

# Almanac

# Items of Interest during the Year 1927

Year  
1928

(taken from Barber's Almanack 1928).  
Gathered from the Local Newspapers, etc. during the past year.  
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## APRIL, 1927.

9--Hockey at Camping Close. Littleport Girls v. Ely City II. The latter won.

12--Performance of Handel's oratorio (Parts 1 and 2), "The Messiah," at Littleport Parish Church

!!! 13--Annual General Meeting at the Town Hall of Littleport Bowls Club. The Club decided to purchase its green.

Social and Concert at Wesleyan Schoolroom in aid of Church funds

15--Special Good Friday Services at Parish Church

16--Egg Service at S. Matthew's Church

Easter Day Services at Parish Church

18--Easter Monday--Three weddings took place at Littleport Church.

19--Sale at Town Hall of property belonging to the Misses Griffin, by Mr, H. G. Martin

20--Annual Vestry Meeting at Parish Room

23--Farewell presentation to Mr. M. J. Duncombe, local manager of Lloyds Bank since October, 1920. Mr. Duncombe succeeds to the management of the Newmarket branch.

"The Magic Key" a Spanish operetta, performed at Cinema Hail by scholars of Town Girls' School

!!! 24--Annual Egg Service at Parish Church, 1,200 eggs were sent, to Addenbrooke's

25--Mr. W. O. Waite, of King's Lynn, succeeds Mr. M. J. Duncombe as manager of Lloyds Bank

27--Misses Irene Clarke and Connie Brundell sustained injuries from, motor cycle accident on Ely road

Women's Institute Whist Drive and Dance in aid of Addenbrooke's Hospital

28--Salvation Army funeral of Mr. A. E. T. Lawrence

## MAY, 1927.

2--Commencement of Bowls season on Littleport green

Draw for Turkey wool rug, made and given by Mr. S. A. Chambers in aid of Littleport Nursing Fund. Winner, Miss B. A. Barber. Sevenoaks

7--Littleport Cricket Club opened their season with a match with Wilburton. Result--draw

Disastrous Fire at Mr. Harry Judd's premises, Ely Road

8--Third annual celebration of Hospital Sunday at Little Ouse. effort in conjunction with Prickwillow realised over £150

9--Community Singing and demonstration on stencilling at Women's Institute

Death of Mrs. T. Harlock after long illness

Motor lorry, belonging to Mr. H. E. Halsall, overturns near Littleport Bridge

10--Six guineas was collected locally for National Children's Home

12--Final Meeting of the season of the Littleport Choral Society. A presentation was made to Miss Cheek in recognition of her services

13--Very successful performance of "The Mikado" at the Cinema Hall, by the Southery Operatic Society, conducted by Mr. Jas. Lee

14--Sixty-two persons booked from Littleport for half-day excursion to London

Cricket at Highfield. Littleport v. Ely City II. The latter won by one run

18--Variety Sale and Fancy Fair on Alexandra Institute lawn in aid of heating apparatus

!!! 19--Ely Rural District Council - Extension of water supply to the Moorings considered

20--Infant Welfare Meeting at Audley House

21--Cricket at Haddenham. Littleport lost by 10 runs

22--Rogation Sunday-Special Service on Vicarage Lawn

24--Empire Day-Girl Guides and School Children of Littleport join in festivities

25--Death of Mrs. Charles Bye

Bowls --Littleport v. Soham. The former won

27--Death of Mr. Jacob Batcher, one of Littleport's oldest inhabitants

28--Cricket at Highfield-Littleport v. Lakenheath. The former won by 24 runs

31--Bowls at Upwell-Littleport v. Upwell. The latter won by 24 points

## JUNE, 1927

2--Local Labour Party formed in Littleport, with A. E. Scase as Secretary

4--Funeral of Mr. Harry Cobb. a well-known resident

5--S.P.G. Sunday at Parish Church. The Rev. Dr. Murray, of Broughton, Hunts., preached

!!! 6--Whit Monday--Quiet day at Littleport

Bowls Club hold their Target Bowls Tournament on their green. Mr. H. Barlow was the winner

Marriage of Miss Doris Cave to Mr. L. A. Bray

12--Primitive Methodist Sunday School Anniversary

13--Death of Mr. William Carman, a native of Ten Mile Bank, for over 40 years a local preacher

Women's Institute--Nurse Culverwell, of Ely, gave demonstration on Home Nursing

16--Meeting in support of N.S.P.C.C, at Mow Fen Hall. Capt. Hugh Clarke, M.B.E., represented the Society

18--Beautiful 5-year-old gelding, belonging to Messrs. T. J. and C. Mott, killed by lightning at Dairy Farm

19--Salvation Army Children's Anniversary Services

29--Meeting of Hospital Committee

22--Members of Mothers' Union spend a pleasant time on the Vicarage Lawn

Successful Garden Party at the residence of Mr. J. H. Adams, in support of Wesleyan Church funds

Sale of Work and Garden Fete at S. Matthew's Vicarage

23--Mr. H. J. Coote wins 2nd prize at Spalding Show with 1927 Rhode Island Red pullet

24--Footballers' Supper at Cinema Hall

26--Confirmation Service by the Lord Bishop of Ely at Littleport Parish Church. There were 18 candidates

27--District-Capt. Miss Martin and staff of local Girl Guides formed part of guard of honour to Princess Mary at Papworth

29--The Garden Fete in connection with Women's Institute was again thwarted by the rain, and the Constitutional Hall had once more to be resorted to.

30--During the month of June 2.92 inches of rain were recorded at Highfield

Motor cycle accident to Mr. Mitcham, junr., by collision with motor 'bus

## JULY, 1927

1--Juvenile Swimming Sports at Bath near Wisbech Road

!!! 2--The Sunday School Scholars of the Parish Church and Independent Chapel went to Hunstanton by special train for a holiday

Death of Mrs. E. Cooper, an old inhabitant, aged 79

3--Anniversary Services at Wesleyan Church

5--28 Members of Women's Institute spend a day in London

6--Primitive Methodist Sunday School Scholars go to Hunstanton by motor 'bus for an outing

10--Annual Flower Service at Parish Church

Mr. Cecil H. Budd, an assistant master of March Grammar School, meets with motor cycle accident when on his way to Littleport from Welney

!!! 11--Torrential rain and thunderstorm at Littleport. Streets flooded.

16--Hospital Flag Day at Littleport

18--Women's Institute--Visit of Miss Simpson, from Headquarters, London

19--Sale by Mr. Heber G. Martin, at the Town Hall, of property of the late Mr. Porter

Rogers Miss Bertha Rowell obtains certificate in speed and proficiency in Pitman's shorthand

20--Miss Bessie Heygate appointed as Supervisor at Princess Mary Homes Addlestone, Surrey.

21--Presentation, at Town Boys' School, of silver inscribed watch (the gift of an old scholar, Mr. H. Willett, residing in London) to Jack Pettit, the boy who made the highest number of marks during the year.

23--Collision between two motor cycles, resulting in Thomas Mackman, of Downham, Norfolk, receiving serious injury

Accident to Geo. Tuck, of Coronation Terrace, who sustained scalp wounds and bruises through colliding with motor car at bottom of Crown Lane

Death of Mr. George Nunn, an old inhabitant

The sale of agricultural produce, &c., by Mr. Heber G. Martin, in aid of the Hospital Fund, realised £5

24--Fine weather gave the Hospital Parade a fine chance, and a record collection was made

25--First day of Littleport Feast

26--Annual Show of the Littleport Horticultural and Foal Show Society. Fine weather prevailed. There was a record gate

27--Annual Sports at Sandhill Bridge of the Littleport Swimming Club. H. Bristowe, of Chatteris, won the Cup

30--The prize draws in connection with the "Hospital Sunday" Committee took place. Winner of motor cycle, Mr. T. Youngs; of heifer, Mrs. Thompson. Funds to date reached over £380

31--The rainfall recorded at Highfield for July was 3.9 inches

AUGUST, 1927

1--Nine of Miss Theobald's pupils score successes in connection with the Assoc. Board of R.A.M. and R.C.M.

2--Town Lands Charity Meeting. The increase of rents discussed

3--Mrs. Heber and Mrs. Horace Martin entertain Littleport and Ouse Bridge mothers at Highfield

5--Sad death by accidental drowning in the River Ouse near Sandhill Bridge of a young man named George Tite, aged 19 years

6--Accident to Mrs. G. R. S. Cheeseright, who was knocked off her cycle by a motor

9--Annual Juvenile Swimming Sports in River for Girls and Boys

The allocation of funds acquired by Hospital Committee was as follows:--  
Addenbrooke's £250 (not final), Ely Massage Clinic £15 15s., Littleport Nursing Fund £15 15s., Hunstanton Convalescent Home £2 2s.

!!! 10--River Wedding of Miss Amy Furness, of Clay way Farm, Adelaide, to Mr. Arthur Howe, of Prickwillow. The party travelled by motor boats to Prickwillow, where the ceremony was solemnised

13--Open American Ladies' Doubles Tournament at The Limes, in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Homes. The winners were Misses Bird & Martin

16--Death of Mr. Martin Harle, after a long illness

!!! 21--R.A.F. motor tender crashes twice into lamp-post and fence on Station Road

22--Alfred Spinks and Mollie Bishop (Town Council Schools) win Scholarships for Secondary Schools

24--Tennis Tournament in connection with Women's Institute, at the Limes The winners were Mrs. Healy Wilson & Miss M. Peacock

Cycle accident to Miss Ruby Madge Fulcher by colliding with motor car.

Final competition for Littleport Bowls Club Challenge Cup. W. Register (captain) was the winner

26--Arthur Jackson (of Littleport) sustained concussion and abrasion through collision with motor 'bus on Ely Road

29--Extraordinary General Meeting of members of the Constitutional Club to promote the establishment of a refreshment bar

30--Death of Mr. Tom Gotobed, a well-known resident

Ladies' Working Party arranged in connection with Restoration of Parish Church Tower Fund

## SEPTEMBER, 1927

10--Death of Mrs. Eliza Jane Bowles, an old inhabitant. She was blind for over 25 years

11--Harvest Festival Services at Wesleyan Church

14--Marriage at St. Clement Danes' Church, London, of Miss Dorothy Towler (Littleport) to Mr. Wallace Evans (of Faversham, Kent)

15--Three days Furniture Sale at Constitutional Hall by Messrs. Holliman & Sons, of Cambridge

16--Mr. B. J. King, of Ely, collided on his motor cycle with a straying horse, and sustained severe injuries

17--Mr. George Brown knocked into ditch on Mildenhall Road by motor cyclist

Girl Guides, under direction of Miss Martin, hold Jumble Sale in aid of Addenbrooke's Hospital. Over £20 was realised

!!! 18--Mr. Godbolt fell into drain on Mildenhall Road

!!! 19--Mr. T. Coates, ditto

21--Parish Church Choir Boys Annual Outing to Yarmouth, and encountered very wet weather

25--Harvest Festival Services at Salvation Army Citadel

28--Littleport "Old Dears" Annual Tea at Constitutional Hall

Meeting of Parish Council.-Mr. H. J. Martin elected as Trustee, for Hilgay Charity

29--The House-to-house Collection for Addenbrooke's Hospital in connection with the County Organisation Fund amounted to £87 16s. 3fd.

"Mons" screened at Cinema Hall

## OCTOBER, 1927.

2--Harvest Services at Parish Church Harvest Festival at S. Matthew's First Meeting of season of P.S.A. at Primitive Methodist Church

3--Wesley Guild hold their opening meeting of the Winter Session

Meeting of Town Lands Charity-Revision of Rents

4--First Meeting of "Women's Bright Hour" at Wesleyan Schoolroom

11--Whist Drive and Dance at S. Matthew's Institute

19--Annual Whist Drive and Dance of Littleport Bowls Club at Constitutional Hall Co-op.

Concert at Cinema Hall

22--Pleasure Fair near Hempfield

26--Cinema Entertainment in aid of Addenbrooke's Hospital

### NOVEMBER, 1927.

2--Whist Drive and Dance in connection with Women's Institute at Constitutional Hall

Exposure by Mr. J. J. Smith at Independent Chapel of Judge Rutherford's publication, called "The Harp of God"

10--Alexandra Hockey Club's Annual Dance at Constitutional Hall

17--21st Birthday Party of Miss Eva Lofts at "Bluedale"

25--Littleport Badminton Club hold their Annual Dance at Constitutional Hall

30--Littleport Parish Church Bazaar, for Restoration of Church Tower and Organ, at Constitutional Hall. Nearly £150 was raised

### DECEMBER, 1927.

7--Mrs. D'Amato and Miss Latty arrange successful Invitation Dance at Constitutional Hall

!!! 20--Motor cyclist crashes into Mr. Hiblin's milk cart

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