about The Mordens WI, please contact Joyce on 01763 852087. Transport can be arranged.



Royston, Buntingford
& South Cambridgeshire

HOME-START NEEDS YOU!!!

"We are there for parents when they need us the most because childhood can't wait."

Are you a mum, dad, grandparent or carer wondering what to do with your free time? We need local people with your experience to become a Family Support Volunteer for our charity.



"The course was brilliant more than expected and I feel very valued as a volunteer!!"

We are looking for volunteers to help out at one of our Family Support Groups, helping parents and children under 5 to socialise, learn through play and navigate the highs and lows of parenthood.

Our next Family Group training session will take place at the beginning of September 2025.

This training will provide you with all the knowledge you'll need to help at one of our Family Support Groups and you will become part of the fantastic Home-Start team.

- ♥ In 2024/25, our volunteers supported a total of 246 children
- ♥ Our volunteers say helping others helps to reduce their own stress
- ♥ Our volunteers give an average of 3 hours of their free time per week to support local families

You could be the vital support a family needs to help change their life, and while you're doing it, it might just change yours!

For more information, telephone 01763 262262,
visit www.hsrsc.org.uk/become-home-start-volunteer or
email: admin@hsrsc.org.uk.

HSRBSC: embedding diversity, equality and inclusion into everything we do in our community.

Home-Start Royston, Buntingford & South Cambridgeshire

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ASHWELL AND BASSINGBOURN PATIENTS GROUP

At present, we have a full complement of Gps. However, we are currently without any usual registrars. Our surgery is a teaching practice which regularly hosts young doctors who, having completed their medical studies, must spend a supervised period of time in surgeries qualify as GPs.



Dr Hasham and Dr Hussain are our accredited trainers. These registrars offer additional appointment sessions to our practice. However, for the time being none are available.

In the meantime we are seeking to appoint a second Advanced Skills Practitioner to join Nurse Margaret in providing extra consultations. We are also looking for a GP's assistant to relieve our doctors of time-consuming administrative duties, so they can concentrate more on patient contact.

We have recently become aware of a problem encountered by patients trying to renew prescriptions online. If they have unwittingly missed their renewal date, they are unable to renew their prescriptions. Surgery policy is to alert patients to their renewal date **two months** before it is due and our dispensing team will seek to do this. This gives patients plenty of time to organise blood tests, if these are required. However, patients are requested to check and respect their renewal date, as doctors are legally required to do these checks before a renewable prescription can be authorised.

Ashwell Frailty Hub is thriving! It meets every Thursday afternoon in the URC Hall and offers supervised physical exercise, plus a chance to socialise. There is no need to book this service, please just turn up.



Would You, or Someone You Know, Benefit from Wellbeing Support?

Care Network Cambridgeshire's wellbeing service offers free, short-term support for adults (18+) in South Cambs who may be struggling with confidence, isolation, illness, or low mood.

Our friendly team can provide one-to-one support and match individuals with trained volunteers who can offer companionship through phone calls or by accompanying them to access the community. Support is tailored over six to eight sessions, helping people regain independence and feel more connected.

Making a referral is easy. Just visit care-network.org.uk/wellbeing or contact us at wellbeing@care-network.org.uk or call us on 0330 094 5750.

Guilden Morden Congregational Church Diary

www.guilden-morden-congregational-church.weebly.com

Every Friday at 10.00am in the Chapel you are also welcome to join an informal gathering of those praying for our villages and our world.

- Sunday 3rd August** **10.30am** Café style service. Come and join us for croissants and coffee in our relaxed style of worship. All welcome.
- Monday 4th August** **10.30 – 12.00** Men's Guild
 9.30 - 11.30am Open Church. Come and have a chat with our minister, Tony
- Wed 6th August** **9.00 – 11.00am** Fun4Tots
- Sunday 10th August** **11.00am** Joint at Litlington Congregational Church led by Mr Peter Godbert
- Wed 13th August** **9.00 – 11.00am** Fun4Tots
- Sunday 17th August** **See Church notice board for information**
- Wed 20th August** **9.00 – 11.00am** Fun4Tots – 10 years Reunion
- Sunday 24th August** **See Church notice board for information**
- Wed 27th August** **9.00 – 11.00am** Fun4Tots
- Sunday 31st August** **10.30am** Family Communion

Other Group Meetings:

Bridge Club	Mondays at 19.30
Community Choir	Mondays at 19.00 for a 19.30 start
History Group	First Wednesday of the month, alternating between SM Village Hall and GMCC
Knit and Natter	Second and fourth Tuesday of the month
Photographic Club	19.00 to 21.00, last Tuesday of the month
Needle Bees	Every second Thursday

Home Group Zoom and face-to-face meetings - Tuesdays at 8 pm
Contact Emily for details emilymwilkinson@doctors.org.uk

Anyone wishing to book the rooms for social activities please contact Gina Ferrari ginaferrari57@gmail.com

Friendship Run

Sun 17 Aug 2025,

Steeple Morden

From Steeple Morden Recreation Ground from 10am



Families welcome

Entry Fee:

1km £3 | 5km £6

10km £12

Proceeds to charity

1km, 5km and 10km runs

Scan to
register



Fundraising for

YOUNGMINDS

Other upcoming events from SCRCC include
Run Bike Run Mini - 21 Sept
Quiz Night - 17 Oct | Santa Fun Run - 14 Dec



Visit our website
for details

