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Newsletter



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NB The blank pages in this publication are deliberate so that the forms are not 'back to back' in hard copies. When ordering please remember the stamped addressed envelope!

Friends' Dates to remember: ALL WELCOME

Sat 17 Sept: Friends' Festival Day, Speaker: Dr Victoria Avery

Thurs 12 Oct: Friends' Evening 'Cathedral Artefacts'

Weds 16 - Sat 19 Nov: Friends' Stall at Cathedral Christmas Fair

Fr1 21 April 2023: 'Isle 'ave a Shanty' Concert in Lady Chapel

COUNCIL: There may be vacancies on the Friends' Council at the AGM this year. If you are interested in becoming a Trustee please have a word with Ed Gifford, Sue Hunting or any Council member. Nomination Forms are on Page 9.

AUGUST in the Friends' Office

The Friends' Office will be open less than usual during August. Please send an email, letter or leave an answerphone message and it will be dealt with as soon as possible.

Tickets for events will be dealt with in order of receipt and sent out from late August. This includes tickets for the Friends' Day lunch which **must** be booked in advance.

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to our Summer 2022 Newsletter which contains full details of our Autumn events. We are pleased to be having a more normal year and hope to see many of you at Friends' Day, the very special 'Artefacts Evening' and the Christmas Fair.

Thank you for your support but if you think you may not have renewed your subs please contact the office to check! If you receive this in hard copy and have an email address please send it to us as using email reduces our postage costs.

GIFT MEMBERSHIP: We need to keep recruiting more Friends and are always happy to supply Gift Membership (annual or life) — or to convert annual membership to life. Friends' membership also makes an unusual gift for Birthdays, Confirmation, Anniversaries and Christmas. Please get in touch if you would like to arrange this.

ARTEFACTS EVENING: Many thanks to our very knowledgeable Cathedral Archivist, Elizabeth Stazicker, who has kindly offered to host another Artefacts Evening for The Friends. It is some years since we held the last ones but they were very popular. Once again the Cathedral is allowing us to put on display items that are usually locked away, what a treat! Please buy your tickets in good time.

CHRISTMAS CARD 2022: We are delighted that this year's Friends' Card is an engraving by renowned local engraver Andy English. The card will be launched at Friends' Day and, as last year, designs can be vewed on our webpage and ordered by mail order - as well as in person at Friends' events and our stall at the Christmas Fair. There are two versions, black & white and coloured, please see Page 15 for details. Last year we made a profit of over £5,000 from our Christmas Cards.

2022 YEARBOOK: The next Yearbook will be published in January and distributed with the January 2023 Newsletter. We welcome relevant contributions from Friends - please send any articles, poems, photographs etc to Sue Hunting at The Friends' Office by 1 December. It would be good to have reports about Friends' events that you have attended this year and all contributions are very welcome!

FoEC VOLUNTEERS: Once again we shall be looking for Volunteers to pack Christmas Cards, to sell them at the Friends' Stall at the Christmas Fair and to deliver 2022 Yearbooks. Please see Page 13.

Sue Hunting, Friends' Officer

FRIENDS' DAY 2022

Friends' Day will start with the chance to go on a tour of either the Monastic Buildings or the Cathedral. If you wish to join either tour please let us know in advance (see Page 9) so that we can organise the correct number of Guides! Lunch (for those who book— see Page 7)) will be in the Lady Chapel at 12.30pm following pre-lunch sherry at 12noon.

The AGM will start at 2.15pm in the South Transept and will be followed by our special Guest Speaker, Dr Victoria Avery. You may like to know that as well as being an expert in her field Vicky is a Life Friend of Ely Cathedral!

Tea will follow the AGM and the day will finish with Festal Evensong at 5.00pm. All Friends are welcome to all or part of the day and we look forward to welcoming you.

Guest Speaker: Dr Victoria Avery

Dr Victoria Avery FSA has been Keeper of Sculpture & European Decorative Arts at the Fitzwilliam Museum, University of Cambridge, since 2010 prior to which she was Associate Professor in the History of Art Department, University of Warwick. While her subject specialism is Italian Renaissance Sculpture, Vicky has a broad-ranging knowledge across the decorative arts field. She has co-curated several award-winning exhibitions including Treasured Possessions (2015), Madonnas & Miracles (2017) and Feast & Fast (2019). Her new exhibition (opens July 2023) focuses on enslavement and resistance and the Cambridge University Museums' collections and their links to the Black Atlantic. Vicky has been a member of Ely Cathedral's congregation since 2010, and a Lay Canon and Member of Chapter since 2017.

TREASURER: We continue to look for an Honorary Treasurer to replace Richard Setchell, who will retire in 2023 after many years' service. The position now involves much less data entry work thanks to Joyce Fenton, our dedicated Voluntary Subscription Secretary, but a Treasurer is still required! Please contact Richard (via the office) if you, or someone you know, might be willing to take on this role.

THE FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL ANNUAL FESTIVAL 'Friends' Day'

Saturday, 17 September 2022

11.00 Friends' Tours of the Cathedral

- a) Monastic Buildings Tour or b) Cathedral Tour (to be booked in advance, see Page 9)
- **12.00 for 12.30 Lunch** in The Lady Chapel (sherry from 12.00) (to be booked in advance, see Page 7)
 - **2.15 Annual General Meeting** in the South Transept (see Page 6)

Guest Speaker: Dr Victoria Avery

Keeper, Applied Arts, The Fitzwilliam Museum

'Hidden Treasures of the Colleges of Cambridge University'

4.15 Tea & Biscuits in the Lady Chapel

5.00 Friends' Festal Evensong

During Evensong there will be presentations of The Dean Hankey Memorial Prize and the Friends of Ely Cathedral Medallion as well as the new Friends of Ely Cathedral Girl Chorister prize.

FRIENDS' DAY — LUNCH

We are delighted to be able to offer Lunch and look forward to seeing Friends old and new. Once again the Lunch will be produced by the Cathedral Almonry Restaurant and the cost for two courses, including sherry and wine will be £20 (£25 for guests). Please note that Lunch **must be ordered by 9 September** from the Friends' Office (see Page 7).

FRIENDS' DAY — DONATIONS TOWARDS COSTS

Once again we ask everyone attending Friends' Day to make a small donation towards the costs of organising the event and providing afternoon tea & biscuits. Donation baskets will be available throughout the day. Thank you.

FRIENDS' ACCOUNTS 2021

We no longer send out paper copies of the full accounts with the Summer Newsletters but electronic copies can be downloaded from our webpage: www.elycathedral.org/friends Hard copies will be available at the AGM.

THE FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL 79th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Saturday, 17 September 2022 at 2.15pm

AGENDA

- 1. a) Prayers
 - b) Welcome and Apologies
- **2. To confirm the Minutes** of the Seventy-Eighth Annual General Meeting held on Saturday, 18 September 2021 (circulated to all Friends in the 2021 Yearbook)
- 3. Matters arising from the Minutes
- 4. Chairman's Report: The Dean
- 5. Hon. Treasurer's Report: Mr Richard Setchell

To include the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 Dec 2021 (see the 2021 Yearbook)

- 6. Report from Chair of Council: Mr Edward Gifford
- 7. Friends' Officer's Report: Mrs Suella Hunting
- 8. Election of Council Members

Thanks are due to those Council members who are retiring this year.

Nominations for Council (proposed and seconded by Friends) should be given to the Friends' Officer in writing by no later than Friday, 9 September. If necessary there will be an election.

Nomination Forms are on Page 9.

- 9. Requests for Grants
- 10. Any Other Business

Any motion to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting must be given to the Friends' Officer in writing by Friday, 9 September 2022.

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FRIENDS' FESTIVAL DAY LUNCH 2022

Sat. 17 September — 12.00 for 12.30pm in the Lady Chapel

FRIENDS' BUFFET MENU

Coronation Chicken
Assorted Quiches (with vegetarian option)

Coleslaw, Mixed Leaves, Potato Salad, Tomato & Mozzarella Salad

Fresh Bread

Lemon Tart or Chocolate Cheesecake

Sherry at 12 noon Wine & Soft Drinks with Lunch
Tea / Coffee & Biscuits at 4.15pm

FRIENDS' DAY LUNCH 17/9/22	
I wish to order Friends at £20 Special dietary requests, incl. vegetaria	
I enclose SAE & cheque for	to 'The Friends of Ely Cathedral'
Signed	Date
NAME (please print)	
NAME OF GUEST (if applicable)	
Email	🕿 Tel
Please return this form, cheque & SAE Mrs S. M. Hunting, The Chapter House, The Payment through BACS can also be an	e College, ELY, Cambs CB7 4DL
NB Lunch Tickets will not be sent out up	ntil the last week of August.

Silent Auction of pictures on Friends' Day

The Friends have recently kindly been given some pictures of the Cathedral to be sold in order to raise funds for The Friends.

The Friends' Council decided that the best way to do this is by a silent auction on Friend's Day and so sealed bids need to be received by the Friends' Officer by 2.15 on Friends' Day.

The pictures will be on display on Friends' Day, in the Lady Chapel 12–2.15 and can also be viewed (by appointment only) with Sue in The Chapter House in late August/early September.

The pictures comprise:

- 1) A large, framed modern painting of the Cathedral. The artist is Turkish.
- 2) Six or seven unframed pages taken from Winkles's Architectural and Picturesque Illustrations of the Cathedral Churches of England and Wales, (1836/1842). These are prints from the engravings of Garland, Hablot Browne etc and will probably need to be sold as a set.

Please get in touch if you are interested in bidding for these.

Friends' Day Tours I wish to reserve the following places: a) Monastic Buildings Tour _____ b) General Cathedral Tour _____ Both Tours start at 11am on Friends' Day, 17 September. Please meet by The Friends' Notice Board in the Nave at 10.50am. Name ______ Email / Phone ______ Please return this form to the Friends' Office by Friday, 9 September 2022

Friends' Council Nomination Form			
Ι,	(please print)		
wish to stand for election as a member of The Council of The Friends of Ely Cathedral and am duly proposed and seconded by the following Friends:			
Proposer	Signed		
Seconder	Signed		
Signed (nominee)	Date		
Please return this form to the Friends' Office by Friday, 9 September 2022			

LOOKING AHEAD

News from Ely Cathedral Marketing Dept.

Saturday 10 September, 10am - 4pm

Ely Cathedral Green Fair

A fun family Eco event for everyone to enjoy - Free Entry
On Cross Green (next to Ely Cathedral)
Join us for the second annual Green Fair showcasing eco-friendly
stalls and local environmental groups. With demonstrations,
entertainment, food and drink.

Wednesday 16 - Saturday 19 November

Ely Cathedral Christmas Gift and Food Fair

Discover perfect presents for friends and family from over a hundred stalls and designers all located in the Cathedral's magnificent nave. A Festive Village will once again be located on the East Lawn providing a perfect outdoor shopping experience. *Tickets on sale from August.*

Friday 9 December, 7.15pm

A Festival of Carols with John Rutter

A spectacular Christmas celebration with seasonal music, readings and poems. Performed by the Choirs of Ely Cathedral with John Rutter as guest conductor.

Tickets on sale from 1 September.

Events throughout 2023

St Etheldreda - Celebrating 1350 years of the founding of Ely

Special events during the celebratory year of 2023 will include an exhibition, a laser show, a Saxon Fair, a Messiah concert, services and more.

Full programme to be announced soon.

SPECIAL FRIENDS' EVENING

Cathedral Artefacts

Elizabeth Stazicker, Cathedral Archivist

A chance to see, and hear about, some special items that are not usually on public display

Wednesday, 12 October

7.00 pm in the South Transept

Price includes a glass of wine/soft drink

I wish to order	Friend tickets at £8
and	Guest tickets at £10
I enclose a cheque / cash for payable to 'The Friends of Ely	
Names of attendees:	
Signed	Date
NAME (please print)	
E-mail:	🅿 Tel no:
Please return with SAE to: Mrs The Chapter House,	S. M. Hunting, Friends' Officer, The College, ELY, Cambs CB7 4DL
Payment through BACS can also	be arranged, please email for details

Tickets are only available (in advance) from The Friends' Office.

CALLING FOR FRIEND VOLUNTEERS!

We are always grateful for offers of help with:

- packing Christmas Cards,
- helping on the Friends' Stall at the Christmas Fair
- delivering the Friends' Mailing in late January 2023.

We try to hand deliver in Ely, nearby villages and other towns and would welcome more offers of help — it is good exercise (!) and each envelope saves over £1 in postage. Please think about whether you can help by delivering in your local area.

Please return the slip below or send an email. Many thanks. Name: ______ Phone: _____ email _____ I am willing to help with: please circle days & times Card Packing — in Powchers Hall Tues 13 Sept 10-12 and 2-4 pm Thurs 15 Sept 12-2 and 2-4 pm Please indicate your availability! Stall at Christmas Fair: Weds 16 — Sat 19 Nov Weds eve, Thurs am, Thurs pm, Fri am, Fri pm, Fri eve, Sat am, Sat pm Please indicate your availability! Delivering Yearbooks in ______ Please return this slip to Sue Hunting or email if you prefer. Card Packing and Friends' Stall Rotas will be circulated! Thank you!

FRIENDS' ORDER FORM

Please note: All Christmas Cards are in Packs of 10 with the greeting 'With Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year'

	Price	Quantity	Total £
NEW Christmas Card (engraving) 'Ely Cathedral' by Andy English BLACK & '			
NEW Christmas Card (engraving) 'Ely Cathedral' by Andy English COLOURE	£6/pack D		
Christmas Card (painting) 'Winter Sunset at Ely Cathedral' by John Sar	£6/pack nsom		
Christmas Card (illustration) 'Next stop Ely Cathedral' by Debbie Bellaby	£6/pack		
Blank Notecards (pack of 6) Two designs, photos by Andrew Sharpe	£4/pack _		
Friends' Bags, heavy duty canvas Octagon Design (cream & navy) by Lisa Giffe	£6 each ord LIMITE	ED STOCK	
Post & Packing			£3.50
Donation to 'The F	riends' (ap	preciated)	
	TOTAL A	MOUNT _	
I enclose a cheque for the Total Amount (pay	able to The	Friends of Ely C	athedral)
Signed:		Date:	
NAME (please print):			
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