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Thank you to all contributors this month. Another bumper issue this month with a lot to report. Please note that sometimes contributions are edited for space reasons.

Winter Sizzler!

Don't forget the **Comedy Night** on **Saturday 5th December** which promises to be a real sizzler! (p.9)

Awards Scheme The Parish Council has launched an award scheme to acknowledge and celebrate notable achievements and contributions to village life (pages 3/4)

Willy Gough, a redoubtable lady who died last month at the age of 95 was, among her many other activities, editor of the Icene for 10 years 1974 – 84. Her obituary is on page 6.

Thank You to the generous donors to the Royal British Legion appeal, and to the band of collectors and Malcolm Hall. A record sum collected - £1,600 (page 9)

Waste Collections Residents please note there is no green bin collection on 21 December – the next will be on 4 January. Food waste can be put in the black bin as well as the green, which effectively allows the gap to not exceed two weeks for food waste disposal.

The **Village Hall** will be closed 5 - 11 January (page 3)

A Happy Christmas and New Year to all our readers.

Editor

PARISH COUNCIL

Refuse collections during December 2015

Monday	7	December	Green and Blue Bins
Monday	14	December	Black Bin
Monday	21	December	Blue Bin only
Tuesday	29	December	Black Bin

Please note Bins must be put out by **6 am** on the designated day of collection. Lids on the bins should be closed.

Recycling Centre – Thriplow off A505. Normal opening hours: Every day 08.00 - **16.00** hours (winter months times). Gates shut 10 minutes before closing time. Tel: 01223 839001.

Ickleton Parish Council

Extracts from the Meeting held on 18th November 2015

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

Uttlesford Planning Working Group: Consultation on proposals for housing developments

The Ickleton Society has an article elsewhere in this Icene about the two search areas identified as having potential for new settlements if Uttlesford decides to go down that route to meet its

housebuilding requirements. The Parish Council shares the Ickleton Society's concerns as either would have serious implications for Ickleton. We are responding to the consultation to say these sites are not suitable locations for new settlements, and we urge residents to respond also.

Defibrillator As we have received further expressions of interest, a third training session is being planned for January. In order to find the most suitable date, please contact Lewis Duke or myself if you are interested in taking part. The Parish Council has also decided to purchase special children's pads that can be used with the defibrillator.

Local Highways Improvement Scheme 2016-17 The Parish Council has submitted a bid for a mobile interactive speed indicating sign with an estimated maximum cost in the region of £5,000. A Parish Council contribution of up to a maximum of £1,250 has been offered.

Availability of Superfast Broadband within the Village We have taken up the case of Frogge Street residents who have been told that they cannot be connected to superfast broadband. We have also contacted Connecting Cambridgeshire and are waiting for further information. We are interested in hearing from any residents who are being refused access.

Planning information received from SCDC

Lewis Duke left the room before discussion of the following two items

S/2406/15/VC Variation of Condition 2(to reduce the amount of glazing proposed on the rear of the elevation of S/2476/12/FL) at 68 Abbey Street (Mr and Mrs L Duke)

Unanimous recommendation:

Approve

S/2421/15/FL Change of use from arable to garden land and erection of fence at 68 Abbey Street

Mr and Mrs L Duke)

Unanimous recommendation:

Approve

Sian Wombwell and Lewis Duke left the room before discussion of the following two items:

S/2617/15/FL Solar farm & associated development. Land at Abbey Farm, Grange Road. (Mr S Bradshaw, Push Energy Ltd.).

S/2642/15/FL Solar farm & associated development. Rectory Farm, Grange Road, (Mr S Bradshaw, Push Energy Ltd.).

After discussion of the planning issues involved, it was agreed unanimously to **recommend approval** of both applications.

S/2674/15/FL First floor garage extension, including raised roof, to create annexe above garage. 66 Frogge Street (Mr T Carter). Unanimous recommendation:

Approve

Permission Granted by SCDC:

S/2639/14/LB Alteration to bay window, Abbey Street (Mr J Revell).

S/23443/15/FL Garage conversion/single storey side extension to form Granny annexe Abbey Street (Mrs M Woolhouse)

Tree works subject to a Tree Preservation order or situated within a Conservation Area.

No Parish Council input was required, as SCDC had already approved these applications:

1. Reduce willow by 50% & shorten lateral branches to reduce crown. Abbey Street (Mrs M Woolhouse).

2. Reduce height mauve prunus by 50% and shorten lateral branches to reduce crown. Abbey Street (Mrs Heaney).

Recognition of achievement from Parish Council (residents or groups)

As you will see from the advertisement elsewhere in this Icene, we are launching our own Ickleton Awards Scheme. As we hope to make the first presentations at the Annual Parish meeting in May next year, nominations will need to be submitted to me fairly soon so please do start thinking about proposing anyone you know who has made, or makes, a real contribution to Ickleton life.

Agri-tech hub off the A1301

At the time of writing there is nothing new to report but we will do what we can to find out what is happening and pass any news on.

Picnic table

Although not exactly picnic weather just now, the Parish Council has ordered a replacement table and bench set, similar to the one purchased last year. We hope that it will be in place soon.

Jenny Pell's bench

As some will have seen already, Jenny Pell's family has arranged for a beautiful wooden bench, with a lovely inscription, to be installed in the Cemetery. The Parish Council is grateful to them for providing such a charming seat for visitors to enjoy.

Wellcome Genome Campus meeting Saturday 9 November

Several Ickleton Councillors attended the meeting put on by senior figures at the Wellcome Genome Campus for Great Chesterford, Hinxtton and Ickleton Parish Councils. The purpose of the meeting was a further unveiling of the Campus expansion plans as reported to you last month. There was not much new information given. Formal approval from the Wellcome Trust itself may happen by the end of November. Local Councillors wanted the wider public to be made aware of the plans at the earliest opportunity. An actual planning application would probably be a year away. Councillors were concerned about the proposals for housing, which would imply a quite substantial new settlement. The initial suggestions for the redesign of the A1301 alone would be likely to increase congestion, and the housing would add even further to the amount of traffic on local roads, especially as we are now told some of the houses will be for private ownership. Terry Sadler and Lewis Duke will attend the next liaison meeting, at present scheduled for early December, and we will report back.

Peta Stevens (Parish Clerk) petastevens17@gmail.com

Post box collection times	Monday - Friday	Saturday
Bottom of Butchers Hill) Coploe Road at Grange Road corner)	9.00 am	7.00 am
Costcutter shop	11.30 am 4.15 pm	11.30 am
Great Chesterford	latest 5.00 pm	12 midday

VILLAGE HALL Temporary Closure 4 - 10 January

THE VILLAGE HALL WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL USERS FROM MONDAY 4TH JANUARY TO SUNDAY 10TH JANUARY 2016.

The hall floors are being resurfaced and the hall will reopen on Monday 11th January.
Thank you for your understanding.

Pam Fearn

Nominations for Ickleton Annual Awards 2015

The Parish Council has launched a new award scheme to acknowledge and celebrate notable achievements by Ickleton residents. It also hopes to encourage current and future community activities by providing cash prizes to winning groups. Nominations to recognise the vibrant community of Ickleton are now invited for any or all of the following 6 awards:

Ickleton Club or Society of the Year

For any Club or Society based in Ickleton having achieved notable success

Service to the Community of Ickleton

To recognise any individual or group that has made a significant contribution to village life

Personal Sporting Achievement (under-18 and over-18)

Recognising outstanding individual sporting achievements during the year

Personal Achievement (non-sporting) (under-18 and over-18)

For significant personal achievements such as in music, art, dance or fund-raising

Awards for 2015 will be presented at the Annual Parish meeting in May 2016. Clubs, groups and organisations will receive a donation. Individuals will receive a donation to the club/group/organisation

they are affiliated to. Individuals not affiliated to a club/group/organisation may be given vouchers to celebrate their award at the discretion of the Parish Council.

Making a nomination is simple, just tell us who you would like to nominate and for what category. Please include a brief explanation of why you think the person/group deserves an award. Don't forget to include contact details for yourself and the nominee and tell us if the nominee is under 18.

Send those nominations to Peta Stevens (Parish Clerk) petastevens17@gmail.com or post to 17 Mill Lane, Ickleton by **1st March 2016**.

The success of this initiative rests on all of us. Please nominate friends, neighbours, relatives, clubs, societies, organisations who have done something special!

Ickleton Parish Council

CHURCH NOTICES

Priest-in-Charge
Churchwardens

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Dr Keena McKillen
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Lay Ministers

Judy Marshall
Julie Baillie
Judith Sutcliffe

SERVICES FOR DECEMBER

Sunday 6 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	DUXFORD
2 nd of Advent P	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist with Sunday School	ICKLETON
	6.30 pm	Compline	HINXTON
Saturday 12 th	7.30 pm	Christmas concert - "In Voco Parentis" choir <i>followed by mulled wine and mince pies</i>	HINXTON
Sunday 13 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	HINXTON
3 rd of Advent P	10.00 am	Morning Prayer Duxford JHM	DUXFORD
	4.00 pm	Christingle Service	ICKLETON
	6.30 pm	Carol Service with Brass Group <i>followed by mulled wine and mince pies</i>	HINXTON
Sunday 20 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	ICKLETON
4 th of Advent P	10.00 am	Eucharist (said)	HINXTON
	4.00 pm	Christingle Service, Duxford St Peter <i>followed by mulled wine and mince pies</i>	DUXFORD
	6.30 pm	Service of Nine Lessons and Carols	ICKLETON
Thursday 24 th	4.00 pm	Christingle	HINXTON
Christmas Eve P	11.30 pm	Midnight Mass	DUXFORD
Friday 25 th	10.00 am	Festival Eucharist	HINXTON
Christmas Day,	10.00 am	Festival Eucharist	ICKLETON
WHITE	11.00 am	Family Christmas Service, Duxford	DUXFORD
Sunday 27 th	10.00 am	Joint Eucharist	DUXFORD
St. John W			

News from the Rectory

Singing with others is, apparently, good for you. It boosts your sense of connection, helps you make friends, gives you a sense of common purpose. The act of singing itself gives you a sense of wellbeing.

Most people would have 'singing carols' somewhere on their list of what they value about the Christmas season. And carols are above all community singing - singing in the street or in the square just as much as in the church, singing about new life and joy and hope in the dark of the year.

At Jesus's birth, the hills above Bethlehem were filled with singing by 'a multitude of the heavenly host'. They sang 'Peace on earth, goodwill to all people'. It's not a solo. It's voices together, harmony as well as melody, attentive to the blend of a collective sound. Every good choir director tells the singers 'If you can only hear yourself you are too loud. You must listen to the person next to you.'

Peace and goodwill, like choir ensemble, are a matter of listening attentively. The sorrows and cruelties of our world happen when we do not pay attention to the potential harmony of our relationships together. For Christians that is also about aligning oneself with the pattern and harmony of the heavenly kingdom, which we see embodied in the human person through Jesus's life, ministry and death and rising again. In him heaven and earth sing the same song together.

Through the carols you sing this year you might hear a snatch of that heavenly harmony. It won't come through your voice alone, but how you blend with the person next to you. May peace, joy and harmony be yours this Christmas.

Jessica Martin

CHURCH GIFT DAY - THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone who came to the Church on 14th November to make a contribution to our Church funds. You were very generous.

This would be a good opportunity too to thank the many people who give unstintingly of their time and talents, as well as their money, to maintaining the Church so that it can remain at the centre of the village. Too numerous to mention, we could not do without you - you know who you are!

It is not too late to donate to the Church online via our MyDonate site. Google MyDonate and In the box labelled Search for a charity, type in St Mary Magdalene, Ickleton.

The Churchwardens

Food Bank - at the church

Please continue with the generous food bank donations – it's great to have lots of items to deliver regularly to the Cambridge collection point. Many thanks to all our donors.

Rosemary McKillen

ICKLETON CHRISTMAS CARD

This year's card is a beautiful picture of Ickleton Church in falling snow, produced by Robin Wilkinson. Stock is proving very popular; a sample may be seen in the church. Price £5 for 10 cards and envelopes. All proceeds go to St Mary Magdalene Church.

To order copies please contact me at Durhams Farmhouse, Butchers Hill, Ickleton
cjf.hayes@gmail.com I will deliver to you.

Colin Hayes

Coffee Morning

The first Tuesday in the month - **Tuesday 1st December 10 – 12 at the church**

These are very sociable affairs to meet and make friends and exchange gossip and all are welcome, whether you are connected with the church or not. If transport is needed please get in touch with Rosemary McKillen to arrange a lift.

Christingle Service in Ickleton Church - Sunday December 13th 4pm

I wonder if it's just me or whether the ever increasing commercialism of Christmas makes anyone else feel more and more like Charles Dickens' Mr Scrooge? So if you are looking for a break from the seasonal preparations then come and join us for a wonderful, all age community event.

This year's service will be on Sunday December 13th at 4pm and you can expect the usual mix of carols and hymns both old and new, interactive readings, and maybe some drama. Following the service Sarah and Simon Fawcett are kindly hosting refreshments at Norman Hall just across from the church. Everyone is very welcome, even if you can't make the service. So whether you're new to the village or an old hand we'd love to see you.

The collection during the service will be for the work of the Children's Society.

Perhaps you could help us make the Christingles too? The assembly team will meet at Jess Bloomfield's, 60 Frogge Street on Saturday morning 12th starting at 10.00 am. Many hands make light work! If you can join us please let Jess know or contact Luciana Ferreira Day on lucianafday@gmail.com. The process usually takes about 2 hours, and mulled wine guaranteed!

And finally if you can't make the 13th there are two more Christingle services in Duxford on December 20th and Hinxton on Christmas Eve. You'll be most welcome.

WILLY GOUGH 1920 - 2015

Willy, as many of you know, led an adventurous life. She was born in 1920 in Beverwijk, a town within an hour's drive from Amsterdam, not far from the sea. Here she grew up, the youngest of 5 children, with three brothers and one sister above her. After her studies in nursing and midwifery she continued to work as a nurse and midwife in Amsterdam and in Beverwijk - often in very difficult circumstances. It was war time and food and other living necessities were hard to obtain at home, where her parents had their three adult sons in hiding, as well as two other young men.

After the war Willy was accepted for a job in the Dutch Colonies to serve as midwife in Padang on the island of Sumatra, in what is now Indonesia. Here she delivered more than a thousand babies, often in the most interesting circumstances, sometimes in houses on stilts in the middle of the swamps. When force of circumstances meant she had to leave, she made a spectacular journey back to Europe, being employed as a midwife on a huge ship – she called it the Stork Ship. She then took on a project to help set up a midwifery school in Pakistan where she met Ernest Gough.

Willy met and married Ernest in the late fifties and when he retired they settled in Ickleton where she plunged herself into village life, espousing every worthy and enjoyable cause possible. She would fight for all sort of things. When the M11 was planned, she fought tooth and nail against it and finally threatened to lie down on the tarmac to stop the traffic as a last resort. This is where Ernest put his foot down: he wasn't having it, and as a result Ickleton now has the M11 on our doorstep!

In 1968 Willy was involved with the Red Cross Medical Loan scheme for the village. She was on the Village Hall Management Committee from 1972 to 1986. She was the Editor of *Icene* from 1974 (which she did with Judith Waite) to January 1984 (manually typed by Jocelyn Flitton). Mary Wombwell remembers Willy as President of the Women's Institute and its various activities.

In later life, Willy got together with Peter Clarke who had remained alone after the death of his wife Margaret and they spent many happy times together.

Thanks to Karen Maters (niece) for allowing excerpts from her Eulogy to be used, and to Ickleton Society for the information obtained from their archives.

Jos Flitton

JENNY PELL

Many people in the village must remember the unforgettable Jenny Pell whose vibrant personality and joie de vivre made her friendship much valued. Jenny was deeply involved in the life of the Church, singing in the Choir and ringing the Bells which she really loved.

At the Ickleton Carol Service, which takes place at 6.30pm on Sunday 20th December, a Kneeler worked in her memory by Christina Taylor, will be dedicated. We hope that as many of her friends as possible will join us and close members of her family.

WELCOMES

To **Jane Kennet** who has just moved into 4 Back Lane having relocated 'home' from London. Jane actually grew up in Saffron Walden and her parents are in Great Chesterford. She is a research nurse at Cambridge University.

Jane is a keen cyclist and would love to meet people who organise rides or have a cycle group in the village. Contact Clare Driver to be put in touch with Jane via email with this info. Jane we hope you will be very happy in our lovely village.

Happy Arrival: **Chiara Lavender Bassi** - born 11th October. A gorgeous name for a gorgeous baby - daughter to Andrew Bassi and Laura Neaves in Abbey Street and sister to Lily and Jessica Neaves.

Matt Graves and Aisha Hunt who have recently moved to 54 Abbey Street from central Cambridge. Aisha works as Community Fund Raiser for Arthur Rank Hospice Charity and Matt is working as Head of International Marketing at Burtons Biscuit Company in St Albans. They look forward to making this village home and getting to know the locals! So everyone say hello - and congratulations as they recently got engaged and this is their first home.

If you are new in the village or have new neighbours or any new arrivals do please contact me.

Clare Driver cv@domesticblissappointments.co.uk

CONGRATULATIONS to **Wendy and Curt Cresswell** on their Golden Wedding Anniversary from their family and friends.

CAROL SINGING round the village Wednesday 16th December from 6 pm

All welcome – young, old and in-between. We simply sing together from carol sheets with the words and just follow the leader et al! Bring a torch. Also - to knock on doors and collect – if you prefer not to sing! Start **6.00 pm at Grange Road/Coploe Road corner**. For latecomers joining we proceed via Birds Close, Back Lane and the Closes, then back to Abbey Street...etc.

The collection this year will be towards a needed renewal of the wooden playframe in the play area of the rec - as a starter contribution to apply for grants.

After the singing - refreshments chez Penny and John Williams, 10 Brookhampton St.
Pit stop half-way chez Rosemary and Colin Hayes, Butchers Hill. Join us!

Any questions - contact **John Williams** or john@newinnhouse.co.uk

Christmas Lights 17 Birds Close

On 1st December (hopefully) our lights will be switched on in our garden.

Please come along and have a look. The lights will be on every evening 4 – 9 pm until Twelfth Night. Our chosen charity this year is Cancer Research. Can you please put your donations through the letter box. **Thank you**, and Happy Christmas.

Our second great granddaughter - Demi Rose - was born on 20th October to Katrina and Damian as a sister for Mia. She weighed 7 lb 15 oz. **Carol and Barry Turton**

The Chesterfords, Ickleton & Hinxton WI

The November meeting proved to be a most entertaining evening. Our speaker was Colin Day, JP, a Great Chesterford resident, who has served on the Hertfordshire Bench for 20 years and his talk on the Magistracy was entitled "Thanks, Mate, You're a Star" a reply he had received from a young man who had been saved from a jail sentence.

We undertook a quiz to find out our knowledge of the justice system and took part in a trial where we cast our votes. It is understood from his wife that Colin can talk on a multitude of subjects so perhaps another enthralling evening is in the offering for the future. We will keep you posted. **Jenny Palmer**

The next meeting will be the **Christmas Party on Wednesday 9th December at 7.15**

In the Congregational Church, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford

ICKLETON SOCIETY

New Year's Day Walk

As usual this is open to everyone in the village, any visitors and dogs on leads. There will be shorter and longer options and the first part of the walk should be suitable for pushchairs. Meet on the Village Green at 11am. Afterwards there will be a soup and mulled wine lunch at the Village Hall. Apart from the occasional washout, this is always a great event!

Consultation on the Uttlesford Local Plan – deadline 4 December, 4.30pm.

As we explained in last month's Icene, the first consultation on the revised Uttlesford Local Plan is underway. It includes various potential areas for a new settlement and for town and village extensions including 2 new settlement areas near Great Chesterford. One is to the north east of Great Chesterford and the other is on the Essex side of Coploe Hill. A new settlement could ultimately amount to some 3000 to 6000 or even 10,000 houses. The consultation document, sustainability assessments and details of how to respond can be found here (<http://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/lpconsult>). The sustainability assessment contains maps of the 'areas of search'.

We strongly oppose development of either of these sites not least because of the amount of additional traffic that could be expected to rat run through the village. We have responded to the consultation setting out our views in detail and you can see a copy on the village website. **We urge you to respond to the consultation** as well. As you'll have seen from letters in the local newspapers, there seem to be quite a number of Uttlesford residents who think that a settlement as close to the Cambridgeshire border as possible is the best solution for them. The more responses that are submitted setting out why this should not happen, the better. You are welcome to use any part of our response you wish (though it is always better to put it into your own words if you've time).

Other developments

We remain very concerned about the Genome Campus' longer terms plans and the ideas for an Agri-tech hub off the A1301. We now understand the Genome Campus is considering building up to 1200 dwellings and an extra 4 roundabouts on a reconfigured A1301. We are thinking through how best to respond to these plans.

Photos of Your House

We understand that some old and aerial photographs of houses in the village have been offered for sale, sometimes door to door and sometimes on sites like eBay. Some of these photos seem to be ones that we already have in the village archive. You can view and download them, and many more, free of charge by going into the Gallery on the village website. We may also be able to supply higher quality versions (perhaps in return for a small donation to our funds?) if requested.

Rachel Radford

Great Chesterford and District Gardening Society

Wednesday 2nd December 8 pm Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford

RE-THINKING YOUR GARDEN

Speaker: Andrew Sankey, Garden Designer & Landscape, Cambridge

Competition: Something festive

November meeting

The speaker was Michael Brown, MA (Garden History), horticulturist, experienced gardener, and widely known for his research into the design of the Medieval Garden at Prebendal Manor, Nassington. The subject of the talk was Medieval Monasteries and Gardens, (including the physic garden where medicinal herbs were grown) as well as the arrangement for animal husbandry in the same area. He spoke about fish ponds, and the ingenious ways in which their water supply was controlled.

Note: No meeting in January

Christine Greet

A CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Try your hand at winning one of our fabulous prizes in this Christmas Raffle designed to raise funds for the maintenance of our beautiful Church. As well as the three main prizes we have a host of other goodies, even solving some of those tricky present dilemmas.

1st Prize - an iPad mini 2nd Prize - £100 of M&S Vouchers 3rd Prize - a Christmas Hamper

Tickets still available from the Costcutter shop or at the Tuesday coffee mornings at church, or contact **Neil McKillen or Frances Payne**.

All completed ticket stubs and money, or unused tickets should be returned to **Helen Royce** at 15 Mill Lane or **Neil McKillen** at 5 Priory Close by **5 pm on December 5th**

The **prize draw will be on Sunday 6th December at 11.15 am in the church** after the regular service. Why not join us for both. Good Luck!

WINTER SIZZLER EVENT...in aid of War Child

Comedy Night - Ickleton Village Hall - Saturday 5th December from 7.30 pm

Don't miss this one time event in Ickleton, featuring:

Comedy Duo Croft and Pearce (from Radio 4's Sketchorama and the Edinburgh Fringe)

Members of the famous **Cambridge Footlights**

Bar and refreshments throughout the evening and **Dancing after** the performances.

First acts 8.30. Disco to finish.

Grand Raffle with many prizes - including an iPad donated by the Sanger Centre.

Tickets:

£10 in advance from the **Costcutter shop**, or **online** at www.saffrontickets.com.

Remember all proceeds for **War Child** - a charity that works to help children displaced by war and violence. Come and support us and this incredible Charity.

If you are unable to attend but feel strongly that you would like to donate to War Child, please do so by visiting the following link and follow the instruction: www.justgiving.com/Ickleton.

The whole event is organised by the **Ickleton Sizzler Committee**

Thank You

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL - THANK YOU

This year's village collection produced yet another record - £1,604.87, including the HMRC contribution of £130.75 for Gift Aid donations and almost £180 from the church collection on Remembrance Sunday. This is an incredible result, so thank you all for giving so generously.

Very many thanks to our band of collectors - Gerry Birch, Pat Facer, Yvonne Hall, Philly Hamilton, Judy Marshall, Caroline Owen, Sally Pearce, Gill Reynolds and Hilary Rule. Credit is also due to Costcutter, the Ickleton Lion, Riverside Barns, the Social Club, Hill Residential, R.A.G.T. Seeds and Team Consulting for their help in displaying collecting boxes. **Malcolm Hall - Honorary Organiser**

EC-Dance - at Ickleton Village Hall

EC-Dance holds classes in Ballet, Tap, Modern, Contemporary, Fun Pop Dance and a new fitness class called Tomboogie, a fitness class based on the songs from the musicals.

Coming Soon - Saturday classes!

Please take a look at the website for more information - <http://ec-dance.webs.com/>

Facebook Page: EC-Dance. Twitter: ECDance123

CONCERT in Great Abington

at the Church of St Mary the Virgin Saturday 5th December 7 - 9 pm

The Cantilena Singers “*Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day*” Director Daniel Spreadbury

in aid of the John Chaplin Open Church Project.

£10 (free admission for under 18's) from the Village Shop Great Abington

or from Anne Hall (01223 892275) Marilyn Broadhurst (01223 893214)

Mary Miles (01223 891083), or Tony Collett (01223 893447)

www.cantilenasingers.org

CHRISTMAS CONCERT Hinxton Church Saturday 12th December 7.30 pm

‘**In Voco Parentis**’, the choir of parents and friends of Kings College Choir School, will be singing a selection carols old and new, as well as some light-hearted Christmas songs. Rubato Recorders will also perform. Mulled wine and mince pies during the interval.

Tickets: £10 adults £5 under 16s

from **Virginia Walker** - email: virginiamwalker@btinternet.com

Seating is limited, so please buy your tickets in good time! Proceeds will be split between The Friends of Hinxton Church and Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO). We look forward to seeing you there!

ICKLETON DIARY

DECEMBER		
Tuesday	1 st	Coffee morning 10.00 am - 12 noon at the church
Wednesday	2 nd	Great Chesterford and District Garden Society 8pm Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford
Friday	4 th	Mobile Library 12.45 pm bottom of Butchers Hill
Saturday	5 th	Winter Sizzler – Comedy Night 7.30 pm Village Hall
Wednesday	9 th	W.I. Christmas party 7.15 pm Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford
Wednesday	16 th	Carol Singing round the village – start 6 pm at Grange Road
“	“	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall
JANUARY		
Friday	1 st	New Year’s Day Walk 11.00 am Village Green
Wednesday	20 th	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall

Froglets	Mondays	9.30 - 11.30 am	Village Hall
Bingo	Mondays	8 - 10 pm	Ickleton Social Club
Badminton	Tuesdays	8 pm	Village Hall
Indoor Bowls	Thursdays	2 - 4 pm	Village Hall

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