



Upwood & The Raveleys Newsletter

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Kevin and Jane Kirby celebrated 10 years of running the Cross Keys PH this summer and the editorial team wanted to acknowledge the contribution the pair have made to village life by asking them to talk a little about their time in Upwood. Read more about Jane and Kevin's 10 year anniversary on p7.

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DIARY OCTOBER / NOVEMBER

Date	Day	Event	Time	Place / Contact
30 Sep	Sun	Harvest Festival & Lunch	am	St Peter's Church
30 Sep	Sun	Quiz Night	7:00pm	Cross Keys PH
2 Oct	Tue	Book Lovers Evening Group	7.30pm	Cross Keys PH
5 Oct	Fri	Cross Keys Golf Day		Lakeside Lodge, Pidley
6 Oct	Sat	Upwood Art Group - Still Life	10:00am	Frances (711411)
6 Oct	Sat	Meet and Munch	1:00pm	Contact Mags (812424)
7 Oct	Sun	Morning Prayer	9:30am	St Peter's Church
10 Oct	Wed	Book Lovers' Morning Group	10.30am	Cross Keys PH
12 Oct	Fri	Matt Strafford Duo	9:00pm	Cross Keys PH
13 Oct	Sat	Upwood Art Group – Life Model	10:00am	Village Hall - Frances (711411)
14 Oct	Sun	Holy Communion	9:30am	St Peter's Church
15 Oct	Mon	Upwood & The Raveleys Fete AGM	8.00pm	Village Hall
18 Oct	Thurs	R & D Garden Club – Gardening at Chelsea	7.00pm	Ramsey Community Centre (Ian 710702)
19 Oct	Fri	Custard Comedy	7.45pm	Village Hall (Doug 814114)
20 Oct	Sat	Upwood Art Group – Group Project	10:00am	Village Hall - Frances (711411)
21 Oct	Sun	Open the Book 'Family Service'	9:30am	St Peter's Church
27 Oct	Sat	Upwood Art Group – Abstract Painting	10:00am	Village Hall - Frances (711411)
28 Oct	Sun	Holy Communion	9:30am	St Peter's Church
29 Oct	Mon	Home to Home	8.00pm	Village Hall
30 Oct	Tue	Quilters - Trip to Threads and Patches		Village Hall (Caroline 813455)
3 Nov	Sat	Art Group Mount Cutting and Framing	10:00am	Village Hall - Frances (711411)
3 Nov	Sat	Meet and Munch	1:00pm	Contact Mags (812424)
4 Nov	Sun	Morning Prayer	9:30am	St Peter's Church
10 Nov	Sat	Upwood Art Group – Individual Works	10:00am	Village Hall - Frances (711411)
11 Nov	Sun	Holy Communion	9:30am	St Peter's Church
17 Nov	Sat	Exhibition – Art, Craft & Collectables	10:00am	Village Hall - Frances (711411)
18 Nov	Sun	Family Service with The Bishop of Ely	9:30am	St Peter's Church
19 Nov	Mon	Ramsey & District Garden Club AGM	7.30pm	Community Centre, Ramsey
20 Nov	Tues	Book Lovers Evening Group	7.30pm	Cross Keys PH
21 Nov	Wed	History Gp – Dining through the Ages	7.45pm	Village Hall (Ian 710702)
25 Nov	Sun	Holy Communion	9:30am	St Peter's Church
26 Nov	Mon	Home to Home	8.00pm	Village Hall
30 Nov	Fri	Opera Dudes – Licensed to Trill	7.45pm	Village Hall (Doug 814114)
Future Events				
1 Dec	Sat	Meet and Munch – Village Hall	1:00pm	Contact Mags (812424)
3 Dec	Mon	Panto Box Office Opens	6.30pm	Doug 814114
15 Dec	Sat	Christmas Tree Festival:	10 – 5.00	St Peter's Church – Anne Marie (812195)

Deadline for the December Issue is the 15th November

PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH CLERK:

The October PC Meeting will be the last attended by Tess Rogers who has decided that the workload is too great given her other duties elsewhere in the District. We would like to thank Tess for the friendly and professional way in which she has carried out her role and give her our best wishes for the future.

We have been fortunate in finding an excellent replacement for Tess who will start her duties in November. Her name is Claire Tunnicliffe and she is currently Clerk to Kings Ripton Parish and was formerly Assistant Clerk to Huntingdon Town Council.

PLAYING FIELD:

Thank you for the response. The following uses of the playing field have been identified. Young children accompanied by parents have space to play football, fly kites, and throw Frisbees. It is an ideal place for learning to ride a bicycle as the landing is soft and there is a slight slope. Some families have also mowed a strip for playing cricket. This summer one of the Olympic Quest challenges was sited there.

A request has been made for dogs to be allowed to run free there (at present no dogs except guide dogs are permitted on the field). Another request has been for permission to site two or three wooden skateboard ramps there. These suggestions are being considered and also the need for more frequent grass cutting.

PARISH PLAN:

The Council are beginning to discuss the creation of a Parish Plan for Upwood and The Raveleys which will address the future of land use, recreation areas, amenities and the environment within the whole Parish.

Mike Barnes from Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) will attend the next Parish Council Meeting on 1st October to explain community-led planning and how it can be adopted in our Parish.

PLASTIC RECYCLING:

Huntingdon DC has announced that everything from yoghurt pots and margarine tubs to shampoo and milk bottles can be recycled. Clean plant pots, trays from meat, vegetables and fruit, trays from biscuit and chocolate boxes, bottle tops, soup and noodle pots, tubs for dishwasher and laundry tablets can all be recycled. NOT SUITABLE are hard plastic toys and household items, plastic film, plastic bags, expanded polystyrene, bubble wrap, food waste and shredded paper.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY 1ST OCTOBER. 7.00PM All welcome.

UPWOOD AND THE RAVELEYS FETE

At the AGM on Monday 15th October, to be held at the Village Hall, we will be announcing the awards of the grants from the money raised this year at the fete, as well as discussing ideas for the 2013 fete. The current committee would really welcome your input as this a real community event.

I would really like to also appeal to anyone who could spare us a few hours over the year to help out on the committee (many hands make light work). The committee meets every 6 weeks or so to plan, but it is not a huge commitment and without the support of committee members this great traditional event won't happen. Hope to see lots of you on the 15th.

Andrew Peck - Chair: Upwood & The Raveleys Village Fete Committee

UPWOOD AND THE RAVELEYS HISTORY GROUP

This friendly group meets at 7.45pm in Upwood Village Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of every second month. We have a programme of talks largely relating to local history although, in some cases, we extend our talks more broadly. We also arrange visits to places of local historical interest.

On the 21st November we will be having a talk by Fiona Lucraft entitled "Dining at Christmas through the Ages". She is a very entertaining and knowledgeable speaker and this would be a great opportunity to come as a visitor to experience our meetings. We are trying to develop a time-line to demonstrate the history of the villages. Information collected will be available at the meetings and if you have any further information that might be included please contact Judith Harvey (710219 or harveyj874@gmail.com).

New members are welcome as are visitors to individual meetings. Please contact Ian Gaunt (710702 or ian.gaunt@care4free.net).

MEET AND MUNCH

With the approach of autumn and the cooler months, Meet & Munch reverts back to 1.00pm for lunches in Upwood Village Hall. We are a friendly group who get together to "Meet & Munch" and all Upwood & The Raveleys residents of 55+ are very welcome. No meetings in January or February as the Village Hall is unavailable. If interested contact Mags on 812424 or Jean on 813742.

HOME TO HOME

Home to Home Ladies Group meets on the last Monday of each month, usually in the Village Hall, at 8pm. There is a varied programme of events and activities to suit all ages. Membership costs £10 a year to include light refreshments. Visitors are always welcome, as are new members.

On the 26th November there will be a craft evening when members will be shown how to make a variety of Christmas decorations. This is a "fun" event and the wonders created will be on display at the Christmas Tree Show in the Church on Saturday 15th December.

Call 711411 if you'd like details of events and activities.

Frances Ashfield

UPWOOD ART GROUP

New members and visitors are always welcome at UAG on Saturday mornings at 10:00am every week. We either work on our own projects or those set. The October/November programme includes a variety of subject matters and materials (see Diary of Events for details). Equipment is available for visitors to "try" at no cost. Entry is £2 to include refreshments.

On the 17th November there will be an exhibition in the Upwood Village Hall entitled "Art, Craft and Collectables". See adverts/posters a little nearer the date.

More info - call Frances on 711411.

Upwood Pantomime Society
presents

ALADDIN

Wed 30th Jan, Thurs 31st Jan, Fri 1st Feb at 7.30pm
Sat 2nd Feb at 2.00pm & 7.30pm

Box Office (01487 814114) opens on Mon 3rd December at 6.30pm

Tickets: Adult £9.50 Child £7.00

UPWOOD QUILTERS

In July we had a whole day meeting where Margaret instructed most of the members on Box Making. Everyone enjoyed themselves making a very varied array of colourful boxes; many of which will end up as Christmas gifts. We continued with our own projects at the August meeting and were given templates for Christmas tree decorations which were made at our September meeting. In October we are travelling to Threads and Patches in Fenny Stratford near Milton Keynes for a whole day of demonstrations, buying fabric and eating!

Any enquiries please ring Caroline on 813455.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

The club continues to have good attendances on Tuesday nights, averaging over 20 and such is the enthusiasm of the members we have added some extra "singles" nights when players can compete "one to one." The annual singles tournaments take place on consecutive Tuesdays in October - Ladies 16th and Gents 23rd. Spectators are very welcome.

Further information - contact David Williams on 812923

55+

In August we visited Somerleyton Hall in Suffolk. After some early showers the weather was perfect. The guided tour of the hall was very interesting and the gardens beautifully maintained, some of us cooled off sitting under a tree. The restaurant was quite small but the food was very good. On the 6th September we had a coffee morning at the home of Ruth & Roger and were able to sit in the very pretty garden and enjoy catching up with friends.

On September 13th we had an enjoyable Harvest Lunch. Thanks to those members who contributed to the Sales Table/Raffle which made a very useful amount of money for funds. The committee worked very hard to make sure everything went smoothly. We also had our AGM and it was agreed that the annual fee should be increased to £10 which is still VERY good value. Doug then entertained us with various instruments, explaining a bit about each of them, and we all joined in with the singing.

The meetings take place at the village hall on the 2nd Tuesday of the month so if you would like to join us please contact Chris on 812327 or Caroline on 813455

KEVIN AND JANE – A CELEBRATION

Kevin and Jane arrived in August 2002 from the Black Bull, Somersham, where they had worked for several years. Jane said that they decided to come to Upwood because she has visited the pub with her family over the years and felt that it was a good sized pub to embark on their first business venture. The village also seemed to be a nice place to bring up a family. Over the years a lot of initiatives have seen the Cross Keys extend its influence as a focal point of the community. Opening their doors to the internet, themed evenings, over 55s Thursday lunchtime specials, seasonal monthly menus and being host to some of the village's clubs such as the Book Lovers and most recently Meet and Munch are all examples of their community spirit. Oh and we mustn't forget Kevin's fish specials - once tasted you have to go back for more.

One of the most successful initiatives is Party in the Paddock and this year was no exception with about 250 adults attending the delayed celebration. Despite being arranged to celebrate their time in Upwood Kevin still found himself slaving over the BBQ whilst revellers danced the evening away. Charities are close to both their hearts and the Sunday quizzes have proved to be both popular and lucrative for the various charities. This year the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebration was a huge success, despite the weather, although the paddock certainly looked the worse for wear! Jane and Kevin feel privileged that so many local families have trusted them to provide food, atmosphere and service for a wide variety of celebrations and memorials.

The past 10 years have been hard work but very fulfilling and rewarding and extremely happy ones. The couple have made many good friends and said that when the community comes together and has a good time it makes all the hard work worthwhile. They look forward to welcoming you in the very near future.

Thank you Jane and Kevin for everything you do within the community of Upwood – we fully appreciate it and please continue to do so for at least the next 10 years!

FESTIVAL OF IDEAS 2012

Explore the big ideas in the arts, humanities and social sciences for free at the 2012 Cambridge Festival of Ideas. The Festival offers hundreds of free talks, hands on activities, film screenings and workshops for all ages and will take place from Wednesday 24 October – Sunday 4 November 2012.

More Information - 01223 766766 or visit: www.cam.ac.uk/festivalofideas

OPEN STUDIOS

Did you visit Paul Rowley's home, in the High Street, one weekend this July? If not you missed a real treat. Paul takes part bi-annually in the Cambridgeshire Open Studios when members of the public can visit artists' studios to see their latest creations.

Paul has lived in Upwood for over 30 years, but started his working life in the world of banking in London. So it is unsurprising that his most recent project was a money-themed sculpture trail aimed at the Square Mile in the City of London.



The roots of this project lie in the words of Postman Pete who, while visiting Paul's last exhibition based on political slogans, said 'money doesn't grow on trees'. From that 'throw-away' comment the inkling of an idea was planted in Paul's fertile imagination that the 'o's could be represented as coins and the money-go-round began to germinate.



He started compiling a list of all the sayings connected with money that he could think of and came up with 50. The next stage was to start designing the sayings and cutting them out of plywood, before mounting and painting them. Paul was constantly seeking to improve his designs and looking for ways to get his message across through humour. His first attempt based on '**money doesn't grow on trees**' was eventually rejected when he felt he has missed a couple of jokes and that coins were not the only circular objects which could be utilised. As he explores and fiddles with each of his designs connections become clearer.

When asked about his favourite design Paul was quick to say that he enjoys those with multiple jokes. The **'love of money is the root of all evil'** is a prime example – pink 'wobbly' letters from the 60's, the roots going down to 'evil', the 3'o's coming together to form the pawnbroker's sign and the word 'evil' itself painted black. One of his biggest challenges was **'let's see the colour of your money'** which he portrayed as a rainbow – the challenge being making the words into two inter-connecting bridges.



Paul is currently writing a proposal which he intends to send to the Lord Mayor and Corporation of the City of London authorities to see if they are interested in developing a monitory sculpture route through the 'Square Mile' – although he is well aware that it is extremely doubtful if any of the 50 sculptures, let alone all, would be commissioned since the cost and upheaval would be huge. It will not be until he receives a response, successful or otherwise, that he feels the project will be finally finished. Perhaps Paul will let us know what happens so that the editorial team can inform you in a future issue. We wish him every success – those designs should be seen by a mass audience, they are so very clever.



ST PETER'S CHURCH – A BUILDING IN CRISIS

In the centre of Upwood is a building with a history stretching back over 900 years; St Peter's Church. You might have been there to a wedding or funeral, a concert or exhibition or just dropped by for a look. The building has had major and minor tweaks over the centuries but retains 11th century arches, the roof is dated 1642 and there have been additions and refurbishments, many and various, in most centuries. Architecturally it is important enough to be Grade 1 listed.

This building is yet again facing a crisis and about £20,000 is needed to make the building weather proof, following heavy rain and wind which overwhelmed the roof over the North aisle. Investigations reveal an urgent need to renew stone and lead work. Repairs to windows are also outstanding. In the past, work has been done on a DIY basis with villagers combining their skills to make the necessary repairs. However, the Grade 1 listing means that English Heritage et al insist on repair techniques and modifications appropriate to the original building which drives costs well beyond St Peter's meagre reserves. If the roof leaks the church will quickly become unusable; next the whole building will become derelict, eventually leaving just a ruin.

The church is a community possession. The parish of Upwood and the Raveleys has always had responsibility for the fabric of the church; maintenance lies with the parishioners – that is everyone living in our villages. There is no magic Church of England pot of gold to help out; money has to be raised locally. Insurance covered earlier work on the foundations but doesn't cover this work. Grants may be available but local input will have to match such gifts. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is launching a fund raising effort to restore and improve the community building and needs your financial and/or practical support and assistance.

Offers/donations to Mr Frank Bibby, Tel - 814668

Gordon Slinn

St Peter's Open Doors Project. We need your ideas on what activities/facilities could be provided in the Church building for the benefit of the community. We really want you to get involved in this project, and to get your views. Please send your ideas to **Howard Smith, email: hjsuk@gmail.com**.

Hospitality group. We intend to form a group of volunteers from within the church and local communities to discuss ideas and put together a programme of events for the year. Contact **annemarie.upwood@virgin.net** (812195) for further details.

Upwood St Peter's Church is now on Facebook. You will be able to find more details there. **Advanced News** - Our Christmas Tree festival in Upwood Church this year will be on Saturday 15th December from 10-5pm – Contact Anne-Marie annemarie.upwood@virgin.net 812195 for more details.

RAMSEY & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Our meetings are usually held on the evening of the 3rd Monday of the month at the Community Centre in Ramsey. They start at 7.30. Membership for a year costs £10.00 but we welcome visitors to individual meetings at £2.00.

In September there was an informative and entertaining talk by Geoff Hodges on 'plants for difficult places'. We have no excuses for not finding the right plant for that space where nothing seems to grow. We also had a trip to RHS Garden, Harlow Carr, Harrogate

On Thursday 18th October we have our Celebrity Speaker, Bunny Guinness a gardening designer and a regular contributor to the BBC Gardeners Question Time. The title is 'gardening at Chelsea'. This is likely to be a popular meeting, tickets will be available but visitors may simply join us on the evening. On Monday 19th November we hold our AGM which is followed by a quiz. In 2013 we plan to visit the RHS Garden, Hyde Hall in Essex and Kew Gardens.

For further information contact Ian Gaunt on 710702; ian.gaunt@care4free.net.

UVH Performing Arts Events Autumn Season 2012
in association with Arts in Cambs on Tour

CUSTARD COMEDY

*A Night of Stand-Up Comedy featuring 3 professional
stand-up comedians and compere*

Friday 19th October @ 7.45pm - Upwood Village Hall

Box Office: 01487 814114 / dougmcleod@hotmail.co.uk

Tickets: £9.50 (concess. £8.50) Licensed Bar Strictly 18+s only

also

OPERA DUDES

*With their unique blend of style, swing and slapstick humour, this is one of the funniest and
most original classical double acts you will have seen*

Friday 30th November @ 7.45pm

Ticket price and contacts as above

TICKETS FOR BOTH EVENTS ON SALE NOW

UPWOOD BOOK LOVERS' GROUP

Morning Group – the next meeting is on Wednesday 10th October at 10:30am at the Cross Keys Pub. Contact Maria Jackson

Evening Group – the next meeting is on Tuesday 2nd October at 7:30pm at the Cross Keys Pub (We usually sample the dessert menu to round off our evening!).

There is a social evening on Tuesday 13th November at 7.30 pm at the Cross Keys for both groups with an evening of book-related updates, chat and general get-together. Refreshments are provided. We have wide ranging-tastes from classics through to modern. Recent reads include The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak, Small Island by Andrea Levy, Wolf Hall by Hilary Mantel and The Lincoln Lawyer by Michael Connelly.

New members are always welcome.

For further information contact Liz Carter on 813008 or email liz@backtracks.biz

WEA – UPWOOD BRANCH

The Autumn Term started on Wednesday 26th September with Karen Hore as tutor on 'The Art & Craft of Film Costume'. We will be examining the work and impact of the costume designer in theatre and film plus creative images in film-making, from silent movies to modern block busters. There will be lots of film clips and images to study and, I am sure, lots of discussion. 10 weeks - £45.00 - a real bargain. Classes start at 8.00 pm prompt in the Village Hall and last for 1½hrs.

Not sure if it's right for you? Come along on the first night and give it a go - you don't have to pay until the end of the session and only then if you decide to continue the course. There will be no meeting during the school half-term.

For more details or to reserve a seat - call Liz Carter on 813008 or email liz@backtracks.biz

CRIME NOTICES

A CONFIDENTIAL number to report drink drivers and those driving under the influence of drugs has recently been launched. Using the 0800 032 0845 number, which is available 24/7, people can get involved in the campaign by supplying police with information about drink and drug drivers. The police have also issued a warning about the theft of overhead cables. Anyone with information should call police on 101 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111. Police are also investigating a series of catalytic converter thefts (stolen for the metals they contain) across the county. Anyone with information should contact police on 101, or Crimestoppers

DECLINE OF BRITISH HEDGEHOGS – HOW YOU CAN HELP

BBC's Countryfile on 2 Sept highlighted the decline of the British hedgehog. Providing access routes to about 8 – 9 gardens offering water, shelter and food is one way to help BUT did you know that Upwood has its own rescue centre at 72 High Street? 'High Street Hedgehogs', run by Jean Noble, is where sick and baby hedgehogs from all over the county are nurtured. Currently there are 14 in her care which is both time-consuming and expensive but very rewarding, especially when they are finally returned to their natural wild habitat.



With autumn fast approaching and hibernation calling, extra support will be required if the hedgehogs are going to survive – to do so they must be at least 600grams. However any hedgehogs seen out in daylight are in need of help. If found please put in a secure box with water and some food, if possible, and contact Jean on 814356. If you would like to support Jean in her work, donations are always welcome. It costs about £6 a week to care for and feed a hedgehog but cash is not the only way you could help. Donations in the form of newspapers, paper towels, bio washing powder and old towels, or food such as IAMS Kitten Biscuits, any speciality hedgehog food or Whiskas Chicken Super Meat would all be gratefully accepted. Items can be left at either of the gates at 72 High Street if Jean is not around.

Jean Noble

HELP TO BRING BETTER BROADBAND TO YOUR AREA

Access to the internet is becoming part of everyday life – whatever you use it for, but many people are frustrated by low speeds and poor connections. You can help to bring better broadband access to your area by supporting the Connecting Cambridgeshire campaign. Local councils are working with partners across this area for better broadband connections for all premises by 2015.

We need all our residents and businesses to show suppliers where there is demand to attract substantial investment, which will help us to fill in the gaps. Register to get Cambridgeshire connected using the online form at www.connectingcambridgeshire.co.uk, or fill in a Freepost reply form in your local library or council office. It only takes a minute – the more registrations we get, the more likely we are to succeed. Please encourage your friends, family and neighbours to register. Could you be a Digital Champion for your area – helping to encourage more people to register? If so, please email your contact details to contact@connectingcambridgeshire.co.uk

UPWOOD SCHOOL REPORT

Unfortunately due to the rather wet weather we experienced during the Summer Term, Upwood Primary School PTA rescheduled the annual Summer Fayre, for Saturday 15th September. The weather was much kinder to us this time, with glorious sunshine all afternoon. The theme of the Fayre was the Olympic Games and even included an award ceremony for the medal winners.

Children competed in Olympic style events including: Shot putt; 50m Hurdles; Show Jumping; 50m Sprint and Pairs obstacle courses. There were many other fantastic activities for families to participate in including a Penalty Shoot Out; Hockey, Pony Rides and Face painting.

The Barbecue, a tradition at the Fayre, was particularly well received, as hungry visitors enjoyed scrumptious burgers and hot dogs. Attendance was very good and takings were anticipated to be high. The money raised will go towards whole school projects, including improving our outdoor equipment.

Thanks must go to all helpers, but in particular Mrs Maria Crawford who has chaired the PTA for many years and overseen this event.

UPWOOD SMALL TO TALL - EVERY WEEKDAY TERM TIME Breakfast Club, Pre-School Sessions & After School Club

A fun learning environment with experienced staff and a positive Ofsted report

PLEASE CALL Angie Dean/Sue Sykes on
01487 802086 or EMAIL upwoodsmalltotall@btinternet.com

AN APPEAL TO FAIRMEAD PARK RESIDENTS

This newsletter relies on many people giving up their time voluntarily. At the moment we have two wonderful people who deliver to all of the houses on Fairmead Park between them and we would like to 'lighten their load'. If you could spare a little time once every two months to deliver this newsletter to the houses in your road (or even to act as an emergency deliverer when a regular deliver cannot help) please contact us on upwoodnl@hotmail.co.uk.

'Many hands make light work'

TREES OF UPWOOD - 1. COMMON LIME OR EUROPEAN LIME (*TILIA X EUROPEA*)

This is the first of an occasional series of articles about our local flora and fauna

This common tree is a natural hybrid between two native species of lime. It has been widely planted in Britain, often as avenues in towns, parks and on large estates. In Upwood, it has been planted in several places over the years. Some of the trees have been pollarded on a regular basis while others have been left to grow to their full height which can be as much as 130ft.



Numerous suckers are often produced around the base of the tree and large burrs on the trunk are distinctive. The leaves are heart-shaped and are hairless except for tufts of pale hairs in the axils of the veins on the underside of the leaf. Clusters of sweet-smelling flowers are produced in July and attract bees and other nectar loving insects. Attacks by aphids can sometimes cause a black mouldy growth on the leaves due to the honey-dew which is exuded during their feeding. Dispersal of the fruits in autumn is aided by the pale green wing-like bract attached to the fruiting stalk.

Lime wood is soft and easily worked. It was used by ancient man and is still used in such items as piano keys, luggage and cabinets. On a stroll round the village you will see lime trees in a number of situations, for instance there are full grown trees in the cemetery on Meadow Road and in the woodland at the bottom of Ailwyn Road. Pollarded examples can be seen in the garden of the old village shop and on the driveway to Ailwyn House. Limes are also among the recent plantings in Charters Piece.

Sheila Wells

ARTS, CRAFTS & COLLECTABLES

Saturday 17th November - Upwood Village Hall

10am to 5pm. Entry 50p. Children free

Find the perfect Christmas gift among the pictures, craftwork and collectables. Handmade cards, dolls, quilt work and lots more. Don't miss it!!

WHO'S WHO IN THE VILLAGES

Organisation	Contact	Telephone
Art Group	Frances Ashfield	711411
Book Lovers Group	Liz Carter	813008
Brownies	Louise Jackson	814844
Community Bus Co-ordinator	Dave Blandford	711330
County Councillor	Victor Lucas	822812
Cricket Club	David Drage	07796 352200
Cross Keys Golf Society	Malcolm Hudson	01840 779425
District Councillor (Chair of Parish Council)	Robin Howe	814393
55+	Chris Bruce Caroline Lloyd	812327 813455
History Group	Ian Gaunt	710702
Home to Home	Frances Ashfield	711411
Horticultural Society	Ian Gaunt	710702
Meet and Munch	Mags Dudley	812424
Parish Clk (inc Allotments)	Tess Rogers	840830
Ramsey Bridge Club	B & A Quinton	813349
Ramsey Choral Society	June Green	813562
Ramsey Rural Museum	Michael Latchem	01354 694241
Small to Tall (Upwood School Clubs)	Angie Dean	802086
Speed Watch	Keith Sisman	710552
St Peter's Church Matters	Gordon Slinn	815951
St Peter's Handbells	Deana Phillips	824755
Table Tennis Club	David Williams	812923
Upwood Business Association	Frances Ashfield	711411
Upwood Quilters	Carolyn Lloyd	813455
Upwood & Raveley Community Allotments Assoc.	Liz Carter	813008
Upwood and Raveley Community Archive	Judith Harvey	710219
Upwood School PTA	Maria Crawford	710677
Upwood Pantomime Society	Doug McLeod	814114
UVH Performing Arts Events / [act] Shows	Doug McLeod	814114
Village Hall Hire	Bob Child	815475
Village Fete Committee	Andrew Peck	711372
W.E.A	Liz Carter	813008

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