

# STONDON.NET NEWSLETTER

August 2011

Stondon artist Sandy Andrews is sharing studio space in Pirton for her Open Studio event. Why don't you go and take a look at her and Maggie's work—it's all lovely!!

**HERTS  
open  
studios  
2011**  
10 SEPT to 2 OCT

*Maggie Barton*

Glass &  
Mosaics



**Stoneyards Studio**  
20 High Street, PIRTON,  
Hitchin, Herts SG5 3PT  
01462 712302

Open every Sat, Sun & Thurs  
between 10 Sept and 2 Oct  
incl., 1pm to 5pm, or by appt.

- Free entry
- See artists at work
- Artwork for sale
- Full brochures covering all Herts studios available at libraries, galleries, art shops, tourist info centres & on line



*Sandy Andrews*

Painting &  
Drawing



FREE  
ENTRY

**HERTS VISUAL ARTS** more details on [www.hvaf.org.uk](http://www.hvaf.org.uk)



We've been given advance warning of road closures to allow re-surfacing in September. The roads affected are Shillington Rd and Station Rd., Lower Stondon & High Rd and Marquis Hill, Shillington. (From junction with Hanscombe End Rd., Aspley End to roundabout with A600, Lower Stondon)

The closure is expected to take place on up to 5 days during week commencing Monday 26th September 2011 between 0800 and 1800hrs. Access may be allowed from time to time according to local signing.



## Church News

September 10th - table top sale at the Church 10am -4pm. All donations of items for sale gratefully received.

Unfortunately we've had to cancel the Flower Festival previously planned for August up at the church.

For any more information, please call Tracy Scott on 811917 or see the website

<http://allsaintsstondon.vpweb.co.uk/>

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This is a Ringmaster Message, from Bedfordshire Police. Please pass on the details of this message to any friends or neighbours. 20 July 2011

## It's *not* your name on it!

Bedfordshire Police is warning the public to check labels carefully when taking delivery of parcels at their homes... A new scam has come to notice whereby parcels are being delivered to residences with the labels showing a correct address, but an unknown name. The person receiving the parcel has been asked to sign for it and, in many cases, has done so. Soon after the delivery, usually the following day, a woman visits the address saying she believes a parcel intended for her has been delivered there by mistake. The woman takes the parcel and is not seen again. Within a few days, occupants of the address invariably start to receive paperwork, often including payment demands for the parcel. The woman is described as being of mixed race, aged in her 20s, large build and approximately 5'5" tall. She has 'significant red hair'. Sergeant Andy Rivers said, "Even if you are expecting a delivery, make sure the label is correctly addressed to you or a member of your household. "If you are *not* expecting a parcel, carefully inspect the label and if there are any discrepancies in the details, you must seriously consider declining the delivery." If this has happened to you, or you have any information about the scam, please contact Sergeant Rivers on 01234 841212 or text 07786 200011, or call Crimestoppers, anonymously if preferred, on 0800 555111. Thank you for your support.



## CAPS EVENT



Operation CAPS (Car Accessory Protection Scheme) is coming to your area.

This is a free service to secure your car number plates. There is a growing crime trend whereby car number plates are being stolen to be used in crime. This may be:

- To evade speeding/parking fines
- To sell a stolen car
- To carry out illegal activities i.e. not paying for petrol and avoiding ANPR (automatic number plate recognition) cameras.

Protect your number plates and come along to one of our CAPS events. The next one in your area will be held on:



**Monday 22nd August 2011  
15:00 to 17:00  
Car Park, Greenfield, Shillington**

WHO'S GOT YOUR NUMBER?

For details of any other CAPS events that we are holding visit our website:

[http://www.bedfordshire.police.uk/tackling\\_crime/protecting\\_you/reducing\\_vehicle\\_crime/operation\\_caps.aspx](http://www.bedfordshire.police.uk/tackling_crime/protecting_you/reducing_vehicle_crime/operation_caps.aspx)

## SRA News

It's been a quiet summer for the SRA so far. We're waiting with bated breath for the result of our planning application for the brand new bmx track on the Station Road playing field. We're expecting it any day now, so keep your fingers crossed! We have all the funding in place, and a contractor ready to start work; so we hope that by next month we'll have some really good news for you all.

The Lower School has built a new path at the back of the school, and we hope to upgrade our path through Hillside Park before the end of the school holidays. We all hope that parents will now drop their children off to school from the car park in Hillside Park and they will be able to walk through the Park to School rather than up the road.



The date for the Annual Stondon Masters Golf Tournament has been set for Saturday 1st October. The competition is open to all residents of Stondon (to include the other side of Bedford Road and Henlow Camp) and is your chance to prove you're the best golfer in the village. I'm told it's a Stableford (whatever that means!) so everyone has a real chance of winning!

And finally, if any of you have been enthused by these "Community Action" type of programmes on the TV, our small and informal committee would love to welcome you as a new member. It gives you a real opportunity to do something useful—and fun—for your village. Drop us an email ([info@stondon.net](mailto:info@stondon.net)) if you'd like to get involved.



The Parish Council are beginning to think about what they could do for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee next year. They are having a short meeting at 7pm this Wednesday 24th (before the regular PC meeting). If you have any good ideas, or would like to be involved, they'd love it if you turned up in the Jubilee Room at the Village Hall, Hillside Road to add your contribution.

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