

# I C E N E

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Thank you to all contributors this month.

**Community Awards** by South Cambs District Council were presented at a ceremony in March at the Council HQ at Cambourne. Out of long lists of nominations the Ickleton Froglets - run by Jessica Bloomfield and Anne-Marie Hoare - won first place in the Services and Amenities Awards winners, and Jocelyn Flitton third place in Village Hero of the Year. Congratulations to all. See page 8.

**Idyllic rural villages** Ickleton was ranked among the country's best! - in a Sunday Times article on 1st March describing idyllic villages in which to live – further featured in the Cambridge News on 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

**Vacancy on the Parish Council** There is one definite vacancy, and anyone who is interested should contact the Clerk or the Chairman. See the minutes below.

**Clocks go forward** on Saturday night for Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

**Editor**

## PARISH COUNCIL

### Refuse Collections during April (+ end March)

Monday	30 March	-	Green and Blue Bins
<b>Tuesday</b>	07 April	-	Black Bin
Monday	13 April	-	Green and Blue Bins
Monday	20 April	-	Black Bin
Monday	27 April	-	Green and Blue Bins

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. Opening hours: Every day 08.00 – **17.00** hours (now summer season times). Gates shut 10 minutes before closing time. Tel: 01223 839001.

## Ickleton Parish Council

### Extracts from the Meeting held on 18 March 2015

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

#### **Road Works Brookhampton Street, Hinxtton level crossing**

2 way temporary traffic signals for 2 shifts on **7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> April** to allow Network Rail to lift the level crossing and inspect the rails below. The shifts will run from **00:45 - 05:05**. Pedestrian access will be maintained.

**Ickleton Traffic Management** An application to CCC Highways for funding to introduce a 20mph speed limit for the Village has not met with success, for the second year running. However, the project has been agreed to be valid in policy terms. In the circumstances the Parish Council has agreed unanimously to fund the project from its own reserves. The cost of the scheme has been estimated by CCC Highways at £3,000-£5,000.

**Real Time Bus Information Displays** Despite David Lilley's enquiries on the Parish Council's behalf, there has still been no information as to when the second display will be working.

**Roadside verges approaching Great Chesterford Railway Bridge.**

The Chairman has attempted via Great Chesterford Parish Council to request that arrangements to control vegetation regrowth are put in place by Essex CC before it again becomes a safety hazard.

**Street Light Replacements** As with many other villages in the County we still await the return of Balfour Beatty to complete this work. 6 standards still need replacing. We are chasing them up.

**Planning information received from SCDC**

The Council noted that SCDC had granted permission for application **S/2968/14/RM** (Minute08/15) from the Wellcome Trust Genome Campus for the erection of the Business Incubation Centre building together with ancillary facilities and infrastructure. As this building will effectively be an extension (at the A1301 end) of the Sequencing Centre currently under construction, the Parish Council considered there would be little impact on the outlook from Ickleton.

The following applications were received:

**i. S/0243/15/DC Details required by conditions: materials, contamination investigation, surface-water drainage, contractors' access arrangements. Planning permission ref. S/0890/14/FL.** Howey's Yard, Abbey Street. These conditions have been discharged (information only).

**ii. S/2518/14/FL Increase height of part of a 1.2m high flint & brick wall to 1.7 metres** 3, Brookhampton Street. Mr P Bricknell. Parish Council recommended **approval**.

**Planet Aid UK.** You may be interested to know that during 2014 the Planet Aid clothing bank near the Village Hall collected 1,160kg of donated clothing. They have sent us a "big thank-you"

**Development of Howey's Yard** In order to carry out the demolition of existing walls and erect the approved building on the site, which is located in the corner of the Recreation Field next to the play area, the Developer will need access to strips of land around the site. Existing planting will have to be removed but this will be replaced by the developer in due course. The area will also be fenced off to ensure the safety of people using the recreation field.

**Wellcome Trust Liaison Meeting** At the most recent liaison meeting with Genome Campus personnel the Chairman and Lewis Duke were informed that the Campus is in the early stages of considering what developments will take place on the Southfield site in future. It is likely that a further Business Incubation Centre will be built, an Outreach Facility (to enable schools and the wider public to learn about the work on Campus), and a Sports Centre. The Sports Centre, which may include a swimming pool, will be available for use by local residents as well as Campus staff. These are major planning items and it will be some time before these proposals are firmed up.

**Parish Council Elections: May 2015**

The term of office for all our Parish Councillors expires in May and if more than 9 people wish to stand there will be a contested Parish Council Election. This would take place on the same date as the General Election and District Council Election, i.e. 7<sup>th</sup> May. There is **one definite vacancy** as a Councillor has confirmed that work commitments prevent her from standing again. If anyone is considering joining the Parish Council, nomination forms are obtainable from me. These have to be handed in at SCDC Headquarters, South Cambridgeshire Hall, Cambourne by no later than 4pm on **Thursday 9th April**. Alternatively, I am able to deliver completed forms if they are handed to me no later than noon on **Tuesday 7th April**. For further information or help completing the forms, please contact me or the Chairman, Terry Sadler e-mail: [terry@fern-cott.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:terry@fern-cott.freeserve.co.uk) or ☎ 530994.

**Peta Stevens (Parish Clerk) ☎ 531571 [petastevens17@gmail.com](mailto:petastevens17@gmail.com)**

**Crime Prevention – advice and information Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

**Police Community Support Officer Gary Kendall**

Come along to the **Village Hall between 7 and 8.30 pm** if you would like to talk with him about these matters.

## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Medical Car Scheme	John and Sue Fowler	☎ 531779
Village Hall Bookings	Viliami Mila	☎ 530497
		v.mila68@outlook.com
Neighbourhood Watch	Glynis Hammond	☎ 07918 647504
		glynis.hammond@gmail.com
Police (reporting a crime non-emergency)		☎ 101

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

## 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

## CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

A copy of the revised Church Electoral Roll is currently in the Church porch and will remain there until 13th April. If anyone wishes to make any alteration to it would they please contact me by telephoning ☎ 530366

**Frances Payne      Church Electoral Roll Officer**

### Coffee Morning - at the church      Easter Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 10 am - 12 noon

We are still on our winter schedule of the first Tuesday in every month. Our May coffee morning will be in aid of MS – last year's donations were very generous and we would like to beat that this year.

### 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**

### Bell ringing

Visiting bellringers at the church on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April** 10.30 – 12.30

**David Lilley**

### Jumble Sale      Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April at Ickleton Parish Church

Doing a spring clean? Vamping things up? Changing your look?...

Come and find some bargains at this sale.

We would also be happy to receive your old things.

To donate contact **Keena McKillen 07905 409668** or **Anne-Marie Hoare 07948 433310**

Donations can simply be left at the church, but please mark them as donations.

Proceeds in aid of church funds. Many thanks.

## Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April

### 9:15 am in Hinxton Church



**He is ALIVE!**  
 Worship for  
 children with songs  
 and activities

### Services for April

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> R	8.00 pm Candlelit Compline	DUXFORD
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	8.00 pm Seder and Eucharist	WHITTLESF'D
Maundy Thurs W	8.00 pm Solemn Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar and Watch of the Passion (until midnight)	<b>ICKLETON</b>
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30 am Making an Easter Garden	HINXTON
Good Friday R	12.00 - 3.00 pm Good Friday Devotions	HINXTON
	7.30 pm Tenebrae	DUXFORD
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 am Easter Vigil, New Fire and renewal of vows, followed by breakfast	<b>ICKLETON</b>
Easter Sunday W	10.00 am Festival Eucharist	<b>ICKLETON</b>
	10.00 am Festival Eucharist	HINXTON
	10.00 am Festival Eucharist	DUXFORD
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	HINXTON
Easter 2W	10.00 am Parish Eucharist with Sunday School	DUXFORD
	5.00 pm Taize	<b>ICKLETON</b>
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	<b>ICKLETON</b>
Easter 3W	9.15 am Messy Church	HINXTON
	10.00 am Parish Eucharist	HINXTON
	6.30 pm Evening Prayer with Laying on of Hands	DUXFORD
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	HINXTON
Easter 4W	10.00 am Easter All-Age Service	DUXFORD
	6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)	<b>ICKLETON</b>

For further details see [www.hinkledux.com](http://www.hinkledux.com) or the St Peter's Church, Duxford Facebook page.

## News from the Rectory

We think of time as linear – flowing out of the past and into the future. And it does. But some kinds of time are circular too – the round of the year, from winter to spring to summer and back to winter; the round of the generations which renews in each new baby. All circular time-journeys mark eternity as well as the passing of time. That's especially true for the cycle of the sacred story, the story which joins up our time and God's Now. This Holy Week the tragedy and reversal of suffering, death and resurrection is remembered again in the first days of April. It is a kind of drama, spoken and acted according to ancient rules.

Whittlesford church will remember the Last Supper as a Jewish seder, meeting at 8.00 pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April to share a Passover meal and then shifting to a communion service, the service which always remembers Jesus's last supper. In Ickleton at 8.00 pm there is the re-enacting of communion at the altar, but after it the altar and the church are stripped of all decoration and a lament is sung. The lights are dimmed and we keep a watch until midnight, waiting in the garden for Jesus's arrest, for the tragedy to begin.

On Good Friday, the 3<sup>rd</sup>, in Hinxton, we mark the hours between noon and 3.00 pm, the hours he spent upon the cross. We re-tell that part of the story; we listen to it in musical form; we pray; we keep each other company in desolation. In the evening, at Tenebrae, the service of Shadows in Duxford at 7.30 pm, we watch the lights go out one by one on the altar and the door of the tomb slams shut. Easter Saturday is silent everywhere.

But early on Sunday morning, the 5<sup>th</sup>, in Ickleton, just before the dawn at 6.00 am, we meet again at the tomb, and find it empty. We remember the promises of God to his people. We light the 'new fire' outside the church and bring it into that dark space to light it with new life. We light our Easter candle with it, and reaffirm our baptismal vows with water and with shared promises. We make noise and fill the church with light. And we share breakfast rejoicing together that Christ has risen, before a festive communion together in every church at 10 am.

Come and be part of the journey which touches the works of eternity with the productions of time.

**Jessica Martin**

## THANK YOU - The Big Village Spring Clean

The turnout for this, on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March, was fantastic – over 40 people and lots of children who were so enthusiastic. Thanks to their hard work over 30 bags of rubbish were collected in one hour. The new bins seem to have paid off as this was 6 bags less than last year.

The collection was organised by The Ickleton Society who provided refreshments.

Thank you for the support of The Parish Council who did the risk assessment and To The Village Hall Committee for the use of the kitchen. CPRE (Campaign for the Protection of Rural England) kindly lent us the equipment that made it all possible, as well as equipment donated to the village by The Wellcome Trust. Well done to all who took part.

**Clare Driver**

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

At the meeting on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March we held our Annual General Meeting with election of committee, and a quiz and anagrams.

The next meeting on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April** will feature a talk on "Clothes of the Wives of Henry VIII" by Fran Saltmarsh.

As usual in the Congregational Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford at 7.45 pm

For your diaries: Celebrations of the centenary of the WI on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

A free event "Picnic in the Park" (bring your own), with The Saffron Dance Band, at Great Chesterford Recreation Ground.

## OVER SIXTIES

Meetings in April on **Wednesdays 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>** at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall.

**Mavis Plumb**

## ICKLETON SOCIAL CLUB Quiz nights

The following are the dates for our **Quiz Nights** in 2015. All start at 8.15 pm:

Saturday 9 May  
Saturday 18 July  
Saturday 26 September  
Saturday 14 November

Everyone is welcome. £2 per person, maximum 4 persons per team, buffet included.

For any queries on the above please call **Shirley Gregory** ☎ 530234

## Great Chesterford and District Gardening Society

The March Spring Party and Quiz was an excellent opportunity to socialise whilst grappling with the Quiz Questions compiled by the Chair, Pauline Gale.

The winners were 'The Potato Heads', with 'The Aphids' and 'U, Me and Us' runners-up. Thank you to 'Question Masters' Duncan and Catherine, and to Gerry, Sally and Margaret for the excellent wine and refreshments.

Advance notice was given of the 2015 Summer Outings - further details from Pauline Gale, or at the next meeting

The next meeting will be the **AGM and Plant Sale**, with Tea & Cake, on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 8 pm** in the Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford. Please note that Subscriptions for 2015/16 are now due and can be paid at the April meeting.

**Pauline Gale** ☎ 525543

## Village Fete 2015 - advance notice      Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 1 - 5 pm

Come and enjoy all the fun of the usual fete but with a cherry on top!

Not deterred by the rain of last year we're powering ahead with plans for this year's fete with a new starting time of 1pm! This is an hour earlier than in previous years and we've changed it because people have been saying they'd love to come a little earlier to grab something from the BBQ for lunch – so this year you can.

We'll have all the usual stalls and activities but with a couple of special things as well – watch this space because we're hoping to have Zorbs!

If you want to get involved or have an idea for a stall or activity or want to sponsor us then do get in touch. But if you don't want to do any of those things just come along on the day and add to the fun.

Your Ickleton fete committee is Keena McKillen, Anne-Marie Hoare, Helen Royce and Tori McKillen. You can contact Keena on **07905 409668** or [keena.mckillen1@virginmedia.com](mailto:keena.mckillen1@virginmedia.com)

## Jumble Sale - in aid of the Rosie Maternity Hospital – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April

A jumble sale is being organised by Carol Turton and her daughter Nina in **Barrington Village Hall** on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 2 pm

We want your jumble – please help.

We are collecting toys, books, bric-a-brac, small furniture - anything we can sell. Also we will have a cake stall.

If you can get it to **17 Birds Close**, or if not just ☎ 530852 and I will arrange to pick it up.

## WELCOMES

Welcome to the new residents now in the Gertrude Homes, Frogge Street

No. 7 **Roma Eley** (nee Plumb) sister to Derek and Ray Plumb. A happy return to the village she was born in.

No. 9 **Jeffrey Merrells**, whose son lived at The Windmill but now lives with his family at Duxford.

## ICKLETON SOCIETY

**Ceilidh, Saturday 21 March** – what a great evening! The Cambridge University Ceilidh Band played brilliantly and the caller was excellent, making the dances such fun even when we lost the plot – indeed, there was even more laughter when things went wrong! Thanks also to Keith and Linda Miller for doing the food, to all the helpers and to everyone who came along. Around 60 people took part and we’ve had lots of praise for the event including, already, a request for another ceilidh next year.

**Walk and Picnic, Bank Holiday Monday 4 May** Following the success of the last two May Day walks, we are organising another walk and lunchtime picnic. Once more, thanks to our local farmers, we are planning a route that is not normally open to the public. This is free and open to everyone in the village and their visitors. The start time (probably 11am) will be confirmed next month along with the meeting place.

**AGM and Talk “This Enclosure Business: how Enclosure was organised in South Cambridgeshire”, Wednesday 13 May, Gordon Woolhouse Meeting Room in the Village Hall.** Our speaker for the evening will be Shirley Wittering of the Thriplow Society. Shirley has made a detailed study into the enclosure of the chalk villages of southern Cambridgeshire in the first half of the nineteenth century, one of which is Ickleton. She has also published a book on the subject which includes information about what happened here in Ickleton. The enclosure of the open fields had a profound impact on agriculture, the landscape, economic and social lives of the people of rural England. Shirley’s talk will give us a fascinating insight into this time of major upheaval. The short AGM will be at 7.30pm, free wine and nibbles at 8pm and the talk will start at about 8.30pm. Free to members (you can join on the night). Non-members are welcome to come along for a small charge of £3.

**Membership and Committee 2014/15** – we hope members will renew their subscriptions and, if you’re not already a member, you’ll consider joining the Society. Information about the Society is on the village website and a membership form can be found below.

Nominations are invited for Committee members who will be elected at the AGM. Lynn Parsons has stood down due to other personal commitments. We are very grateful to Lynn for all she has done for the Society. If anyone would like to stand as Chair, Vice-chair, Treasurer, Secretary or an ordinary member of Committee, please get in touch with **me or Madelaine Smith** ☎ **530179** by the end of the

month.

Rachel Radford ☎ **530994**

### **ICKLETON SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Subscription payable for 2015/2016 is £6 per person or £15 per family

Name.....

Address.....

Email.....

## **ANNUAL AWARDS CELEBRATION AT SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE HALL**

### **Ickleton folk win Individual and community group awards from District Council**

On the 5<sup>th</sup> of March I went to South Cambridgeshire Hall, Cambourne, with Parish Clerk Peta Stevens, former Clerk Jocelyn Flitton, Anne-Marie Hoare and Jess Bloomfield. We were attending the District Council's Annual Awards Celebration, the Parish Council having sent in two nominations for awards for significant and voluntary contributions to community life. It turned out to be a very good evening for Ickleton.

#### **Jos Flitton – Village Hero**

Jos was awarded third prize in this category, recognising her outstanding service to Ickleton, not just over ten years as Parish Clerk, but also in roles with the Village Hall Committee, Ickleton United Charities, the Theatre Group, and the Church Choir. Not to mention the great support she has given over many years to innumerable village events.

There were a large number of nominations in the Village Hero category, and it was no mean achievement for Jos to finish in the final three. Very well done indeed!

#### **Froglets – Community Pride Award: Local Services and Amenities**

Anne-Marie Hoare and Jess Bloomfield, representing Froglets Parents and Toddler Group, were delighted (and more than a little surprised!) to be given **first** prize in this community group category. This was an impressive result, especially given that Duxplay, whose ongoing efforts to plan and raise funds are doing so much to update Duxford's play facilities, had to be content with second place. It was also great to see how supportive the representatives of the two groups were of each other as the results were announced.

Anne Marie let me have some thoughts about Froglets and the last 25 years –

*“When I first attended Froglets I think Kathy Warren Wilson was running it. It has seemed to have a natural flow of volunteers over the years to replace mothers that leave as their children grow and move up to school.*

*It can be quite challenging and quite frustrating at times trying to heave equipment out of the cupboard when your own child is crying and no one seems to notice and I'm sure every helper has had a moment in the 'Crying Cupboard', throwing stuff around and moaning about no one helping or maybe even just a tear at the sheer tiredness that goes with parenthood.*

*But I keep going back to help because I know the group lifted my spirits and made me a better parent. My children enjoyed going, and it was a wonderful transition between home and school and a place for them to make friends, have some messy playtime and for the parents and carers maybe just a minute to breathe, learn parenting skills, share experiences and have someone else to lean on when the dark days of sleep deprivation are hovering.*

*We have been very lucky in having a succession of these wonderful people who gave their time to help others by setting up/washing up/making the drinks/ordering equipment/clearing up wee/giving a needed hug/reading the story/sweeping.....”*

I asked Anne-Marie to let me have a list of Froglets volunteers over the years so all of them could be name checked here by way of saying thank you. After giving me more than 20 names, she was so worried about missing someone out that she asked me to say a collective THANK YOU TO ALL FROGLETS VOLUNTEERS and CONGRATULATIONS on this award, which is dedicated to ALL OF YOU.

**Terry Sadler, Parish Council Chairman**

**☎ 530994**



## **PETER William Michael RICE    15<sup>th</sup> March 1946 - 10<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

Peter came to Ickleton 13 years ago, and soon entered village life as a force to be reckoned with in conversation, humour, good living, and in due course his energetic support for the sporting activity of the village. The members of the Cricket Club and his many friends in the village mourn his passing, and lunchtime sessions at the Ickleton Lion will not be the same. Changing to non-alcoholic drinks like orange squash and lemonade was a wrench, after a lifetime of the other, but he took it with good humour. He determinedly fought back and survived a heart condition in 2009, but in the last two years cancer took over. I share with the rest of his friends in Ickleton in sympathy for his family at this time.

### **Editor**

Born in Norwich, Dad was a toddler when my grandparents moved to Cambridge, building a house in Porson Road. Dad attended St Faiths School, then went to Uppingham as a boarder. His prowess at sports was soon evident. He had a natural eye for a ball and control of the wrists which led to his brilliance as a cricketer and hockey player – his main sports, as well as rugby.

My father was a natural communicator and this led to his taking up a career in journalism and advertising at the Daily Mail - “coming to London for an evening and then staying for a year”, then moving back to Cambridge and commuting. He worked for BBC Radio Cambridgeshire mainly as sports commentator. He was a selector for the England hockey team, coach for women’s hockey, played hockey for the Cambridge Nomads, was a cricketer for the county and Granta Cricket Club of which he was President.

Following his marriage to Melanie in 1985, we three came along – my brother Douglas, sister Emma and me. Douglas has followed in Dad’ footsteps, excelling as a cricketer at national level. My parents sadly divorced in 1992, but Dad continued to live near us in Trumpington. After moving to Ickleton he worked in Whittlesford for the Bulldog military recruitment agency.

He was always very kind to us and helped us out in troubles. Characteristically he would say “Let’s all go out” and then no expense spared, we would go off to London and eat well and have a good time. He was very kind to others, sometimes inclined to be irritable but never malicious, and a lover of life. He seemed to know everybody and was a tremendous raconteur, as all his friends will know.

My father was naturally averse to admitting that anything was wrong with him. Having broken a bone in his elbow after playing rugby, and following the session at the Clare College sports ground bar (at the end of Porson Road) the Addenbrookes staff could not believe that he had driven a car to the hospital in that condition. This refusal to worry about himself was characteristic of the last two years when he was battling with cancer.

In his last year Dad’s great joy was Emma’s daughter Olivia, now just over 1 year old. Dad loved to listen to music, particularly opera singing, and seeing his little granddaughter dancing round the room. We all loved him and miss him terribly.

**Clare Rice**

## **Join Ickleton Cricket Club**

The 2015 cricket season is rapidly approaching and we're filled with excitement for another successful year. We continue to have **two teams** in the mid-week Twenty Over format played on a Wednesday evening. A great way to break up the week.

The **Saturday** 1st XI are now in the Cambridgeshire League Junior 6 South having gained promotion last year. We're hopeful we can build on last year's success and go up another league this year.

Our **Sunday friendlies** continue too. And after the tremendous launch of **youth cricket** training at the club, we will continue to bring cricket to any of the local youngsters who would like to learn to play.

As well as the cricket we have **fantastic events** for everyone to join in with. At various times in the year we will have BBQs, Wine and Cheese days, the Annual Ickleton Cricket Club Bike Ride (this time with shorter and longer routes around the local area). And an intrepid bike ride from Ickleton to Paris in September. The events will culminate with our club dinner dance in October.

There really is plenty for people of all ages and abilities to get involved with. Whether you want to play, help with events or just sit back and watch we're always grateful for your support. We're always open for enthusiastic new members so if you'd like to get involved please contact:

Membership Secretary **Peter Bates: peter@cmws.co.uk 07889 497446**

or **David Mathias: davidmathias@telecomplus.org.uk 07967 09 841**

**David Mathias**

**Plant and Book Sale                      Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April    2.30 - 5 pm**  
**at Littlebury Church**

Teas.    Proceeds to church funds.

**Janice Rust**

**The Farmland Museum - Easter Fun Day at Denny**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> and Bank Holiday Monday    10.30 am – 4 pm**

The Farmland Museum is just off the A10 about 4 miles north of Milton on the way to Ely.

**Don your bunny ears and join us for a fun-filled Easter weekend.**

The Farmland Museum has a lot to offer families this Easter! Come along on Easter Sunday and Monday and follow our easter egg trail, try your hand at jewellery making and willow-weaving. Children's **Make & Take** craft activities in the Education Room. Followed by having your face-painted, before relaxing with a cup of tea and a slice of cake in our café!

And there are plenty of other things to do. Explore the Medieval Abbey and the Farmland Museum with its fascinating displays of farming tools, Fenland life and re-created workshops, cottage, and shop.

For more information visit [www.farmlandmuseum.org.uk](http://www.farmlandmuseum.org.uk) or contact **Ann Wise**, Museum Manager by emailing [info@farmlandmuseum.org.uk](mailto:info@farmlandmuseum.org.uk) Tel: 01223 860988

**4VO presents Salsa & Sweetcorn: Music from the Americas**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm    at Duxford Primary School**

The 4 Villages Orchestra spreads its wings to fly "across the pond" for their latest concert.

A little bit of Latin...some riotous rock 'n'roll ... a soupcon of reggae all mixed with a dash of Salsa to make the perfect recipe for a tour of the Americas. If you're "In The Mood for Love", we've "The Girl from Ipanema" just for you and we'll get you going with a shot of "Tequila"... "The Magnificent Seven" can't hold us back and Simon and Garfunkel wouldn't believe what's happened to "America". Snacks are available from "The Peanut Vendor"!

4VO is a local orchestra with members mainly from four villages: Ickleton, Duxford, Whittlesford and Hinxton. Following the soar away success of their Heroes and Villains concert last November, we're expecting tickets to go fast.

**Tickets:** £6.50 and £4.50 for concessions.    Book early through **John Statham** on 📞 **530258**

**Nigel Bennett**

## ICKLETON DIARY

APRIL		
Wednesday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Great Chesterford and District Garden Society (AGM) 8.00 pm The Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford
Friday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mobile Library 12.45 pm bottom of Butchers Hill
Tuesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee morning 10.00 am - 12.00 at the church
Wednesday	8 <sup>th</sup>	Over Sixties 2.30 pm Village Hall
Wednesday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall
		W.I. 7.45 pm The Chapel, Carmel Street Great Chesterford
Saturday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Jumble sale 2.00 pm at the church
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Over Sixties 2.30 pm Village Hall
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Friday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Crime prevention meeting 6.30 - 8.00 pm Village Hall
Monday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Ickleton Society – Walk and Picnic
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall

Badminton	Tuesdays	8 pm	Village Hall
Indoor Bowls	Thursdays	2 - 4 pm	Village Hall
Cricket home games in April	First game:	Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> 12.00	(Ickleton 1 <sup>st</sup> XI v. Ickleton Lions)
		Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> (friendly): 1.00 pm	(Lions v. Abington)
		Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> 6.00 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI (League game)

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