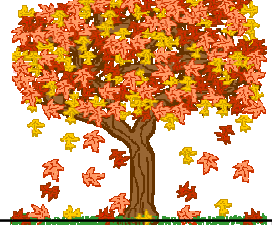




ICKLINGHAM VILLAGER

October 2017



ICKLINGHAM COMMUNITY GROUP

Our next event is the Annual Village Litter & Leaf Clean up scheduled for October 7th (weather permitting). Meet in the Marston Mill Yard at 10.30am

HI-VIS JACKETS & LITTER PICKERS PROVIDED
PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN GLOVES
All welcome



Icklingham - Did you know ! The village takes its name from an Iron Age tribe, the Iceni, who lived in the area and has the remains of a Roman settlement to the South-East. A Roman Christian graveyard exists in Icklingham, and a lead receptacle, reputed to be a baptismal font was found on the same site. The Icklingham 'font' is made of lead, and is visible in the British Museum

It was also one of the largest Anglo-Saxon settlements in the area and can demonstrate nearby occupation to Neolithic times, through research carried out by Liverpool University over many years. The Black Ditches boundary ditch runs to the south of the village and is believed to be the most easterly of a series of early Anglo-Saxon defensive earthworks built across the Icknield Way.

From 1808 to 1814 Icklingham was the site of a station in the shutter telegraph chain which connected the Admiralty in London to its naval ships in the port of Great Yarmouth. It has been said that on a clear day, a message could reach Great Yarmouth from The Admiralty in London, and receive a reply, in little more than 15 minutes. The horse-borne messenger would take three days, at best.

Icklingham is within the area known as Breckland, an area of sandy heaths and forests. This area has a number of important natural habitats, including for the protected stone curlew. The village is surrounded by the Breckland Farmland Site of Special Scientific Interest and close to the Breckland Forest SSSI, both of which cover large areas of Breckland and are two of the largest SSSI areas in England.

The Icknield Way Path passes through the village on its 110-mile journey from Ivinghoe Beacon in Buckinghamshire to Knettishall Heath in Suffolk. The Icknield Way Trail, a multi-user route for walkers, horse riders and off-road cyclists also passes through the village.

A number of smaller SSSI areas are found in the Icklingham area. These include Berners Heath, the largest area of heather heath land in Breckland at 369 acres, and Deadman's Grave, a grassland heath area of 312 acres, both of which are north of the village. Cavenham-Icklingham Heaths, to the south-east of the village, is 1,034 acres in area and includes a number of woodland habitats. All contain rare species such as Rosser's sac spider, the soldier-fly as well as the stone curlew and plant species such as Breckland wild thyme and spring speedwell.

Source Wikipedia

Project St James Harvest Concert

The Harvest Concert with the Suffolk Church Singers was held in the Church in September. This was a concert to celebrate Harvest & Clive Payne spoke about the history of St. James' Church before the singing. The event was very well supported & It was good to see the Church full, with everyone enjoying a delicious buffet and wine afterwards. The Suffolk Church Singers are a group who help Churches fund raise for their local Churches. They performed free of charge and over £300 was raised for Project St. James.

POPPY COLLECTORS STILL WANTED PLEASE CONTACT

Mandi Cox-Osborne - email mcox-osborne@britishlegion.org.uk or call 078823 416748

COFFEE MORNING at ST JAMES CHURCH

28th October at 10.30 am
Cakes & Books for Sale
ALL WELCOME

come along and meet friends and neighbours.



THE ICKLINGHAM COMMUNITY GROUP QUIZ NIGHT - 28th OCTOBER 2017 AT 7.00 pm IN THE OLD SCHOOL HALL

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS (+ GLASSES) + NIBBLES
WINNERS & "THE MOST IMAGINATIVE TEAM NAME" PRIZES
THE QUIZ MASTER WILL BE PHIL HALFORD
TEAMS (max 6) OR INDIVIDUALS
TICKETS ARE £3 EACH BEVERLEY 01638 719055 or CLAIRE 07798790609 TICKETS ARE LIMITED.



POLICE CONNECT
Keeping you informed, keeping your community safe

Police are reminding residents to be alert for telephone scams following reports this week that a number of residents have been contacted by a caller claiming to be from the tax office, HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC).

Fraudsters are typically contacting the elderly and vulnerable, warning victims of arrest warrants, outstanding debts or unpaid taxes in their name. On occasions, victims have been told to purchase a quantity of music vouchers or told a sum of cash will be collected from their home address.

Suffolk Constabulary are reminding residents that HMRC will never make phone calls, use text messages or email to tell you about a tax rebate or penalty and will never ask for payment in this way.

In addition, police are urging local businesses to brief their staff about this type of scam and ask that any member of the public who requests to purchase large amounts of iTunes or similar vouchers are offered support and that police contacted if there are concerns.

For advice on keeping yourself safe against scams, please visit: <https://www.suffolk.police.uk/advice/crime-prevention-z>.

Alternatively, report incidents of fraud to Action Fraud using their online reporting tool <http://www.actionfraud.police.uk> or by calling 0300 1232040.

You can call 101 to report a crime that has already happened, seek crime prevention advice or make us aware of any policing issues in your local area. Using 101 for situations that do not require an immediate police response helps keep 999 available for when there is an emergency.

Parish Council Updates

- Phone Box
This is currently being painted. Hopefully arriving in a few weeks time and will be fitted with a defibrillator. Classes are to be arranged for Villagers to learn how to use the equipment
- Traffic Calming The poles are up and the Clerk instructed to place the order for two Swarco MVAS signs.
- Bus Stop Quotations have been obtained for the proposed bus shelter at The Red Lion. A final quotation will be obtained and will be forwarded to Elveden Estate for agreement.
- Planters etc A resident had contacted the Clerk asking the Parish Council to consider spending some of its reserves on some flower/shrub planters throughout the village.
After discussion it was agreed that this was probably not something that the Parish Council would be willing to fund due to the problems of a) locations which were agreeable to the County Council and b) who would take on the responsibility of looking after them (ie planting, weeding, watering etc).
- Dog Bin It was agreed that a new dog bin will be purchased and should be sited near The Farthings.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON TUESDAY
28th NOVEMBER 2017 at 7.30pm
THERE IS A PUBLIC FORUM AT THE START
OF EVERY MEETING
ALL WELCOME**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Church Tidy Up Day 11th November
FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS in St. James Church
2nd-3rd DECEMBER
CAROL SINGING - December - date T.B.C.**

More details to follow on these events in the next edition of The Villager.

FLOWER CLUB



On October 14th at 11.00am in St. James Church the Flower Club will meet and Nancy Curtis will be our demonstrator. Nancy will be showing us how to do a flower arrangement with a Japanese theme, we will then try to make our own arrangements.

**There will be a raffle and refreshments.
For anymore info call Claire on
07798 790609**

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SPANISH STYLE LAMB SHANKS

2 lamb shanks, large, 400-475g each

6 chorizo sausages, fresh, skinned and crumbled into small pieces

4 carrots, peeled and diced

1 large onion, peeled and diced

2 garlic cloves, peeled and finely diced

400g of tinned chopped tomatoes

1 tsp hot smoked paprika & 1 tsp ground cumin

Flour, olive oil, salt & black pepper

Heat the oil in a large frying pan, then coat the lamb shanks in flour and add them to the pan – fry them over a high heat until golden brown, turning them half way through

Set the lamb shanks to one side and add the chorizo, carrots, onion and garlic to the pan and cook until the chorizo sausage has released its oil and the vegetables are tinged with brown.

Put the chorizo and vegetables into a slow-cooker (or a casserole dish) and add the spices and the tinned tomatoes. Fill the empty chopped tomato tin with water and add that to the rest of the ingredients. Season to taste with salt and pepper

If using a slow cooker, cook on high for 6 to 8 hours and then keep warm for up to 2 hours. To cook in a conventional oven: pre-heat oven to 170°C/gas mark 3 and cook in a covered casserole dish for 3 to 4 hours depending on the size of the shanks

Before serving, skim the fat off the surface. Serve immediately with mashed sweet potatoes. (The meat should just fall off the bone).

Sweet Potato Mash

6 Sweet Potatoes, 115g butter

2 cloves minced garlic, 1 teaspoon dried basil

1/2 teaspoon dried thyme.

Place potatoes into a large pot and cover with salted water; bring to the boil. Reduce heat to medium-low and simmer until tender, about 20 minutes; drain. Transfer potatoes to a large bowl; mash butter, garlic, basil and thyme into the sweet potatoes with a potato masher until smooth. Serve with the Lamb Shanks. Enjoy



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ICKLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The PC minutes are available on the website OneSuffolk for Icklingham and on the new PC notice Board by The Red Lion. Your Parish councillors are Darren Baugh, Karrie Baugh, Helen Graham, Ronnie Halford and Ray Moss. There is a vacancy for a Parish councillor, if you would like to be a Parish councillor please come along to the meeting or email the Clerk of the PC, Su Field on IcklinghamPC@gmail.com

The next meeting is Tuesday 28th November followed by 30th January 2018.

Meetings start at 7.30pm

If you would like an item included on the agenda for the next meeting please email the clerk on IcklinghamPC@gmail.com

***Every meeting has a Public Forum for ten minutes at the start of each meeting.
Everyone is welcome to attend.***

THE ALICE DIX CHARITY

The Alice Dix Charity would like to invite parishioners to make applications for support. Examples where assistance may be available include school based trips, textbooks and school uniform.

Perhaps, help may be needed to purchase appliances, to make life easier in the home for the elderly or immobile. These are all things the Charity can look at and help with. If you have any questions regarding an application please write and let us know.

***To make an application
please write to the secretary
Mrs Dorothy Handford at
Saxon Lodge, West Street, Icklingham.***



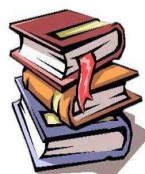
ST. JAMES CHURCH SERVICES



Please see the Church Notice Board for information on Services or contact the Church Wardens Dorothy Handford 712439 or Sue Marston 713801

LIBRARY VAN

The Library Van has a good selection of adult and children's books on board & they will order any books in for you. The Library van will visit on 21st October & 18th November calling at West St at 2.40pm, The Hall Close at 3.10pm & The Village Green at 3.25pm. The Mobile Manager is **Kevin Lambert**



Old School Hall – Icklingham.

Available for hire

Meetings – Parties – Clubs

Rates variable to suit.

From £12 to £20 per hour,

£50 half day – £90 full day.

Contact David on 07751765047

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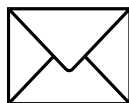
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**DON'T FORGET THE CLOCKS GO
BACK ON 29th OCTOBER**

IF YOU HAVE ANY STORIES ABOUT
ICKLINGHAM 'S HISTORY, SPOOKY STORIES,
OR FUNNY EVENTS..... !!!
PLEASE LET ME HAVE THEM AND WE CAN
ALL SHARE THEM IN THE NEWSLETTER



If you have some-
thing you would
like put in

The Villager just let me
know please email
bac@talk21.com or drop in
my post-box at
59 The Street

**A THANK YOU
from Karen Nolan
I'd like to say "Thank you"
to the people who are
providing such a bright
display of flowers at the
bus stop by The Farthings.
It's lovely for others to see
as they pass by. Wouldn't
it be nice to see more
flowers in the Village !**