

# ECTON VIEW

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Issue 99



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## Editor's Ramblings

July already, the longest day come and gone and the weather not yet consistent, although the Big Lunch last month was a really warm day and there are pictures in this issue. I was really pleased to see the day well supported and I met a number of new people to the village who seemed to enjoy the event. I really knew they were committed to the village when they turned up at bell ringing. Many thanks to Rachael for organising the event where we were able to enjoy our picnics outdoors. There were lots of activities including 2 bouncy castles, face painting, a human fruit machine, lots of stalls, a pre-school play area and a fantastic tombola (courtesy of Kathy and Phyllis and their new assistant Shirly). Thanks also to everyone who brought along delicious contributions to the lunch. Keep June clear for next year so you don't miss this great day!!

The Country music night also proved an outstanding success in raising funds for the church roof appeal. We all enjoyed the music and the bangers and mash supper provided by Sally and Graham really went down well.

In this issue you can get a driving experience at the Porsche Experience centre at Silverstone, go and see 'much to do about nothing' at Stanwick Lakes and help David Dicks solve a photo querie.

By popular demand there is another wine tasting coming up on the 19th July, so don't miss out and ring Sally 403027 NOW!

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for July

| Church Cleaning Rota |      | Brass Cleaning |
|----------------------|------|----------------|
| Week                 |      |                |
| July                 |      |                |
|                      | 13th | C              |
|                      | 20th | Dorothy Creed  |
|                      | 27th | A              |



"I don't do windows!"

|     | CHURCH LOTTERY     |
|-----|--------------------|
| £50 | Chris & Joy Wallis |
| £15 | Richard Baker      |
| £10 | Caroline Dejong    |

| July       | Sidespersons |                             |
|------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| 6.00 p.m.  | 7th          | Linda and Steve Richards    |
| 9.15 a.m.  | 14th         | Mary and David Dicks        |
| 11.00 a.m. | 21st         | Brenda and Philip Foster    |
| 9.15 a.m.  | 28th         | Mark Aveyard/Charlotte Eley |
|            |              |                             |
|            |              |                             |
|            |              |                             |

| Coffee Rota |      |                                 |
|-------------|------|---------------------------------|
| July        |      |                                 |
| 6.00 p.m.   | 7th  | Wendy Vilette/Joy Bond          |
| 9.15 a.m.   | 14th | Fiona Major/Linda Richards      |
| 11.00 a.m.  | 21st | Dorothy Creed/Ingrid Cartwright |
| 9.15 a.m.   | 28th | Anne Henderson/Charlotte Eley   |
|             |      |                                 |
|             |      |                                 |



**ECTON  
CHURCH  
LOTTERY**

THIS IS THE LAST RESULT FOR THE YEAR 2012/13. A NEW LOTTERY WILL BE SET UP STARTING NEXT MONTH FOR 2013/14. PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE PAID YOUR SUBS FOR THE NEXT YEAR TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DRAW. IF YOU HAVE MISSED THE COLLECTOR PLEASE CONTACT -

**MARY DICKS, 40 WEST STREET, ECTON 01604 407145**

## From the Rectory,

Have you ever heard the expression, ‘He has a voice like a corncrake’? It’s not intended to be very complimentary, and if you’ve ever heard the call of that bird you will understand why. The fact is, though, that most people never have heard a corncrake – and far fewer have actually seen one. They are migrating birds only found in these islands during the summer months and although I understand they used to be quite common they now tend to be confined to the Western Isles of Scotland and large areas of Ireland. I mention this because I’ve just returned from my annual retreat on Iona where we often heard their rasping call in the long grass where they hide and nest. They are very timid and secretive birds though, and although I’ve often heard them on Iona I don’t think I have ever actually seen one. I’m not alone either. Last week there were many avid birdwatchers (twitchers?) around with their long lenses trying to catch a glimpse and a rare photograph, but from the generally bored expressions on their faces I don’t think they were having much success either!

I pondered on the humble corncrake – timid and hiding, not particularly spectacular to look at, and best known for its infamous call (you can’t call it a ‘song’), but nevertheless the centre of great interest and attention from the ornithologists. It reminded me of how God views us. I don’t know about you, but I certainly wouldn’t count myself as particularly special or spectacular, yet God treats me (and all of us) as incredibly special and valuable enough to die for, just as the birdwatchers gathering in the countryside of Iona count the corncrake special and valuable.

Another remarkable thing about visiting Iona last week was that I was there for a significant anniversary. This was the 1450<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the arrival of Saint Columba on June 9<sup>th</sup> 563. It was St. Columba who first brought Christianity to the British Isles, travelling from Ireland in a home-made boat, a coracle, made from wooden strips with animal skins stretched across. He had arrived on Pentecost Sunday with twelve fellow monks and set up a monastery on Iona, which would initially have been a collection of mud huts and from there the Christian message spread throughout Scotland and beyond so that when St. Augustine arrived in Canterbury some thirty years later in 597 he was surprised to find the Christian faith already here in the north of the country.

As we enter the summer period, during July Jo and I will be on holiday for a couple of weeks. On our first Sunday away (7<sup>th</sup>) the services will be led again by the **Rev’d Martin Walker**, chaplain of Wellingborough School and a familiar visiting friend to our churches, but at the two morning services (Wilby and Great Doddington) there will be a visiting speaker from ‘Intercontinental Church Society’ an organisation providing English-speaking ministry around the world and with whom we often undertake summer chaplaincies in Switzerland. On this occasion, **The Rev’d Ricky Yates** who is the permanent chaplain at the English speaking church in Prague will speak about I.C.S. in general and the work in his area particularly. I’m so sorry that I shall miss this, but it was the only date we could be offered.

On our second Sunday away (14th) the morning services at Ecton and Great Doddington will be led by the Rev'd Dr. Judy Craig-Peck who is a self-supporting minister in the Grendon group of parishes. I don't think Judy has been here before for worship, but I have no doubt that she will receive a warm welcome and bring inspiring worship to the two congregations.

Last month I mentioned the forthcoming annual holiday club, to take place during August. The invitation letters and application forms are now out. They have been distributed in all three schools and there are spare copies in each church. As usual we shall be using material produced by Scripture Union, this time with a space theme and studying the book of Daniel in the Old Testament. Our day out will be to the Space Centre in Leicester. We look forward to welcoming around fifty children once again for another exciting (not to say exhausting!) week of activity and fun as well as learning more about our wonderful God.

With every blessing,  
Chris Pearson.

## CALENDAR FOR JULY 2013

|                            |                                          |                                               |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>    | <b>There is no midweek service today</b> |                                               |
| Saturday 6 <sup>st</sup>   | 10.00                                    | Open Church with Coffee                       |
| Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>     | 18.00                                    | Holy Communion                                |
| Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>    | <b>There is no midweek service today</b> |                                               |
| Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>    | 09.15                                    | Holy Communion                                |
| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>There is no midweek service today</b> |                                               |
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>  | 14.15                                    | Pre-School Praise( <i>at Gt. Doddington</i> ) |
| Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>    | 11.00                                    | All-Age Worship with Holy Communion           |
| Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>   | 10.00                                    | Holy Communion                                |
| Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>    | 09.15                                    | Morning Prayer                                |
| Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>   | 10.00                                    | Holy Communion                                |
|                            | 30.30                                    | Afternoon Songs of Praise.                    |
| Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> | 19.30                                    | Ecton P.C.C. – in Church.                     |



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**Fri 30<sup>th</sup> August** - Ecton Witches - contact  
Nicky Buckley for more information

**Sat 31<sup>st</sup> August** - Village BBQ - contact

**MONDAY**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**THURSDAY**  
**FRIDAY**



**VILLAGE LITTER PICK - SATURDAY JULY 20TH**  
**MEET AT 10.30 AT THE SHRINE**

Please come and help us keep the village tidy. It's a good opportunity to join in a community activity and meet some people you may not know. Rubbish bags, glove and high vis jackets are provided; you will probably need a brush and pan. Sandwiches will be provide afterwards at one of the village pubs. Hope to see you on the day.

The Parish Council.

Monday - Pilates

At the Village Hall  
9.30am to 10.30am  
Call Jan Blaber  
07712 182544

Art Class  
With Derek Geater  
in the Village Hall.  
Monday 2 - 4pm  
Call him on  
01933 381848

Zumba 7.30 - 8.30pm  
in the village hall  
on Mondays.

Call Vicky Kay  
07801 370301

Pick up the Kids after  
youth club.  
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from the village hall.  
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Margaret Tinston  
01604 412233

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other Wednesday  
from 8.30pm  
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Shoes.

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the church.  
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Jude Coulter  
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in the village hall.

Contact Dorothy  
Creed  
01604 407864

Mums & tots  
Every other  
Friday.

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and Phyllis the winner



Assistant cake tasters seem to have got the idea



We were very lucky to have John Buckley tasting the cakes bringing his many years experience of cake eating to the event



A one day get together for neighbours across the UK.

## Ecton Village Big Lunch 2013

A big thanks to everyone who helped to make this a great event.  
Lets hope we can do it all again next year.

# Country Music Night

The Country music night at the village hall organised by Brian Saunders, proved an outstanding success. The proceeds of £555 which will go to the Church roof repairs fund. Brian performed on keyboard whilst his Grandson was on guitar, with the audience providing the vocal accompaniment.

All present enjoyed a bangers, mash and bean supper, delicious.

A big thank you to all who helped, cooking, organising, serving, cleaning up and the fantastic raffle. Also a big thank you to Millie who sang the final song of the evening with her beautiful voice, very much enjoyed by all.



## WINE TASTING



BY POPULAR REQUEST WE ARE HOSTING ANOTHER WINE TASTING EVENING ON FRIDAY JULY 19TH AT 7.30p.m. MAJESTIC WINES WILL PROVIDE THE WINE AND TASTING NOTES AND WE WILL PROVIDE A MEAL TO ACCOMPANY THE CHOICE OF SUMMER WINES. TICKETS £15 AVAILABLE FROM SALLY - 403027 OR ALISTAIR - 402582

## EGO's

THE NEXT EVENT WILL BE THE TRIP TO THE POPPY FACTORY ON JULY 22ND.

WE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH THOSE WHO HAVE SAID THEY ARE COMING TO CONFIRM PICK UP DETAILS



# YOUTH CLUB



**Imogen Wardingham**

With her medal for raising money for Crazy Hats Breast Cancer appeal  
Supporting Breast Cancer care in Northamptonshire.  
The event took place at Wicksteed Park and Imogen walked 5 laps of the park a total of 5 miles.  
Well done



**The Human Fruit machine at the BIG LUNCH**



We made the most of our short spell of good weather and walked to Sywell Country Park one evening. We had a fantastic night, first playing in the sand area, then investigating the tunnels in the new part.



# PLEASE HELP

We have these 2 old photos from someone who used to live in Ecton and I have been unable to find out anything about them from various people in the village that I have asked.

We thought we would include them in this issue to see if they stir anyone's memory.

We are almost certain that they were taken in Ecton School and think that they must be around the 1940s. If anybody knows anything please contact us. Many thanks



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