

Mar 11 for Mar 15

**Casino Night:** Tomorrow, Saturday, March 16, will see the return of this popular event, to include 2 course dinner and betting chips. There will be roulette, blackjack, a wheel of fortune and casino wars. There will also be a licensed bar. Still a few tickets left. Tickets £10 from Carolyn 01767 640727.

**Parish Council:** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 20, at 7.00pm in the village hall.

**Easter Disco and Karaoke Competition:** Saturday, March 30, with DJ and MC Stephen Wheatley. This should be a fun event with a raffle and licensed bar. If you think you can sing, buy a ticket and come along, you could win a prize. Tickets are only £2.50 from Carolyn 01767 640727 or Stephen 01767 640884. Come along and have a sing. Doors open at 7pm for 7.30 start.

**Sing Up Loud:** Thursday evenings at 8pm in the Village Hall. This will be a choir run by Choirmaster Leigh Smith and will cover many interests from Classic, Pop and Show music. Call Chris on 01767 640242 for more information

**Folk Social Evening:** As a milestone for the second village hall social events, the March 6 gave us our first folk evening. No fewer than 9 performers came wielding a variety of instruments ranging from Breton medieval pipes, Jingle sticks to the more familiar guitars and accordions. The evening was run on the lines of a typical session with audience and players participating freely. Several artistes titillated the audience with their very amusing musical monologues. Almost a full barrel of traditional ale from Potton Brewery was consumed together with the more familiar wines & spirits.

Those performing were: Anna Ardley (medieval pipes & whistles); Barry Goodman (Accordion, melodeon and comedy); Roy Hollowell (Harmonica, percussion and comedy vocals); Clive Tierney (Accordion); Liz Schofield (Vocal & Euphonium); Ian Woiwod (Double Bass & vocal); Chris Bashford (12-string guitar & vocal); Carolyn Adams (Fiddle); and Steve Swallow (guitar & vocal). All musicians have had many years' experience over the years with various bands, dance ceilidhs, and concerts throughout the UK.

There were many familiar faces from the Village letting their hair down and all proved so popular that it is already planned to have a second similar social evening on April 3 when we have been promised even more performers.

**100+ Club Draw:** The draw for March took place at the St John's Church coffee morning, Tuesday March 5. There are 5 monthly prizes for £20, £15, £10, £10, £5. Our winners this month were Mrs S Hooper, Ms J Russell, Mr P Stephens, Mr & Mrs S Bashford, Mr R Allen. April's draw will be held on Tuesday, April 2, at the next Church coffee morning.

**Whist:** Held last Friday, March 8, with M.C. Mr Ian Collis. Our winners were Mrs J Cobb, Mrs E Bridge, Mrs E Osborne, Mrs J Marshall, Mr T Beck, Mr C Strange, Mrs D Champion, Mr C Livings. The snowball was won this week by Mrs I Lamey. Our raffle winners were Mr T Harper, Ms R Bennett, Mr B Urtone, Mrs E Osborne, Mrs D Champion. The next whist drive will be held on Friday, February 24, in the village hall at 7.30pm.

**St John's Church:** The annual Vestry and Church meeting was held on Tuesday last with the Revd. L Klimas presiding. Mr W Jackson and Mr A George were re-elected as Churchwardens. Thanks were expressed to them for their hard work during the year.

The Vicar welcomed all to the annual meeting and expressed thanks to everyone for their hard work.

Elected to the P.C.C were Ms G Bird, Ms J Warren, Mrs J Hollington, Mrs A Cross, Mrs M Ebbage; Ex officio Churchwardens Mr W Jackson, Mr A George and Churchwarden Emeritus, Mrs E Barrance.

Much work had been carried out by everyone to raise funds for the new heating system, which is now installed and in use.

The Family service held on Sunday was led by Revd. L Klimas with Ms S Lampreth, Ordinand, who gave a talk.

The children joined Hattie, Alison and Tracy to perform a drama entitled 'The Prodigal Son'. The reader was Mrs P Whitworth.

Sidespersons were Ms J Warren and Mrs B George. Ms Warren and Mrs Whitworth served refreshments after the service.

The next Family service will be held on Saturday, March 30, at 10am, followed by the annual Easter Egg Hunt.

**Church Services:** St John the Evangelist, Songs of Praise, 6pm