

## **Jan 28 for Feb 1**

**Bingo Tonight:** Friday, February 1, at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall. Cash prizes, raffle and licensed bar. Tonight will see the start of our open the box lottery. All proceeds to Moggerhanger Village Hall charity. For further information contact Betty 01767 640734, Jackie 01767 640790 or Carolyn 01767 640727. Please note this event is open to all, you don't have to be a Moggerhanger resident to join in.

**Tomorrow:** Saturday, February 2, you are invited to a midwinter coffee morning at Village Farm, 4 St Johns Road, by kind invitation of Miss Matthews. From 10.30am, there will be stalls and a raffle. All proceeds in aid of Keech Cottage Hospice, Moorfields Eye Hospital and the Salvation Army.

**Coffee Morning:** The next St John's Church coffee morning is Tuesday, February 5, at 10am in the Church.

**100+ Club Draw:** The first draw for 2013 will take place at 11am during the St John's Church coffee morning. The draw for both January and February will be made. We are still accepting membership to this private lottery. To join contact Carolyn on 01767 640727.

**Social Evening:** On Wednesday, February 6, there will be a social evening held in the village hall. This is the start of a monthly event to be held the first Wednesday evening of every month. Doors open at 6pm. From March onwards we hope to have live music and real ale.

**Open the box:** Commencing in February. This will be a new village hall initiative run on behalf of the participants at the Friday evening bingo events and Wednesday social evenings. People participating will be entered into a draw. Money collected as part of the draw will be placed into the box. The winner of the draw will have the opportunity to choose a key and try to open the box. If lucky they win the contents. If unsuccessful that key is discarded and the money is rolled over to the next event.

**Race Night:** On Saturday, February 9, in the village hall. Doors open 6.30pm for 7pm supper. The first race will be at 8pm. Tickets, to include a hot supper, are £8 and available from Pat Whitworth, 01767 64084 or Jo Hollington 01767 641184. There will also be a licensed bar. Funds raised in support of St John's Church.

**Moggerhanger Meeting Place and Shop:** Our second monthly Knit and Natter was held on Tuesday, January 2. Another very successful morning, this time in the Village Hall while the new heating system is being installed in the church. Due to the difficult weather conditions almost everyone who came was from the village, but we had one hardy gentleman from Biggleswade. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday February 26, 10am until 12 noon, in St John's Church again, which should be nice and warm!

**Whist:** Held last Friday, January 28, with M.C. Mr Ian Collis. Sadly the bad weather kept a number of folk at home but a good time was still had by those who attended. Our winners were Mrs E Bridge, Mrs E Flint, Ms R Bennett, Mr T Beck, Mr I Collis, Mrs R Burns. Our raffle winners were Mrs J Cobb, Mrs E Bridge, Mrs A Lattimer, Mrs E Flint, Mr I Collis. The next whist drive will be held on Friday, February 8, in the village hall at 7.30pm.

**Travellers Site:** On February 28, as part of the Gypsy and Travellers Plan, the “Sustainable Communities and Scrutiny Committee” will consider a list of 35 sites, ‘the long list’, as potential Gypsy and Traveller sites. From this discussion a short list will be drawn up. Moggerhanger is currently on the ‘long list’.

This will be a public meeting and anyone wishing to speak at the meeting should contact Jonathon Partridge on 0300 300 4634. If you wish to make representation at this meeting please email your comments to [Jonathon.Partridge@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:Jonathon.Partridge@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk) before February 25.

In May/June this year there will be formal consultation on the short list, however, in the meantime comments on the Gypsy and Traveller Plan, including comments on the 35 sites published are being accepted by Central Bedfordshire Council. Comments can be sent by email to [LDF@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:LDF@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk) or in writing to Strategic Planning and Housing Team, Central Bedfordshire Council, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, Shefford, Bedfordshire, SG17 5TQ

**Church services:** St John the Evangelist, 9am, Sung Communion.