



THE ECTON VIEW

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Editor's Ramblings

August already and time to think about the village bbq on the 20th which always proves popular so get your tickets **NOW!** details on next page. In July we had the village picnic, more than a picnic really as there were numerous stalls, bric a brac, book stall, cake stall, raffle, face painting, guess the weight of the cake along with a bouncy castle and games. In the afternoon Amy Reid organised races for the children. Our thanks to Rachael Godby who organised the event along with her willing helpers, same again next year?

Also in this issue are pictures from the Goodwood Festival of Speed that several of us from the village went to, and for me for the first time. I would recommend it to anyone interested in speed to go. The display by the Red Arrows on Friday and Saturday was exceptional.

There are three music nights coming up in the village, the first at the Three Horseshoes in August by the band that played there on Royal Wedding day and the second at the Village Hall in September by the '3 boxes' previewing their forthcoming UK tour. In between these two there is a concert at the Church.

As the nights begin to close in it is time to prepare for the coming winter. If you are a solid fuel user time to order the chimney sweep before they get too busy.

Last months **Swish Party** was an outstanding success providing funds for village groups, our thanks to Nicky Bedford.

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by 20th September

Zen Student: "What happens after death?"

Zen Master: "I do not know"

Zen Student: "How can that be? You are a Zen Master"

Zen Master: "But I am not a dead Zen Master"

ECTON VILLAGE

BBQ

20th AUGUST

at

THE VILLAGE HALL



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CONCERT AT ECTON CHURCH

3rd SEPTEMBER at 7.30pm

by

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CRAIG JACKSON - Tenor

SUSAN HOLMES - Accompanist

Natalie, Craig and Susan will be presenting an evening of solos and duets from all corners of classical music. With arias from opera and oratorio along with songs from twentieth century favourites and French, German classics. This is an evening to be enjoyed by all music lovers. Both Natalie and Craig are experienced and entertaining performers, described as rising stars in the singing world, and are embarking on their fourth year in Birmingham Conservatoire. Susan is also an exciting young pianist and will shortly be starting her post graduate studies in accompaniment at the Royal Scottish Academy of Music.

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	14th	Fiona Major
	21st	Dorothy Creed & Ingrid Wright
	28th	Margaret Weddle & Anne Henderson
September	4th	Wendy & Ingrid
	11th	Joy Wilson & Chris Jordon
	18th	Fiona Major
	25th	Dorothy Creed & Ingrid Wright

Church Cleaning Rota			Brass Cleaning	
Week				
August	6th		Anne Henderson & Joy Wilson	
	13th	A		
	27th	B		
September	10th	C		
	17th		Chris Jordon & Ingrid Cartwright	
	24th	A		

Sidespersons			
August	6pm	7th	Linda & Steve Richards
	9.15am	14th	David & Mary Dicks
	11am	21st	Brenda & Philip Foster
	9.15am	28th	Margaret Weddle & Mark Aveyard
September	6pm	4th	Marian Gleave & David Fuller
	9.15am	11th	Brian & Sylvia Saunders
	11.am	18th	Linda & Steve Richards
	9.15am	25th	David & Mary Dicks

Bellringers

Would you like to learn to ring the church bells or have you done some ringing in the past and are thinking of returning?

We warmly invite you to come and have a go or just watch on Wednesday evenings from 7.30pm until 8.45pm.

(You don't have to come every week; you don't have to ring every Sunday; you don't have to be of a particular religion!)

Either turn up at 7.30pm or phone Jude on 408588 for further details.



SWISH PARTY

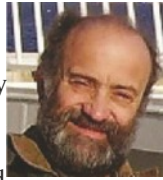
The Swish Party evening was a huge success raising £736.

A big thank you to all who attended and those that donated items and rails.

The money has been split between 'mums & tots', 'youth club' and Egos.

Thank you Ecton - Nicky Bedford

From the Vicarage,



As I write this time, in the middle of July, so far this seems to have been a very busy month, and many of us are looking forward to a break during some of August, or at least a reducing of the pressure! Very fresh in my memory is the Confirmation service that was held at St. Mark's in Wellingborough last week where we presented a total of six candidates, one from Ecton – Olivia Rapley, and we were delighted to welcome her with her family to her first Communion on Sunday 17th.

It seems a very long time now since we first began the 'E100 Bible Reading Challenge' to celebrate the four hundredth anniversary of the King James English Bible. We began that course back on January 9th and we are just now completing it – quite an achievement. We have read 100 separate passages and received 20 sermons introducing each group of five. We decided this was the time to celebrate and we did that with a 400th birthday party for the English Bible. The planned venue was the Vicarage garden in Great Doddington, but in view of the difficult weather conditions we moved into the Church building, but with a gazebo just outside the door to house the barbecues. I'm very grateful to those who cooked for us, as well as to the various people who supplied salads. Jo had made a magnificent 400th birthday cake and there was plenty left afterwards for some to be enjoyed with after-church refreshments the following morning in all three churches. The party began with a brief time of informal worship and our Bible passage was read in three different translations, with a fourth (the King James version) printed on a sheet for all to follow.

In August it is always very difficult to find clergy to cover for holidays and this year I have found it the most difficult ever. I have booked one week away during August, needing cover for just one Sunday, but although I began looking for help back in February I drew a complete blank. Therefore, on August 14th there will be, I'm afraid, just one service for our three churches, at Great Doddington at 11.00am. Sheila Addison has kindly agreed to lead the first half of a Communion Service, and my good friend the Rev'd Miranda Hayes from Earls Barton has kindly offered to come in after her own morning service to celebrate Communion. I am so grateful to them both and want to emphasise that what they are offering is far from second best. However, I am very sorry that we're not able to offer a service at Wilby or Ecton on that Sunday.

In the week beginning Monday August 22nd our annual holiday club begins and as usual we have around fifty children who have registered. This year for the first time we are using Great Doddington School as our venue and I am most grateful to Mrs. Nesbitt and the school governors for permitting this. Sadly, no children from Ecton School have taken up the offer of joining this year, but we shall continue to offer an invitation each year for what is always a super week. The title this year is 'Mission Rescue', and our full day out in the middle is to the seaside – to Southwold. Once again we are extremely grateful to the many leaders and helpers who freely give up their time (and energy!) for this most valuable piece of work.

With very best wishes,

Chris Pearson

ECTON PICNIC



Organiser Rachael looking a lot happier after the rain stopped and the sun broke through.



**Face painting
for all ages**



A Big thank you to everyone who made the Village Picnic a success. From those who ran stalls and helped out to the many many people who braved the rain to come out and support the event.

It was a huge success and raised over £720 in total for various causes across the village. There were 3 unclaimed raffle prizes in the names: Mansell, Charles and Carly - if this is you please contact me on 416184 to arrange to collect.

Once again many thanks, I hope to make this an annual event!

Rachael Godby
47 High Street



The eggs were proving difficult to keep on the spoon



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EGO's afternoon tea at the village hall



- Thanks to the 27 EGO's who supported the Garden Party and provided the wonderful cakes and scones and thanks too to the willing helpers. Unfortunately the weather didn't allow us to be in the garden but a good time was had by all in the village hall.
- 2 very successful village events have raised money for lots of village groups including EGO's who received £138.72 from the village picnic and approximately £245 from the Swish party. Thanks to everyone who supported the events and helped boost our funds.
- The next event will be on AUGUST 24th at 1.30 p.m. at the Three Horseshoes when we will be playing bingo. Please let us know if you are coming. Also on SEPTEMBER 23rd at 12noon at the Village Hall we will be holding another fish and chip lunch. Please keep these dates in your diary.





Date for your Diary
The Three Horseshoes

*following the great success of the
Royal Wedding Night
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CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 2011

Please note, the Midweek Service of Holy Communion moves to Wilby again this month

<u>Tuesday 2nd</u>	10.00 Holy Communion – at Wilby
<u>Wednesday 3rd</u>	19.30 Compline & Prayer.
<u>Saturday 6th</u>	10.00 Open Church - coffee is served.
<u>Sunday 7th</u>	18.00 Holy Communion.
<u>Tuesday 9th</u>	There is no midweek service this week
<u>Sunday 14th</u>	Please note: there is no service at Wilby today. Worship for the benefice will be Holy Communion at 11.00 at Great Doddington.
<u>Tuesday 16th</u>	There is no midweek service this week.
<u>Thursday 14th</u>	14.15 Pre-School Praise Summer Picnic (<i>hosted at Gt. Doddington</i>).
	19.30 Confirmation Service – St. Mark's, Queensway, Wellingborough.
<u>Sunday 21st</u>	11.00 All-Age Worship with Holy Communion.
<u>W/c Monday 22nd</u>	Holiday Club – Great Doddington School
<u>Tuesday 23rd</u>	There is no midweek service this week.
<u>Sunday 28th</u>	09.15 Morning Prayer.
<u>Tuesday 30th</u>	10.00 Holy Communion – at Wilby 30.30 Afternoon Songs of Praise.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 2011

<u>Saturday 3rd</u>	10.00 Open Church - coffee is served.
<u>Sunday 4th</u>	18.00 Holy Communion.
<u>Tuesday 6th</u>	10.00 Holy Communion – at Wilby.
<u>Wednesday 7th</u>	19.30 Compline & Prayer.
<u>Sunday 11th</u>	09.15 Holy Communion.
<u>Tuesday 16th</u>	10.00 Holy Communion – at Wilby.
<u>Sunday 18th</u>	11.00 All-Age Worship with Holy Communion.
<u>Tuesday 20th</u>	10.00 Holy Communion – at Wilby.
<u>Sunday 25th</u>	09.15 Morning Prayer.
<u>Tuesday 27th</u>	10.00 Holy Communion – at Wilby 14.30 Afternoon Songs of Praise.

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Due to unforeseen circumstances there has been a change to the starting arrangements. Would anyone be able to host the start of this great event? Please give Sally a call if you think you could help.

Thanks for the many offers to host a course and to join the supper, we will be confirming details during August. We now need your money! Tickets are available now at £17.50 each from Amy Brock 402723 or Sally Bresnahan 403027.



Ecton Village Primary School

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Head Teacher: Mrs Esther McIntosh Chair of Governors: Mr Simon Villette

You might be understandably surprised to find yourself reading about recent progress and activities of all at Ecton Village Primary School during August - surely a time of (well-deserved) rest for everything school related? After an exceedingly busy year, for which the byword must be 'excellence' (on all fronts - sporting, learning, developing, performing, growing...the list goes on) we can perhaps spend a few moments reflecting on some remarkable achievements, and notable experiences rooted in Ecton Village Primary school, by children, parents and staff alike.

Although it is difficult to know where to begin, the lasting images of the 'smartening up' of the school building itself (both inside and out) is, for visual impact, the most obvious, if not the most important. Significant (physical) changes, have included the replenishment and enhancement of internal resources (from replaced carpets and re-decorated walls, to stimulating learning materials - books, computers, instruments), and learning environments (rubberised floor-covering in the outdoor Early Years Foundation area, the recently erected Play House in the playground, our fabulous mural, and our smart school gates).

Our children should be congratulated for their eager and energetic participation in all the opportunities that our carefully managed school has been able to offer, for the benefit of the school and for the local community. Venturing beyond the school walls, our pupils have performed well as sportsmen, actors, traffic monitors and public-spirited local citizens. The performance of year six pupils in the most recent SATs tests is to be applauded, as is the commitment and dedication of the teachers and support staff, who continue to inspire such achievement.

A large part of the school-life experience enjoyed by Ecton Village Primary School 'patrons', finds its essence not in the staff or the pupils themselves, but in Ecton's supporting community. Our very active parent friends for example, have been the energy behind various fund raising endeavours: sports day celebrations, discos, games evenings, framed pictures purveyance, mufti-day, clothes recycling and others. With the support of all participants, whether buying tickets, donating prizes, or just joining in the fun, our children have been offered the benefits of school trips (to West Lodge Rural Centre and the National Space Centre), the chance to cool down in the heat through the purchase of readily available ice-creams and possibly most important, though least visible of all, the chance to grow up in a truly caring community.

As Ecton Village Primary School withdraws for the summer, particular mention must be made of three individuals truly deserving of our thanks. Having served as Chair of Ecton's Parent Friends for around seven years while her son has passed successfully through the school, Ali Brandham has withdrawn from her position, and hands responsibility over to Dawn Watson, who will no doubt rise admirably to the challenge. You may be aware already that Simon Villette, our erstwhile Chair of Governors will be absent from that particular seat at the next meeting. Simon has been a wise and dedicated steer, guiding our school through a tricky time for all education providers, and it is testament to Simon that Ecton Village Primary School has more than emerged, rather we have flourished.

Last words and hearty congratulations must go to our Head Teacher. Dividing her time between child-centred instruction in the classroom, and managerial duties essential to keeping our school on track from her office (and elsewhere no doubt) Mrs McIntosh's outstanding capability and commitment have been recently recognised in the broader education environment. On 8 July Mrs. McIntosh was rightly proud to venture to the House of Lords to receive 'Excellence in Education's annual Award for Excellence. No wonder Ecton Village Primary School is going from strength to strength - long may it continue!



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Goodwood Festival of Speed



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Help in church with the recording of the participants who visit Ecton Church, would also be much appreciated. The church is manned from 10am until 6pm - so an hour or two would be great.

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