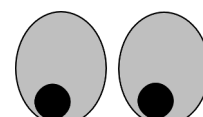


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**FROM THE CLASSROOM**

## **SCIENCE WEEK at EDM**

The whole school of Edmund De Moundeford Primary School in Feltwell took part in a variety of activities for British Science Week which ran nationally from the 10<sup>th</sup> March to the 19<sup>th</sup> March. The science lead – Michelle Harding – was keen to further engage children with this subject and develop children’s curiosity and interests with the world in which they live. “It has been a fantastic week with some amazing learning and the children have also learnt about careers linked with this subject which we hope to further promote in the schools Big Me day next term.”

Children in the Year 2 class, Owls, were able to share their science learning with parents and family members during an open afternoon. Linking with the classes recent learning around fairy tales they were able to build different bridges for the goats to cross, test out transport for Cinderella and plant a bean ready for Jack. It was a great opportunity to share the subject with the wider school community. Many more open afternoons are planned for the future. Meanwhile in Year 4 children were able to apply their knowledge of sound to create paper cup telephones using string which they loved.

During the week each class also focused on a different scientist ranging from the inventor Alexander Graham Bell, to Dame Jane Goodall who has dedicated her life to the research around chimpanzees. Many others were also researched including the Year 5s who were keen to learn about the different roles by both men and woman into the success of manned spacecrafts. Following their research and learning classes were able to present their learning to each other and some of the outcomes can be found on the school’s website.

Following the school’s motto ‘soaring to success’, some individuals were awarded for their fantastic eagerness around Science week.

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“It has been a fantastic week in our school, with many children buzzing about their love of science.” explained Mrs Julie Lillycrop – headteacher.



Further details of events happening within the school can be found on the school’s website <https://www.edmunddemoundeford.co.uk>

Photograph taken by Miss E Stevenson

Photograph taken by Mrs G Carter



Photograph taken by Mrs Gibbons



**FINAL REMINDER**—Just in case you haven’t heard.

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# Feltwell in Bloom

Making Our Village Beautiful



I cannot believe that the months are moving so quickly towards the summer. Feltwell in Bloom has been busy with various projects over the last few months. We donated some flower and vegetable seeds to the Ukrainian appeal. We have been helping to clear the school flower beds so that the Gardening Club have been able to begin planting, which the children enjoy doing. We under-planted the Queen Elizabeth II flower beds at the bottom of Newcombe Drive with aubrietia, creeping phlox and campanula: we hope you enjoyed the bursts of colour.

We are now busy preparing for the tubs to be freshly planted for the summer months. We are still appealing for any plants (perennials or annuals, bulbs, corms, seeds and small shrubs) you might be able to pass on to us which you no longer need, please don't throw them out. We have begun plans for the wilding area and will be completing this quite soon as well. We will also be at the car show on the 20<sup>th</sup> May as well as the Village Fete on June 17<sup>th</sup> – come and see us.

We have welcomed new members into our group over the last few months but would welcome even more. We are a friendly, all inclusive group and you do not need to know a lot about gardening or plants – come and learn as we work. If you do not wish to attend the meetings but are willing to look after a tub or bed which is near to your house, to water them and keep us informed of when they need attention, then we would welcome this support. Lastly, you will notice our new logo begin to pop up around the village.

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## How the population changed in King's Lynn and West Norfolk (KLWN): Census 2021 results

*The census results and data that follow were made available in June 2022 but I have been unable to publish them in the magazine owing to page count limitations. Now that a couple of series have finished space has become available.*

The population of England and Wales has increased by more than 3.5 million in the 10 years leading up to Census 2021. Using the first results from the census, we can look at which places have seen the biggest increases and decreases, which areas had the largest growth in different age groups, and how KLWN compare with others.

The English region with the largest population increase was the East of England, which grew by around 8.3% or 488,000 more residents. The English region with the smallest increase was the North East, growing by 1.9% or around 50,000 people.

In KLWN, the population size has increased by 4.6%, from around 147,500 in 2011 to 154,300 in 2021. This is lower than the overall increase for England (6.6%), where the population grew by nearly 3.5 million to 56,489,800.

Nearby areas like Breckland and South Holland have seen their populations increase by around 8.4% and 7.7%, respectively, while others such as East Cambridgeshire saw an increase of 4.6% and North Norfolk saw smaller growth (1.5%).

At 4.6%, KLWN's population increase is lower than the increase for the East of England (8.3%).

There were 434 residents per square kilometre in England in 2021, up from 407 per square kilometre in 2011. Population density varies from area to area. We can see the difference between local authority areas if we measure the land in football pitches and work out how many people there would be on each one. To put all these figures into some sort of context we can say that there are three people for every football pitch-sized piece of land in England.

As of 2021, KLWN is the second least densely populated of the East of England's 45 local authority areas, with an area equivalent to around one football pitch per resident. Tower Hamlets is 112.



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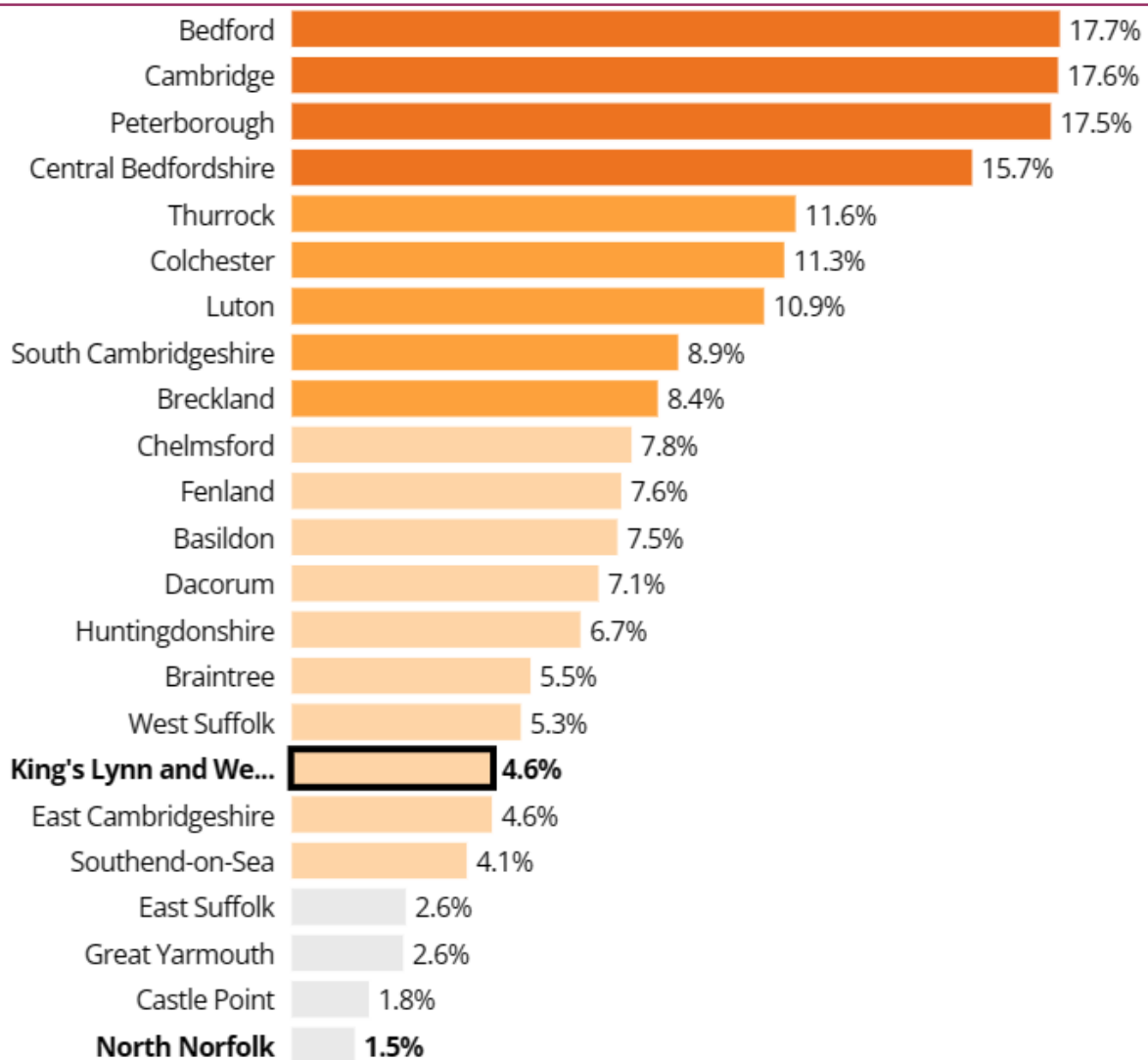
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## Population change of selected local authority areas in the East of England between 2011 and 2021



There were more people than ever aged 65 years and over in England. The population has continued to age. Across England, more than one in six people (18.4%) were aged 65 years and over on Census Day in 2021. This is a higher percentage than ever before.

The largest age group in 2021 in the East of England was those aged 50 to 54 years. In England, the largest age group in 2021 was people aged 30 to 34 years.

Overall, in England, there has been an increase of 20.1% in people aged 65 years and over, an increase of 3.6% in people aged 15 to 64 years, and an increase of 5.0% in children aged under 15 years.

This is how KLWN compares. There has been an increase of 17.9% in people aged 65 years and over, a decrease of 0.1% in people aged 15 to 64 years, and an increase of 3.8% in children aged under 15 years.



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## THERE'LL BE ONE ALONG IN A MINUTE

*Local author Frederick James returns with another conversation piece.*



“Which one are you waiting for?”

“Number seven, Dean Road and South Cliff!”

“Yeah, me too! That's a coincidence. Haven't seen you here before. Not a regular, then?”

“No, Wouldn't be here, but my bus is off, and I've got to use the number seven to get to work. Bit of a pain, but the number seven should get me to work in time.”

“I thought there had to be reason. Know everyone on this route. Bin riding the number seven for years, so didn't think you were a regular. Where are you going, anyway? Hope you don't mind me asking? Like to get to know folks, that's all.”

“No, you're alright. Doesn't bother me. Have to pick up another bus at Valley Bridge. Like I said, it's a bit of a pain, but it can't be helped.”

“I'll keep my fingers crossed for you, my friend. I like the number seven, but you know what they say, you wait for ages, and then three come at once!”

“At least you get a choice, eh?”

“Oh, don't get me wrong, I'm not complaining! No, I'm not complaining. Wouldn't do complaining, anyway, would it? Wouldn't change anything, anyway. I did say something one day when they were late, and the driver said that it was more likely me that my watch was fast!”

“You've just been unlucky, maybe. I've always found them to be on time, personally.”

“Maybe so, but how do you explain three coming at once, because they do, you know. They do come in threes some days! Keep you waiting in the rain sometimes, they do, and then they all turn up at once. I think they know there's no glass in this shelter, and they do it on purpose!”

“Maybe you should ring their office, and tell them about the glass being missing. They'll fix it, I'm sure. Wouldn't want their customers waiting in the rain, would they?”

“Guess not, but it is nuisance. Especially when the weather's bad. And another thing. I applied for my bus pass a weeks ago, and I'm still waiting! Fifty pence to get into town to pick up my pension! It's just too bad! Listen to

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## A GLIMPSE INTO THE PAST

*A semi-regular column featuring historical news reports relating to the village.*

*Eastern Evening News. 30/09/1965*

### RAF Feltwell to close: over 100 men will lose jobs

OVER 100 CIVILIANS WORKING AT RAF. FELTWELL WILL LOSE THEIR JOBS FOLLOWING THE DECISION BY THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE TO CLOSE THE STATION GRADUALLY BETWEEN MARCH AND AUGUST NEXT YEAR.

It was built in 1937 as a bomber station, became a flying school after the war and was the R.A.F.'s first strategic missile site. Since 1963 it has been used as an officer cadet centre and radio training squadron.

The 451 Service personnel will be moved to other stations - the officer training unit to Henlow and the radio squadron to Cosford.

The whole station will close except for a small number of personnel.

The news was broken to the civilians today by the Acting C.O. Wing Commander R. Jell, who afterwards told the "E.E.N." that they were "naturally disappointed," but they took it very well.

#### *Rumours*

Rumours, he said, had been circulating about the closure ever since they moved in two years ago, but rumour had only just turned to fact.

In a letter to Mr Paul Hawkins, M.P. for South-West Norfolk, an official of the Ministry said: "I am afraid that by the time the move has been completed all the civilian employees will become redundant in their present jobs"

There are 178 civilians—including 75 established ones—and about 40 Ministry of Public Building and Works employees. The letter adds: "Established civilians who are under 60 years of age will be offered other Government appointments although this may not necessarily be in the same area. The Ministry shall, of course, do all it can in conjunction with the local office of the Ministry of Labour to help all those who leave the service to find other jobs'.

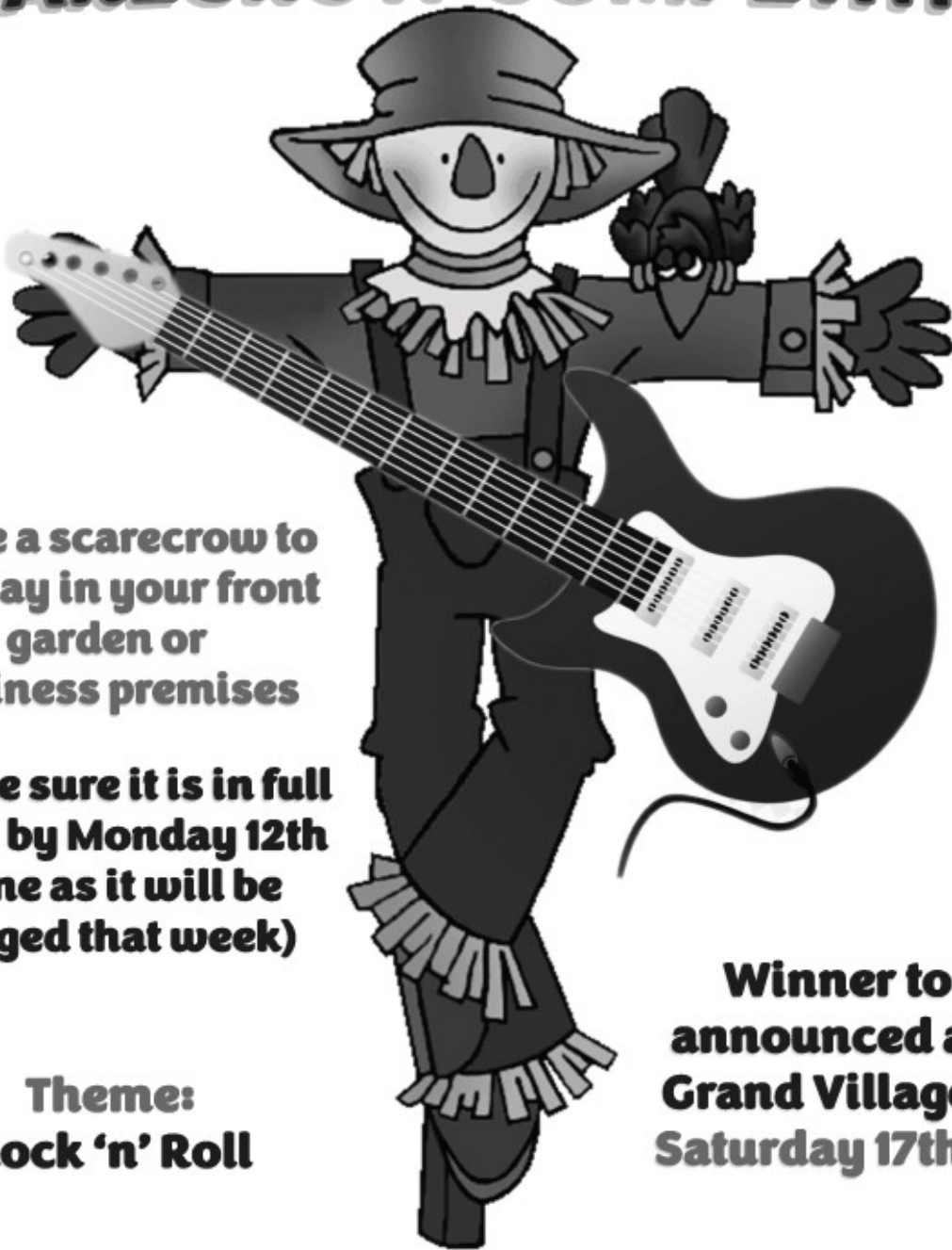
There would be certain "terminal benefits' available, the letter adds.

#### *'Severe loss'*

Mr. Hawkins, who was at a passing-out parade at the camp only a week ago, when there was no hint of the closure, said today: "The closure of Feltwell, which has served the nation so well during and after the war, will be a severe loss to the whole district, particularly the village of Feltwell.



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“The station will be missed not only for the employment given and the money spent in the shops, garages and other businesses, but also for the excellent social and recreational facilities made available. It has about the only indoor sports stadium in the Eastern area and facilities for gliding.

“Now we must use every endeavour to see that the station, with its many excellent houses and buildings, is put to as good a use as possible . .

He added. “I know Mr. Maxwell, the county planning officer, with whom I have been in touch today, and his department, will do all they can to interest industrial and other concerns to come here by that time.

### *Jobs*

“Certainly I will do all I can as I know the employment officer will, to find jobs for those thrown out of work here.”

The village postmaster at Feltwell, Mr. F. O. W. Ingham, said: “This will hit the whole village considerably.”

He estimated that 25 per cent of the male working population were employed at the camp and he did not know what would happen to them. He thought possibly that Brandon or Thetford might be able to absorb them.

There were no industries in the village, he said, but a number of people worked on the land. Some of those made redundant could perhaps do this work. Mr Ingram did not expect that there would be any mass migration from the village following this announcement.

Mr H.G. Hill, the Downham Market Employment Exchange manager, whose area includes Feltwell, said: “I don’t think we want to start a scare at the moment. I think we shall be able to fit in those who are young enough and able enough to work.”

Feltwell was built as a bomber station. It carried out this role throughout the war, and then became a flying school. Later it became the R.A.F.’s first strategic missile site, and its present occupants moved in in 1963.

### ***THERE’LL BE ONE ALONG IN A MINUTE Continued from p13***

me! You must think I'm a right moaner? Look, we’re here at Valley Bridge now, and I've missed my stop! Now I'll have to get the number nine to get me to where I was going.”

“Must get my bus, too. Hope you get home ok. Cheerio for now!”

He walked across the yard, picked up his keys and cash box from the office and climbed into his cab. In his rear view mirror, he saw his companion taking a seat near the door!

*Did you guess the twist at the end?*



# *Your Good Health*

**by Dr Ian Nisbet**

Well, here we go – the first article in the post-Management phase of my life. No need to worry about upsetting Head Office although, truth to tell, Deannie never used to read my articles on the grounds that she would feel it necessary to censor the content and that would probably lead to disagreement between us. Family and friends were all “lifted” by the wonderful memorial service we held in Methwold on March 11<sup>th</sup>. The journey home was uneventful and the Monday was a very “flat” day. However, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> was Deannie’s birthday and I really found it a tremendously sad and disturbing day. Life is now slipping into a new gear and, fortunately, I am having many visitors in the next couple of weeks. Three more of my WCs are to be replaced with close coupled systems, to bypass the wretched “behind

the wall” cistern system so beloved of the CALA builders. The garden is really coming to life now and all my plants survived the time in the kitchen (frost-free) so I am on a bit of a subdued roll at present.

ENOUGH OF THE INTROSPECTION! I promised you some jokes and you have all been very patient, so “Buckle up”, as they say on Jet2 aeroplanes, and pin your ears back! (as my Dad used to say).

A little 12-year-old girl was walking home when a big man on a black motorcycle pulled up beside her. After following along for a while, the rider turned to her and asked, "Hey there little girl, do you want to go for a ride?" "NO!" said the little girl as she kept on walking. The motorcyclist again pulled up beside her and asked, "Come on now, I will give you £10 if you hop on the back." "NO!"

said the little girl again as she hurried down the street. The motorcyclist pulled up beside the little girl again and said, "Okay, last offer! I'll give you £20 and a big bag of sweets if you just hop on the back of my bike." Finally, the little girl stopped and said, pointedly: "Look Dad, you're the one who bought the Honda instead of the Harley...YOU RIDE IT!" (This reminds me of the time when I was about 10 years old and waiting for a 'bus home from Birkenhead to Pensby. A large motor bike pulled up and I recognised one of our dust bin men riding it. He offered me a lift home, I accepted and off we went – no helmets in those days. Safely home five miles later, I told my mother what had happened and she "did her nut". Long lecture about accepting unsolicited rides. When I was even younger, I used to join workmen in their canvas hut, erected over the hole in the road where they were mending the gas main, using a lot of tar. I used to share their billy cans and I learned all sorts of useful stuff. For example, if you dig a hole in

the road and back fill it, the filling will sink 1" for every foot depth. So, a four foot deep hole must be filled up with an extra 4" on top. Of course, that was before the days of "Wackers". (A wacker plate is used to create a level and compact sub base before laying further materials such as tarmac, paving or asphalt. Also known as compactor plates, they comprise a vibrating plate with a motor on top).

A girl was taken on as a physical education teacher of 14-year-olds. On her first day, she watched the kids playing soccer. She watched as they all got together and started playing. However, she quickly noticed a boy at the end of the field standing alone, while all the other kids were running around having fun. She took pity on him and decided to speak to him. "You ok?" she asked kindly. "Yes." he said. "You can go and play with the other kids you know." she said encouragingly. "It's best I stay here." he said. "Why's that sweetie?" asked the compassionate teacher. The

boy gave her a weird look and said, "Because I'm the Goalie."

On the last day of kindergarten, all the children brought presents for their teacher. The florist's son handed the teacher a gift. She shook it, held it up and said, "I bet I know what it is - it's some flowers!" "That's right!" shouted the little boy. Then the sweet shop owner's daughter handed the teacher a gift. She held it up, shook it and said. "I bet I know what it is - it's a box of sweets!" "That's right!" shouted the little girl. The next gift was from the wine shop owner's son. The teacher held it up and saw that it was leaking. She touched a drop with her finger and tasted it. "Is it wine?" she asked. "No," said Little Johnny. The teacher touched another drop to her tongue. "Is it juice?" she asked. "No," he answered. Finally, the teacher said, "I give up. What is it?" "A puppy!"

On a very windy day, a rabbi was walking along when a strong gust of wind blew his hat off his head. The rabbi ran after the hat, but the wind was too strong. It kept blowing his hat

farther and farther away. A non-Jewish young man, seeing what had happened, ran after the hat, caught it and gave it back to the rabbi. The rabbi was so grateful that he gave the young man £20 and blessed him. The young man was so excited that he decided to go the race track and with the rabbi's blessing, he decided to check the program and place the entire £20 on a horse. After the races he went home and recounted his very exciting day to his father. "I arrived at the fifth race and looked at the program. I saw this horse named 'Top Hat' was running. The odds on this horse were 100 to 1 but since I received the rabbi's blessing I bet the entire £20 on 'Top Hat' and guess what? He won!" "In the next race, there was a horse named 'Bowler' at 30 to 1 so I bet the entire amount of my winnings on him, and guess what ... I won again!" "So did you bring the money home?" asked his father. "No," said the son, "I lost it all on the last race. There was a horse named 'Chateau' that was a heavy favourite so I bet everything on

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him, and since 'Chateau' means 'hat' in French, I thought he was a sure thing." "I am sorry to say" said the father. "that hat in French is 'chapeau' not 'chateau!'" Sighing to himself, the father then asked, "So who did win the race?" "A real long

shot," said the son. "Some Spanish horse named 'Sombbrero'  
Oh Dear!  
Best wishes and love to you all  
Ian Nisbet

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## Sudoku Puzzle

Each row, column & 3x3 square must contain numbers 1-9

Answer on page 63

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## LATEST CONSUMER ALERTS AND TRADING STANDARDS NEWS

### Scam Alert – Emails claiming to be from ‘TV Licensing’

There continues to be a range of emails circulating claiming to be from TV Licensing. Common themes for these emails are claims that there is an issue with your direct debit and then provides a link to enable the recipient to resolve the ‘issue’.

These emails are not from TV Licensing and any links contained within the message are likely to go to a genuine looking fake version of the TV Licensing website which will attempt to gather personal and financial details.

Our advice is always to be wary of claims made in unexpected email approaches and never click on links or open attachments if approached in this way.

TV Licensing offer the following advice to help spot scam TV Licence emails:

- **Check the sender** - Genuine TV Licensing emails are sent from donotreply@tvlicensing.co.uk or donotreply@spp.tvlicensing.co.uk
- **Partial postcode** - If you have provided us with your postcode details, our emails will include part of your postcode and/or the name on the licence
- **Look for your name** - If you’ve given us your name, then we’ll always address you using your last name and title. The scammers won’t normally have that information about you. So, watch out for emails that only address you as “Dear client” or “Dear customer” – or just use your email address (or part of it)
- **Check the spelling and grammar** - Because scammers can’t use our genuine TV Licensing web addresses or email addresses, they’ll try to use slightly different spellings – look out for things like hyphens and full stops in odd places. Be suspicious too if there are mistakes in the email with capital letters or other grammatical errors, like missing full stops – this could be a scam
- **Check the links** – Be wary of emails promising money/refunds. For example, phrases such as, “click below to access your refund”, followed by a request to provide your credit card or bank details (we would never process a refund in this way). Always check links in an email before clicking or tapping them
- **If you're on a computer** - Hover over the link (but don't click it). This will reveal the name of the web address that you are being sent to

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## Scam Alert – WhatsApp account take over scam

We are highlighting an alert from Action Fraud after they received over 60 reports relating to a scam that steals access to a WhatsApp user's account.

The scam begins when a criminal gets access to another WhatsApp account which has you listed as a contact. The criminal, posing as your friend or someone that's a member of a WhatsApp group you're in, will then send you seemingly normal messages to try and start a conversation with you.

However, around the same time you will receive a text message from WhatsApp with a six-digit code. This is because the criminal has been trying to login to WhatsApp using your mobile number. The criminal will claim that they sent you their code by accident and ask you to help them by sending it to them. Once the criminal has this code, they can login to your WhatsApp account and lock you out.

The criminal will then use the same tactic with your WhatsApp contacts in an effort to steal more accounts and use them to perpetrate fraud.

What you need to do

- Set up two-step verification to give an extra layer of protection to your account: Tap Settings > Account > Two-step verification > Enable.
- **Think, Call.** If a family member or friend makes an unusual request on WhatsApp, always call the person to confirm their identity.
- Never share your account's activation code (that's the 6 digit code you receive via SMS)

You can report spam messages or block a sender within WhatsApp. Press and hold on the message bubble, select 'Report' and then follow the instructions

## Scam Alert – Automated telephone cold calls about 'unauthorised transactions'

We are warning residents about automated telephone calls that claim they are from 'your bank' about 'unauthorised transactions'.

The calls, which are often spoofed to appear on caller ID as if they are from a local number, state that they have 'detected two charges on your card'. The message then giving details for these transactions, often for several hundred pounds each. These messages will often use well known names like 'Amazon' and 'Apple' for these transactions or will claim they are for 'foreign money transfer services'.

At this point the recording states that you can 'press 1 if you do not recognise these transactions'.

These calls are a **scam** and the claims made are **not genuine**. They are designed to panic the recipient into handing over personal and account

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information to prevent these fictitious transactions going through.

If you receive this, or a similar call, **do not** interact with it in any way and **hang up**.

It is likely there are several variations of these calls stating different transactions, amounts and actions that can be taken.

If you are concerned about the security of a bank account or credit card contact your bank or service provider directly using the Customer Service number printed on the card, on a recent statement or via information available on their genuine website or app. **Never** use details provided in a cold call.

### **Scam Alert – Investment Scams**

We are continuing to receive reports of individuals falling victim to investment scams. Losses to these scams can range from a few hundred to several thousand pounds.

Common investment scams where you're offered the chance to put money into things like shares, cryptocurrencies, gemstones, or fine wines.

The promise is that these will rocket in value.

In reality, what you are being offered is often over-priced, very risky and difficult to sell on.

Most of these so-called investments are run from overseas and may not be authorised by the UK's Financial Services Authority. As a result, there is almost no chance of getting your money back if things go wrong.

### **Protect yourself**

- Be very sceptical about calls out of the blue or online adverts from companies you don't know offering shares and other investments – especially if they're 'guaranteed' or 'risk-free'
- Get independent financial advice before making any investment
- Never sign up to anything immediately or if you're told to keep the deal confidential

Make sure the firm is on the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) register of authorised firms, you can check the list by visiting the [FCA website](#)

Which? Have put together useful guidance on how to spot an investment scam which can be found on the [Which? website](#).

[The Financial Conduct Authority website](#) also provides further details on how to avoid investment scams online.

**For more advice and updates see over page**

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If you've been the victim of an online scam you can get advice and support from Citizens Advice Scams Action: **0808 250 5050 (freephone)**

You can also report Frauds, Cyber Crime and Phishing attempts to Action Fraud, the National Fraud & Cyber Crime reporting centre:

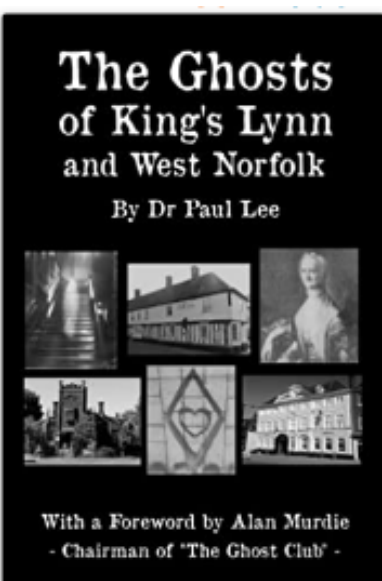
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This is a live link to the [Action Fraud website](#) in the online issue.

## LOCAL GHOST STORIES WANTED

In October 2021 Dr Paul Lee from Kings Lynn published, “The Ghosts of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk. Paul has lived in Lynn since 2018, is 51 and was born on Hallow’en which maybe has something to do with his interest in ghosts. But he’s not certain.

He has recently written to me as he is in the process of updating the book and producing a second, extended, edition. He is very keen to hear from anyone who has had or knows of a ghostly incident in the area. It doesn’t matter when it happened or where in West Norfolk



it occurred. If you can help him with his researches please contact me and I will pass your details on to Dr Lee. *(My contact details can be found on the inside front cover.)*

I have checked and there is a book of this name by Dr Paul Lee. It is available from Amazon at a cost of £14.99. From what he has told me the new edition is likely to include stories based at RAF Feltwell and the old rectory as well.



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## BOOK LAUNCH AT THE WELLINGTON

On Monday 3rd April a packed restaurant room at the Wellington listened to New Zealand author Rohan West talk about his new novel *Find Your North Star*. He described it as historical fiction based on the history of his great uncle who was a navigator and bomb aimer for 75 New Zealand squadron based out of Feltwell in 1942.

This is Rohan's second book, his first being based upon the lives of his maternal grandparents who had a forbidden romance and was called *Broken Vows*. His grandfather was a Catholic priest who fell in love with a nurse. This led to a split in the family and a rejection of his grandparents by the rest of the family. Eventually his great-uncle Jim began to reconnect with his brother and this, together with Jim's exploits in the NZ air force is the inspiration of Rohan's second novel. Jim's experiences in the book with 75 squadron, including the other crew members mentioned in the book, are accurately based upon his log books whilst everything else is created, including the love and spy stories. Historical accuracy was important to Rohan and to achieve this he was advised at every stage by two military historians based in the UK and Jim's second pilot, Arthur Osborne's son who gave him access to Arthur's log book.

Rohan read a couple of extracts particularly relevant to Feltwell and these were followed by a Q and A in which he revealed that he had lived in the UK for eleven years which is when his historical research for the background to the book began. It took six years to write the book, including research, as he was working for most of the time as a sports manager and could only write when time permitted such as on the train or in a café. He wrote longhand and always carried a notebook with him and would sometimes write up to a 1000 words a half hour when the 'creative juices were flowing'. He also stated that he spent three times as long researching it as he did writing it.

Most members of the audience purchased a book including my wife who, I have to say, enjoyed it immensely and remarked that the local colour and details are very accurate.

## CORONATION PICNIC LOGISTICAL

This Logistical puzzle was designed by Chris at the Wellington. The solution is on p72

	Smith Family	Carter Family	Brown Family	Marsh Family	Cutlery	Cups	Napkins	Bin Bags	Blanket	Tarpaulin	Folding Table	Picnic Bench
Scotch Egg												
Pork Pies												
Samosas												
Vol-au-vent												
Blanket												
Tarpaulin												
Folding Table												
Picnic Bench												
Cutlery												
Cups												
Napkins												
Bin Bags												

Match the families to their secret family recipe picnic item, where they ate and what they forgot.

1. The family who forgot their Bin Bags ate at the Folding Table.
2. The Carter and Brown families ate sat on the floor.
3. The Vol-au-vents were a faff without Napkins.
4. The Marsh Family forgot cups.
5. The family who ate at the Folding Table ate Grandma’s homemade Pork Pies.
6. The Pork Pie recipe, the Samosa recipe, the Tarpaulin & the Napkins all belong to different families.
7. The Scotch Egg recipe has been in the Carter family for generations.

DID YOU KNOW?

Taste buds are not visible to the naked eye; the little bumps that can be seen on the tongue are actually papillae, on top of which rest the taste buds







Our speaker for our 1st April meeting was David Cordner and the title that he choose for his presentation was, "Couch Potato to International Athlete."

David began by explaining that he would be talking to us about the world of triathlon and how he became involved in it and ended up representing Ireland at the World Championships.

David was born in Belfast in 1970, Northern Ireland, at the height of the troubles. In the mid 1980s the idea of bringing children together from both sides of the sectarian divide in an effort break the cycle of violence was put forward. Activities offered ranged from theatre groups to various sport activities. David joined the triathlon sessions in 1985 at the age of 15. Over two weeks he learnt about the skills involved in the three triathlon disciplines of swimming, cycling and running. He participated in mini-triathlons and the course ended with the teenagers entering a proper triathlon run by Belfast city council in which they did quite well.

At the age if 17 he joined the RAF, moved to East Anglia, had a family and all of that left him with insufficient time to continue with his sport. What he did do was... eat cake! The inevitable happened, he became unfit and put on weight.

It was at a work event where the guest speaker was Barry McGuigan that David had his photo taken with Barry. Looking at the result shocked him so much that he decided that he had to do something to loose the extra pounds and improve his fitness. So, he cut out the cakes and biscuits and bought a mountain bike and began riding the trails around the forest. At some point in time he saw an advert for a triathlon being organised by a club in Newmarket and entered it. Being disappointed in his result made him more determined to improve, to take his training more seriously and so he joined the club.

The Newmarket club helped him improve his techniques as well as providing targeted training. He bought a new bike, set himself the target of doing a 15 mile circuit around the area in an hour. Soon

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weight was dropping off him and the running got easier. He did Park runs, joined running clubs and got fitter and fitter. Winter training is done indoors using Zwift, a computer controlled machine that allows you to race on virtual tracks against other competitors who can be anywhere in the world! This was a saviour during lockdown. He then moved on to tell us in more detail about the three separate triathlon disciplines. Swimming can be done in a pool where competitors are started at 30 second intervals unlike the chaos of the mass start when the swim is in the sea or a lake and legs and arms are flying everywhere. It is known as the “washing machine.” Many is the time he has been kicked or hit in the face during a mass start.

Then follows the short run to the transition area where you jump on your bike and begin the cycle race which could be done on any kind of terrain, from flat to extremely hilly. Back to the transition area, quickly put on the running shoes and set out on the final part of the event, the marathon.

There are different distances for triathlons ranging from Standard or Olympic distance—1.5k swim, 40k ride, 10k run. A Sprint is half the Standard. Going the other way we have the half Ironman (twice the



Standard) and Full Ironman (double the distance again). David takes part in the Sprint and Standard triathlons because the time required to train for the Ironman distances “takes over your life”.

David then proceeded to take us through the kit he uses, from his carbon fibre bikes to his helmets, explaining about the technicalities of each piece. The bikes are not just cycles, they are pieces of high tech equipment. The tyres run at 120psi and the pedals have sensors in them! Everything, from the kit to the physical techniques, are all designed to improve efficiency and conserve energy for the next part of the race. It’s no good running out of energy half way

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through a marathon.

David competes in the 50-55 age category. To get selected to compete for Ireland he has to enter a number of triathlons each year and submit his performance data to the National Federation of Ireland. In 2017 he was selected to represent Ireland in the world finals in Rotterdam and in 2018 he competed in the European championships in Glasgow.

David's brother also competes in triathlon for Ireland but in an older age group.

Members found David's presentation extremely interesting and informative. They asked many questions and expressed their gratitude in the usual fashion.

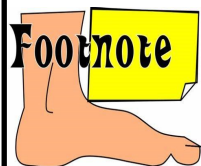
The Wellington staff did an Irish themed breakfast to mark St Patrick's Day including soda bread, white pudding and potato pancakes. Delicious.

If any reader feels that they would like to give a presentation to the Breakfast Club on a subject of their choosing, be it their working life or a personal interest or an area of expertise, please contact me at the email address below.

The Men's Breakfast Club usually meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month at The Wellington in Feltwell at 9am. It costs £8.00 per person to attend which includes a talk, tea or coffee and a full English breakfast which has to be tasted to be believed just how good it is.

New members are always welcome. If you would like to join us then either call The Wellington and book on 01842 828224, before 4pm on the previous Wednesday, or email the Club co-ordinator Paul Garland at [garlandp@btinternet.com](mailto:garlandp@btinternet.com).

Our next meeting will be on 6th May and the speaker will be Gordon Clark talking about his life as a paramedic.

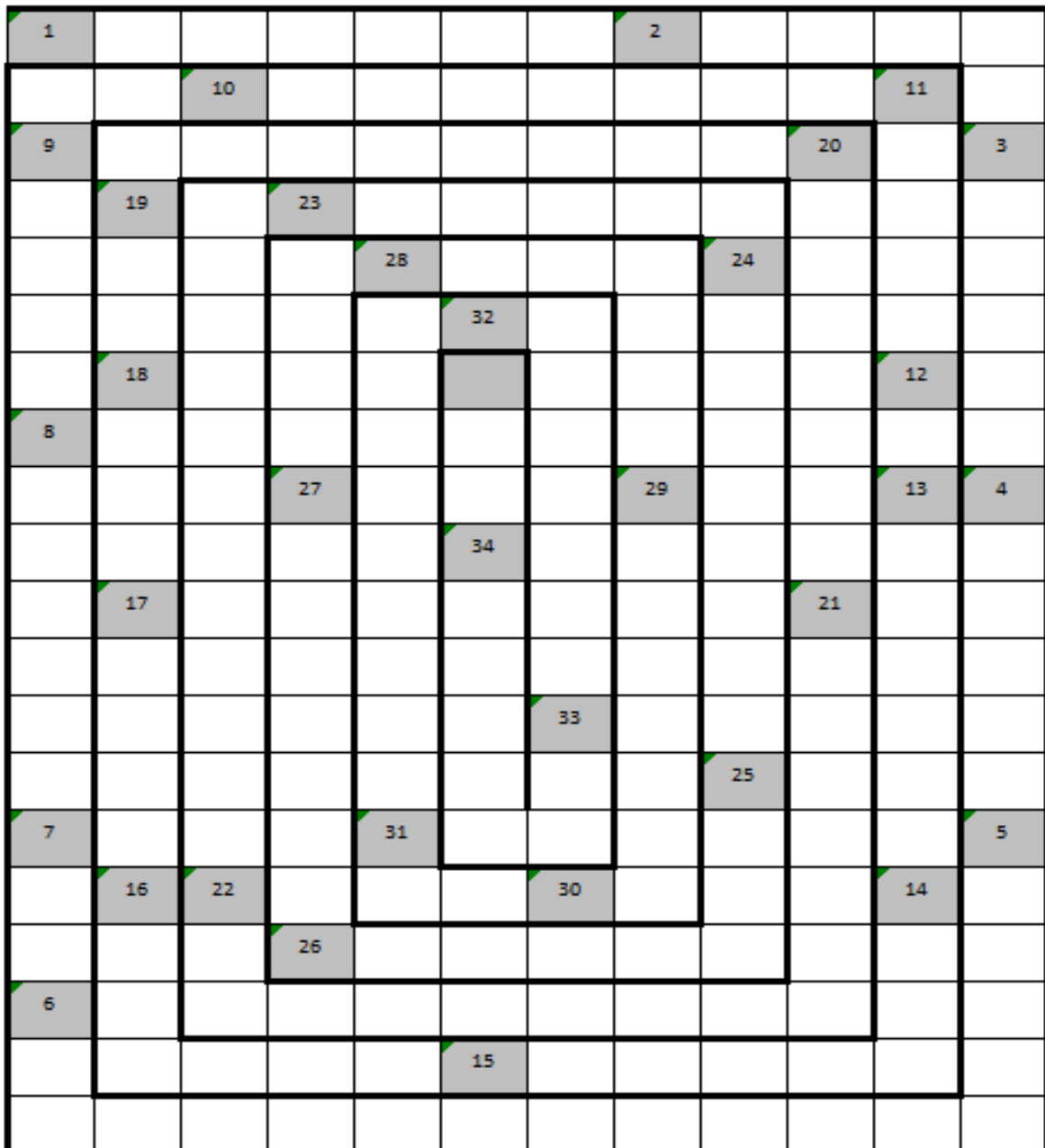


“A pedestrian hit me and went under my car”

*Genuine statement from an insurance form*

## WORD TRAIL NO. 28

*Janet Clements brings us a different type of puzzle, a Word Trail.*  
 Starting at No.1 follow the clue numbers around the box clockwise finishing in the middle. The last letter of each answer is the first letter of the next answer. Work clockwise. Have Fun

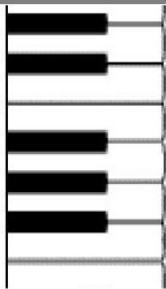


### CLUES

- 1 MEDICAL: The name given to the three small bones in the human ear (8)
- 2 Alike (7)
- 3 MUSIC: Which Fleetwood Mac album remained at #1 in the U.S. album charts for 31 weeks following its 1977 release (7)

- 4 Legendary Celtic Goddess linked to witchcraft (7)
- 5 Independent Politician resident 1817-1818 from Clackmannanshire (8-10)
- 6 Mongolian nomads' circular skin or felt covered tent (4)
- 7 This fruit is cross between a blackberry and a raspberry (8)
- 8 A slightly sour, thick liquid made from milk with a bacteria added to it (6)
- 9 What does the Latin 'Tempus' mean in English (4)
- 10 Descent with modification from pre-existing species (9)
- 11 Refusal or denial (6)
- 12 A root vegetable like a potato with orange flesh (3)
- 13 Of moderate or low quality or value (8)
- 14 Altitude of a place (9)
- 15 A month of the year (8)
- 16 Powerfully built (6)
- 17 Pulsate (5)
- 18 Edible pod (4)
- 19 MEDICAL: A disease affecting nerves (10)
- 20 MUSIC: The Coasters sang this in 1958 (5-3)
- 21 The Spanish wife of Henry the 8th (9-3-6)
- 22 An ornamental but poisonous flowering shrub with narrow leaves (6-8)
- 23 Inhale (7)
- 24 Ubiquitous (10)
- 25 A type of visor (9)
- 26 It looks like a Sea Horse but it has a long snout another name (3-6)
- 27 MYTHOLOGY: He is the father of the sea nymphs (6)
- 28 The 10th biggest zodiac constellation (8)
- 29 The ninth month of the year (9)
- 30 Piped Pipers followers (4)
- 31 Also known as Accipiter Nisus and is a bird of prey (11)
- 32 A girl's name (9)
- 33 To secure against hurt. Loss or damage (9)
- 34 To pull something forcefully with a quick movement (4)

*This month's Word Trail solution can be found on page 74*



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## WILDLIFE CRIME IN NORFOLK

In terms of wildlife investigations, we have been involved in 19 investigations to varying degrees over the last two months. Sadly, we have seen several dead raptors (Buzzards, Kestrels and Red Kites) reported in some unusual circumstances. To date, every one that we have submitted for lab analysis has returned a negative result for shot but has tested positive for Avian Influenza. This means no further testing can be done to establish if that was the reason for the death or indeed if there are other natural underlying issues or something more sinister. We continue to work with the RSPB, Defra and APHA to keep an accurate record of what is found and where. Work is also ongoing with the National Wildlife Crime Unit to look at further testing beyond the AI diagnosis because while it's quite possible AI was the reason for death, we always want to completely rule out foul play.

We have also had several badger sett disturbance offences and suspicious deaths. We've completed some x-ray analysis for some of the badgers which have showed that the death is highly likely to be a road traffic collision. This is something you traditionally tend to see a little more of at this time of the year as badgers' hierarchal set up means that some lesser family members can be pushed out of the sett as young are born to 'stronger' females. Of the badger sett disturbance offences, one was later confirmed as a fox den and with the landowner's permission, we captured some lovely footage. The landowner is really pleased as he is looking to encourage wildlife, and I can honestly say I have never seen such a large fox den – it was amazing to see. The other one we dealt with this month involved some work on a tree that was carried out above ground on top of the badger sett. This is always very difficult to deal with as there is some discussion about how much disturbance a badger can take above ground. However, suitable advice was given by officers and no further work will be carried out at this location until the correct licence is in place.

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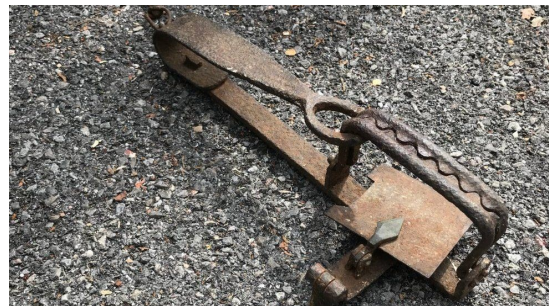
## TONIQ

Sunday 28th 8.30pm

Speaking of licences, sadly, we have had several activities carried out without official Natural England licences being in place. We are currently dealing with two bat offences where building work has destroyed or modified a bat roost that is protected all year round.

There is also an incident involving work on a pond on a building site before the licence had been authorised and paid for, which means the work completed around a pond is highly likely to have disturbed hibernating Great Crested Newts and therefore illegal. These three all remain ongoing currently and discussions are ongoing with relevant authorities in how best to deal with these matters. Not all these of cases end up in court and may be suitable for out of court agreements and disposals to further enhance habitat recovery.

Another incident which is currently being dealt with by local officers is an incident in which a person's cat, which was missing for a number of days, has returned home with a Gin trap on its legs. Fortunately, the cat is OK but these traps have been illegal for more than 60 years and yet, incredibly, we pick up a couple of these illegally set every year. A gin trap is a spring trap that basically has teathed edges (see photo) and although it isn't illegal to own a Gin trap, it must never be set. If you are using a spring trap of any kind, it must be set up so not to catch untargeted species so it must be in a tunnel or artificial cover, and correctly fitted baffles.



This week we picked up a legal fenn trap that was set in a tunnel made of two roofing slates! This means there was absolutely nothing in place to stop untargeted species (hedgehogs, birds, stoats etc.) entering the trap and either becoming injured or killed. This is illegal and simply not good enough. There are many organisations out there that can provide training and advice, as well as rural crime officers.

Looking at some of the cases we have closed this month, some of you may remember the Otter that was killed in a trap in the Diss area last year. It was decided that this would be dealt with out of court using a community resolution – this was completed this month with some really positive outcomes for local wildlife. Sadly, we will never be able to replace the Otter that was killed, but the community resolution measures should enhance the habitat for many years to come and we are confident all involved have learnt from this mistake.

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## WHAT HAPPENED IN THE COUNTRYSIDE IN APRIL

As the temperatures started to consistently remain warm, the countryside came alive over the last few weeks. The hedges turned green, and many trees started to show life. Birds started to build and occupy nests. Birds will of course nest in unusual places (post-boxes, bins and plant pots amongst many others). Remember that all nests whilst being built and in use are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act no matter where they are located. You will probably see many more tits and finches in hedges and similar as they become more active in their breeding season.

One of my favourite sites of spring is the return of the swallows (probably our most well-known migratory bird) and we started to see them return. Many of our other native species who spend most of the winter months hidden up in warmer areas became much more active. If you were lucky enough you may have seen badgers, hedgehogs, butterflies, and dormice.

A lot of woods started to have a distinctive purple to blue carpet where our beautiful native bluebells appeared. Sadly, these are all too often targeted by thieves, and I ask anyone who witnesses someone uprooting bluebells to contact police immediately. They are a protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act, and all wild native plants are protected from being uprooted.

Farms began hitting their very busy period, many of our dairy and cattle farms were starting to turn the cattle out. If you did get the opportunity to watch cattle being turned out on to spring grass, you will have seen that they can pull some remarkable moves such a large animal. I also saw plenty of very young lambs around which is always lovely to see especially in the sun. Again, if you sat and watched a field of ewes and lambs you may have been lucky enough to observe the ewes quietly getting on and the lambs – often in groups of between 30-40 - playing together. It's a wonderful sight to behold.

Many farmers would have been breathing a sigh of relief as they turned out their stock, looked at their food and bedding stocks and saw that all last year's hard work had paid off. However, there is little rest. Preparations started back in Autumn 2021 for Winter 2022 will have seen the planting of crops like winter barley and winter wheat. You may also have noticed fertilising having taken place alongside pest and weed control methods to ensure that this summer's harvest is good enough to see livestock through Winter 2023. You may even have seen the first cut of silage taking place. The ideal time to cut the grass for silage is roughly a week before the full head of seed appears. This is when the plant contains the optimum amount of sugar and energy to produce the best quality feed.

Please, enjoy the countryside, respect it but leave it how you found it!

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details of WNAS Calendar, Photos, Press  
Releases, and any changes to the  
schedule.



At the WNAS AGM in December, relatively new member, John Blakeley, added colour to the proceedings by providing us with an impromptu quiz, ref: [www.westnorfolkaviationsociety.org.uk](http://www.westnorfolkaviationsociety.org.uk). On Tuesday 4th, this same, very imposing figure, one who gives the impression of having rank and bearing; even without the medals and moustache, delivered us an account of how he ascended the rungs of the RAF. His talk was entitled, 'Four Chipmunks to Copenhagen'.

From a young boy his appetite for military matters began with a visit to see HMS Victory at Portsmouth and for a while it seemed that his future lay in the navy but, soon afterwards he visited an air show on the Isle of Wight and for two shillings and sixpence he was granted a flip in a chipmunk. From then on he saw his future in the sky rather than at sea. With a strong will he eventually won a 4 year scholarship to RAF Henlow and later took a Dip Tech course in electrical engineering at Norwich. He met Ian Moyer there, a student with a similar background. Under the sponsorship of the Station Commandant the two of them teamed up with two other students in an initiative to form a squadron of Chipmunks with a mission to fly solo from Manston in Kent to Værlose near Copenhagen. They passed through Holland, Germany and Denmark visiting at least ten airfields along the way and reported no mishaps there or back. This they did using the most basic of navigational aids which included spare parts, some of which included crystals for unruly radios. John concluded his presentation with a film clip of four Chipmunks stunting in close formation; he was too modest to say whether he was a participator in this display.

It is hoped that he may grace our stage again sometime soon with

# The Atmere Charity

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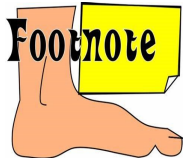
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tales which could include his experiences with Phantoms and Starfighters.

Please forgive this ageing reporter if some of the facts have strayed from the truth. Deficiency in eyesight and hearing are contributory factors. (How does one manage to keep a job like this? Perhaps, because no one else wants it). The problem is being addressed with the combined efforts of the ever efficient Mundford Bowls Club and the WNAS who have already taken delivery of a new display screen. There is also the promise of a high tech. communal hearing-aid system. This will include an induction loop, head phones and a mobile..... comprising modern crystals of course.

Nigel Tooth



She has no rigors or shaking chills, but her husband states she was very hot in bed last night.

*Apparently from an actual entry on a patient's hospital record.*

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If you ask most people what they do to lose weight, **they will probably tell you the ONLY way to lose weight is to reduce calories and create a calorie deficit.**

Whilst I agree that it might be one possible way to lose weight, it's not always the best way to lose weight.

**People say I'm lucky, they presume it's because of all of the training I do. Nope, I don't do so much these days.**

**I observe a few simple rules only.**

When I trained as a personal trainer, we studied Sports Nutrition and they too supported the calorie deficit rule.

But we are not all young sports people, nutrition is vital, yes, and our bodies change as we get older and whilst taking in too many calories will certainly make you gain weight, cutting calories can cut out the nutrition we need for muscle mass.

I encourage my clients to focus less on calories, because **they would often feel deprived, have low energy, and get massive cravings.**

They often found after they lost some weight – almost every one of them would GAIN IT BACK. (Sometimes they'd gain even more.)

They didn't understand that they were shutting down their own fat-burning mechanism. And they were slowing down their metabolism at the same time.

Losing weight by cutting calories will "turn off" your body's natural fat-burning mechanism.

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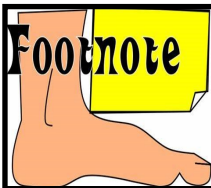
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## FELTWELL'S WW2 WAR HEROES

This series finished last month with Gordon Roy White. All of the information in the “Feltwell’s War Heroes” series can be found at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/43688219@N00/42905937225/in/album-72157679638767304/>.

It was researched and compiled by Peter Clarke as part of a much bigger on-going research project.

[Feltwell War Memorial - Dedication and WW2 | In proud and gr... | Flickr](#)

The above is a live link to Peter’s Feltwell Flickr page in the online version of this issue, available at the end of the month.

Some months ago I approached Peter with the first draft of a compilation of these articles. I had planned to lodge one copy with the RBL and one in St Mary’s. Peter was quite taken with the idea but insisted on rewriting all of the articles as he has amassed even more information than previously published. At the rate at which these rewrites are coming to me it could be some time before a book is printed.

## FRONT COVER PHOTOGRAPH



St Mary’s PCC, who are responsible for St Nicholas churchyard, would like to thank all those who kindly volunteered to help with a tidy-up on the 23rd March, 2023— Mary Reynolds, Diane Crane, Jinny Herrington, Christine and Stephen Parker, Adi and Jo Harris, Sue and Paul Garland, Karrie Barnes, Ben Chinery & daughter, Liz Head, Julie Brown, Kevin & Sarah Spicer. Apologies if we’ve missed anyone out. Special thanks to Edmund and Andrew Lambert for disposing of the rubbish.

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*I am open to correction of what follows.* **Parnells**, located Bell St, now a house. **Elm Tree Stores**, located corner of Long Lane/Lime Kiln Lane, now a house. **Waterman's**, the empty shop in St Mary's St. **Post Office Stores** possibly in **Hockley's**, Long Lane, now a house. **Hopkin's**, High St, now Spar. Lovell, Long Lane? Edwards & Peck, The Beck, now a house..



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Submitted by Mrs J. Clements.

This month our word search is on **ELEMENTS OF THE PERIODIC TABLE**. Find the words from the list. They run vertically, horizontally, diagonally, backwards and forwards but always in a straight line.

***There is ONE extra name on the list that is not found within the grid.***

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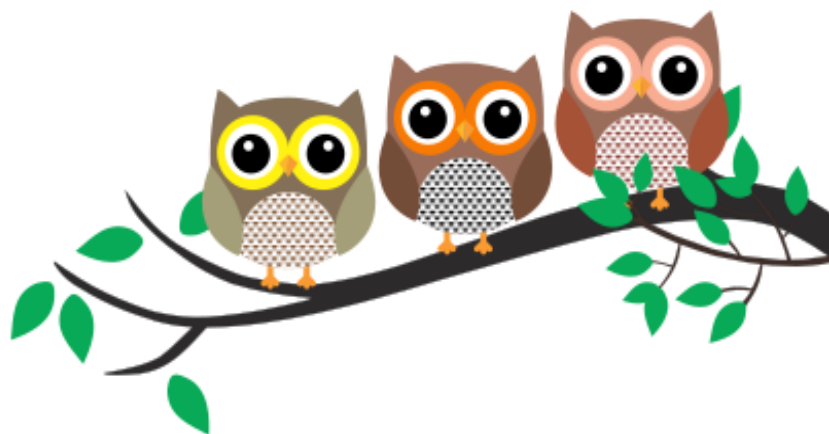
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Well we are now underway with the outdoor season having had 4 roll up evenings to try and hone up our play ready for the league games.

Enrolment evening was well attended with 2 new members and a chance to read up on when and where the league games are.

Our Quiz night on 1st April was our most successful yet with in excess of 50 attending. We were ably supported by the Feltwell football players. Our **next Quiz night** will be on **1st July 2023**. I will give all details in the June edition.


Now to correct an error I made in the April issue, our **Taster day is 13th May** not the 6th as I reported, I repeat:-

We will be holding a Taster day for anyone wishing to give the game a try on **SATURDAY 13TH MAY 2023** commencing midday to 4 o'clock, coffee and biscuits will be available. This is a good time to come along if you are interested in having a go.

I look forward to meeting up with you on our Taster day.


Max

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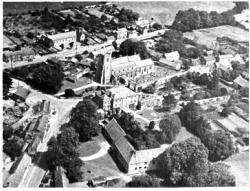


**FELTWELL**

**VILLAGE**



**TOUR**



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# St Mary's Feltwell



Your Parish Church is open every  
day.

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# Feltwellians Around The World



## **Nigel Whittingham**

In an article on your website reference is made to my late father H. 'Johnnie' Whittingham and his misadventure when flying 21 Sqd Ventura AE796 on 21st August 1942.

*Extract from the article—  
Sgt H. J. 'Johnnie' Whittingham of 21 Squadron found the Ventura tricky when he attempted a forced landing at Bodney on 21<sup>st</sup> August 1942. His aircraft, AE796, landed heavily on the airfield and had to be written off. Sgt Whittingham and his crew survived but sustained injuries.*



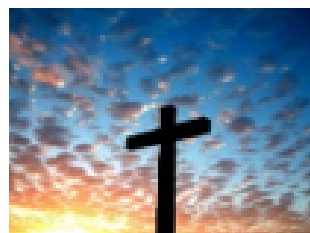
**H "Johnnie" Whittingham**

I am certain that he would want me to point out that the port engine suddenly cut out at 100ft on that particular approach! Also, usually expressed in language that would not be appropriate here, he had a very low opinion of the Ventura aircraft to the last.

He went on to fly Sterlings, Lancasters and Yorks, survived being shot down (by the Americans) and earned a DFC along the way.

He was back in Feltwell in September 1944 with No 3 L.F.S. converting to Lancasters.

**A warm welcome from  
St Mary's to our Services.**



Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Thanksgiving Eucharist for the Coronation	<b>10am</b>	<b>Feltwell</b>
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Eucharist	9.15am 11am	Hockwold Northwold
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Eucharist	<b>9.15am</b> 11am	<b>Feltwell</b> Weeting
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> May	TBA		

Morning Prayer or Eucharist every Tuesday at Hockwold  
at 9.15am

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**St Mary's is open** every day from 9am – 6pm.



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**Internet available and help to use it.**



# RSPB Lakenheath Fen

## MARSH HARRIERS IN THE UK- A TALE OF A BEAUTIFUL BIRD COMING BACK FROM THE BRINK OF EXTINCTION

At RSPB Lakenheath Fen, marsh harriers play a big part in the wildlife scene- visitors to the reserve could easily see some of their spectacular aerial displays on a visit in the coming weeks.

However, this has only recently been the case- after years of persecution, the UK was left with just one breeding female in 1971. It's hard to believe now, when you visit a suitable wild space and see several birds at once! However as recently as the 1990's, a special trip to the Norfolk Broads was in order if anyone local wanted to see one. Thanks to greater protection, the population began to recover. Marsh harriers can now be seen quite widely over East Anglia as



Photo by  
Tim James

well as in Lincolnshire, Yorkshire and small numbers elsewhere in England & Scotland.

In terms of their lifestyle, marsh harriers aren't too fussy- their only requirement is for a reedbed large enough to hide a nest and to support enough food for them to hunt during the breeding months. Their diet covers a wide range

of reedbed prey- from voles to small birds, as well as larger birds like moorhen and coot.

For most of the year, the marsh harrier lives a quiet life, but during Spring male birds engage in beautiful courtship displays that are a joy to watch. He chooses a patch of reedbed he believes offers a good supply of food and a safe spot to nest. Then he will call to attract nearby females, and glide over slowly to show his chosen area. When he has caught the attention of a female he will 'sky-



## Events at RSPB Lakenheath Fen

Places for all events need to be booked online- please visit [events.rspb.org.uk/lakenheathfen](https://events.rspb.org.uk/lakenheathfen) to read more and book tickets.

### **Join in with Harrier and Bittern Nest Watches**

Tuesdays 16 May, 30 May (all 7:30am-12:30am)

Why not join a warden for the morning and help complete our bittern and marsh harrier nest watch surveys?

Price: Adults £40 for RSPB members; £50 for non-RSPB members.

### **Guided pond dipping at RSPB Lakenheath Fen**

Saturday 6 May, 3 June, 1 July (11am to 1pm).

Come along to see what beautiful and strange creatures live below the water at our nature reserve!

Price: Adults £6 (RSPB members), £7 (non-RSPB members), Under 18's £3 (RSPB members), £4 (non-RSPB members).

### **Treasures of the Moth Trap**

26 May, 30 June, 28 July (all 10am to 11am).

Learn more about the amazing world of moths - join us to admire what we catch in our harmless trap.

Adults: £3 non-RSPB members, £2 for RSPB members. Children (under 16's) go free!

### **Big Wild Sleepout 2023**

Saturday 29 - Sunday 30 July (1pm-1pm)

Come and join us for a night camping under the stars. Reserve entry, breakfast, pitch fees and a range of activities including stargazing, a camp-fire, guided walks and pond-dipping are all included.

Price: Adults £20 (RSPB members), £16 (non-RSPB members), Under 18's £10 (RSPB members), £8 (non-RSPB members).

dance' in the air above his territory. This really has to be seen to be appreciated fully but it involves swooping, almost-vertical flights upwards, followed by cresting an imaginary peak and then plummeting down, as if falling through the sky, before swooping back up. This looping behaviour is designed to show females not just his aerial skills but also his fitness and strength. The tougher and more agile he is, the better he could potentially hunt for food and provide for a growing family.

If the female is impressed, she will then encourage him (mainly vocally) to catch and bring her some food. If he does this, and she thinks the food suitable, he may then move on to suggest a nest site by flying very slowly towards it, landing on it and calling loudly. If you want to come and experience some of this drama, marsh harriers should be quite easy to see during May and into June and July. Anywhere with reedbeds on the reserve could host lots of action but if you ask in the Visitor Centre before your walk, we can give you the latest information!

Heidi Jones, Visitor Experience Officer, RSPB Lakenheath Fen.

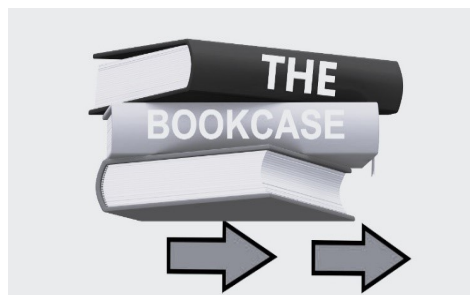
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*Plus Entertainment*

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## SPOT THE DIFFERENCE NO. 40

Photos taken from Mr P. Garland's "Feltwell: Yesterday and Today" presentation first shown in 2018 and provided by Mr C. Cock. Modern photos taken August 2018 by Mr C. Brown.



Munsons Lane. *"Munsons Lane used to be a lovely green lane with violets growing in the hedge all along and of course all the May blossom in the hedge."* Mrs Charlotte Rolfe Interviewed in 1998, her 100th year.



## **METHWOLD SPIRITUALIST SERVICES**

Friday Meetings 2023, Doors open 7pm for 7.30 start.

May 12<sup>th</sup> JOHN ENNIS

May 26<sup>th</sup> OLIVE BYRNE

ALL ARE WELCOME AT,

**The 21 Room, St. George's Hall Complex,  
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(Ample parking at rear) For further information ring 01366 727160



### **TABLE TENNIS**

**Feltwell Table Tennis club is now up and running every Tuesday from 1.45 at the Methodist Hall, Feltwell.**

**Come and have a coffee, great company and a bit of exercise from beginners up. £3 for two hours of fun.**

## **CORONATION PICNIC LOGISTICAL SOLUTION**

Smith Family	Pork Pies	Folding Table	Bin Bags
Carter Family	Scotch Eggs	Tarpaulin	Cutlery
Brownel Family	Vol-au-vent	Blanket	Napkins
Marsh Family	Samosas	Picnic Bench	Cups

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# Breckland Branch



A recent survey carried out by Cats Protection found that around 600,000 cats have microchip details that are not up to date. Microchipping is an excellent way of reuniting cats with their owners and is to become law in this country, along with dogs. There is nothing more frustrating than to find a cat with a microchip, only to find that its owners details are out of date and there is no way of contacting them. If your cat is microchipped, please make sure that the details on the database are up to date, so that you don't become one of the 600,000 whose details are outdated. If you are with Identibase, check your details by visiting [www.identibase.co.uk](http://www.identibase.co.uk) There are around 13 microchip companies in existence, so check your paperwork to see which company you are with.

If you have a stray cat turn up in your garden, whether you are feeding it or not, please take it to the vet so that they can check for a microchip. There is no charge and someone maybe looking for their beloved cat, who has wandered off and can't find his way home.

A stray kitten came into the care of one of our branches and it was discovered that the kitten had no sex organs at all, so could not be deemed either male or female. Hermaphrodite cats which are also extremely rare, have both male and female sex organs. This kitten has neither externally nor internally. This condition is so rare that there isn't a common term for it, but it is effectively 'sexual organ agenesis' where agenesis is the lack or failure of development in relation to body organs. The kitten has no problems urinating and defecating as these were checked out before it was put up for rehoming. The kitten was initially named Hope, but now in its new home, the kitten is known as Bean.

If you have an unneutered cat, either male or female we can help you with the cost of neutering. We can send you a voucher for £35 towards the cost of neutering a male cat, and £50 towards the cost of neutering a female cat. Just call the number below, listen to the message and make a note of the phone number you require. You cannot leave messages on this helpline. Kittens can be neutered at 4-5 months old, providing they weigh 2kg.

For help or advice, or if you need assistance with the cost of neutering, please call us on 01842 810018.

Rita Thompson.

## WORD TRAIL No. 28—SOLUTION

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### COMING TO FELTWELL—17TH JUNE—The Counterfeit Crickets

**The Counterfeit Crickets** have established themselves as the **No. 1 Buddy Holly Tribute Band** in the UK

The whole band perform in authentic Crickets attire and, together, they produce **a sound that is completely authentic** and emulates the genuine recordings of Buddy Holly & The Crickets.

Lead singer Marc Robinson has an uncanny resemblance to Buddy which goes beyond the horn rimmed specs and Fender Stratocaster to **a voice as close to Buddy's as can surely be possible**. And, not only is Marc's voice similar to Holly's own, but it has been noted that his phrasing of the song lyrics is spot on. It is this kind of attention to detail that has brought him praise from all over the UK and beyond.

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> of APRIL 2023 in the British Legion, Long Lane. Eleven Councillors attended and 4 members of the public.

Following posts on other village Facebook pages, Chair said that Parish Councillors do not have to introduce themselves at Parish Council meetings. Furthermore, members of the public are only permitted to speak during the Public Speaking session held for 10 minutes at the beginning of the meeting and at no other time unless invited by the Chair.

Clerk is awaiting response from South Norfolk Highways regarding the condition of the B1112 from Lodge Road junction up to the Cranwich junction near Weeting. Highways have stated repairs to an area that has been white-lined could take up to a year depending on which code had been allocated to it but it was noted that once an area had been white-lined, Highways were fully liable. **A reminder that anyone can report a road or pavement defect at <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem>.**

Road closures are planned for Bell Street (St Mary's junction to Oak Street junction) 8/5/23 – 3/6/23 for footway resurfacing works and Long Lane (Portal Close junction to Hereward Way junction) 22/5/23 – 17/6/23 for footway resurfacing and construction. Clerk to push for Bell Street to operate a one-way system during this time.

30mph and 40mph roundels will be painted on Wilton and Lodge Road when white lining starts in April.

Clerk to request Rangers clear leaves and debris along Hill Street during their visit this month and side out verges along Hythe Road.

Handyman to replace broken chains on the Multiplay unit at the playing field. New picnic bench with wheelchair access has been ordered from NBB Plastic Recycled Furniture.



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Application submitted to Warren Energy Community Fund for a new park bench.

Norfolk Association of Local Councils subscription has been renewed together with their website hosting service.

New defibrillator has been installed outside the Social Club, once again, many thanks to them for housing it and absorbing electric costs. Application submitted to BCKLWN Defibrillator Scheme for a £1000 donation towards purchase of another.

£100 donation to be made to the primary school's Year 6 Prom Committee for carrying out a litter pick on 7/5/23.

Annual Anglo-American Car Show to take place at the playing field on 20/5/23. Organisers will be granted use of the toilets in the Changing Rooms at no fee as they have offered to donate entrance fees to playing field funds.

Feltwell Community Group have organised a Coronation 'Picnic in the Park' on 7/5/23 and the annual village fete & carnival parade on 27/6/23, and have been granted full use of the Changing Rooms for both events. A Premises Licence application has been made by the group to cover the evening event of the fete as attendance could be over the 499 limit of a Temporary Events Licence. Sound and light costs to be paid for by the Parish Council (£850 + VAT). Parish Council will organise a float to take part in the parade.

Coronation flag will be flown in line with national Coronation guidelines over the Bank Holiday weekend. A Battle of Britain memorial flypast will take place on the Coronation on 6/5/23, between 1.15 pm – 3 pm, which will make three trips around the village centring on Lodge Road.

Chair was pleased to announce the election was uncontested but said he was sorry to be losing Mr Christopher Cock who had decided not to stand again. Chair thanked Mr Cock for his service which extended over 10 years and Mr Storey also thanked him for the sterling work he has carried out whilst on

## Word Search Solution

Next month's Word Search will feature  
English Cheese Names

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## A Message from the Editors

Readers are reminded that we publish the magazine online on the village website towards the end of the month in which it is issued. The web address is :

[http://feltwell.net/magazines/mag\\_index.htm](http://feltwell.net/magazines/mag_index.htm)

All issues are in pdf format for easy viewing. What you may not realise is that many of the links in the online version are active and, of course, it is in colour. But please buy a printed copy as well.

the Allotment Committee which was always at no cost to the Parish Council. There was then a round of applause for Mr Cock who said he had enjoyed his time on the Parish Council.

Clerk will obtain prices to spring clean all bus shelters. **It is politely requested that posters are not put up on the bus shelters as the sticky residue left behind is very difficult to remove.**

**Residents are encouraged to deposit any glass waste into the bottle bank on the playing field as the Parish Council can obtain recycling credits for every tonne collected.**

Don't forget to join Feltwell Parish Council's Facebook page for regular updates and subscribe to our website <https://feltwellparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk> where draft minutes will be published a minimum of three clear days before the next meeting.

PLEASE NOTE, the **Annual Parish Meeting** is to be held on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at the British Legion at 7.00 pm** (a week later than scheduled due to the Coronation Bank Holiday) and will be followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

Accounts will be on display from 6.45 pm. All are welcome.

Your **Parish Councillors** are:

Mr Ian Rayner (Chair), Mr Edmund Lambert (Vice-Chair), Mrs Sue Arnold, Mrs Miranda Bane, Mr Paul Cole, Mrs Helen Wilson, Mrs Bernadette McGeeney, Mrs Linda Peckham, Mr Martin Storey (County Councillor), Mr Jonathan Fenn.

The Parish Council website can be found at:

<https://feltwellparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>

The Parish Clerk, Jo Martin can be contacted by email at [feltwellparishclerk@gmail.com](mailto:feltwellparishclerk@gmail.com). Or by phone on 828383.



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