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Western end, school in the foreground. 1950s

FELTWELL

VILLAGE



View from the east. St Mary's centre. 1980s



View from SW. St Mary's and Newcome Hall centre. 1960s

TOUR

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*The full cost of this tour
guide goes to support
Feltwell Food Pantry*

I am delighted to announce the publication of this village tour and guide which will be available for purchase from the Wellington and Hill House B&B. It is packed with information about the history of the village, many photographs in both colour and B&W and a children's picture quiz. The guide is based upon a conducted tour written by Mr Ken Stowell in

2002 when he was Chairman of the Feltwell Society. His tour was, in turn, based upon notes written by Mr Alfred Orange in 1971.

It consists of 20 A4 pages. I hope you enjoy it. Please let me know of any errors.

The full cost of the Feltwell Village Tour will go to the Food Pantry.

This collectors first edition will have a print run of only 30 copies.

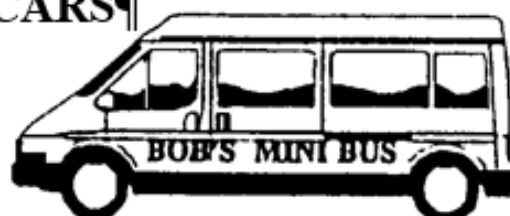
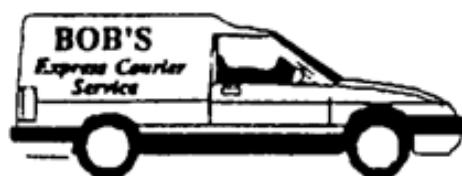
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FROM THE CLASSROOM

Another academic year is over and what an amazing year it has been here at Edmund De Moundeford Primary School with many different experiences and opportunities and not forgetting our Good Ofsted rating in November.

A huge congratulations needs to go to the Eagles class who achieved some phenomenal results with their SATs scores – 85% of children achieved expected or above in maths, reading and grammar which is significantly higher than national – well done Eagles and of course to Mr Jones and Mrs Carter who have supported the children this year. We wish them luck as they begin their next step in education.

On the 29th June all children in the school took part in a Whole School Writing Day where everyone was able to get their creative juices flowing by discussing different story ideas using a range of pictures from '*The Mysteries of Harris Burdick*' book. Children were keen to put pen to paper to develop their ideas and each class had two chosen authors whose stories you can read below – those who didn't make this publication can be seen in following publications. It was a great day and something which we hope to repeat in the future. We really hope you enjoy our stories and we look forward to sharing more of our achievements in the next academic year.

Lost at Sea

Devin was a young lad around the age of 16. The poor boy had lost his father at the age of 10. His mind was now set on his hero. Devin's dad was an ocean explorer who was away for weeks at a time. One day, 17th June 1974, his father was due home but sadly never returned. One year passed, then four, then five and now six. But he was nowhere to be seen.

Soon, Devin decided enough was enough; if no-one else could find his long lost loved one, then he would have to do it. As quick as he

could, Devin packed a bag consisting of food, water, a pair of pyjamas, and his favourite pillow. He threw on his father's hat and slid into his favourite white t-shirt and muddy brown trousers. He has to leave and fast before his annoying neighbour heard him. Bang! The door flew open and out ran Devin. There was a secret railroad just around the corner from Devin's home. Would he make it? Would anyone stop him before he got to his destination?

Phew! He made it. But where was he going? "Ummmm... I-I-I'll make it up as I go along," thought Devin. So he did; he jumped into a rusty, old cart with a navy blue flag and pulled the lever. Should he have left? No, but there was no going back now. The teen unzipped his back pack and began setting up. He tucked his pillow in the gap large enough, popped his pyjamas beside it and placed his bag in the foot space. It wasn't that comfy... But it would have to do.

Hours passed, but to Devin it felt like days. He was scared to fall asleep – he assumed the cart would turn the wrong turn or go straight on the wrong straight. Eventually, it had been a whole day and poor Devin couldn't stand it any longer, he had to sleep...

When he woke up, the mist was so thick that he couldn't see! How could he drive if he couldn't see? That's right, he couldn't! No! He was petrified, "I'm gonna die!" murmured Devin as he rocked backwards and forwards.

All of a sudden, the cart stopped. Devin had nothing to do, so he packed his bag. As he stood up, his foot slid off the cart and he fell into the water! His hat flew off! That hat was all he had left of his Dad. Devin launched himself deeper and deeper until he could grasp the hat. He was running out of breath! In the nick of time, he heaved himself onto the railroad.

After a week of walking, Devin made it to the old fallen village of Oakenshield.

"SON! Devin, it's me, Dad! I've been stranded and I, well, I was lost. Is it really you?" called a voice he vaguely remembered.

"Dad! Yes it's me. I love you!" wailed Devlin.

They were finally reunited. Together, they rebuilt the old village of Oakenshield and lived in peace forever more.

Kestrels class. By Sk C

The Search for Devin's Dad

One day long, long ago, at school. Devin and his friends Dude, Jackson and Steve were all playing tag when Jackson said, "I saw on the news that someone named Ja Crips was stranded on an island out at sea!"

"That's my dad!" answered Devin worriedly.

That night they set off with Dude, Jackson and Steve on an old rusty cart.

Day by day, month by month, year by year they just kept searching. Devin was 16 now and 6 years had passed. In the distance was an old rickety fallen down castle where his dad was.

The wind picked up and slowed the cart down until it stopped. "This is really bad!" Devin said sadly.

They tried pushing the cart but the wind was too strong. With the wind picking up he sat down waiting for it to stop but it didn't. It started getting stronger. The cart started rolling backwards.

It was going backwards for a long while, probably about forty minutes. The wind picked up and made the cart go even quicker and the cart rolled over even though the four brave boys tried stopping it.

Once they overcame the accident, they got back up to their feet and started running on the track to the island. Running as fast they could, they almost fell over millions of times, but they kept on going. As Devin was walking through the massive gates, "I'm here," he said. Out of the corner of his eye he saw Dad and ran straight up to him to give him a huge hug. Devin, his friends and Dad all got home with no trouble at all. Mum was delighted to see Dad again.

Kestrels Class. By SH

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Our whole school writing story

One evening, a girl named Lily was at the library, she wanted to get a book. The book was on a shelf that had lots and lots and lots of fairy tales (she knew this since she came here every week.) she had just moved closer to the library. However, she was quickly walking home and she saw this creepy old man. She desperately wanted new friends so she told him where she lived, she then realised that this was a big mistake.

She was getting on the bus when she thought she felt a hand touch her. It was an old friend of hers. When she got home she ate her dinner and she went upstairs. When she reached her room she read for hours and hours until finally she dozed off to sleep.

Whilst she was sleeping the book came to life. You must think it will be cool but this book was not a fairy tale it was a murderer book. Whilst she was sleeping someone broke her window and crawled in!

She woke up and looked in the mirror and noticed that there was a man behind her. She turned around but no one was there, he had vanished into thin air. She checked in the mirror one more time and a final scream was let out before she was taken into the darkness of the night. It has been 11 years now since that happened and Lily has still not been seen to this day...

Hawks Class. By DF

Skipping home with her pile of books, with blossom drifting beside her, Elisa pondered Mr Linden's (the librarian) warning, sure he had overreacted. The words echoed through her head. You can't take THAT book! People who took THAT book to their homes never saw daylight again.

Elisa, not the least daunted, continued her journey home. It was the perfect evening, the sun set in plain sight in the cloudless sky. As the sun gave out its last rays, Elisa climbed into bed and began to read.

Once she fell asleep the book spread its corruption through the

town, and began to kill ...

In the Morning

Elisa drove to the church, not paying attention to the overgrown and abandoned building. She entered the church and found a cowering group of people who relaxed as soon as they saw her. "I don't remember church being so popular. Is it because of all this food? Am I dreaming?" explained Elisa. The crowd of 30 or 50 shook their heads. One of them pointed to a small, non-stained window. Elisa rushed up to it. She could see a man walking down the road. Seconds after later, a vine burst out of the ground, and dragged him screaming into the gaping maw of some kind of plant. More plants snapped at it, wanting their share of wine.

There was a rumbling in the ground. "They've found us! Someone cried, and everyone ran as a vine burst up from the now cracked floor. As they ran, Elisa snatched up a stick and set it on fire with a firelighter and raced to her car. When she got there, she swung the car round the bend and leaped out.

Bursting through the door and dashed upstairs, she struck the shocked book with her flaming stick. It exploded into red dust. The town was safe at last!

3 days later ...

Elisa was heading home with another book, Mr Lindens second warning still fresh in her mind.

Hawks Class. By JS

A Strange Day in July

A family were camping by the sparkling lake which had loads of ducks, geese and moor hens. Mum sent Bob to fetch some berries for the birds. They eventually found the berries but ...

When they got back Mum and Dad were arguing. So Bob and Betty went to the shimmering lake to skim some rocks. The rocks were scorching but they didn't care. The first rock went miles and so did

the second rock but the third rock came back. Bob was confused. He tried again and again and again.

Bob went for a closer look with his shiny new binoculars. He saw something. It was a gorgeous dolphin which was doing it but why? Wait, he could see something else. Its tiny baby. That's what it was trying to protect!

Owls Class. By RS

A Strange Day in July

On a warm sunny day, Jan and Terry arrived at the biggest beach in England! Jan and Terry pushed their doors open as soon as they could. They were there. The sand was as smooth as writing paper. They were stunned. They went and sat down on the soft sand. They waited and waited and waited.

The mom and dad were starting to set up. Mom and Dad told the children to go and play on the sand at the beach. So they did.

They got there and played with sand but they got bored so they skimmed and stones. Terry got ready and off the stone went. It bounced twice! "Again! Again!" Cried Jan. So he got ready and off it went. This time it bounced three times. "Again! Again!" shouted Jan but louder. Terry felt motivated.

He got ready and off it went! But things were different. The stone came back. "Hu? Why did that happen?"

He looked at the stone. It looked normal. He shook it. It sounds normal. He banged it. Crack ... Pop! A little sea dragon scuttled out of the rock and dived into the water. "Wait for me." Terry cried excitedly. Then another sea dragon popped out of the water. "Wait for me." Jan yelled and they played.

When the sun got down they all had tea and some cookies for desert. Then Jan and Terry went home. They told Mom and Dad all about it on their way.

Owls Class. By CJ



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Feltwell in Bloom

Making Our Village Beautiful

It seems a while ago now but I would like to thank everyone who came to see the float and stall at the Village Fete on June 17th. It was a really busy and hot day, with a good atmosphere. Well done too to the organising committee. It was a bonus that the FiB float won a prize, which rewarded the hours spent in preparation. I have included a picture but unfortunately black and white does not show how



colourful the float was. *(It can be seen in colour in the online July issue, p71)*

Around the village we now have, at the time of writing this, seven tubs of seasonal flowers in full bloom. It is a delight that many of the villagers are noticing them and thanking our group for the displays.

We are still looking for people who are willing to help us water the tubs and dead head the flowers when it is needed. Please call Rita on

07785345614 if you can help. Or come and join us at our monthly meeting at The Wellington, the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm, you will be welcome.

It was unfortunate that one of the QE II beds at the bottom of Newcombe Drive was mown over in June. We are now hoping to replace both beds with tubs so that this will not happen in the future.

Please come and join us at our plant and cake sale, plus coffee morning on Saturday 9th September from 9.30. The Wellington Pub is hosting our sale so call by and find a bargain. If you have any donations you would like to make, plants or cakes, please bring them along early to the stall on the day. We look forward to seeing you there.

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This is Our Village. Census 2021 results for Feltwell 2

The census results and data that follow were made available in June 2022 but it is only now that I've had space in the magazine to include these analyses. Anyone can use this charting tool available at (www.ons.gov.uk/visualisations). The charts that follow are specific to Feltwell Parish. In all cases draw your own conclusions, or not. There'll be more charts next month.

Central heating

Feltwell | (England)

Does not have central heating **0.9%** (1.5%)



Does have central heating **99.1%** (98.5%)



% of all households

There is no data on the type of heating used unfortunately.

Country of birth

Feltwell | (England)

Born in the UK **74.8%** (82.6%)



Born outside the UK **25.2%** (17.4%)

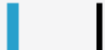


% of all people

Ethnic group

Feltwell | (England)

Asian, Asian British or Asian Welsh **1.3%** (9.6%)



Black, Black British, Black Welsh, Caribbean or African **1.6%** (4.2%)



Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups **3.9%** (3.0%)



White **90.5%** (81.0%)



Other ethnic group **2.7%** (2.2%)



% of all people



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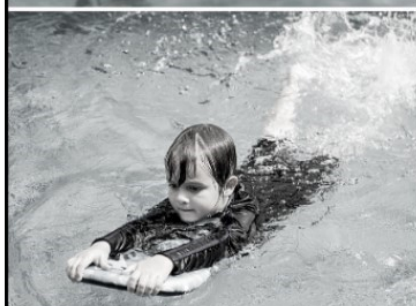
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Disabled under the Equality Act **16.0%** (17.3%)



Not disabled under the Equality Act **84.0%** (82.7%)



% of all people

Distance travelled to work

Feltwell | (England)

Less than 10km **14.9%** (35.4%)



10km to less than 30km **32.3%** (14.4%)



30km and over **13.4%** (4.3%)



Works mainly from home **20.1%** (31.5%)



Other **19.2%** (14.5%)



% of people aged 16 years and over in employment

Economic activity status

Feltwell | (England)

Economically active: In employment **55.1%** (57.4%)



Economically active: Unemployed **1.9%** (3.5%)



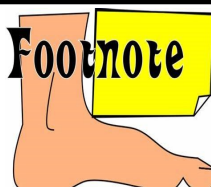
Economically inactive **43.0%** (39.1%)



% of people aged 16 years and over

Please recall,, when looking at these two charts, that Census 2021 took place when many people were working from home or on furlough.

Although the ONS gave precise guidance on how to answer these questions in relation to furlough it cannot be assumed that everyone followed it.



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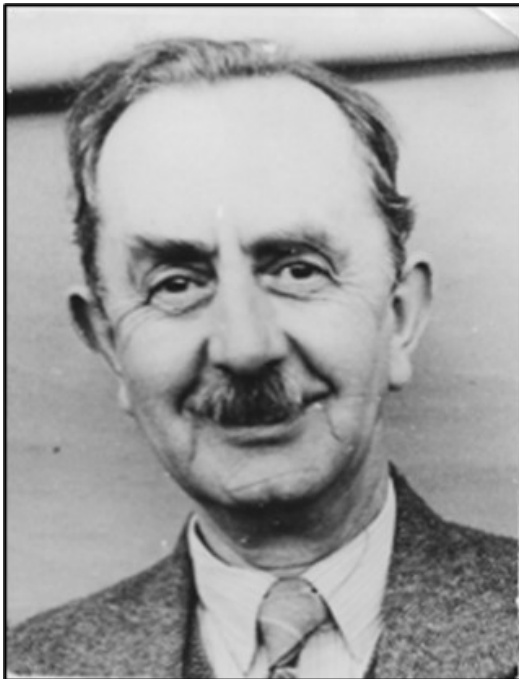


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CECIL CHARLES DAVIDSON

A brief biography by Alfred 'Pip' Orange.

His father was James Davidson born at Briston, Norfolk, who became a Methodist Minister on the Brandon/Watton Circuit and in 1881 he christened Annie Dorcas Pryer in the Primitive Methodist Chapel in High Street, Feltwell.



Cecil Charles Davidson was born at Docking, Norfolk in 1889. He was a Pupil Teacher at Wells-next-the-Sea from 1st August, 1905 until 31st July, 1907.

On 16th September, 1907, he began his long service as a teacher at Feltwell under the Headmastership of John Abraham Harrison, at a salary of £65 per annum.

He went into lodgings at "The Welcome", No.3, St. Mary's Street in the home of Mrs Mary Jane

Broadwater who kept a fancy goods

shop there. She was the widow of George Broadwater and the mother of John and Jessie Broadwater. (Jessie married Wilson Edgar Brookes, a carpenter, on the 25th June, 1919).

Mary Jane later became the second wife of John Lemon Payne.

About 1916/1917, Cecil Charles Davidson married Bessie Pryer (b.1888) the fifth daughter of John Pryer, farmer, and his wife, Eliza, (nee Lawrence). One of Bessie's sisters was the Annie mentioned above.

When Cecil was a young lad, he, like most of us, could not resist standing his bicycle upside down and cranking the pedals as fast as he could. In his case, the cycle started to fall over and making a grab for it, the finger-nail of his first finger was torn off by the spokes of the back wheel.

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When it grew again it did so in the form of thick claw. He taught not only my mother, but her four children and, if misbehaving in class, the claw was jabbed into one's neck or on to the top of one's head - very painful!

Nonetheless, everyone liked him and as his pupils grew up, those who went abroad always sent him postage stamps for his collection.

I well remember that one day, in the school playground the school bully set about me during a play-time. Everyone gathered round to watch the ensuing fight and I was egged on by shouts etc. Just as I was getting the upper hand, Cecil, affectionately known as "Joey Spits", because of his occasional excess of saliva when agitated, hearing the noise, came out of the school and blew his whistle for us to 'fall in'. I was not pleased with him that day.

After forty-seven years as a master at Feltwell school, he retired as assistant master in 1954.

When Vera and I lived at 9, Grange Close, Old Catton, he spent a day with us in August, 1964. which he thoroughly enjoyed. He was a staunch supporter of, and a lay-reader at, the Primitive Methodist Chapel at Feltwell and as we were about to start lunch, he asked if we minded if he said "Grace". "Please do", I replied, whereupon he said, with the usual twinkle in his eye, "I would have said it anyway!"

He told us that upon his retirement, he had been "presented with a self-winding watch and added, "It never did go!" still chuckling. He also mentioned a furore at Feltwell Fair when police from Feltwell, Hockwold and Methwold were called in. Florence Howlett's brother, Fred Rolfe, of Methwold, was arrested. Thomas Hopkin, father of Stanley, also of Methwold, charged with his horse and cart. Whether the charge was to break up the crowd or to charge the police he could not remember.

On October 28th 1964, two months after his visit to our home, Cecil Charles was laid to rest in St. Nicholas' church-yard at the age of 75; he had survived his wife by almost exactly seven years. He left three of his four sons and nine grandchildren.



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Your Good Health

by Dr Ian Nisbet

Here I am, five years since we moved from Feltwell to Worcestershire and six months since my darling Head Office died. Don't believe the platitudes about "it will get better with time" as, so far, it hasn't. At sunrise today, I was working in the garden, pondering how I have turned a waterlogged clay patch into a beautiful garden with a massive display of colour all around. I have 8ft high foxgloves in white, blue, red, pink and purple, 8ft high blue Delphiniums, prolific Buddleia, Dahlias of all bright colours, Carnations, Pinks, Ceonothus, Hostas, Geraniums, Begonias, brightly coloured Spreading Phlox, 8ft Hollyhocks in white, red and blue, all sorts of roses and many other brightly coloured perennials. There are large bushes such as Photinia and Pieris at the edges. The overwhelming success has been the Alstroemeria which, in

pink, orange and variegated, are spreading furiously, producing 3ft stems with multiple flowers and buds. I have given so many away already and they will flower constantly until the first frost which, last year, was in the middle of December. Actually, I am rather worried about the Alstroemeria as I am worried that it might turn into a thug, replacing Spanish Bluebells on my hit list. The under-window baskets at the front of the house are blooming well as are all the bushes and, yes, the Alstroemeria which is currently pervading the front borders and really enlivening the view from the road. This morning was very sad because I had spent years making the garden to give joy to Deannie. This morning, she would have been out there with me, showing delight at stuff which had just burst into bloom, flashing the secateurs and making arrangements indoors.

The garden has come to fruition about six months too late for her and that saddens me, especially as the lawn is still not up to standard.

I went to Slimming World this morning, discovered that I had lost half a pound and celebrated by buying a Bakewell tart – less damaging than the Full English I really craved.

I may have mentioned that I took on the job as Musical Director for a 20 woman choir. The early days were not easy but we have managed to reach an accommodation where I talk and conduct and they listen and watch (some of the time). We did a concert on Saturday night and they really rose to the occasion, doing us all proud. Flushed with success, we are now planning a session at the Remembrance Sunday service at our Free Church and we shall put on a Christmas concert in Hagley village a couple of weeks before Christmas. Our 80 year old accompanist, Jean, is a brilliant concert pianist and also our church organist. She can make both instruments “sing” and played brilliantly at

Deannie’s funeral, fulfilling my wishes to blow the roof off with “To God be the Glory”. She was mightily put out on Saturday when she was given an electronic Zombie piano to play instead of the grand piano she usually uses. No opportunity for expression in her playing.

There are eight doctors living in my road. My next door neighbour, Arooj, is from Pakistan and she combines general practice with being a consultant dermatologist. She leaves the house at 7am and gets home at about 9pm. Her father was a very high ranking officer in the Pakistan army and he is a great character. During one of his visits, I was kneeling at my front flower bed when a voice boomed out from behind me “Is this your house?” Yes. “Why are you tending your own garden?” Because I enjoy it. “You are the senior doctor around here, aren’t you?” Probably the oldest but I am not sure about the most senior. “Well, no-one talks to each other around here (not true) and it is your responsibility to get all the doctors around here together” I promised to try and

Continued over

watched him walk around the corner to see a workman up a ladder balanced on a new lamp post “Are you qualified to do, that job?” he boomed – I did not hear the reply. Arooj thought this was hilarious. Apparently, he has always been the same. Anyway, one of the young female GPs down the road, married to a cardiology interventionist, has promised to get all the doctors together and asked me if I like curry. Yes. Just as well because I am going to Arooj’s house for a meal on Sunday night and she is a brilliant curry cook.

Deannie’s Zen saying for the month “A closed mouth gathers no foot”

I remember a time when

Deannie and I wondered whether or not we needed hearing aids. I decided to test her hearing. She was chopping vegetables and, from 20 ft away, I asked her what was for dinner. No response. The same at 15 ft and 10ft. When I asked the same question at 5ft, she turned around in exasperation and said “For the fourth time, we are having beef casserole”

A wealthy friend bought a new hearing aid privately. “They are state of the art, work wonderfully well and are well worth the £3,000 they cost me”. I asked him “What kind is it?” and he replied “Half past two”

Best wishes to you all.

THANKS FOR THE FLOAT

The Feltwell in Bloom carnival float was a joy to create. But it wasn’t all down to me. I received the trophy on behalf of the team which built the component parts of the float. Bill & Ben The Flowerpot Men and the “Little Weed” in the form of a Sunflower were the work of Pam & Terry; the guitars were designed & created by Nikki (my daughter from Swaffham) with the help of Stuart & Christine who put the glowing finishing touches. Thank you to all those who helped to create a colourful & memorable masterpiece for all who saw it to enjoy. **Bring it on 2024!**



Sudoku Puzzle

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

Answer on page 73

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LATEST CONSUMER ALERTS AND TRADING STANDARDS NEWS

Scam Alert – Letters claiming to be from the ‘Chartered Trading Standards Institute’

A Norfolk resident has reported receiving a letter claiming to be from the Chartered Trading Standards Institute (CTSI) stating that the resident needed to contact them regarding ‘failed investments’ and claim compensation. The letter gave a contact name and telephone number in the text.

When the resident contacted the number given they were directed to another number. When they called the second number the contact claimed that the resident needed to pay a fee of over £5,000 to ‘collect their compensation’.

If you receive this or a similar letter it is a scam, and we advise you do not contact any numbers quoted in the text.

CTSI have previously issued warnings about letters and emails using their name and branding which have made claims including:
That you have been ‘exposed to a company that CTSI have investigated in the past’

That ‘insurance scammers have been captured by Trading Standards’ and the letter recipient should fill in a ‘creditors debt form’ to obtain compensation

If you receive a letter claiming to be from The Chartered Trading Standards Institute, or any letter which you believe to be a scam you can report it to us via our partners, the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on freephone 0808 223 1133

Scam Alert – Telephone cold calls claiming to be from ‘your bank’

We are warning residents about telephone calls which claim to be from ‘your bank’.

In a recent report a Norfolk resident received an automated call which stated that ‘a request to transfer funds from your account has been received’. The message then gave press button options regarding the claimed transfer.

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interacting with the message, if they do it is likely they will be connected to a call handler who will then attempt to gather personal and financial information which could in turn be used to commit further fraud on or with the account.

We always advise people to be very wary of claims made during telephone cold calls. If you receive this or a similar call our advice is **do not** interact with the call and **hang up**.

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 – Emails that appear to be from known contacts

We are warning Norfolk residents to be aware of emails which appear to be from known contacts asking for ‘help’ purchasing online gift cards.

This follows a report from a resident who received an email that appeared to come from a family members email address. The text stated that they needed ‘help buying online gift cards for birthday presents’ going on to ask for the recipient to purchase ‘three £100 Amazon online gift cards’ and send the codes by email. Finally the message said money to cover the cost would then be sent in exchange.

The email recipient contacted the relative who had no knowledge of the request and is likely to have related to their email account having been compromised.

If you receive a suspicious message (even if you think you know who it is from), always check by contacting the sender via another communication route, never just by email reply.

For more information on staying secure online including ensuring you have 2-step verification (2SV) on your email account [visit the National Cyber Security Centre website](#)

Scam Alert – Fake parcel delivery emails and text messages

We are again warning residents about scam emails and text

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messages making claims about parcel deliveries. The messages will often state they are 'shipping notices', 'package delivery notices' 'delivery status updates' or 'unable to deliver your parcel'.

This follows a recent report from a Norfolk resident who received a message claiming to be from EVRI which claimed a delivery could not be made and that the recipient needed to click on a link to 'arrange redelivery'. When the link was followed the site attempted to charge a £1.25 fee.

These scam messages are sent by criminals who have created fake websites to look similar to the genuine websites, with the same branding, layout and font choices that attempts to gain personal or financial information.

Suspicious or scam text messages can be reported by forwarding the message to 7726. More information on this free reporting service and how to forward messages from your device is available on the [Ofcom website](#).

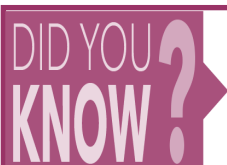
Scam Alert – Council tax refund scams

We are warning residents to be aware of scam contacts claiming to be relating to council tax refunds.

This follows information from our colleagues at Kings Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council after they received reports from residents of telephone cold calls claiming that 'you are in the wrong council tax band' and then requesting bank account details to 'give a refund'.

Remember, if you receive a cold call claiming to be from your council asking for bank details for council tax payments, refund or rebates **do not** give or confirm any details and **hang up**.

If you need to confirm a contact about council tax is genuine, or you have any other council tax queries, contact your local council directly.



Like fingerprints, each human tongue has its own unique print.



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Repeat prescriptions can be ordered [online](#).

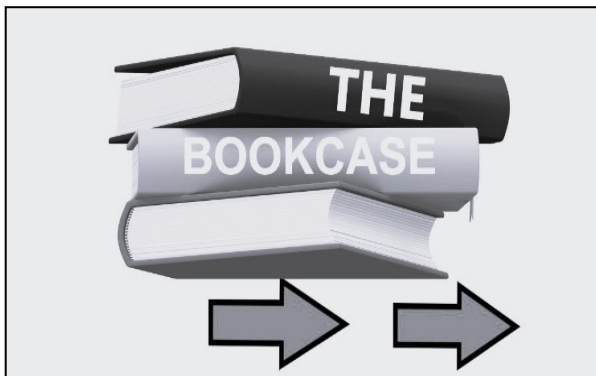
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Scam Alert – Mortgage scams

We are highlighting a warning from Action Fraud for consumers to be aware of fake emails circulating purporting to be from mortgage lenders offering rates ‘as low as 2.39%’.

Action Fraud has received 538 reports in two weeks relating to fake emails purporting to be from mortgage lenders. The emails claim to offer limited-time deals to low-rate mortgages. The links in the emails lead to malicious websites designed to steal personal and financial information.

If you have any doubts about a message, contact the organisation directly. Don't use the numbers or address in the message - use details from their official website. Your bank (or any other official source) will never ask you to supply personal information via email.

Reporting scams

Reporting scams you receive helps us continue to build up intelligence on the scammers and how they target people.

If you have received a telephone cold call which you believe to be a scam or think you have been a victim of an online scam you can report it to us via our partners the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on freephone **0808 223 1133**.

Citizens Advice consumer service website

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: **0300 123 2040** or by forwarding the message to report@phishing.gov.uk.

This is a live link to the Action Fraud website in the online issue.

What is 7726? A free service for you to use to report suspicious texts or calls you might receive on your mobile. 7726 is a number that most mobile customers using UK networks can text to report unwanted SMS messages or phone calls on a mobile. The number ‘7726’ was chosen because it spells ‘SPAM’ on an alphanumeric phone keypad – that’s a handy way of remembering it.

PESSIMISM

A few months ago, and for reasons I honestly cannot remember, I challenged our local author Frederick James to write three essays on Pessimism, Pragmatism and Optimism. This is the first, the other two will follow in September and October respectively.

“Always look on the bright side-----”)

There are those who just seem to attract disaster in all its forms. “*Forever the pessimist!*”, used to be the outcry at the sight of a miserable face.

“You mark my words!” was the assured reply. *“You mark my words! You won't be laughing then! Just you wait and see if I'm right!”*

‘Always look on the bright side of life’ will never apply to the devoted pessimist. The bright side of life doesn't seem to have any attraction for them. They live in anticipation of the disaster, be it large or small. They know its coming, but won't commit to when. There is no bright side to the life they lead and the world they live in. No matter how brightly the sun shines, there will always be rain beyond their horizons. There will always be something to spoil things and prove the pessimist to be right in their predictions of doom and gloom.

Why is it that some folks cannot imagine, pretend even, that there is a wonderful place beyond the rainbow? Of course, we all know that we can never actually get to the end of that rainbow, and its pot of gold, but that thought doesn't make us miserable, does it? A pessimist is miserable because he knows the pot of gold doesn't exist, even in his imagination.

You can excuse someone who has never won anything on the National lottery, never picked a winner or had a line on the pools, who cannot believe that one day their number might just come up, but there has to be something he can look forward to. Maybe one day a pretty girl will say yes!

I've heard it said that a pessimist is an optimist who's down on his luck, but even in a dark tunnel there will be light at the end of it. A pessimist cannot see the end of his tunnel, and to him, tomorrow will be, *"Just like today. miserable, just like today!"*

I don't think Caesar was thinking, *"Infamy, infamy, they've all got it in for me!"*, before his senators put twenty-three holes in him, on March 15th, 44BC! Maybe it is best not to know what is around the corner, in some circumstances! That would have been grounds for a pessimi-fest to crown 'em all!

It really is sad to acknowledge that there really are folk for whom their clouds have no silver lining, there is no pot of gold, and nothing that will put a smile on their face. There seems to be no way to change a convinced pessimist!

"Cheer up, mate, it'll never happen!" doesn't work for them, because it already has done, and is their way of life. They cannot see that light at the end of the tunnel, no matter how they try. In Erving Berlin's 1950 film, *Annie get your gun*, Frank Butler declared in song that *"being miserable is going to be fun!"* after Annie gave him the elbow, but he could see the light at the end of that tunnel, which made all the difference.

The pessimist lives in constant denial of that silver lining, that there is something good waiting around the corner, but with a little imagination, it might just be waiting for them. Nothing is certain in life but imagination can change the way we look at things, and maybe give that pessimist something to look forward to.

"Always look on the bright side?"

Why not?



Readers may notice that the monthly rural crimes newsletter, Operation Randall, from Norfolk Constabulary is missing from this issue. This is due to a combination of staff on leave and preparation for and attendance at the Norfolk Show.

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SUMMER HOLIDAY LOGISTICAL

This Logistical puzzle was designed by Chris at the Wellington.

The solution is on p68

	Moor Family	Adams Family	Loppett Family	King Family	North Yorkshire	Dorset	Scottish Highlands	Isle Of Wight	Air Bnb	Hotel	Bed & Breakfast	Camp Site
Car												
Train												
People Carrier												
SUV												
Air BnB												
Hotel												
Bed & Breakfast												
Camp Site												
North Yorkshire												
Dorset												
Scottish Highlands												
Isle of White												

Match the families to their holiday transport, destination & accommodation

1. The People Carrier travelled to Dorset.
2. The Loppett family travelled by Car and stayed at a Campsite.
3. The Hotel is on the Isle of Wight.
4. The family who travelled to Yorkshire didn't travel by Train or in the Car.
5. The Moor family travelled in the SUV.
6. The King family stayed in the Bed & Breakfast.



Am I the only one who thinks that the giant maypole they've erected on Feltwell base is a tad early?



Our July meeting was put back a fortnight to accommodate various activities at the Wellington and to ensure that our speaker could attend. Our speaker was our local MP, Liz Truss. Liz, she insists on being addressed as Liz, arrived promptly, attended by her two Protection Officers which, in and of itself, is a sad reflection on modern political life in Britain, particularly in the wake of the murder of MP Jo Cox. Also attending Ian Sherwood her Chief of Operations.

I have to say that I was slightly worried about this meeting, not because I thought the guys wouldn't behave themselves. They are always exemplary to our speakers but because I feared that members of the press might turn up and try to gatecrash what is, in essence, a private meeting. As it turned out my fears were unfounded. I also worried that Liz might turn the meeting into a pre-election hustings, again,



unfounded fears. What we got was a Liz Truss that, personally, I thought was more honest than I've ever seen or heard her on the radio or television. Maybe because neither Nick Robinson nor Laura Kuenssberg were in the room (other interviewers are available), just a group of her constituents interested in what she had to say on a range of topics only one of which was notified to her in advance.

To get things going she was asked about her political journey beginning with the fact that she was born to left-wing parents. Liz recalled how, at the age of 7/8, she was taken on CND marches in Scotland. How, in a mock election at her primary school she had to play Margaret Thatcher (she garnered zero votes) and how, in 1989 the Berlin Wall was demolished. This last, together with the fall of

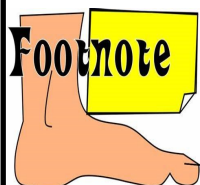
the Soviet Union and the ending of the Cold War convinced her that being strong in the face of adversity is the way to go. Thatcherism was having an effect on her political thinking. In addition, her observation, whilst at high school in Leeds, that clever children were being let down by “leftie teachers” caused her to rebel to such a degree that she became the president of the Oxford University Liberal Democrats a few years later. She stayed with the Lib Dems until she decided that they did not fully share her views and so, in 1996, she joined the Conservative Party.

Whilst at Oxford she studied philosophy, politics and economics (PPE) and then she got a job working for Shell and after that Cable and Wireless. This experience cemented her views that it is business that makes a country wealthy which eventually led to her belief that foreign aid should be commercially led by British companies and not just by cash grants.

She raised the disturbing point that not enough people are coming forward to be MPs citing the example of one selection process where three people put their names forward, two pulled out and thus, one was chosen unopposed. She is concerned that this is leading to a lack of quality in the House of Commons. She asked if anyone in the room would volunteer to be an MP and, to a man, we all said no, citing the negative press and abuse that is dished out in the media and online.

Other points worthy of inclusion in this summary are:

- she is a believer in accountability but not in any increase in bureaucracy that might follow—this in response to a question about Police and Crime Commissioners and why the Conservatives created the posts in the first place.
- she is not fond of the pensions Triple-Lock, saying that she would like pension rises to be pegged to the rise in wages as it



The accident happened because I had one eye on the lorry in front, one eye on the pedestrian and the other on the car behind.

Genuine statement from an insurance form.

will eventually become unaffordable. “It’s not politics, it’s just arithmetic.” (You will probably realise that there was much discussion on this point considering the wide age range of the membership.)

- she supports fracking as she believes it will lead to cheaper energy.
- she is most proud of the trade deals she did whilst International Trade Secretary (2019-2021), particularly the one she did with Australia.
- she is very grateful for never being asked to be Secretary of State for Health and Social Care.
- and that a third of her fellow Conservative MPs were against her from the very start of her Prime Ministership and this lack of support led to her downfall.

She is currently writing another book but didn’t say what it was about. A book signing session was offered at the pub but she was non-committal in her answer.

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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 the 5<sup>th</sup> August when our speaker will be the less controversial Matthew Jacobs who will talk to us about working at the USAF hospital, Lakenheath.



## **Do You Have Va Va Voom? Unlocking the Vibrant Spirit of Our Village!**

In our quaint little village, where the chirping birds wake us up and the gentle breeze whispers tales of the countryside, we often find ourselves captivated by the unique energy that surrounds us. But have you ever stopped to wonder if you possess that extra special something, that unmistakable "va va voom," which adds an extra spark to your everyday life? Well, it's time to find out!

Va va voom, a delightful phrase that originated from the French expression "vive la différence," encapsulates the vibrant spirit and zest for life that resides within each of us. It's that inexplicable charisma, that twinkle in the eye, and that bounce in your step that sets you apart from the crowd. So, let's embark on a whimsical journey of self-discovery and find out if you have the va va voom!

Firstly, ask yourself, do you embrace new adventures with open arms? Our village is teeming with opportunities to explore, whether it's hiking through the enchanting forest trails with the abundance of mullein, or engaging in the vibrant community spirit and participating in the various events and festivities. Va va voom thrives on curiosity and the willingness to step outside your comfort zone.

Secondly, take a moment to reflect on your laughter. Does it fill the air like joyful music? Laughter is the soul's symphony, and our village is known for its hearty giggles and contagious smiles. Sharing a good laugh with friends and neighbours is the essence of va va voom.

Thirdly, think about your passions and hobbies. Do they ignite a fire within you? Whether it's painting landscapes, gardening, baking, or going for a bike ride, pursuing your passions with enthusiasm and dedication adds that extra sparkle to your life.

Lastly, embrace the unique qualities that make you, well, you! Our village celebrates diversity, and each individual brings their own special charm to the community. Va va voom is all about embracing your authentic self and celebrating what makes you truly

remarkable.

So, dear villagers, as you go about your daily routines, take a moment to pause and reflect. Do you have that va va voom? The answer lies within your heart and your spirit. Embrace the vibrancy of life, spread joy wherever you go, and let your va va voom shine brightly for all to see.

Yours in fitness and health.

Helen



The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also appears to be depressed.

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

## SIR EDMUND DE MOUNDEFORD CHARITY

### GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR POST 16 STUDY

- Are you over 16?
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If you can answer "YES" to all of the above then apply in writing to Mr B. Hawkins, Agent for Sir Edmund De Moundeford Trust, 15 Lynn Road, Downham Market, Norfolk. PE38 9NL. In your letter you **MUST** include the date you moved into the village, details of the course you are studying, where you are studying, the qualification you expect to achieve upon completion and any costs necessary for you to embark upon the course. Include details of any books and/or equipment required. If you know a Trustee please put their name in your application. The award of a grant is at the discretion of the Trustees and shall not exceed £300. Only one award will be made per applicant.

## **West Norfolk Aviation Society July 2023**

### **[www.westnorfolkaviationsociety.org.uk](http://www.westnorfolkaviationsociety.org.uk)**



A last-minute change of destination saw a small, yet enthusiastic, expedition from the WNAS, head for the heritage centre at the former RAF Bircham Newton.

Our thanks must firstly go to the curator of the heritage centre, Jamie, for accommodating us at such short notice and making everyone feel so welcome.

The heritage centre has recently undergone a revamp that now sees dedicated rooms to WWI, the inter-war years, WWII and post war periods.

Starting at the beginning (always a useful place to start) Jamie explained how RAF Bircham Newton opened just a month after the inception of the Royal Air Force in 1918. Designated as a bomber airfield, it was equipped with three Handley Page V/1500s the largest of the British aeroplanes.

A plan was conceived to use these four-engine behemoths against Berlin in early November 1918. However, due to a series of weather delays, technical setbacks and other issues, the raid was eventually scheduled for the afternoon of the 11th, take off around lunchtime. At the last minute, some even say, as the aeroplanes were preparing for take-off, news of the armistice reached the Station.

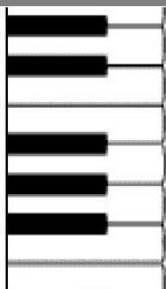
The inter-war years saw RAF Bircham Newton used as a bomber training station where some of the higher echelons of WWII cut their teeth. The status of a training station ensured it was kept operational throughout these years, at one point being the only operational RAF station in Norfolk.

WWII saw Coastal Command take charge and the arrival of Swordfish, Anson, Hudson and Wellington aeroplanes with several other types having shorter stays throughout the war.

Jamie's passion and knowledge about the aircrews stationed at RAF Bircham Newton throughout this period was obvious. He regaled us with stories of both heroism and tragedy. The Canadian crews in particular seemed to suffer heavy losses. Jamie explained crews were often asked to carry out operations over the enemy coast where their slow moving, outdated aeroplanes were easy pickings for the German fighters. There are several recorded incidents of entire raids being wiped out with the loss of nearly all aircrews.

Post war RAF Bircham Newton was hampered by the lack of a hard runway. Never having the capability to accommodate the jet age, operations dwindled. It was somewhat ironic then that the last aeroplane to leave the site was a jet: the forerunner of the iconic Harrier, the Hawker Siddeley Kestrel, completed trials at the station during 1965.

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The site itself is remarkably well preserved with many original buildings still intact; however, access is strictly limited due to the on-going activities of the Construction College.

If you get the opportunity to visit, it's well worthwhile, just to listen to Jamie's knowledge if nothing else. All who attended expressed a wish to return for a further visit in the future.

Steve Catlett

## Cost of Living

We are acutely aware of the rise in the cost of living which is why we have absorbed the increased cost of printing this magazine and kept its cover price fixed for the coming year at least.

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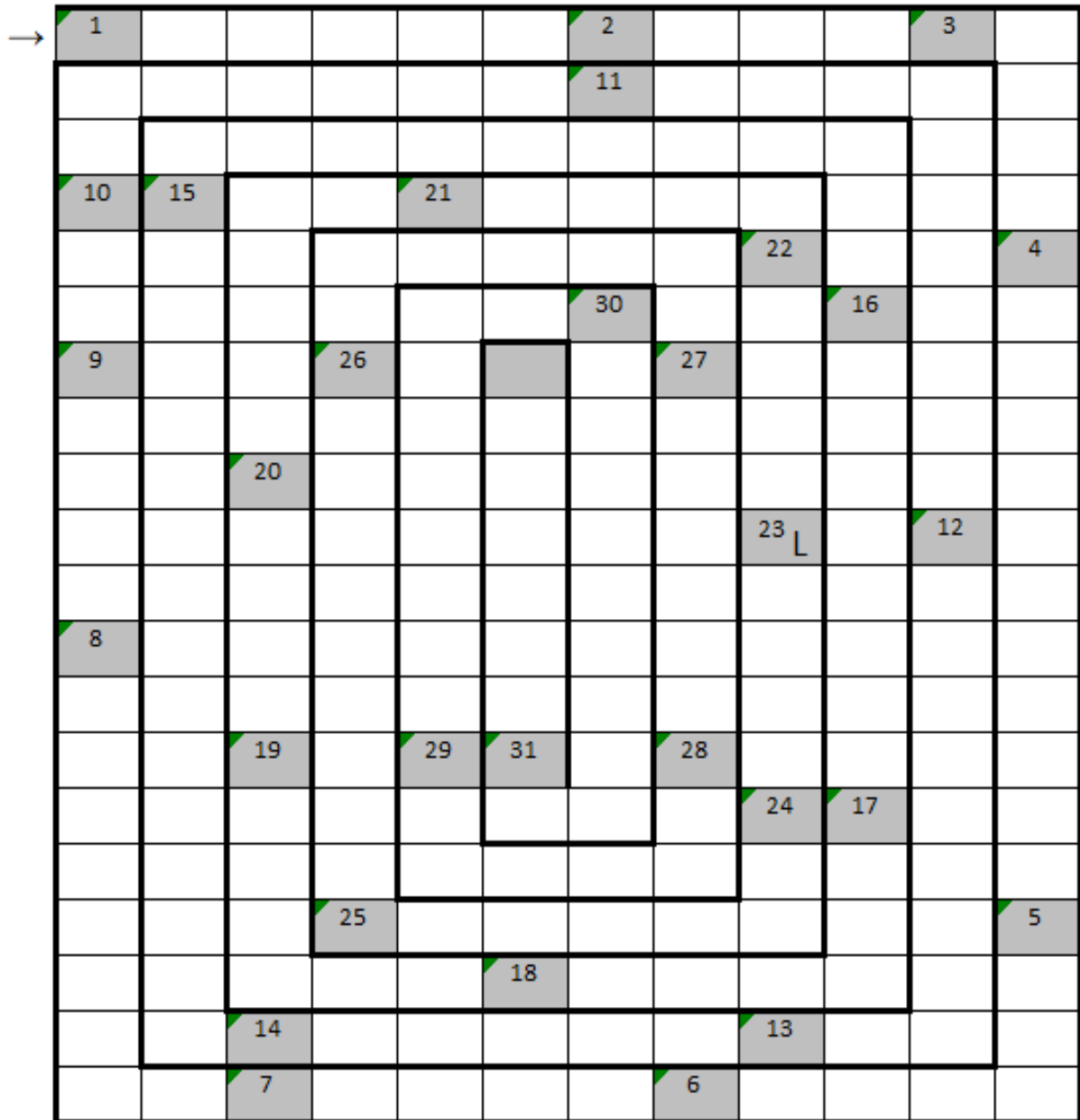
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## WORD TRAIL NO. 31

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 Fine Muslin (7)
- 2 HORTICULTURE: What is a 'Worcester Pearmain' (5)
- 3 To make furious (6)
- 4 A lightweight lizard from the late Jurassic of Tanzania (13)
- 5 Fairground booth (8)

- 6 Type of tree (6)
- 7 A book written by Sir Terry Pratchett in 1988 -(4-7)
- 8 FILM: 1988 starring Bruce Willis & James Garner (6)
- 9 What shape is the pasta called Rigatoni (4)
- 10 The point on the earth's surface above an earthquake (9)
- 11 MEDICAL: A disease where tissue similar to the uterus grows outside of the uterus causing pain (13)
- 12 Often bought when at the seaside (6-2-4)
- 13 Small oval citrus fruit with thin rind (7)
- 14 SONG: in 1970 Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young sang this song (5-4-8)
- 15 She won the 6th series of The Great British Bake Off (6-7)
- 16 Insipidly pretty, weakly sentimental (5-5)
- 17 Characterised by being young (8)
- 18 Freshwater vertebrate known for their ability to breathe air (8)
- 19 The Egyptian Goddess depicted as a Cow and Sky Goddess, Consort to Horus and Mother of Earth (6)
- 20 A country that is governed by elected representatives and an elected leader (8)
- 21 Lemon juice (acid) - (6)
- 22 Offhand (6)
- 23 What type of animal is a Komodo Dragon (6)
- 24 The capital of Syria (8)
- 25 Tom Cruise is an out-spoken member of which religion (11)
- 26 The previous day (9)
- 27 An East Asian purple-red edible fruit (8)
- 28 MEDICAL: A bacteria which includes the causative organism of plague (8)
- 29 FILM: 1997 starring Harrison Ford as the U.S. President (3-5-3)
- 30 TV SERIES: May 2022 premiered the 'Obi-Wan Kenobi' TV Series, who was the main star (4-8)
- 31 A single piece of wet stuff that falls from the sky (8)

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

# August Events @ The Wellington



## Food Trucks This Month



**Friday  
25th  
6pm - 10pm**

*Lekky Thai food*  
**Saturday  
26th  
6:30pm Onwards**

## MUSIC THIS MONTH

**5th - Chas Slater  
from 8:30pm**



**19th - Carol Ann  
from 8:30pm**



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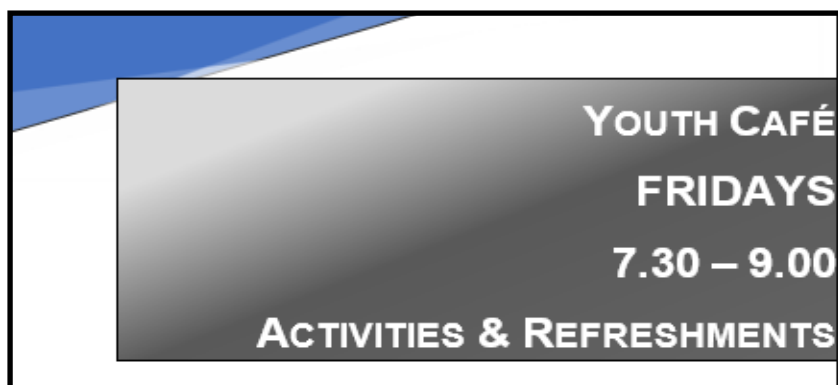
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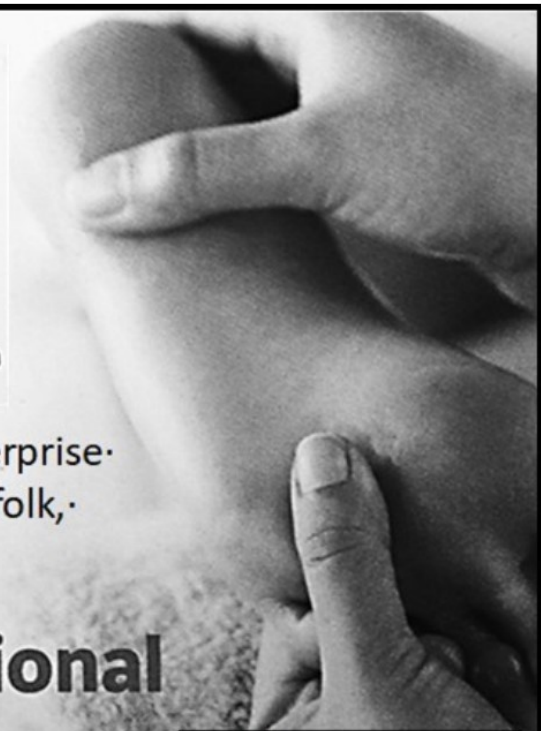
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13— Local Speaker—AND 3pm at Southery

20—Dudley Pickston

27— Meeting at Hilgay Chapel

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**On a serious note we must thank all the people who have  
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support, not only from grant funding bodies but also from  
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have worked with us. The floor is due to be levelled in the  
autumn and we will then have an official opening in order  
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*From Feltwell Community Group*

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*I know I had a great time on both occasions and am already looking forward to next year. Congratulations to you all.*



Just in case you're wondering, both of these photos were taken before the carnival started properly with the arrival of the parade.





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# Feltwellians Around The World



*The tale that follows is only obliquely related to Feltwell, if at all, but it is interesting all the same.*

*In early July I received a phone call from a gentleman called **Chris Newsome** who is doing some ancestry research. During that call it became apparent that he is living in my old home town of Hull, is a retired police officer of 16 years and, to my great surprise, he knew my father. Obviously memories of dad were shared and eventually we got back to the point of his call. I asked him if he would write a piece for the magazine outlining everything he had told me and he agreed. What follows is that explanation in his words.*

Dear Paul,

Many years ago, say from the mid-1960s, my maternal Grandmother told me a fascinating tale about our family history. Over the years she repeated it many times and a few others too (as Grandma's often do!) and it was always the same, right up to her death in 1974.

The details were that many years ago a male family member left the family home (Norfolk) to go on a sailing ship. He was never seen again, but sometime later a man visited their village and explained the man has died on a ship on its way to *his* country and had been buried at sea. The man gave proof of these facts by handing them a letter, a signet ring and a prayerbook. How this unfortunate man was connected to our family was unclear and never explained. With no name or supporting evidence, it was to me just one of those tales' families tell like 'lost wealth from Highwaymen, and wicked unjustifiable incidents. I had almost dismissed it when a couple of years ago, I traced a family member (David) who was my mother's second cousin. They never properly met but did at least know of each other. Within the four years of knowing David, before he

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passed away, I mentioned the story of the missing family ancestor. To my amazement he knew the exact details but was able to not only recount the story, he had possession of the prayer book which provides tantalizing information.

The name of the missing man (Osbert). The dates, Sailing Ships Name, and intended destination.

It seems he was going to a Slave Plantation in Jamaica. *See side box.*

Initially I felt sick and would have rather not known anything; the thought of being associated in the slave trade in any way I felt was shameful and disgusting but thinking about it, the missing man Osbert may have felt the same way too, as a hand written note inside the book says, 'he was much lamented by the poor Negros'. It was 1835 when he set sail and I believe his purpose there was in a Pastoral capacity giving help and relief to the Plantation community.

This has thrown up several questions which I hope to answer, but before I pose any questions, I have managed to establish the following facts stated in the hand written entry.

Firstly, there was a S.V. St Vincent Planter. (Sailing Vessel) and it was Captained by Capt' Bridges.

It was used to sail from the U.K. to Jamaica. Planter means it was used to supply and transport goods etc to the Plantation.

This book I gave dear Osbert when he went to Jamaica, in 1835 Sep ye 23<sup>rd</sup> he went on board the SV Vincent Planter commanded by Capt'n Bridges In 1837 after an illness of one week he left this "vale of tears" deeply lamented by the poor Negros at Houghton Grove as also dearly beloved, and will be ever lamented by his family, and friends – his excellence and worth was great – now we trust & feel through the death of Christ Jesus he inherits everlasting felicity From *(Signature is undecipherable)* to her dear friend Os Spinks Sept 1835.

This book was sent from Jamaica in 1837 with others after the death of my estimable friend may my loss be his eternal gain.



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If he had been buried in Jamaica, possibly his death may be recorded there, so I shall make inquiries there.

It's possible some acknowledgement may have been made in the form of a stone tablet inside his Church.

Doing such work in a far away foreign land would likely be recognised as a 'worthy cause to be remembered' especially with the absence of a grave at home.

The name Osbert is fairly unusual in records and the surname **Spinks** is quite unusual too.

The two combined are recorded locally.

In my Fathers side of the family the pattern Joseph, son of John, son of Joseph . . . goes back many generations.

Perhaps Osbert is a significant name to a certain branch of the Spinks family.

I have found a connection with the name Spinks to siblings of my ancestors. They were in the generation preceding Loami - No Osbert found though.

The Reynolds family of Witchingham is linked to me thus

Loami Reynolds bn 1830 Witchingham mother of

Alice Green bn 1860 Outwell "

Edith Bright bn 1890 Peterborough "

Mary Dean bn 1919 Paston nr Peterborough "

Christopher N (me) bn 1955 Stamford, Lincs.

*Can anyone help Chris in his research in any way at all.? If so, please get in touch with me, Paul, at the details on the inside front cover.*

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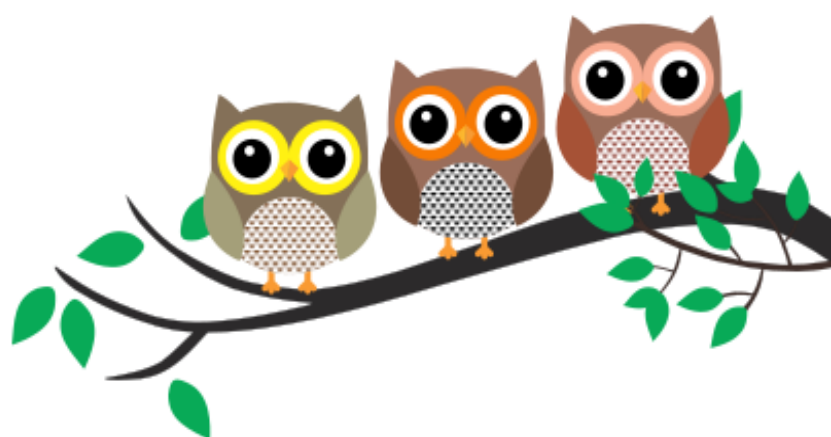
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## WORD SEARCH

Submitted by Mrs J. Clements.

This month our word search is on **EDIBLE SEEDS**. 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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*The solution is on page 78*





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



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|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> August     | Eucharist | 9-15 am<br>11am | Feltwell<br>Hockwold  |
| Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> August    | Eucharist | 9.15am<br>11am  | Hockwold<br>Northwold |
| Sun 20 <sup>th</sup><br>August | Eucharist | 9.15am<br>11am  | Feltwell<br>Weeting   |
| Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> August    | Eucharist | 9.15am<br>11am  | Hockwold<br>Northwold |

Every first Tuesday of the month there is a simple service of Holy Communion at Hockwold at 9.15am. On all other Tuesdays there will be Morning Prayer.

**Zoom Eucharist** - Email Chris Parker for details:  
[grimshoebeneficeoffice@gmail.com](mailto:grimshoebeneficeoffice@gmail.com)

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



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## FELTWELL BOWLS CLUB



June has been a very busy month and we are gaining much more strength with the members, we have another new member and three more in the wings.

Our Doubles competition started with 24 (12 teams) entered, the first round is complete and a start made on the second round.

We have 26 entered for the club singles, the draw took place on Wednesday 5th July, the first round to be played by 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

We have now started the Dave Allen League, that makes 3 leagues in some weeks, although we have 3 key players off with injuries we are still coping with keeping up the games.

Below are the June results up to 6<sup>th</sup> July. We have played 9 league games consisting of 4 in the Rosie Smith (R.S.) 3 in the Ashill (Ash) and 2 in the Dave Allen (D.A).

| DATE  | LEAGUE | OPPONENT      | VENUE | RESULT | SCORE   | POINTS |
|-------|--------|---------------|-------|--------|---------|--------|
| 12/06 | R.S    | Shouldham     | Home  | Loss   | 37 - 60 | 0 - 8  |
| 13/06 | Ash    | Weeting       | Home  | Loss   | 50 - 60 | 2 - 6  |
| 19/06 | R.S    | Mundford      | Away  | Win    | 64 - 54 | 6 - 2  |
| 20/06 | Ash    | Wicklewood    | Away  | Win    | 50 - 39 | 8 - 0  |
| 26/06 | R.S    | Hockwold      | Away  | Win    | 57 - 42 | 6 - 2  |
| 27/06 | Ash    | Connaught Yew | Away  | Loss   | 36 - 63 | 2 - 6  |
| 29/06 | D.A    | Mundford      | Away  | Loss   | 37 - 62 | 0 - 5  |
| 03/07 | R.S    | Swaffham      | Home  | Loss   | 45 - 49 | 2 - 6  |
| 06/07 | D.A    | Harling       | Away  | Loss   | 51 - 62 | 1 - 4  |

Total results are as follows:-

Rosie Smith    26 points    shots for 365    shots against 347

Ashill            28 points    shots for 301    shots against 281

Dave Allen     1   point    shots for 88    shots against 122

We had a stall at the village fete June 17<sup>th</sup>. This was well attended and a lot of interest shown and a handsome profit into the bargain.

The Quiz Night held on the 1<sup>st</sup> June was not so well attended as the last one, due to holidays and sickness, but we still made a good sum towards our mower.

The next Quiz night is pencilled in for September. I will confirm the date later.

We had a stall on the yard sale 8<sup>th</sup> July which made a nice sum again towards the mower.

## **METHWOLD CHURCH SPIRITUALIST SERVICES**

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

### **AUGUST CLOSED**

**8th September CLAIRE QUADLING**

**22nd September JOHN ENNIS**

**The 21 Room, St. George's Hall Complex,  
16 High Street, Methwold, Norfolk IP26 4NT.**

Entrance donation £3. Evening of Clairvoyance £5 (towards costs)  
(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.

### **SUMMER HOLIDAY LOGISTICAL SOLUTION**

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| Moor Family    | SUV            | Air BnB         | North Yorkshire  |
| Adams Family   | Train          | Hotel           | Isle of Wight    |
| Loppett Family | Car            | Camp Site       | Scottish Islands |
| King Family    | People Carrier | Bed & Breakfast | Dorset           |

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# **RSPB**

## **Lakenheath Fen**

### **BABY BIRDS IN YOUR GARDEN: WHEN TO HELP AND WHEN TO LEAVE**

Although the days are getting noticeably shorter now, many birds are still breeding and will use the warmer weather and extra insects of summer to raise another brood or two. Some birds, like starlings and blue tits very often have one nesting attempt, whereas blackbirds, robins, house sparrows and swallows will keep attempting to breed so long as the conditions are right.

In our busy gardens and public green spaces, things can sometimes go wrong for these young families- perhaps someone prunes a hedge a bit too keenly or a pet cat finds chicks as tempting toys. Young birds can also fledge a bit too soon, perhaps through being adventurous (just like young human kids!) or because we have a very hot spell and the nestlings are trying to get away from the close heat of the nest box and their siblings. However, the vast majority of chicks will fledge at the right time, and they need little help from us. They may leave the nest before they can fly properly, but being able to flutter around, hop about and sit and wait for the adults to bring food is often all they need to be able to do. Fledging like this gives them a chance to stretch their wings and build their flight muscles in a way that they can't inside the nest.

So when does a youngster need help? We receive many phone calls each Spring and Summer about baby birds- and whether it is right for the caller to intervene. If a bird of any age has a visible injury- perhaps a patch of blood or a clearly broken leg or wing- help should be sought and the best place to look is to visit the website [www.helpwildlife.co.uk](http://www.helpwildlife.co.uk) where you can enter your postcode to find the contact details of the nearest rescue centres closest to you.



giving  
nature  
a home

## Events at RSPB Lakenheath Fen

Places for all events need to be booked online- please visit <https://bit.ly/LakenheathFenEvents> to read more and book tickets.

### **Guided Pond Dipping**

5 August, 2 September (11am to 1pm).

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

Adults £6 (RSPB members), £7 (non-RSPB members), Under 16's £3 (RSPB members), £4 (non-RSPB members).

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

25 August, 29 Sept, 27 Oct (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!

### **Race for Wildlife 2023**

Sunday 15 October (11am – 2pm)

Choose from either a 5k or 10k route through the most scenic parts of the reserve. Expect a friendly and supportive atmosphere, and every finisher gets a medal! This event is the perfect way to combine healthy exercise with helping your local wildlife.

Price: Adults £15, Under 16's £7.50.



However, if there are no visible injuries, it's time to look at whether the young bird is old enough to be out of the nest- if it has well developed feathers, and only little tufts of downy fluff, then it is likely to be old enough (the young blackbird in the photograph is a good example). If you can still clearly see the quills and bare skin in patches, the young bird is too young to fly and escape dangers and therefore this is a good time to ask for help.



A Young Blackbird.  
*Photo from 'Picfair'*

What often happens is that young birds are very approachable- and this doesn't mean they are injured. It simply means they haven't learnt to fear humans yet (they will pick this up by observing their parents when they have been out of the nest for a while). It's best to leave uninjured fledglings where they are (unless they are in immediate danger) and give them space so that the parents (who are fearful of humans) have the courage to come and feed them. Some young birds aren't fed very often by their parents- perhaps 3 or 4 times per day, especially bigger birds, so not seeing a visit for an hour or two isn't necessarily a problem. You will probably find that the bird moves on of its own accord and in a few hours it won't be there. However, if the youngster has been there for more than a day and you are sure its parents aren't visiting, you could ask for help. It's also OK to move the bird out of a dangerous position (such as a road or busy footpath) into the closest nearby rooftop or vegetation, or other sheltered spot. The parents will be looking for it and will find it if it hasn't moved far.

I hope this advice will prove useful, and hopefully clear up the grey area of when it is best for us humans to intervene, and when wild birds are best left to their own devices.

With best wishes from the team at Lakenheath Fen,  
Heidi Jones (Visitor Experience Officer)

## Breckland Branch



A few weeks ago, a lady rang me to tell me that she had been walking her dog down an unmade single lane track in Brandon, and had come across 3 adult cats that were very friendly and ran out of the undergrowth to meet her. They were obviously domestic cats that had been dumped there. They appeared to be related as they had very similar unusual colouring. They were very hungry. The next time the lady took her dog down the track, she took food for them, which they quickly devoured.

The problem was that she was sure one of them was heavily pregnant. And she herself was going on holiday for a week the next day and she was obviously very worried about them, especially the pregnant cat. She gave me directions on where to find them, and the next day I took a walk down the track and found them. I quickly scooped up the pregnant cat into a cat basket. Unfortunately, at that time, we didn't have room to take the other two cats as well, so I took food to give them, which they quickly ate.

The pregnant cat was in very poor condition, very thin and her coat was rough and dirty. I took her to our emergency pen in Thetford in the care of one of our volunteers, where she was given lots of food and water and a warm bed. The very next day she gave birth to five beautiful kittens. So, we only got her into our care just in time.

Of the remaining two cats, one female is with the lady who found them, and she has now been neutered, vaccinated and microchipped and is ready for a new home. The remaining cat, we think, was taken by another caring person. If that person sees this article, please get in touch, as we would like to get the cat neutered which we will of course pay for. We think these two cats were the pregnant cat's kittens from a previous litter. They were judged by the vet to be about eight months old.

How someone could dump three lovely cats is beyond our belief. Anything could have happened to them and the pregnant cat could

have given birth outside where here kittens would have been in grave danger. When cats are pregnant and feeding kittens, they need lots of food. The cat with kittens that we have now named Betsy, is eating around 8 pouches of food a day, together with biscuits. All the food she is eating is going to milk, to feed her babies. She is already skinny herself, and will be in a worse condition by the time the kittens are weaned. But she won't be having any more babies, as she will be neutered, vaccinated and microchipped and put up for adoption.

Please call us if you have a cat or kitten you no longer want. We may not be able to help immediately as we are a very small branch and we are full to overflowing at the moment. But we may be able to point you in the direction of another charity which may be able to help you.

Call us on 01842 810018 if you need help, information or assistance with the cost of neutering. We are here to help you.

Rita

### A Message from the Editor

Readers are reminded that the magazine is released 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.

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## NEW DEFIBRILLATOR FOR FELTWELL



Having secured a grant from the Borough Council's Defibrillator Scheme, the Parish Council are pleased to announce the installation of another defibrillator which is situated outside R H Lindsay on Old Methwold Road.

The Parish Council would like to thank the proprietors of R H Lindsay for permitting this and also absorbing all associated running costs.



## SPOT THE DIFFERENCE NO. 42

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.



**Lodge Road, East Hall exit.** How things have changed.







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A Meeting was held on Monday the 10th of JULY 2022 in the British Legion, Long Lane. 9 Councillors attended, 3 members of the public and RAF Commander Geary.

RAF Commander said the British American Committee are exploring funding avenues with Norfolk and Suffolk Highways to improve local roads, particularly Feltwell to Lakenheath and Lakenheath to Mildenhall. Final preparations are underway for the plethora of upcoming changes of command. The newly appointed Chief of the Air Staff is Sir Richard Knighton.

New bin to be purchased from Glasdon to replace the one destroyed at the playing field. Replacement door frame for electric meter cupboard to be purchased following vandalism to existing. Clerk said the Police are upping their presence in the village following the recent spate of vandalism in the village. A battery-powered leaf blower to be purchased for the tennis court. Four-seater park bench has been ordered with funds awarded by Warren Energy's Community Fund and will arrive w/c 7/8/23. Annual operational risk assessment of play equipment has been carried out by Wicksteed, issues raised were either low risk or very low risk and the Clerk will meet with the Handyman to look at these. Online Playgrounds will continue carrying out quarterly risk assessments.

There has been a spate of dog walking at the playing field, the RAF Commander will remind staff that there is a bylaw in place therefore this is not permitted, and the Clerk will put a notice on the Council's Facebook page.

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.

Grass contractor has been instructed to ensure all work detailed on the grass maintenance specification is undertaken following complaints regarding St Nicholas Churchyard and the playing field.

Mr Storey said Norfolk and Suffolk County Councils had been formally appointed by Government as responsible authorities

## Word Search Solution

Next month's Word Search will feature  
**Religious Festivals**

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for preparing a Local Nature Recovery Strategy for their respective counties and will receive £333,000 and £282,000 respectively over two years to fund this work. Evening road closures will be in place for resurfacing works at Stradsett A134/A1122 24/7/23–28/7/23 and the Tottenhill roundabout A10/A134 31/7/23–4/8/23. Mr Storey will put forward his recent site inspection of Southery Road to Highways and asked for any Feltwell projects to be put forward for his Members funding allowance.

Path to be sided out in front of 2 Oak Street. Measures agreed with Highways to improve safety at Hill Street junction with St Mary's Street/The Beck include white lining of 'SLOW' in front of the junction and a 'Give Way Ahead' sign located a good distance before it. A solid 'STOP' line would require a traffic order costing around £10K and with no guarantee it would be granted, this was not considered currently viable.

Additional SAM2 location further down The Beck to be applied for in a bid to stop speeding here. Chair will present data downloaded from the SAM2's at the next meeting.

Anyone interested in volunteering for a Community Speed Watch Group should contact Michelle Morris via her email [dolmanster@googlemail.com](mailto:dolmanster@googlemail.com)

The village now has its third live defibrillator located at R H Lindsay on Old Methwold Road; the other two are situated outside the Social Club on Paynes Lane and Londis on High Street.

The Parish Council kindly requests residents cut back any protruding greenery to within property boundaries to ensure pathways and roadways are not obstructed.

Don't forget to join Feltwell Parish Council's Facebook page for regular updates and subscribe to our website <https://feltwellparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>

There is no meeting in August therefore the next Parish Council meeting will take place at the British Legion on Monday 11th September 2023 at 7.30 pm, all are welcome.



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