

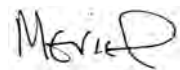
Dear Readers

Summer can't seem to make up its mind whether to stay or go so it has been coat on, coat off all this month! That old saying about not casting clouts in May seems to be absolutely right this year.

The next issue of MADNews will cover July AND August so if you have any events coming up over the summer, you'll need to get them in by 20th June (midsummer!).

I was very interested to read the report from the Guides this month about their new "Whild Tent" (page 7). If something exciting (or just ordinary!) happens at your group, let everyone know by writing an article – sharing news and stories keep us all in touch.

Until next time .



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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Annual Meeting of Council

At the annual meeting of the Council, Mr. Malcolm Denton was elected Chairman for the forthcoming year and Mr. David Walton as Vice-Chairman. Mr. William Cumber will represent the parish on the Hills Aggregates Liaison Committee. This Committee acts as a forum for discussion on the operation of the gravel and sand extraction sites at the northern end of the parish. An exhibition was held last month in Appleton regarding the site workings of this company and a probable planning application for sand extraction on the Eastern side of the A338 near Upwood Park. The Council will be keeping a close eye on likely developments and the impact on the parish.

Play Area

A formal opening of the play area is being planned for Tuesday afternoon 10th June. A substantial funding contribution towards the costs of the new equipment and fencing was awarded by Waste Recycling Environmental. Cllr. Jane Hanna, the District Councillor for the Ward has kindly agreed to perform the opening.

Best Kept Front Garden Competition

Judging for this year's competition will take place during the fortnight 14th – 27th June. This will be front gardens only. Final round judging will take place during the first 2 weeks of July.

MARCHAM PARISH COUNCIL 2008 Clerk

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Members of the public are able to address the Council, but should notify the Clerk, whose details appear above, of their intention to do so, by 9.00 a.m. on the day prior to the Council meeting.

Calor Village of the Year Competition

In view of the village, in last year's competition being highly commended, a decision was made to enter this year's competition. The competition is divided into seven sections on communication, caring communities, access to services, local activities and enjoyment, business, environment and the future of the village. All entries are considered in June with a shortlist being prepared for final judging in July. For those in the final round, the villages send up to 3 representatives to meet the judges and present a display table showing village life.

Village Crime Statistics

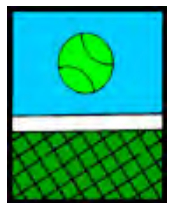
At the May Council meeting, Mr. Denton, Chairman of the Neighbourhood Action Group gave the crime statistics for Marcham. 44 offences had been reported to the Police during the year April 2007 to March 2008 including vehicle crime, burglary, criminal damage and theft. The contact details of the Council members can be found on the Council's noticeboard outside the Institute.

Date of Next Council Meeting:

Wednesday 11 June at 7.30pm. in the residents' lounge, Duffield Place.

Clerk to the Council: Mrs. L. Martin, 90 Howard Cornish Rd, 01865 391833

MARCHAM TENNIS ASSOCIATION NEW SEASON 2008 - 2009



The locks to the courts have now been changed. If you wish to join the association for the year and missed the sign-up sessions, please contact Meriel on 01865 391725.

Membership fees for 2008- 2009 are unchanged at:

Family	£44
Adult	£22
Junior (under 18 years)	£14

WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN



Thames Water launched a draft Water Resources Management Plan on 7 May 2008. There will be public consultation exhibitions at the following venues locally:

East Hanney War Memorial Hall

Friday 6 June 12-9pm

Saturday 7 June 9am - 6pm

More about the PLAN can be found at

www.thameswater.co.uk/wrmp

More about the RESERVOIR can be found at

www.thameswater.co.uk/utmrld

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