



Welcome to the August 2013 newsletter from the Love's Farm Community Association.

## Indian Encampment

Our new play area is open! The 'Indian Encampment' themed play area, adjacent to Aunties woods at the northern end of the site, has been packed with children since its opening by Councillor Mrs Barabara Boddington, Chairperson of Huntingdonshire District Council on Thursday 18th July.



The designs for the play area, constructed by the [The Children's Playground Company](#), and funded by Gallagher Estates, have been developed over the past 6 months in consultation with pupils of the Round House Primary School and local residents, and consists of a range of swings, climbing equipment, a slide and a zip wire.

More play areas are to be added in various locations around Love's Farm. The next will be a 'train' themed area for toddlers on the green space adjacent to Top Birches. Designs are expected to be published in the next few weeks.



## Chocolate bingo and events

A huge thank you to Emma Lovelock for hosting chocolate bingo. Always an incredibly popular event, over 30 adults and children joined a great evening with fabulous prizes.



Upcoming events: Unfortunately our summer shopping evening has been cancelled due to a double booking at the Football Club. Further information soon.

**Our monthly quiz-** Join our popular Loves Farm Quiz Night at the Football Club on the last Wednesday of every month, 19:30. You don't have to have a ready formed team, just come along and join a team. Bring your own drinks and snacks.



**Loves Farm Community Association meeting – 20 August, 19:30**

## Reminder - Petition

The entrance to Love's Farm via the bridge over the railway line at the northern end of the development is intended to remain closed to all vehicles except buses and emergency services. You can help take action by signing a petition online through our [website](#). You have until 15th September to sign the petition.

## Let's get SMART

By [phyllis.hooper@btinternet.com](mailto:phyllis.hooper@btinternet.com)

SMART has been active during July. As well as the litter picking evening session, we have also been able to help out with requests from residents. The day before the Grand Opening of the Indian Encampment we got news of some overhanging stinging nettles, just waiting for little bare legs. We were able to chop them down before the cake cutting. We were also asked to do something about tall weeds around seats.



We would like to broaden our effort to include for instance, tidying/weeding for elderly or disabled residents, putting up bird boxes, planting bulbs, tending broken or damaged trees etc. We need to know what YOU would like done.

We also need more helpers. As well as the regular sessions it would be nice to have a pool of volunteers to call on for rapid response/one off jobs.

There will be no SMART evening or day in August. The next will be Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September. Meanwhile, enjoy the holidays and keep those offers of jobs and help rolling in! THINK SMART!



Since the last newsletter, a resident has got in contact concerned with the amount of dog fouling on Loves Farm. Watch this space for a campaign soon.

Any suggestions/ queries, please contact Phyllis on 211398.

## Incredible Years

Parenting Programme for ages 6-11. Tuesdays 9.30am-12pm starting 10th September. The Bargroves, Cromwell Road, St Neots. This 13 week course is suitable for parents who are experiencing difficulties in dealing with their children's behaviour. It aims to help you reduce their poor behaviour by increasing positive activities, using effective discipline and improving relationships. For further details or to book your place, please call Lisa Fuller or Jo Gibson on 01480 376199.

## Let's discuss

What's being discussed on the Loves Farm [discussion forums](#) this month?

- Powercut updated
- Café church
- Unsocial behaviour
- Cleaner wanted

## Keep in touch

There are multiple ways to keep in touch with neighbours in Love's Farm, through our [website](#) or Facebook (Loves Farm Community Association).

Also, we always like to hear [feedback](#) on our newsletter.