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Thank you to all contributors this month.

**Calling friends of Andrew**

A gentleman called Andrew won a prize in the Advent Market Raffle in Duxford. He was staying with friends in Ickleton and said he would be contacting them to arrange to collect the prize (a worthwhile one it seems!). If his friends see this, please would they email or phone the editor re contacting Jill Steinberg – the organiser of the raffle.

**Editor**

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Refuse Collections during February 2014**

Monday	03 February	-	Black Bin
Monday	10 February	-	Green and Blue Bin
Monday	17 February	-	Black Bin
Monday	24 February	-	Green & Blue Bin

Bins must be placed out by 7am on designated day of collection. Lids on the bins should be closed.

**Recycling Centre** Thriplow off A505. Opening hours: Every day 08.00 – 16.00 hours during winter.  
Tel: 01223 839001.

### **Ickleton Parish Council:**

#### **Extracts from the Meeting held on 15 January 2014:**

**CCC Parish Council Grants for Bus Facility Improvements** – We have been successful in our bid to install 2 Real Time Information Displays at the bus stops in Frogge Street. Cambridgeshire County Council will install the signs. The Parish Council's contribution to this facility will be £2,000. The Better Bus Area Fund (BBAF) will provide the majority of the funding in relation to the signs.

#### **Proposed 20mph Speed Limit**

The Chairman and Kern Roberts had met with Derek Crosby, representing Cambridgeshire Police on Traffic Management, for an informal consultation. As no speed data was available it was suggested we approach CCC to carry out this check. Mr Crosby suggested that the Parish Council should put forward a proposed scheme for him to comment on. Although there is no objection in principle to the introduction of a 20mph speed limit, the police will seek to guard against an enforcement nightmare. 20mph limits should be self-enforcing.

The Chairman explained that for almost two years informal discussions had taken place with different representatives of CCC Highways without achieving clarity over what might be acceptable to them. The published policy according to the CCC's website was to assist communities to determine the speed limit that was appropriate to their streets. However, Ickleton was finding it very difficult to make progress with this. Cllr Topping agreed to ask CCC what their policy is, as this is very unclear and appears to keep changing. Kern Roberts wondered what process Linton followed to obtain their 20mph speed limit. The Chairman would consider incorporating a request for a speed survey as part of our LHI bid 2014/15.

**CCC - Local Highway Improvements 2013/14 AND Local Highway Improvements Initiative 2014/15:** 2013/14 – Following the last Parish Council Meeting, the Chairman had discovered that the Project Engineer (CCC) was proposing to install the Frogge Street traffic calming feature in a different location to that expected. Nearby residents had raised concerns. These have to be addressed by the Project Engineer, but the Parish Council has also asked Cllr Topping to intervene with a view of having the calming feature moved by a small distance, which would hopefully address most of the concerns that have been raised.

**Planning application(s) received from SCDC:** None

**Planning application(s) granted by SCDC:**

S/2292/13/FL – Single Storey Extension – 28 Church Street, Ickleton – Heddon Management

At the Parish Council's request Cllr Martin is asking why this was not referred to the full Planning Committee in view of the Parish Council's recommendation of refusal.

S/2465/13/FL – Two-Storey Rear Extension – 18 Birds Close, Ickleton – Mr & Mrs Edwin Farrow

**Planning application(s) refused by SCDC:**

S/2207/13/FL – Use of Land for Mobile Home – Ickleton Riverside Barns, Frogge Street – Mr H Miles

**Section 106 Money:** Sara Mila and James Macdonald have offered to take part in a working group to help the Parish Council consider how to spend available funds as well as longer term plans for the Play Area. It is hoped to hold a meeting before the next Parish Council meeting.

**SCDC Parish Precept 2014** The Clerk had produced various figures for Councillors to consider. After discussion of the options, Tim Pavelin proposed and Lewis Duke seconded the proposal that the precept for 2014/15 be increased from £22,500 to £23,000. The Councillors unanimously agreed the proposal.

**Flooding/Drainage in Church Street/top of Mill Lane** – The Clerk has contacted CCC (Highways) who will visit the site. Tim Pavelin also reported that the drain outside Norman Hall appeared to be blocked.

**Flooding at Cemetery Corner** – The Clerk had contacted CCC (Highways) asking if the grip could be cleared so that the water could run into the field. They have replied that they will arrange for the storm drainage to be cleaned out.

**Coploe Pit** – The Interpretation Board (Memorial to Sheila Birch) will be put in position on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January. A brief gathering will be organised at a later date to formalise the installation of the board.

**Cemetery** – Further ferreting had taken place to counter the rabbit problem and repairs have been made to fencing.

**Village Litter Pick – proposed date 9<sup>th</sup> March 2014:** The Councillors supported the proposed Litter Pick, organised by Clare Driver, to take place on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March.

**Jocelyn Flitton (Parish Clerk)    ☎ 530407 josflitton@tiscali.co.uk**

## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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## CHURCH NOTICES

Priest-in-Charge	Rev Dr Jessica Martin	☎ 01223 832137 hinkledux@googlemail.com
Churchwarden	Rosemary McKillen (plus one vacancy)	☎ 530475
Prayer Ministry	Monica Lilley	☎ 530224
Lay Ministers	Julie Baillie	☎ 530684
	Judith Wright	☎ 530740

### Food Bank - at the church

Donations of food to help people in need. Leave in the church at any time. The following are particularly welcomed:

Tinned sponge puddings; long life fruit juice cartons; UHT or powdered milk; granulated sugar 500g; pasta sauces in jars; jams; snack bars, sweetie and crisp treats.

All will go to the Cambridge City Food Bank.

**Books - at the church** You can donate and/or buy books – in the church entrance. Proceeds to church funds.

### Coffee Mornings - at the church

Coffee mornings are now once a month – on the **first Tuesday - 4th February** 10.00 - 12.00. The cakes are always delicious.

**All welcome.** These are friendly social occasions for all ages – from toddlers to the tottering.

## Services for February

Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	DUXFORD
Candlemas	10.00 am Parish Eucharist with Sunday School	<b>ICKLETON</b>
	6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)	HINXTON
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	HINXTON
4 <sup>th</sup> before Lent	10.00 am Parish Eucharist with Sunday School	DUXFORD
	5.00 pm Taize service	<b>ICKLETON</b>
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	<b>ICKLETON</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> before Lent	9.15 am Messy Church	HINXTON
	10.00 am Parish Eucharist	HINXTON
	6.30 pm Evening Prayer with Laying on of Hands	DUXFORD
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	HINXTON
2 <sup>nd</sup> before Lent	10.00 am All-Age Service	DUXFORD
	6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)	<b>ICKLETON</b>

## News from the Rectory

When Izaak Walton, the famous seventeenth century fisherman, wrote his Will, he had this to say about the first two months of the year: 'January and February' he wrote, 'are the hardest and most pinching times'. He was explaining why he was bequeathing a regular supply of coals for those who could not afford to heat their houses in his birth town of Stafford; but the observation holds as true more generally. By the time we get to February it can feel as if winter has set in for ever; as if, for ever, we will be getting up in the dark. As if the weather will always be raw, the wind always biting, the ground always bare.

But there are signs which say otherwise. Even at the time of writing the earth has green spikes which will soon be crocuses and narcissi, and the snowdrops are blooming in Ickleton churchyard. We are turning towards the light and the sun, towards new life.

Human lives, too, go in seasons; through dark times, hard and pinching times, to times of growth and change. We are not as good at turning towards the light as plants are, but the light is there, and even in dark times the light will come – in small blessings sometimes, as well as large ones. Both are precious. So if you too are enduring a hard and pinching time, remember that light and growth are around the corner. They will come.

**Jessica Martin**

## First Aid Course - Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February

On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February we will be running a First Aid Course in the village hall. The course is HSE approved and upon successful completion is valid for 3 years. In addition to general Emergency First Aid the trainer will cover Sport and Paediatric First Aid. If you are part of a sports team or maybe a parent or grandparent caring for young children or just want to know how to respond in an emergency this would be a day well spent.

The Course runs from 9am - 4pm and costs £30 to include tea/coffee and lunch. Places are limited so please contact me as soon as possible.

**pam@cmws.co.uk or ☎ 531916 or 07802 362528**

**Pam Fearn Village Hall Committee**

## OVER SIXTIES

The next meetings are on **Wednesdays 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>** February at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall.

**Mavis Plumb**

## THE CHESTERFORDS, ICKLETON AND HINXTON W.I.

Members enjoyed a lovely Christmas party at the December meeting ending with traditional cards. Chris Cole continued the festive food theme at the January meeting with the history of Coles Bakery and Christmas Puddings.

The meeting on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February** will be a talk by Paul Atkins "What it is like to be visually impaired".

Members are reminded to bring home made cakes for the patients in the Saffron Walden Community Hospital. Also subscriptions are due.

**Cynthia Rule ☎ 530294**

## Great Chesterford and District Garden Society

The December meeting was an illustrated talk by the Director of Scotsdales – Peter Jackson, entitled "Plants with winter Interest". This was followed by delicious Christmas refreshments and a huge raffle with a prize for everyone! More than 60 people attended the meeting, which is a club record.

The next meeting of the Garden Society will take place on the **5<sup>th</sup> February at 8pm** (The Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford), and will be a talk by Geoff Hodge – on 'House Plant Care'. Members and non-members most welcome.

## ICKLETON SOCIETY

### New Year's Day Walk

Despite torrential rain and gales, we were amazed at the cheerful turnout of walkers and dogs who met at the Village Green and walked through the (very) wetlands and Hinxton before returning to the Village Hall where Madeleine and Roy Smith had been busy preparing warm mulled wine, soup and bread as well as other festive treats. Thanks to all who contributed homemade goodies. It was a lovely warm atmosphere and a great start to the New Year.

### Ickleton at War

The Ickleton Society is developing a project to mark the centenary of the First World War. We have some information on those people killed in the conflict but nothing on others from Ickleton who may have served in the conflict and returned safely. There are probably descendants of some of these people still living in Ickleton and who may have family records e.g. medals, photographs etc. which would greatly assist our research. If anyone has any such items perhaps they would be kind enough to contact Neil McKillen at 5 Priory Close or by telephone on ☎ 530475.

### What's New on the Web Site

Accessible from <http://www.ickleton.org.uk/gallery/main.php> or from the village website). We have added photos of the planting of saplings behind the cemetery which will grow to become "Ron's Copse" – a tribute to Ron Coulson organised by the Parish Council for everything he did for the village. Thanks to Ian Coulson for these photos.

Rachel Radford ☎ 530994

## WELCOME

A warm welcome to Ickleton for June, Robert, Jessica and Alice Woodward who moved from Babraham just before Christmas into The Old School House. You may see them to say hello on the Rec with their Clever white collie cross dog Dill, who responds to hand signals as he is deaf. June works as a talented Gardener, Jessica is in her last year at university and Alice has been getting work experience with dogs and some care work.

Clare Driver ☎ 531958 or [clare@domesticblissappointments.co.uk](mailto:clare@domesticblissappointments.co.uk).

## LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE

### Big Spring Clean

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am

Ickleton Society in partnership with the Parish Council, the Village Hall Committee, the Welcome Trust and the Campaign to Protect Rural England.

Lets clean up our beautiful village! Please join us for a litter picking up hour.

**Meet at the recreation ground.** Refreshments provided.  
Gloves, grabbers, bags and high visibility jackets provided.

Turn up on the day or contact **Clare Driver** ☎ 531958 or [clare@domesticblissappointments.co.uk](mailto:clare@domesticblissappointments.co.uk)

## Shakespeare in Ickleton

**Put this date in your diary... August Bank Holiday Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August**

Touring Shakespeare company coming to Ickleton on Bank Holiday Monday 25th August.  
More details at a later date but put this date in your diary so you don't miss it.

## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

### Thank you

We would like to thank our son Mark and daughter Nina for all their help in putting up our lights for Christmas. Thanks to everyone who gave so much for our charity The British Heart Foundation. We collected £201-50. Thankyou to all and a Happy New Year.

**Carol and Barry Turton, Birds Close**

## THANK YOU

Elisabeth and the family of the late **Graham Igglesden** would like to express our sincere thanks to those who attended the church service and all who sent cards and messages and sympathy for our sad loss. Thanks also to Peasgood and Skeates and our Vicar for all their help.

**Hedley Igglesden**

## ICKLETON CRICKET CLUB

The cricket down under hasn't really been up to much over the winter with England being white washed! But there is something to look forward to.....ICC will start **Winter Net Sessions** at **Sawston Village College on Thursday 30th January - 8 to 10 pm.**

Everyone of all abilities are welcome and we hope to attract some new players. We have ten weekly sessions booked after which we shall practice on the Ickleton Jubilee Oval.

The forthcoming 2014 season should be our best yet. We continue to have two teams in the midweek Twenty20 League. We have now entered Saturday League cricket and will be playing in the Mr Cricket Cambridgeshire Cricket Association Minor League. We will continue to have a number of friendly fixtures too - usually on Sundays.

We're always looking for new club members. We're very keen not just for players but for scorers, umpires and committee members as well as new sponsors. If you're interested in playing a part in this great club please get in touch.

We're on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/IckletonCricketClub> and we have a Website:

<http://ickleton.play-cricket.com>

Contact me direct: David Mathias - [ickletonccfixtures@hotmail.com](mailto:ickletonccfixtures@hotmail.com) 07967 096 841

Looking forward to a great 2014.

**David Mathias - Fixtures Secretary**

## SHORT MAT BOWLS

On **Thursday afternoons at the Village Hall 2 - 4 pm**, and including tea. More players needed! Absolute beginners welcome.

Contact **Hedley Igglesden** ☎ 530323 or just come along.

## THE STRETHALL LECTURES 2014

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 8 pm at The Friends Meeting House, High Street, Saffron Walden

**Dr Rowan Williams - '*Religious Poetry - is it possible today*'**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 8 pm at The Friends School Assembly Hall, Mt Pleasant Road

**Carry Akroyd - '*Landscape Change, John Clare and Printmaking*'**

**Tickets: £8** for either event.

From Saffron Walden Tourist Information Centre, Market Place, Saffron Walden ☎ 524002

Or by post with SAE please to Church Office, Crawley End, Chrishall, Royston SG8 8QL. Cheques should be made out to the *Friends of Strethall Church*. Please mark the envelope 'Lectures'.

Enquiries to [strethall.church@btinternet.com](mailto:strethall.church@btinternet.com) or ☎ 521290

**Michael Pearson**

## Twilight at Cambridge Museums

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 4.30pm to 8:30pm

Discover the extraordinary world of Cambridge museums and collections after dark.

As darkness falls, Museums and collections across Cambridge are opening their doors into the night for an exciting evening of **FREE drop-in and bookable family events**.

Taking place in twelve venues across the city.

Experience the sights and sounds of ice at The Polar Museum, journey by torchlight through the Botanic Garden Glasshouses or create amazing photographs in the evocative setting of the Museum of Technology. There will be plenty to explore!

Get ready for the adventure by visiting [www.cam.ac.uk/museums/twilight](http://www.cam.ac.uk/museums/twilight)

## RAGT Seeds

### **B and B accommodation required in summer months**

RAGT Seeds Limited is a leading European plant breeding company based in Grange Road, Ickleton.

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We are looking for good, reasonably priced bed and breakfast accommodation for our European students, as well as some around the UK, in Ickleton and surrounding villages.

If you are able to assist us please contact:

Cathie Wigley

RAGT Seeds Ltd

Grange Road

Ickleton CB10 1TA

Tel: 01799 533700 Fax: 01799 533760

email : [c.wigley@ragt.fr](mailto:c.wigley@ragt.fr)

## CARE ADVICE

### Free and confidential advice about support for adults with long-term needs and for their carers

The County Council has organised a series of drop-in sessions to provide free and confidential information and advice to adults living with a long-term illness or disability, older people struggling with an age-related condition, and anyone providing unpaid support to adult family members or friends who could not manage without this help.

The sessions are being held on the last Wednesday of the month during 2014 at the **Horizon Centre, 285 Coldhams Lane, Cambridge CB1 3HY** (near the roundabout opposite Sainsburys).

Come along any time between 1.30pm and 3.30pm for a cup of tea and to find out about the support available to you.

For more information phone 01480 377616 / 01480 373220

Email: Drop-in-sessions\_asc@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or visit [www.cambridgeshire.net](http://www.cambridgeshire.net) and search "Adult Support Drop-in".

### Additional information:

The sessions will feature:

- 29<sup>th</sup> January 2014 – Discussion about Assistive Technology
- 26<sup>th</sup> February 2014 – Activity session: Chair-based exercise
- 26<sup>th</sup> March 2014 – Specialist information from the Village Benefits Advice Team

## Sawston Medical Practice

### Foreign travel

If you are planning trips abroad the practice advises people to complete a Travel Clinic Advice form available from the practice, which will advise within 7 days if any vaccinations or other treatments are recommended or needed. You should then, as necessary, book an appointment at least 4 weeks before travelling, or 3 months if it is a high risk area. Most relevant vaccinations are free. Malaria tablets are not. Health care advice leaflets available.

### Opening Hours

We plan to investigate the feasibility of extending the Practice hours and would welcome patients' input. Our core **opening hours** are currently 8 am to 6 pm, with late clinics on Monday until 8pm and early clinics from 7am on Friday.

There are three options under current consideration:

Option 1: Monday to Thurs 8am to 8pm, Fri 7am to 6pm

Option 2: Monday to Thurs 7am to 7pm, Fri 7am to 6pm

Option 3: Monday to Weds 8am to 8pm, Thurs 7am to 7pm, Fri 7am to 6pm

We invite your views on this with a questionnaire on our website [www.sawstonmedicalpractice.co.uk](http://www.sawstonmedicalpractice.co.uk) Feedback will be gratefully received.





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## ICKLETON DIARY

FEBRUARY		
Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup>	First Aid Course 9.00 am – 3.00 pm Village Hall
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Church Coffee morning 10.00 am – 12 noon
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Over Sixties 2.30 pm Village Hall
		Great Chesterford and District Gardening Society 8.00 pm Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library 12.45 pm bottom of Butchers Hill
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	Over Sixties 2.30 pm Village Hall
		W.I. meeting 7.45 p.m. Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford
		Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall
MARCH		
Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup>	Litter Pick 10.30 am Recreation Ground
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall

WEA course                      Wednesdays from 8th January 10.00 am Village Hall

Short mat bowls                Thursdays 2.00 - 4.00 pm Village Hall

Ickleton Cricket Club        Winter Nets Thursdays from 30<sup>th</sup> January 8 pm  
Sawston Village College

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