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Thank you to all contributors this month. A bumper issue with lots going on again.

Major Developments - see Parish Council report below and Ickleton Society on p.8.

Agritech development - the appeal by SmithsonHill

The Parish Council report below presents a bleak assessment of the prospects for SCDC's refusal of the Agritech development. This massive plan defies all logic other than that of huge profits for the landowners and developers. As well as Parish Council Chairman Sian Wombwell, and representatives from other Parish Councils affected, I also spoke as a third-party witness, and District Councillor Peter McDonald presented a comprehensive and sound logical rebuttal. The appellant's case relies only on spurious claims of synergy with other science parks.

Meanwhile the **Wellcome Trust development** may go to SCDC Planning Committee in July. Anyone may attend these meetings as an observer: consult the Council's website for details of the date etc.

...And now the latest: **Gonville and Caius College** proposal for a business park and massive housing development on the north and west side of **Duxford**,

...And the possibility of **Duxford airfield** being the site for the move by Marshalls. This is a replay from 15 years ago....

And now for something more cheerful!...

Final reminder...Ickleton Village Fete –Saturday 29th June

at the Church and green 1 - 5 pm

Barbecue, beer and Pimms tent. Teas, cakes, ice cream and candy floss
Stalls of all sorts. Face painting, Hoopla, Tombola etc.
KIDS corner Grand Raffle, Silent Auction. Raffle draw at 4 pm

Icklefest - at the Ickleton Lion on **Friday 5th - Sunday 7th July**. Live music from four groups and other attractions. Family Day on Sunday afternoon. See page 7.

Sunday 7th will also be **the last day of Michelle and Tom Merritt's tenancy** of the Ickleton Lion.

See p.7 and for their thanks to their customers and friends during their time at the pub.

The Lion is expected to be closed for about two weeks before opening again under new management.

Editor

PARISH COUNCIL July 2019

Refuse Collections

Tuesday	2 July	Black Bin
Tuesday	9 July	Blue bin and green bin
Tuesday	16 June	Black Bin

Tuesday	23	June	Blue bin and green bin
Tuesday	30	July	Black Bin

Note:

1. With effect from 1 April 2019 South Cambs DC introduced a charge of £20 each from then until 30 September 2019 for a second and subsequent green bins per household. This charge changes to £35 per additional bin annually from 1 October 2019. Unless the correct authorisation is displayed on the additional green bins, Council operatives have been instructed not to empty them.
2. The summer schedule is now in place at the Thriplow recycling centre so the closing time is 5pm, with the gates closing 10 minutes beforehand.

Ickleton Parish Council

Extracts from the Parish Council meeting held on 19th June 2019

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

Planning information received from SCDC

Planning applications received for consideration:

S/1689/19/FL 26, Brookhampton Street, Ickleton, Saffron Walden, CB10 1SP Two storey side and rear extension and new window to first floor side elevation - The Council agreed that there was little or no impact on the conservation area, and resolved to **support** the application.

S/1830/19/DC Abbey Barns, Duxford Road, Ickleton, Cambridgeshire Discharge of conditions 1 (Approved Plans) and 2 (Flood Risk Assessment) of planning permission S/3514/18/VC (for information only)

Wellcome Genome Campus Expansion proposals

Cllr Sadler had submitted some comments on behalf of the Parish Council relating to the changes. A meeting had been held where the public were permitted to attend but not to speak. The District Councillor had attended the meeting and expressed his concern about the size of the proposals. It is possible that they will go before the planning committee in July. It was proposed by Cllr Sadler, seconded by Cllr Wombwell and resolved that Cllr Sadler would attend the meeting and speak on behalf of the Parish Council.

SmithsonHill Appeal Hearing

Cllr Wombwell attended the appeal hearings on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th June.

- The proposed development is gigantic.
- Parish Councils and third-party witnesses gave their statements to the Inspector. Some were cross examined by the QC acting for SmithsonHill.
- Ickleton PC Chairman gave a copy of the S106 Agreement to the Inspector.
- SmithsonHill are fielding a team of 8 expert witnesses, SCDC have 4.
- Andy Hill of SmithsonHill was robustly questioned by the QC acting for SCDC.
- Martin Collinson, presenting the case FOR an Agritech facility at Hinxtton, was very impressive. He continually stressed the requirement for co-location with Cambridge University and other science parks. He is consulting at Governmental level. He stated that the potential earnings from this development are huge.
- The socio-economic argument is strong, and difficult for SCDC to argue against.
- Richard Burton (landscape), acting for SmH, asserted that the development would not impact on the landscape, and would be hidden by the earth bund and some planting.
- The inspector was due to make accompanied visits to the various viewpoints on Friday pm. Ickleton PC Chairman stressed the importance of the Coploe Road viewpoint to David Huskisson (landscape), SCDC.
- Withdrawal of objections to SmH traffic assessments by CCC Highways has damaged SCDC's case.
- The SmH transport witness will speak on Monday, 2nd July.
- Friday, 5th July, closing submissions from SCDC and SmH.

Uttlesford District Council Local Plan Examination

The Planning Inspectors have written to Uttlesford District Council to say that they had received a number of objections from Residents4Uttlesford, asking if the District Council supports the plan or not. Residents4Uttlesford registered to speak at the enquiry must clarify in what capacity they are speaking – District Councillor, or Pressure Group member. Cllr Sadler had registered an interest in attending the meeting and a slot has been booked should there be a public enquiry. It was proposed by Cllr Sadler, seconded by Cllr Wombwell and resolved that Cllr Sadler as a representative of Ickleton Parish Council will give evidence at the public enquiry for the UDC local plan.

It was noted that the Application for Porsche/Aston Martin garage & showrooms on the A505 had been rejected by SCDC.

Gonville & Caius College proposals for Duxford

Cllr Sadler had attended a Parish Council meeting at Duxford, at which the College had presented proposals for an aviation business park along the A505 to the north of Duxford village. They own the land. Up to 800 houses could also be built to the north and west of Duxford. It would be fair to say that Duxford residents were not over-impressed by proposals that could double their population. The proposals are said not to be related to reports that Marshalls may move their aviation business to Duxford. The College will be submitting its proposals to SCDC in response to the Call for Sites launched as part of updating our Local Plan, and we shall learn more in the autumn when the sites put forward go out for public consultation.

Planning Appeals

S/3686/18/FL Land adjacent to The Glebe, Frogge Street, Ickleton, CB10 1SH Construction of two dwellings along with access, car parking and associated landscaping. Cllr Sadler will contact the Planning Inspector to state the Parish Council's objections were being maintained.

Tree Works

S/1939/19/TC 7, Back Lane, Ickleton, Saffron Walden, 1) Multi-stemmed ash - Crown reduce by 30% and reshape as required. To maintain at a size that befits its position 2) Walnut - Fell to ground level. Too near house.

S/2086/19/TC 64, Abbey Street Ickleton, Saffron Walden T1) Ash - Crown reduce by 30% and reshape as required. To maintain at a size that befits its position.

The Parish Council decided not to comment on either notice relating to tree works.

Financial Matters

The Parish Council is in the process of 'switching' bank accounts to Unity Trust which will enable the council to make electronic payments whilst keeping the 'two-signature' rule.

The Parish Council's insurance policy had been renewed for a further year with Came & Company at a cost of £1096.96.

The Parish Council payroll for the Clerk is to be outsourced to Red Shoes Accounting.

Highways Matters

Local Highway Improvements 2020/21. Bids for funding are due to be submitted by 4th August. It had been noted at the Annual Parish Meeting that some residents would like to see flashing signs reminding drivers of the 20 mph limit at the three (or four) entrances to the village. It was agreed that research would need to be carried out before a bid could be made.

Other potential areas which could be considered were:

- An Air Quality Survey: There is an air quality monitoring network in Sawston, Little Abington and Linton which have not shown any evidence that levels are a problem. However, the council will respond to say that as they are closer to the M11, and/or as vehicles are frequently queueing, they would like to have a survey in Ickleton.
- A proper footway at the Abbey Street end of Butchers Hill
- A footway at the end of Grange Road

A preliminary meeting would be sought with Highways.

Allotments

The Chairman of the Allotments Society had spoken at the Annual Parish Meeting about the need for a mower and improvements to the piped water supply. Cllr Molloy agreed to point the Society in the direction of SCDC's Community Chest funding, and the possibility was raised of the Parish Council providing match funding, depending on amounts involved.

Diane Bayliss (Interim Parish Clerk) E-mail: clerk@ickleton-pc.org.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

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 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

CHURCH NOTICES AND NEWS

Priest-in-charge	Revd Petra Shakeshaft	01223 832137	petra@hinkledux.com
Associate priest	Revd Phil Sharkey	01763 221284	sharkey_phil@yahoo.co.uk
Churchwarden	Patrick Bloomfield	patrick.boomfield@hymans.co.uk	
Prayer Ministry	Judy Marshall		
Lay Ministers	Julie Baillie		
	Judith Sutcliffe		

Services and Events for July

ALL ARE WELCOME

Sunday 7 th	8.00 am	BCP Communion	DUXFORD
3 rd after Trinity	10.00 am	Parish Communion with Sunday Club	ICKLETON
	6.30 pm	Evensong	HINXTON
Saturday 13 th	6.30 pm	Annual Garden Evening	HINXTON
	<i>Contact virginiamwalker@btinternet.com</i>		
Sunday 14 th	10.00 am	A12gether service	DUXFORD
4 th after Trinity			
Sunday 21 st	8.00 am	BCP Communion	ICKLETON
5 th after Trinity	10.00 am	Parish Communion with A12gether	HINXTON
	5.00 pm	Taize service	ICKLETON
Thursday 25 th	10 am - 12	TIDDLERS	DUXFORD
Saturday 27 th	9.30 - 12.30	CRAFT CAFE	DUXFORD
Sunday 28 th	8.00 am	BCP Communion	HINXTON
6 th after Trinity	10.00 am	Parish Communion with A12gether	DUXFORD
	6.30 pm	Evensong	ICKLETON

For further details see www.hinkledux.com or the St Peter's Church, Duxford Facebook page.

SUNDAY CLUB for 3 - 9 year olds - first Sunday of the month - 7th July

9.45 – 11 am at the Ickleton Social Club

Any questions, please contact

Holly Gent hollylsayeris@hotmail.com

Susie Lober susielober@icloud.com

Reflections from the Rectory

Some years ago, during a particularly difficult period, I went to see a friend of mine, an American Anglican priest who had started out life as a Southern Baptist. She had the most wonderful Southern drawl!

I confessed to her that, at that moment I felt the world was divided into two kinds of people, the ones who I could cope with, who were supporting me and nourishing me and others whose very presence just drained me and who I had no strength or stomach for. She laughed and said “D’you know about the Balcony People?” Well, I’d never heard of them. It turns out, *they* are actually a book. The Balcony People, she explained are the ones up there hanging over the balcony, cheering you on, affirming you and shouting “Go Petra! You can do it!” And the Basement People – she dropped her voice - “They just SUCK-YOU-DRY” (or – Serk you dra-a-a!)

Most of us could probably look back and spot the real Balcony People in our lives: the ones who have just loved and supported us without question, the ones who spotted that gift, that secret passion inside us and encouraged it, gave us the space to do it; the ones who appreciated even the small things we did; the ones who healed our wounds with loving affirmation.

However, it’s often the case that we are more influenced by the Basement People. No matter how well our day has gone, it only takes one negative remark, one criticism and that’s what colours our entire day. These are the people who break our spirits, find that weak spot and exploit it and suck us dry. They’re the ones whose biting comment or chastisement, or whose unfriendly email keeps us awake at night, turning the words over and over in our minds.

But what makes Balcony People? What makes Basement People?

I suspect that Balcony People are happy, comfortable with themselves, fulfilled. They are interested in others and able to think beyond themselves; they are not self-serving or self-interested. Basement people are not happy. They are insecure, frightened. The only way to make themselves feel better is to drag others down into the basement with them.

An affirmation is a gift and, like all gifts, it has an effect on both the giver and receiver; an affirmation makes both parties feel better. It’s all part of the economy of gift. So, if we are not naturally Balcony People; if we’re not naturally affirming, positive people, we *can* become so with practice. If we do something often enough it becomes habit and then part of who we are and what we do. So if we make the effort, if we make it part of our practice – even if we have to think about it – we can become affirmers; people who heal and encourage and lighten the darkness of other people’s lives.

We can also find ways of not being or becoming Basement People ourselves; of not being sucked down into the cellar of despond by other people’s negative behaviour towards us. A solution suggested to me to counter such behaviour, is, at the end of the day, to write down the negative thing(s) alongside the positive, uplifting things that we can be thankful for. The positive list is invariably longer (much longer) and we can then see how much influence we are allowing negativity to have – and stop it!

This is not unlike the *Examen* form of prayer which encourages us to spend time quietly reflecting on the day with gratitude, to focus on one particular thing to be thankful for and to spend time with the memories and emotions surrounding it. From this perspective, we then look forward to tomorrow and are far less likely to be kept awake all night reliving that one awful meeting/conversation/email ... This works as a kind of ‘self-affirmation’ too; we feel better about ourselves, which is important for our sense of mental well-being.

In all probability, the balcony people don’t feel good about themselves. So it’s also important that however people behave towards us, we try, as much as possible to be positive and affirming towards them. If we fall into the habit of tit-for-tat responses, we are allowing their behaviour to dictate ours.

We can decide whether we are Balcony People or Basement People and it may not change the world, but it might change how we and other people see the world.

With best wishes, Petra

Petra Shakeshaft

JEAN ELIZABETH WHITAKER 1935 - 2019

Jean and David plus two small children, one only three months old arrived in Ickleton in early January 1974. Jean immediately immersed herself in Duxford school PTA and this started a long association with local and village activities.

Sport was always one of Jean's main interests, she joined the Great Chesterford netball team, much to family apprehension. Her constant desire to win resulted, after only the second game, of walking with the aid of two sticks for eight weeks! Jean was also a keen rock climber, mountaineer and sailor.

Family life and a secure life were vital for Jean and with her experience of the war in London, together with the death of her mother when she was only ten ensured she protected her children with every strength she possessed. Her determination provided all the stability she so missed as a child.

Jean was artistic and had the ability to see something once and then replicate it almost without reference. This skill came to the fore when to help with David's furniture making she trained to become a woodturner. The skill, incredibly, came quite naturally to her and her level of workmanship increased the whole time she was working. This skill developed to such an extent that she became one of only three women who, at that time, were recognised and accepted onto the register of the Worshipful Company of Turners. How she enjoyed those Company lunches!

When the recession of the late 1980's early 1990's came the business had to close and Jean became part of the aviation industry working with a maintenance company based at Stansted. Eventually she became a senior librarian and travelled to many other facilities, both civilian and military, sorting out documentation problems. She put dread and fear into some workshop areas!

Retirement allowed both her and David to extend their love of remote places and many holidays were spent on the west coast and islands of Scotland. A love that was cruelly cut short with the onset of Alzheimer's in 2011 leading to her having to go into care in 2016. Gradually Jean lost the use of her legs and then the power of speech. One of the very last things Jean said when I suggested I might become a rebel was the reply "You certainly will not" - still in charge at such a late stage! Jean I still love you darling.

David

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 for the John Huntington charity.

Clare Driver

Bell Ringing **Saturday 6th July** Visiting Bellringers 9.30 am – 12.45 pm

David Lilley

Coffee Mornings **Tuesdays 2nd and 16th July 10.30 am - 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.

The more the merrier - we love to see anyone who enjoys coffee or tea and cake and a good natter.

Frances Payne

Chesterfords, Ickleton & Hinxton WI

Wednesday 17th July 7.45 pm **Congregational Church, Gt Chesterford**

ICKLETON SOCIAL CLUB

Quiz night Saturday 6th July 8.30 pm

£3 to play - includes buffet and raffle

Everyone welcome

Further quiz nights in the year: 31st August, 12th October, 16th November

Shirley Gregory

GREAT CHESTERFORD & DISTRICT GARDENING SOCIETY

(Affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society)

Next Meeting: Wednesday 3rd July 8.00 pm Ickleton Village Hall

THE JUDGING OF HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITS IS NOT,
AND NEVER CAN BE, AN EXACT SCIENCE

*By Kate Chambers, RHS Show Judge –
with welcome and timely advice on how to prepare and display produce for exhibition*

RECENT MEETING

Botanist, author and broadcaster Geoff Hodge was welcomed in *June*. His subject, “*Gardening in Dry and Drought Conditions*”, was particularly apt as local gardens have experienced recent very dry weather. He illustrated the talk with an extensive list of shrubs, perennials and annuals and advised that plants with small leaves, grey leaves, fleshy leaves or hairy leaves were all indicators of drought resistant plants. He said that consideration should be given to moisture retention products, and a 3 inch layer of mulch to conserve moisture and deter weeds. A through watering of the garden every seven days is preferable to sprinkling water over plants daily, as this can cause mildew, and fungus related diseases.

The winners of the Summer flower competition (a single rose) were: 1st Philippa Whalley 2nd Carol Turton 3rd Ann Warren.

For further general information please contact the Chair **Mrs Pauline Gale**

Icklefest 2019 at the **Ickleton Lion** **Friday 5th - Sunday 7th July**

Friday – A night with Wayne Goodman £20 per person – includes fish and chip supper

Saturday – Live music from:

Phil and Friends 2pm Three Men in a Shed 4 pm

Jay Williams 6 pm The Weirdest Thing 8 pm

Sunday – Family Day 2 - 6 pm

THANK YOU We would like to say a warm thank you to all our many customers and friends during our time at the Lion, and wish them well.

Tom and Michelle

...And thanks to Tom and Michelle and their friendly staff, and very best wishes for the future

Editor

Review - MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING - Village Hall 1st June

Once again the multi-talented actors of the Festival Players touring company treated the village to a performance of Shakespeare – his comedy *Much Ado About Nothing*.

Six male actors took on seventeen roles with great enthusiasm showing not only their acting versatility but also their musical skills and quick costume changes! – just as would have been originally performed.

The play itself is never simply just a romantic comedy but more a serious comedy – you had to be on your toes to keep up with the constant banter, bickering and various deceptions which, fortunately, all end happily.

Beautifully written (!) and excellently played by a talented cast – an exceptionally entertaining evening.

Peter Bricknell

...and from the Theatre Group

Thanks to everyone who supported the event, especially by generously buying raffle tickets and helping to clear away at the end of the evening. Having such good support means that we can, hopefully, invite them back to Ickleton again next year. We are one of their favourite venues as they are made to feel so welcome

ICKLETON SOCIETY

Return Visit to Coploe Hill Strip Lynchets and Baulks, Sunday 30 June, 10.45am

If you get your copy of Icene before 30 June, don't forget our short walk to Ickleton's historic medieval strip lynchets and hear an update from Sian and Peter Wombwell about the restoration work that has continued since our last visit 4 years ago. We also hope to take another look at how the wildlife pond they created has developed. We will be leaving from the corner of Back Lane and Coploe Road at 10.45am sharp. Please wear suitable footwear for walking down the baulks. Dogs are welcome on a lead. Sian and Peter's 'walk and talk' will last until about 12 noon after which they have very kindly said we can picnic in the field if we wish. Of course, there are no toilets in the field so you may prefer to picnic on the rec instead or just go home – you can decide on the day.

Archaeological Dig, Abbey Farm

The dig was a great success in spite of some delays due to rain and slow going because of the amount of flints in the trench. There is evidence of a wall, probably a second wall with flints spread beyond it. There were also a lot of medieval and post-medieval finds including a key, pin, pottery, roof and floor tiles some of which are glazed and decorated. There's a strong inference that the site dates from the time of the Priory and has been relatively undisturbed. More details are at <http://www.cafg.net/> and <https://www.facebook.com/CambridgeArchaeologyFieldGroup/>. The trench is being temporarily closed and we hope the Field Group will return to continue the work at a future date.

40th Anniversary of the Church Fire and the Rediscovery of the Wall Paintings

24 August 1979 saw the awful arson attack on the Church but out of the ashes came the rediscovery of the medieval wall paintings. They had probably been covered over with whitewash at the time of the reformation, gradually become visible in places in the late 19th and early 20th centuries as recorded in the description of the Church in Kelly's Trade Directories and then presumably were covered over once more. They have been described by the author Simon Jenkins as "some of the best remaining mediaeval wall paintings in England".

The Ickleton Society, with support and help from the Parochial Church Council, will be mounting an exhibition of photographs and documents about the fire, wall paintings and general history of the Church over the August Bank Holiday weekend. This will be in the Church and there will be more details in the next edition of Icene.

Development Issues:

Wellcome Genome Campus Expansion – still awaiting a date for the application to go before South Cambs Planning Committee.

SmithsonHill Agri-Tech Park – see information about the early stages of the appeal hearing in the Parish Council report.

Car Showrooms on the A505 The application was refused but we do not know yet if it will go to appeal.

Duxford housing, Marshall's and Aviation Research

This seems to be a re-run by Gonville and Caius of the plan put forward on their behalf by Bidwells some years ago for large numbers of houses to the north and west of the village, though without a Duxford by-pass this time round. However, they have come up with the idea of an aviation business park along the A505 to the north of the village. In addition, Marshalls is looking to move out of Cambridge together with its Cambridge airport and Duxford has been identified as one of 3 potential sites for their business. The housing, the aviation business park and the Marshalls' move are not dependent on each other. Gonville and Caius' proposals will be included in the call for sites for the review of the Local Plan.

The Hundred Parishes Society

This society covers, as its name suggests, 100 parishes across northwest Essex, northeast Hertfordshire and southern Cambridgeshire.

It has a very informative website at <http://www.hundredparishes.org.uk/> which includes lots of information about the area. Members of the Society organise occasional walks and visits and the society has published a book about the area.

Rachel Radford rachelmradford@btinternet.com

Book the date - concert - Sunday 25th August

CLAYDON CHAMBER ORCHESTRA, from Buckinghamshire, are performing a concert of **Music for Strings** at **Great Chesterford Parish Church** on Sunday 25th August at **3.30pm**. The concert is **FREE** with a retiring collection for charity, and conducted by **Hugh Molloy**, from Ickleton.

The programme includes Handel Concerto Grosso Op 6 No 10, Suk's Serenade for Strings and works by Elgar and Vaughan Williams.

The orchestra will be performing the same programme at **Saffron Walden Parish Church** on **Saturday 24th August at 7.30pm** as part of the Flower Festival – also FREE with a retiring collection. (Tickets at the door for noth)

NOTES FROM A SPEEDWATCH VOLUNTEER

I have been a speedwatch volunteer for over two years. Due to work commitments I do one hour in the first and second week of the month and request the 8am slot. Penny sends out a doodle calendar to everyone in advance so I choose my days and they are matched with dates from other volunteers.

On the appointed day I walk to the village hall, meet the team for that session and we go to the area approved and set up the equipment. All parts of the village are covered as much as possible. We record the number of cars on printed sheets and the details of any vehicle over the speed limit.

In two years the traffic on some roads has increased considerably, with as many as 300 - 350 cars going through Frogge Street/Abbey Street during the peak period, many of them at speeds which could kill a child or animal. We can taste the fumes in our mouths so can bring concerns such as air quality to the authorities as well as official recorded figures that help the village to get resources such as the flashing speed sign which has made a big difference night and day. We note patterns of behaviour - for example drivers of a certain make of car are some of the worst offenders, and so are some mums on schoolruns, which is ironic as we are trying to keep the children safe by reminding people of the safety speed limit.

We pack up after an hour. We often have good conversations and enjoy all the waves from friends and neighbours. I recommend this – don't think it has to be a huge time restraint, people doing one or a few hours is a real help to the team, and you have a choice of morning, lunch time and evening slots. Give it a go, you may enjoy it more than you think.

Clare Driver

Cinnamon Trust

Due to advancing age or long term illness, are you in need of a volunteer to walk your beloved dog?

Help in such a situation is available, for no charge, through registered charity The Cinnamon Trust whose primary objective is to respect and preserve the treasured relationship between owners and pets. They are the only specialist national charity which seeks to relieve the anxieties and problems sometimes faced by elderly and chronically ill people and their pets thereby saving a great deal of sadness and suffering.

My son Alexander (16 years) has just signed up as a volunteer with the charity and is looking to walk a dog locally, on a regular basis, for a housebound owner. If you, or a family member, is in need of such a service then an arrangement can be made through the charity. You are welcome to give me a call for more information. Information about the charity's work and services can be found at <http://www.cinnamon.org.uk> and via their appeals line at 01736 757 900.

The Cinnamon Trust also offers a fostering service for pets whose owners face a spell in hospital and long term care for pets whose owners have died or moved to residential accommodation which will not accept pets.

Fiona Rose fionarose@yahoo.co.uk

Ickleton Open Gardens 2019

Seventeen beautiful gardens were on view, ranging from the magnificent grounds of Caldrees Manor to the prettiest cottage gardens, when Ickleton welcomed **over 600 visitors** to the Open Gardens day on Sunday 16th June. After fretting about the weather in the lead-up to the day – not enough rain, too much rain – we were blessed with good weather, for most of the day anyway. A short downpour meant that the village hall was buzzing even more with people buying plants and produce and enjoying the delicious lunches and cakes.

We had around a hundred more visitors this year than when the event took place in 2016, coming not only from the nearby villages but from as far afield as Peterborough, Huntingdon and surrounding counties, thanks to some excellent publicity by Fiona. We even had a few guests from Australia who were delighted to see the amazing gardens during a family visit. The garden owners said they had a wonderful day chatting to visitors from far and wide and hearing complimentary comments about how friendly people were, in the village hall and in all the gardens.

A big thank you must go to the garden owners for opening their private gardens, but so many others contributed to the smooth running of the day. It really was a wonderful event and only made possible with the help of so many willing and enthusiastic people. A steady stream of volunteers selling entry tickets, raffle tickets, plants and produce, and car park attendants ensuring that traffic was kept under control and the cricket pitch didn't come to any harm. **Sarah Mila and her very happy helpers** worked non-stop throughout the day to provide hungry visitors with delicious food, which also created a huge amount of washing up for them. Thank you to everyone who provided the cakes and produce. The cakes and lunches were so popular that unfortunately we ran out towards the end of the afternoon before everyone had the chance to enjoy them. We were also very grateful to the many green-fingered villagers who planted and potted up such a varied and healthy selection of plants to sell in the hall.

We would like to thank HSA, NFU and Hexcel who contributed by way of sponsorship, and to Gene O'Connell for providing the eye-catching road signs. With their help and that of so many people, we **raised a total of £6,500** that will be divided between the two charities, Ickleton Village Hall and Asthma UK. The Village Hall will be putting the money towards updating the kitchen, which is 20 years old this year and well-used by the whole village for so many events.

We are of course delighted to have raised such a substantial sum whilst providing so much pleasure for so many people, but as one 'new-comer' to the village said "an excellent day, but the value to the community in terms of friendship, co-operative effort and good-spirit is beyond evaluation." What more can we say.

Pam Fearn, Jocelyn Flitton, Lizzie Molloy, Caroline Owen, Fiona Rose and June Woodward

THE FRIENDS OF HINXTON CHURCH ANNUAL GARDEN EVENING – Saturday 13th July, 6.30 pm

The annual Garden Evening in aid of the Friends of Hinxtton Church will be held at Church Green Cottage, Hinxtton (by kind invitation of Ian and Sarah Pearson) at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday 13th July 2019.

Please note this year it is on a **SATURDAY! Tickets are £10** each (half price for children) and will include a glass of wine and a finger buffet. As usual, there will be a generous raffle! Contributions of finger food would be gratefully received. (If wet, it will be held in Hinxtton Village Hall.)

We extend a warm welcome to all our friends in Duxford and Ickleton! If you would like tickets, please call us on ☎ **530360** or email: virginiamwalker@btinternet.com

BRAMBLE GROVE HOLIDAY CLUB

29th July - 2nd August 9.30am - 3.30pm at Bellbird Primary School, Sawston

Bible stories, crafts, games, songs and fun activities for end of Reception to Year 6

For booking form and/or more details please contact:

holidayclubcts@gmail.com or 01223 565937 or 07917 122913

or visit us on Facebook at Holiday Club CTS.

Just £5 for the whole week!

Maggie Jones, Coordinator

WELLCOME public events in July

At the Wellcome Genome Campus

Genome Late: Defeat The Helix Fri 5 July 5.30 - 8.30pm

An alien life-form known as The Helix has found Earth and is taking over the planet as we know it! Can you solve clues to defeat them? The bar will be open, so come along and relax with friends over a drink. *Free to attend but booking is essential.* Tickets: <http://bit.ly/genomelates>.

Open Saturday: Exhibition – Defeat the Helix (again) and Open Lab

Saturday 20 July 1 - 4 pm

You can also visit Open Lab to discover more about the Campus' history and the cutting-edge research that happens here today. The three Open Lab visits will be filled on a first-come basis. Everyone is welcome, though we recommend Open Lab for ages 10 and up.

Open to all and free to attend but booking is essential.

Tickets: <https://open-saturdays.eventbrite.co.uk/>

Café Sci Cambridge - Moon landings 50 years on

Wednesday 10 July 7 - 8.30 pm A free, non ticketed event.

Join John Pernet-Fisher from Manchester University who studies moon rocks to learn how - since the first Moon landing 50 years ago - these have revealed surprising insights into early life on our planet. This is a free, non-ticketed event.

At a new venue in Cambridge - **Espresso Library**, 210 East Road, CB1 1BG. Please arrive for 6.45
More information: www.cafescicambridge.org.

Wetlands Nature Reserve Events for 2019 – July dates

¹⁴/₇ 2nd July, 12-1pm General wildlife walk

¹⁴/₇ 9th July, 12-1pm Butterfly walk

🕒 1.15pm to 4.30pm Volunteer Work Party

¹⁴/₇ 16th July, 12-1pm Insect walk

¹⁴/₇ 23rd July, 12-1pm General wildlife walk

To book your place email wetlands@wellcomegenomecampus.org To join the Volunteer Work Party - Iain.Webb@wildlifebcn.org

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ICKLETON DIARY for July 2019 (and later)

JUNE		
Saturday	29 th	Ickleton Village fete 1 – 5 pm Church and Village Green
Sunday	30 th	Ickleton Society - Visit to the lynchets, Coploe Hill 10.45 am
JULY		
Tuesday	2 nd	Coffee morning 10.30 - 12.00 Church
Wednesday	3 rd	Great Chesterford and District Garden Society 8.00 pm Talk – Ickleton Village Hall
Friday	5 th	Icklefest – Ickleton Lion 8 pm Wayne Goodman and supper
Saturday	6 th	Bellringing 9.30 - 12.45 Church
“	“	Icklefest – Ickleton Lion – music groups from 2 pm
“	“	Social Club Quiz Night 8.15 pm
Sunday	7 th	Sunday club for young children – at the Social Club 9.45 - 11 am
“	“	Icklefest - Ickleton Lion 2 - 6 pm Family Day
Saturday	13 th	Summer garden party 4 pm 66 Frogge Street
Tuesday	16 th	Coffee morning 10.30 - 12.00 Church
Wednesday	17 th	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall
“	“	W.I. 7.45 pm Carmel Street, Great Chesterford
“	“	Mobile Library 12.45 pm bottom of Butchers Hill
AUGUST		
Wednesday	21 st	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall
Sunday	25 th	Concert – 3.30 pm Great Chesterford Parish Church

Regular events in July

Froglets	Mondays	9.30 - 11.30	Village Hall
Badminton	Tuesdays	8 pm	Village Hall
Indoor Bowls	Thursdays	2 - 4 pm	Village Hall

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

Wednesday	3 rd	6 pm	Midweek 1st
Friday	5 th	6 pm	Ickleton Lions
Saturday	6 th	1.30 pm	1 st XI
Saturday	13 th	1.30 pm	2 nd XI
Wednesday	17 th	6 pm	Midweek 1st
Saturday	20 th	1.30 pm	2 nd XI
Wednesday	24 th	6.30 pm	Midweek 2 nd XI
Saturday	27 th	1.30 pm	2 nd XI

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