

Welcome to the December 2013 newsletter from the Love's Farm Community Association (LFCA).

Merry Christmas from LFCA

The Loves Farm Community Association would like to wish all residents a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Each year, we have a virtual Christmas Tree festival, through Facebook. It's just for fun, no prizes. Just spreading the Christmas cheer! Please invite friends and neighbours so the event goes on throughout the whole of December! Just take a photograph of your Christmas Tree and upload it to the Love's farm annual virtual Christmas tree festival 2013 group (link from our facebook group). Some great trees already posted.



Lantern carol singing – 18th

It's back again, by popular demand! Lantern carol singing on Weds 18th Dec. As the estate is so big now, we cannot cover it all, so as with the past



couple of years we have had to take in turns as to whether we sing in the north or south of the estate. This year it's the north's turn.

We all meet near Aunties woods/Indian 18:00 camp plav area at December. We will then walk around the route as listed below for an hour.

Meet at Aunties woods

- Radland Close
- Bargroves Avenue
- Field Gate Close
- Paddock Close
- Cockrells
- Lannesbury Crescent
- Wood Ridge Crescent
- Finishing at Middle Ground.

At 7pm - 8pm we shall return to football club for mulled wine and mince pies and more carols...Please wrap up warm, bring torches, lanterns and your singing voices. We will provide carol sheets. The LFCA Committee meeting will be at 8pm until 9.30pm. If anyone wishes to stay for that too, you are more than welcome.

If you don't want to join us for the whole route that's fine. If you just want to join us on your street, or at the football club, that's fine too.

SMART Work!

Many, many thanks to all the people, young and not so, who have turned out over the year to help tidy our Love's Farm. We have certainly shifted a lot of litter! We also have a lot more litter bins, so it is never very far to carry our wrappers and cans!









We are still keen to see if there are other areas in which we can be of help – small areas of tree or plant care, helping old or disabled people with their surroundings. We want to know your environmental problems. We might not be able to sort them all immediately but we may know the right people to do so! We need loads more volunteers, so if you are interested in keeping our Love's Farm a place to be proud of, here's what you can do:-

- Come to a meeting of LFCA
- Contact Phyllis direct
- Turn up to one of our SMART days

The next **SMART days** are:

- 4th January
- 22nd February
- 5th April

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Pirate Ship repaired

Back in October we had to report some serious vandalism to the pirate ship. The good



news is that this damage has now been repaired. Many thanks to Huntingdonshire District Council for acting quickly.

Naturally, we're all keen to avoid any further incidents. The council has asked that we all be vigilant and report any further damage. You can report it to us, or contact the police directly (call 101 for non-emergencies).

Northern access petition

Our petition for the opening of the <u>northern access</u> to all vehicles went before the Cabinet of Cambridgeshire County Council at Shire Hall. Marcus Pickering, Chair of the LFCA, presented the case to the councillors and answered questions on the issue. The cabinet member for Highways and Infrastructure, Cllr Mac McGuire, is due to respond in writing to the petition within 10 days. The petition attracted 335 signatures. Take a look at the news coverage.

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