

# I C E N E

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## JULY 2021

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Thank you to contributors to this month. The deadline for August's Icene is 24th July.

***New beginnings...***

**Ickleton Church** welcomes a new vicar Rev Lydia Smith - see Church news page 7.

**The Ickleton Lion** has reopened again under the new management of Mike and Claire Champion, p.5.

***But further delays...***

The Village fete, due on 26th June, and also the Jumble Sale on 3rd July have unfortunately had to be postponed because of Covid.

***But still on: Henry V*** - by The Festival Players - on Saturday 31st July. Tickets are Covid limited - so ***book early*** - from The Village Shop. See page 9.

**Editor**

## PARISH COUNCIL JULY 2021

### Refuse collections during July

Tuesday	6 July	Blue and Green Bins
Tuesday	13 July	Black Bin
Tuesday	20 July	Blue and Green Bins
Tuesday	27 July	Black Bin

**Please Note:**

Thriplow Household Waste Recycling Centre is open for residents who have essential waste that cannot be stored safely at home. Open seven days a week 8 am to **5 pm** (the summer schedule).

Visitors must book a time slot to enter, including e-permit holders.

Visit [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/directory/listings/thriplow-recycling-centre](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/directory/listings/thriplow-recycling-centre) for more information.

The booking page for a time slot is

[www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/waste-and-recycling/booking-system-for-household-recycling-centres](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/waste-and-recycling/booking-system-for-household-recycling-centres). OR telephone 0345 045 5207.

Note: At Saffron Walden tip, no booking is required.

### Ickleton Parish Council

Extracts from the Parish Council meeting held on 16th June 2021.

The Parish Council wishes to draw your attention to the following:

#### **Co-option of Parish Councillor**

The vacancy was filled by Lucy Davidson. Lucy was previously a Parish Councillor but stepped down a couple of years ago to travel so brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Council.

## **Traffic and Highways**

### **Speedwatch**

Speedwatch resumed in May 2021 after a 6 month break due to Covid. The poor weather in the first fortnight meant that 5 sessions out of the scheduled 14 were cancelled, plus another one abandoned halfway through. The hot spot was, as usual, on Abbey Street looking out of the village, with high speeds being recorded in a high percentage of vehicles. Fourteen members volunteered, plus a couple more on the side lines, hopefully to return at some future date. Vehicle numbers are still significantly down compared to pre-covid. Amanda Large, the Police Coordination Officer, visited the village on Thursday 20th May 2021.

### **Greater Cambridge Planning - A505 study update**

To date the study has recommended a number of options for further investigation, assessment and development, with a view that the next phase of work would move towards selecting a preferred option. The Combined Authority (CPCA) is undertaking an independent review of the study. Following confirmation of the review, the intention is to take reports on the outcomes of the study and proposed next steps to the relevant Cambridgeshire County Council and CPCA committee later in the year. Nothing as yet has been made public or revealed to the Parish Council.

## **Planning**

### **For consideration:**

Reference: **21/01226/LBC**

Proposal: Remove existing chimney pot and cement benching, install 2 x ventilation bricks into stack. Install new 900mm buff chimney pot and bench in chimney pot.

Site address: 48 Frogge Street, Ickleton, CB10 1SH

Applicant: Mr Edmund Harcourt.

The Parish Council were in support of this application.

### **Planning Decisions:**

Reference: **21/01177/HFUL**

Proposal: Demolition of attached garage. Single storey side and rear extension.

Site address: Larkhill House, Grange Road, Ickleton, CB10 1TA

Applicant: Mrs Fiona Spinks

Permission granted.

Reference: **S/3650/19/CONDA**

Proposal: Submission of details required by conditions 3 (Hard and Soft Landscaping), 5 (Boundary Treatments) and 10 (Ecology) of planning permission S/3650/19/VC

Site address: 43 Abbey Street Ickleton CB10 1SS

Applicant: Mr Peter Macdonald

Discharge condition in full.

### **Applications for consideration by the Planning Committee**

Reference: **S/2896/19/FL**

Proposal: Construction of a 168-bedroom hotel with ancillary facilities associated access gates car parking (including reconfigured conference centre car parking) cycle parking and landscaping.

Site address: Imperial War Museum, Royston Road, Duxford, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB22 4QR

Applicant: Propiteer Hotels Duxford Limited, 1 Olivers Barn, 2 Maldon Road, Witham, Essex

Permission granted.

### **Parish Council consultation - Dogs on leads on the recreation field**

The request to keep dogs on leads on the recreation field was re-assessed by the Parish Council in April 2021 and the request was suspended for a period of consultation. The Parish Council noted the unprecedented response to the consultation and would like to thank all those who made contact to communicate, whether they opposed the idea or were supportive of allowing dogs on the recreation field on leads only. The great majority were against keeping dogs on leads. The Parish Council, whilst withdrawing its request, asks that full consideration is given to other users of the recreation field, in particular children and the infirm, if dogs are let off their lead. The situation will be monitored and reconsidered in future if necessary.

## **Covid grant to support the vulnerable and those who need to self-isolate**

Ickleton Parish Council has received a grant of £200 from South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC). This grant is intended to be used for things such as:

- Hand sanitiser and basic protective equipment
- Printing of leaflets to help keep people informed about your community group and its activities
- Paying for a few days of shopping or topping up an electricity meter for people who need to suddenly self-isolate and are demonstrably in financial hardship.

The Parish Council invite any Parishioner to contact the Clerk if they wish to discuss the grant.

## **'Wild Minds' - free outdoor activities to support young people's wellbeing**

Wild Minds is our free programme of wellbeing activities to support 14 to 17 year-olds who are suffering mental-health issues such as anxiety and low mood, and/or to build self-esteem and confidence. The programme was set up over the last two years in response to the current context around the mental health of young people within the UK; NHS mental health services have experienced greatly increased referrals over the last 10 years with increased waiting times for specialist support and increasing thresholds to gain access. It offers:

- Free outdoor activities at Milton Country Park (all equipment will be provided free too)
- Group based activities including bush craft, survival skills, paddle boarding, yoga and mindfulness – no experience is necessary for any activities
- Sessions are an hour and a half long, and held each weekend for eight weeks
- Support from both skilled instructors and youth workers.

The course has been developed by South Cambridgeshire District Council together with Cambridge Sport Lakes Trust and is supported by a Clinical Psychologist. The next eight-week course begins on Sunday 6 June and you may wish to share the opportunity within your community – teenagers can register (free) now.

## **Covid Rapid Testing vans**

There are now even more ways for people to take a rapid Covid test in Cambridgeshire following the launch of new mobile testing vans. Fully trained staff will be on hand to discuss issues around testing and answer any questions residents may have. The vans will initially be stationed at the following locations on a rota basis, subject to change: Sidney Street in Cambridge and Scotsdales garden centre, Cambridge Rd, Great Shelford. For more information, including the opening dates/times, plus any changes to site locations, visit the rapid testing webpage.

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/coronavirus/coronavirus-covid-19-rapid-community-testing>

**Leanne Smith - Parish Clerk E-mail: [clerk@ickleton-pc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@ickleton-pc.org.uk)**

## **Community Warden Scheme**

A new Community Warden Scheme for Ickleton and surrounding villages has been funded by South Cambs District Council. The warden for Ickleton is **Anita Gilchrist**.

Parishioners aged 60 or over who would like help to continue to live independently in their own home can get assistance from the Community Warden by providing a daily phone call (Mon - Fri) and support such as making drinks and a light meal, collecting prescriptions, small items of shopping, help with paperwork and making appointments, and signposting to other services where appropriate. There is a free 2 week trial and then a small weekly fee afterwards.

For more information phone 07812496001 or email [anita.gilchrist@ageukcap.org.uk](mailto:anita.gilchrist@ageukcap.org.uk).

## **Community mental health first aid initiative**

**Jacky** lives in the Parish and is a trained mental health first aider. She can be contacted by parishioners by telephone as a first point of contact and will signpost them to organisations and groups for help and support. She can be contacted during the evenings and weekends on 07779097665.

## **Library Services - Cambridge Mobile Library - now open for choosing books**

The third Wednesday (**21st July**) 12.45 -1.15 pm. Bottom of Butchers Hill / Church Street.

Books may still be PRE-SELECTED IN ADVANCE from the whole of Cambridge Libraries collection, and available to collect. To reserve, contact <https://cambridgeshire.spydus.co.uk> (free of charge).

## Ickleton United Charities

As you may know, Ickleton has village charities which operate under the name of Ickleton United Charities. There are two registered charities, the first being Ickleton Relief in Need Charities, which helps people who are in “need, hardship or distress”, and owns a pair of semi-detached houses in Mill Lane which are let as social housing. The other charity is the almshouses called The Gertrude Homes, a terrace of 3 bungalows on Frogge St which was donated to the village by the Bowen family. The two charities have separate funds, and each has its own rules and regulations, including the charitable purposes for which income and assets may be used.

From time to time the Trustees review these charitable purposes to ensure that they remain fit for purpose. The Gertrude Homes permitted charitable purposes are strictly limited to maintaining the three almshouses and supporting their residents when appropriate. In contrast, anyone resident in Ickleton may apply for support from Ickleton Relief in Need Charities.

In their recent review the Trustees concluded that they would be better able to help more local people if the charitable purposes of The Gertrude Homes could be extended. The Trustees have in mind to allow The Gertrude Homes to help Ickleton residents other than those living in the almshouses. They are satisfied that the charity’s finances are strong enough to cope with the resulting additional outgoings without in any way prejudicing the maintenance of the almshouses or the interests of their residents.

A second issue under consideration is that when the Gertrude Homes were built, they were specified as being for occupation by Ickleton residents, with priority to be given to retired house or garden staff of the Bowen family. The Trustees are proposing that people who have a strong personal connection with Ickleton should also be eligible to live in the Gertrude Homes.

The Trustees are keen to let the village know what is being planned, and to invite any questions or feedback. If you wish to learn more or to comment on the proposals, please get in touch with Jocelyn Flitton – [josflitton@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:josflitton@tiscali.co.uk)

**Defibrillator** The defibrillator in Ickleton is situated on the wall to the left of the main door of the Village Hall. To use it FIRST CALL 999 and inform them that you are near the Ickleton defibrillator. You will then be told a 4 figure number code to enter. Then follow the instructions you will find.

<b>Post box collection times</b>	<b>Monday - Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
Bottom of Butchers Hill; Coploe Road at Grange road corner	9.00 am	7.00 am
Costcutter shop	11.30 am and 4.00 pm	11.30 am
Great Chesterford	latest 4.30 pm	12 midday
Saffron Walden Market Square	latest 6.00 pm	12 midday

The village shop **Post Office opening times are:** Mon - Fri 8 - 12 midday, Sat 9 - 12.

## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Medical Car Scheme	John and Sue Fowler
Village Hall Bookings	Viliami Mila <a href="mailto:v.mila68@outlook.com">v.mila68@outlook.com</a>
Neighbourhood Watch	Glynis Hammond
Police (reporting a crime non-emergency)	101
Speedwatch Team - Parish Council Coordinator - Recruitment & Rota	Terry Sadler Penny Fletcher
District and County Councillor	Peter McDonald <a href="mailto:cllr.mcdonald@scamb.gov.uk">cllr.mcdonald@scamb.gov.uk</a>

## The Ickleton Lion

As residents will know the Lion has reopened once again under the new management of Mike and Claire Champion, moving from Ely.

Both have long experience in the pub and restaurant business – Mike at the Crown and Punchbowl, the Pink Geranium in Melbourn and for six years until 2014 at the Red Lion Hinxton, winning Gastro Pub Front of House Manager of the year, before running his own pub the Carpenters Arms in Cambridge. Claire, from Ely, has also many years experience of working in the business, and in finance and administration. Their catering plans will range from a quick sandwich and pub classics to a la carte business lunches, under their resident chef who has worked at the Black Bull in Balsham.

The opening times are:            Tuesday to Friday            12 - 2.30 pm, and 5 pm until normal closing time  
   Saturday and Sunday        11 am until closing time  
   Closed on Mondays.

We wish the new venture all the best for the future.

## HELP for dealing with Covid19

### Neighbourhood Help

The list is unchanged from February. Thanks to everyone who is continuing to help.

Road name	Contact 1	Phone number	Contact 2	Phone number
Grange Road	Fiona Spinks	07905904254	Olga	07906701720
Coploe Road	Dominic	07875748928		
Birds Close	Cathy Heaney	07879827737	Kelly	07550220838
Back Lane	Jane Hore	07712895509	Anne-Marie Hoare	07948433310
Icknield Close	Anne-Marie Hoare	07948433310	Sarah Burser	07890164375
Southfield	Helen Maguire	07903883613	Sharon Gilbert	07970166953
Abbey Street	Holly Gent	07967580457	Flick Laura Carys	07855742381 07500803936 07545051760
Frogge Street	Luciana	07930525079	Susan Hughes Sophie	07951530927 07966368048
Church Street	Catherine Cocks	07989671501	Simon Cheney	07918083057
The Mill	Katie	07980615543		
Mill Lane	Sarah Fawsett	07746639568	Caroline Owen or Matt Owen	07702156481 07860829894
Brookhampton Street	Susie Lober	07855358783	Flo Debbie	07951057793 07776115817
Duxford Road	Lewis Duke	07850920510		
The Stackyard	Holly Coombes	07710978733	Ellie	07932092592
Coploe Rise	Louise	07870423249		
Butchers Hill	Alice	07803925162	Jamie	07748785317
Priory Close	Sharon Gilbert	07970166953	Guila	07981210765

**Anne-Marie Hoare**

### Food Bank

The foodbank is a way we can share our food with those who don't have quite enough. Ickleton foodbank is given to John Huntingdon Centre <https://johnhuntingdon.org.uk/> in Sawston who arrange deliveries and collections for those who need it.

The emphasis is on things to keep people warm quickly and easy to carry for those who have no transport - hot drinks, soups, tuna, precooked rice, macaroni cheese, spaghetti hoops. Also cereals, (soft easy to eat) baby products, dog or cat food, toiletries. Please leave at the church in or next to the Food Bank box or call me for collection – thank you for your generosity. Clare Driver.

**clare@domesticblissappointments.co.uk**

**Food Aid** For anyone in Ickleton who wants to ask for food or other groceries (*in complete privacy*) please call Clare who will endeavour to fulfil your shopping list needs.

## Food deliveries

Generally - *Costcutter village shop* - ☎ 531181 and ask for a delivery.

Meat delivery - Thursdays Clark and Son (Sudbury) 01787 319330 [sales@clarkandsonmeats.com](mailto:sales@clarkandsonmeats.com).

Fresh fish van - Monday afternoon - call or text Andy 07773 275134

Fruit and Veg delivery - Fisher and Woods ☎ 581620 [sales@fisherandwoods.co.uk](mailto:sales@fisherandwoods.co.uk)  
Walden Organics (Rob) [waldenorganics@btinternet.com](mailto:waldenorganics@btinternet.com)

Fish and Chips (etc) - mobile van on Tuesdays 4.30 - 8 pm Village Hall car park  
Pre-orders only. Tel: 07787 603616 [info@oceantree.co.uk](mailto:info@oceantree.co.uk)

## FROGLETS Mondays 9.30 - 11.30 am Village Hall

Froglets has started again, and (normally) runs throughout the year every Monday.

We have messy play and many activities age appropriate. We have tidy up time about 10.30, then it's drinks, story and singing then we get all the ride-ons out. Everyone helps out and it's a great resource in the village. £2 per child and £1 per sibling.

Any questions - please feel free to contact me.

**Anne-Marie Hoare**

## CHURCH NOTICES

Associate priest	Revd Phil Sharkey	01763 221284 <a href="mailto:sharkey_phil@yahoo.co.uk">sharkey_phil@yahoo.co.uk</a>
Churchwardens	Patrick Bloomfield Jenny Duke	<a href="mailto:patrick.bloomfield@hymans.co.uk">patrick.bloomfield@hymans.co.uk</a> <a href="mailto:jenny@jennyduke.co.uk">jenny@jennyduke.co.uk</a>
Lay Minister	Julie Baillie	
Reader	Judith Sutcliffe	

The website contains details of how to join others online for prayer, worship, study, and community life. See: [www.elydiocese.org](http://www.elydiocese.org). In emergency please contact Associate Vicar - Rev Phil Sharkey by email, or telephone Patrick Bloomfield (see contact details above).

## SERVICES for July, and our welcome to Rev Lydia Smith

Sunday 4th	10 am	Parish Communion - at Ickleton, with Sunday club
Sunday 11th	10 am	Parish Communion - at Duxford
<i>Thursday 15th</i>	<i>7 pm</i>	<i>Licensing of Rev Lydia Smith - at Ickleton - by invitation</i>
Sunday 18th	10 am	Parish Communion - at Hinxtton
Sunday 25th	10 am	Worship for All - at Duxford
Sunday 1st August	10 am	Parish Communion at Ickleton followed by a village welcome to Lydia and Jon.
Compline	8.00 p.m.	Tuesdays at Duxford and Thursdays at Hinxtton

Please check our church website [www.hinkledux.com](http://www.hinkledux.com) for up-to-date information. In these COVID times there may be last minute changes. Also you can sign up for a weekly newsletter.

## CHURCH CLEAN UP Saturday 10th July 9 am - 12.30 pm

If you are free on Saturday 10th July, please join our working party to 'spring clean' the church ready for our new season. Usually an annual event we have not been able to get together since spring 2019 so come equipped with dusters and masks ready to battle with cobwebs and dust!

Soup and bread picnic at 12.30 in the churchyard... if it's fine weather.

Thank you

Churchwardens **Jenny Duke and Patrick Bloomfield**

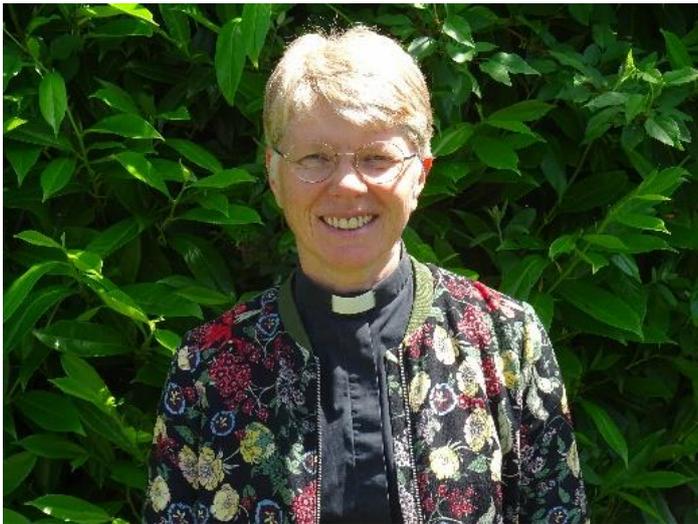
## From Rev Lydia Smith, our new vicar...

As I write I am just thinking about packing up our life here in Essex and crossing the border into Cambridgeshire. I have done some clearing out and quite a bit of thinking and dreaming. And, in a few weeks, we will be on the road, with plenty of calm music for our (often not very happy) cat passengers.

There are a handful of Psalms – the Bible's poetry book – that are about journeys. They're often called Songs of Ascent – songs for going uphill, you might say and they are some of my favourites. Many experts think they were sung by people making a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Mostly they are songs about travelling hopefully. About the destination - Jerusalem - and how wonderful it will be to arrive there. So, they are just the thing for how I feel right now.

But although they've emerged from a culture very far from our own, these are songs that would be good for our playlist at any stage in life's journey. Because they're also about our longing for direction and reassurance, about God's guidance and protection and about the joy of good travelling companions. Like the poets from long ago who wrote the Psalms, I am so looking forward to arriving and to meeting some new fellow travellers in these villages of Duxford, Hinxton and Ickleton.

Best wishes  
Lydia



A little bit about my journey so far: I am Essex born and bred, having grown up in Colchester. After studying English at uni, I became a librarian, working for a City law firm, as well as for a university careers service, in public libraries and for the NHS. I came to vicaring relatively late and was ordained just after my 50<sup>th</sup> birthday. My first role was as a curate in Saffron Walden and since then I have been working with 5 churches in villages near my hometown.

I am married to Jon, who used to work for TfL and is now (very happily) retired. We have two daughters, Phoebe and Ismay, who live and work in London. And there will be two cats moving with us – Billy and Winnie.

P.S. In case you want to read them, the Psalms I mentioned are numbers 120 – 134.

## **AUTUMN LECTURES**

Sadly, because of the extension of Covid restrictions, we have had to postpone the lecture by Paul Shakeshaft, scheduled for July 9<sup>th</sup>, and move it to October.

Our series of lectures will now take place in the Autumn which will give us more time to publicise them, not only locally, but much more widely. They will be given by eminent speakers who have agreed to waive their fees so that all proceeds can go to the fund for the restoration of our church wall paintings.

We very much look forward to welcoming you to these short and informative lectures, so please put the dates in your diary and tell your friends about them.

All the lectures will take place in the church and start at 7pm with substantial refreshments and a chance to socialise before the lecture begins. Tickets will go on sale very soon

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September      Lecture by Dr Claire Daunton - expert on stained glass**

On the history of stained glass, to include information on the windows in Ickleton church which were made by two renowned women artists

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October              Lecture by Paul Shakeshaft**

On the nationally important 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> century wall paintings in Ickleton church

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November      Lecture by bestselling novelist, Francis Spufford**

Featuring his latest book 'Light Perpetual' which will be available to buy

**World Day of Prayer**

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August at 2.30pm the World Day of Prayer service will be held at Hinxton Church.

The service had to be postponed in March and we hope it will be able to take place in August.

This year's service has been devised by the women of Vanuatu, a cluster of islands about 1,100 miles to the east of Australia, in the Pacific Ocean. The theme of the service is 'Build on a Strong Foundation.' Everyone is welcome to join us for the service and, hopefully, for refreshments afterwards.

**Julie Baillie**, LLM/Reader

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**WELCOMES**

Over the last month I have had the pleasure of delivering a 'Welcome to Ickleton' booklet to four families who have recently moved into the village.

My first visit was to **James** and **Sacha Hawkins** who, along with **Griffin** their 4 year old golden retriever and **Bear** who is a 5 month old French bulldog, have moved to Church Street. They have moved from Richmond, Surrey because Sacha in particular was keen to move more locally to where she was brought up – Ashdon – and is now closer to her grandma who lives in Great Chesterford. Professionally James works in the area of computer software, and Sacha works for Knight Frank Estate Agents. In his spare time James competes in Triathlons and Sacha enjoys gardening. They were both keen for me to add that they are a very friendly couple (I can vouch for that) and "please do come and say hello".

**Mike** and **Jo Hancock** are now living on Frogge Street, having moved from Littlebury where they lived for 17 years. They have three daughters: **Jess** and **Charlotte** who are at university, and **Sophie**. They also have two cats **Charlie** and **Lola**; they did keep chickens but unfortunately since the move, and up to my meeting with Mike and Jo, they had gone AWOL! If anyone thinks they might have spotted them, please get in touch with Mike and Jo. Professionally, Mike is a Chartered Surveyor based in London, and Jo works part time at the Citizens Advice Bureau. They both enjoy gardening and look forward to tending the beautiful gardens at Ickleton Lodge.

**Adam** and **Hayleigh** will shortly be moving to their new home in Butchers Hill with their two sons aged 2 years, and 11 months. At the time of writing, they are getting the house ready for their move which we hope goes smoothly. Previously they were living in Dunmow, and are looking forward to settling into their new home and getting to know people in Ickleton.

My most recent visit was to welcome **Mike** and **Claire** who have moved from Ely to manage The Ickleton Lion. Mike has been in the trade for some 35 years; at one time he managed the Red Lion in Hinxton, and in 2013 won the Front of House Manager of the Year Award. Their resident chef has worked at the Black Bull in Balsham. Claire has worked in pubs on and off for many years, but has mainly worked in finance/administration.

A very warm welcome is extended to James and Sacha; Mike, Jo and family; Adam, Hayleigh and their sons; and Mike and Claire who we also wish much success at The Ickleton Lion.

**Elaine Statham**

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**The Festival Players are back...**

**HENRY V Saturday 31st July 7 pm Ickleton Village hall**



We are delighted to be able to welcome back the Festival Players this year. For its 35<sup>th</sup> Year of touring, Festival Players International brings you Shakespeare's most popular History Play, HENRY V.

After a rebellious and spirited youthhood, carousing in the taverns of London, Prince Hal takes on the responsibility of Kingship and leads his troops, of low and high station, across the Channel to do battle with the French at Agincourt. Follow the charismatic King Henry the Fifth in this stirring tale of leadership, bravery, humour and love; two hours of exhilarating entertainment.

As the performance last year had to be cancelled it will be wonderful to have some live theatre back in the village hall. At the moment we do not know what the regulations will be on 31st July. However, **ticket numbers will be limited** and we will adhere to any restrictions issued by the government and the village hall trustees.

We would ask everyone to come prepared with a mask.

Assuming there are no major changes to restrictions before or on the day we intend to provide a bar serving wine and beer with table service.

If you are planning to come along on the 31st to enjoy the Festival Players performance **please book early**. Knowing how many people to expect will allow us to set out the seating safely. If you have any queries please contact either Pam Fearn (pam@cmws.co.uk) or Jocelyn Flitton (josflitton@tiscali.co.uk).

**Tickets at the Village Shop.** Once again Dilip and Sunita have kindly agreed to act as the box office. Price: £15 adults, students/children £10.

**Ickleton Theatre Group**

## **GREAT CHESTERFORD & DISTRICT GARDENING SOCIETY**

*(Affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society)*

Chair - Pauline Gale

Owing to the current situation, no meetings will be taking place at our usual venue in Ickleton.

### **RECENT MEETING**

The **June Zoom** meeting was excellent and well attended. The Speaker was Darren Lerigo who specialises in Topiary – his talk entitled *Clippings: How to Prune Topiary and Hedges*.

A member described Darren as one of the best speakers she has heard ... “very enthusiastic, down to earth, practical and obviously artistic in his approach to topiary and pruning”.

Darren said that the ‘month of June is the typical time to cut boxwood hedges, particularly on Derby Day ... when the Lords left to go off for a day at the races and all the gardeners would come out and cut the box so that it would look amazing when the Lords returned ...’.

### **SUMMER OUTINGS**

Sixteen members enjoyed a visit to **Brent Pelham Hall Garden** near Buntingford at the end of May. Catherine Cocks, Head Gardener and society member, showed us around some of the 12 acres of formal gardens which surround the Grade I listed property. The plants in the new double herbaceous border were just coming into bloom, as was the beautiful wisteria in the courtyard. The Mediterranean Garden close to the swimming pool cleverly recreated perfect conditions for drought resistant, low

maintenance plants and particularly memorable were the lemon trees bearing fruit! There was still so much more to see and admire!

The warm June evening was perfect for the visit to the garden of **Bishops House in Great Chesterford**.

Due to open for the NGS three days hence, Matt and Amanda Bonass opened their garden especially for the Gardening Society. Passing stumperies on either side of the driveway to the Grade II Listed former vicarage, the 9 acre garden boasts abundant perennial borders, with lawns sweeping down to the River Cam, and well mature trees providing shade.

The curved wooden bridge leads the eye to the Water Meadow beyond the river, where two black sheep graze. The newly established Walled Potager Garden is already productive as well as ornamental. A very pleasant social evening.

## **FORTHCOMING MEETINGS**

JULY Zoom Meeting to be advised.

Please Note No meeting during the month of August 2021

## **OUTINGS - one more...**

Tom Stuart Smith & sister Kate's gardens near St Albans on **Friday 16th July**.

If interested please contact Pauline.

**FACEBOOK** – Join the Great Chesterford & District Garden Society Group on Facebook.

**Christine Greet**

## **ICKLETON SOCIETY**

### **AGM and Talk on 27th May**

Our first face to face event for over a year went off very well, albeit with social distancing and other Covid precautions. It was good to feel that, with care, we can resume meeting people in a social setting. This was the Society's 40<sup>th</sup> AGM and we were all able to raise a glass and toast the Society. Murray Jacobs' talk entitled "Charles Darwin in Cambridge" was hugely enjoyable. We learnt some surprising facts about the great man and his time in Cambridge as a student.

### **Archaeological Dig, Saturday 17th July to Sunday 25th**

The Cambridge Archaeology Field Group (CAFG) should be resuming their dig at Abbey Farm to find evidence of the Priory. This will be their 3<sup>rd</sup> year and they believe they got close to the medieval level last year so we're hoping for some exciting finds which could establish a link to the Priory. Residents are invited to get involved and there should be opportunities to help with digging, cleaning and cataloguing finds. The group need to know whom to expect and when and have sent me a short form for completion. Please contact me if you would like to take part. This is expected to be the final year of this dig so it's an opportunity not to be missed!

### **'Trench Talk', Saturday 24th July at 2.30pm**

All being well Mike Coles and CAFG will show the finds and give a short talk about them on site. Anyone can come along. You might like to bring chairs or a blanket to sit on the grass around the trench and some refreshments. There will be parking in front of Abbey Farmhouse or you can take the permissive path from the end of Abbey Street (turn off to go towards the house where the path bends). If the weather or other circumstances require the date and time to change, an email will be sent to Ick Soc members and a note put on the noticeboard by the shop.

### **'Timber Frames and Frescoes', Tuesday 27th July 7pm for 7.15pm**

In the evening, the Ickleton Society will be hosting a visit to the village by the Orwell History Society and anyone who would like to join us will be very welcome. Please meet in the Church around 7pm for a rerun of Paul Shakeshaft's most interesting and informative talk about the wall paintings. There will be a small display of photos of the aftermath of the fire and the discovery of the wall paintings to look at before the talk. Afterwards we'll have a short walk round the centre of the village to have a look at the exteriors of some of our Grade 2 listed properties and give our visitors a brief history of them. Owners

and occupiers of those houses may see us looking admiringly at them! Do come along, particularly if you missed Paul's talk previously.

### **Additions to the archives**

Many of you will know that, following the sad death of Robin Driver at the end of last year, Mowbrays has now been returned to its owners, Clare College. Before that, we were lucky enough to be able to take some photos of the house and these are now in the Gallery on the village website. There's an album for Mowbrays in 'Building Details' or you can see them in 'Recent Additions'. As usual, clicking on the thumbnail brings up further information about some of them.

### **Committee Vacancy**

We are very pleased that Eric Burrows has volunteered to join the Committee. He will be taking over from Hugh Molloy as Secretary. Hugh will still be a member of the Committee, we thank him for his work as our Secretary and welcome Eric.

**Rachel Radford**

**[rachelmradford@btinternet.com](mailto:rachelmradford@btinternet.com)**

### **The Friends of Hinxton Church - Garden Evening - Friday 30th July 6.30 pm**

By kind invitation of Jane and David Chater, the annual Friends of Hinxton Church Garden Evening will be held at The Oak House, Hinxton, at 6.30 p.m. on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July.

The Friends of Hinxton Church is the charity established to help fund maintenance and repairs to our lovely medieval church and its churchyard. Due to the Covid pandemic, the party had to be cancelled last year, so let's make this one a super success! Everyone will be welcome from neighbouring villages; this is very much a family affair!

Tickets, which will include a glass of wine and finger food, are priced at £10 each, half price for children. As usual, there will also be a generous raffle!

Please apply for tickets in advance to Virginia Walker - email: [virginiamwalker@btinternet.com](mailto:virginiamwalker@btinternet.com) or Mike Boagey - email: [jaboagey@gmail.com](mailto:jaboagey@gmail.com)

**Andrew and Virginia Walker**

### **The DX Holiday Club**

Bookings are now open for our Summer Holiday Club at **Duxford Community Primary School**. We will be open from 9am to 3.30pm from Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July to Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September and the cost is £20 per child per day.

Your child/ren will need a packed lunch or for an additional £3 per child per day, your child/ren will be able to make their own packed lunch at our club, there will be a variety of choices of fillings for their sandwiches and healthy snacks to choose from. They will also need a water bottle, a spare set of clothes, including a sun hat and cream.

We are also excited to be able to offer spaces to the Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) that aims to provide healthy food and enriching activities to children who are eligible for free school meals (not the KS1 universals FSM).

We are following the guidance set by the Government for Holiday Clubs and Playschemes.

We do not have a plan of activities for the Holidays as we believe that play should be totally freely chosen and led by the child/ren. We have some amazing resources and toys to play with and plenty of outside space.

Please do get in contact with Lisa Wood on either [thedxclub@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:thedxclub@hotmail.co.uk) or 07855 225267 if you would like to book a space or have any questions.

**Lisa Wood, Business Manager**

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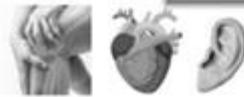


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## MEDICAL - From Granta Practices 2021 Flu Clinics

In the wake of the coronavirus pandemic, having ***your flu vaccination is more important than ever***. It is important because if you are at risk from coronavirus, you are also more at risk of problems from flu. Additionally, if you get flu and coronavirus at the same time, research shows you are more likely to be seriously ill.

This year the flu vaccine will be given to people who:

- Are 50 and over
- Have certain health conditions
- Are pregnant
- Are in long-stay residential care
- Live with someone who's at high risk from coronavirus
- Are frontline health or social care workers
- Receive a carer's allowance, or are the main carer for an older or disabled person who may be at risk of you get sick.

You will be able to **book your flu jab** from **1<sup>st</sup> July 2021**.

**Clinic dates** for the vaccination include **Saturday 11th September** and **Saturday 10th October** at Sawston, and a few other dates at Shelford and Royston.

When you ring to book your appointment, please state your preferred date, preferred venue and give your age so that you can be booked in for the most appropriate vaccine.

Please note, we do not currently have dates for the child flu clinics as we are waiting on delivery information. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

**Sandra East**, Head of Patient Services, Granta Medical Practices  
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## ICKLETON DIARY for July 2021 (and later)

JULY		
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall
"	"	Mobile Library 12.45 pm bottom of Butchers Hill
Saturday	10 <sup>th</sup>	Church clean-up 9 am - 12.30
Saturday	24 <sup>th</sup>	Ick.Soc. "Trench Talk" Abbey Farm 2.30 pm
Tuesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	Ick.Soc. "Timber Frames and Frescoes" - talk at the Church, 7 for 7.15
Saturday	31 <sup>st</sup>	Shakespeare's Henry V by the Festival Players 7 pm Village Hall
AUGUST		
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall

### Regular events in the month

Froglets                      Mondays                      9.30 - 11.30 am                      Village Hall

**Cricket home games** (all at the rec). See club website for details, and of away matches.

Tuesday	6 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	Midweek 1 <sup>st</sup> XI
Wednesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	Midweek 1 <sup>st</sup> XI
Saturday	10 <sup>th</sup>	1.30 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	Midweek 1 <sup>st</sup> XI
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	6.30 pm	Midweek 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI
Saturday	24 <sup>th</sup>	1.30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> XI
Wednesday	28 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	Midweek 1 <sup>st</sup> XI
Friday	30 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	Lions
Saturday	31 <sup>st</sup>	1.30 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI

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