

# WICKHAM MARKET

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## Parish Council Committees and Groups

**Finance & General Purpose Committee:** Meets on the first Monday alternate months. Responsible for grants and managing financial reporting and budgets.

**Planning Committee:** Meets as required and reviews and comments on all planning applications for the Parish.

**Staffing and Personnel Committee:** Meets as required and advises the council on all employment matters.

**Sizewell C Committee:** Advises the Council on the impact of Sizewell C.

**Environment & Leisure Working Group:** Meets on the second Monday alternate months and responsibilities include the Cemetery, Allotments and Footpaths.

**Climate Change Working Group:** Responsible for the Climate Action Strategy and advising the Council on Climate Change actions.

**Village Hall Working Group:** Working with the Village Hall Trustees to manage the hall

## SPRING IS IN FULL FLOW! Everything is growing, animals and birds are moving around and so are people!

As always, there's lots to do to make Wickham Market feel good. Hedges have been trimmed and trees managed over the winter. Footpaths are being cleared and litter picked. The grass is being cut ensuring that wildlife corridors and flowers for bees remain. The Hill is having a makeover to make it more attractive. Speed Indicator Devices have been installed.

This all takes time and effort often by volunteers. So please do come along and join us in making Wickham Mar-

ket an even better place to be! There are plenty of opportunities to join volunteer groups or join the Parish Council (or both!)

**The Parish Council also has a vacancy for a part time Deputy Parish Clerk. Please contact Al Besly for more information at:**

[clerk@wickhammarketpc.com](mailto:clerk@wickhammarketpc.com)

## GOOD NEWS FOR PARKING!

The Percy Mason Car Park (Long Stay off the Hill) now has a reduced annual rate of £350. That is less than £1 per day to park there for as long as you want! See <https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/news/cost-of-annual-parking-ticket-significantly-reduced/>

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**It was a lovely Spring day to have our first big market of the year!**

**We had 34 stalls which were a mix of traders and voluntary organisations. This filled Market Hill nicely and allowed everyone space to shop and socialise.**



Many thanks to everyone who made this event work so well:

- The traders and exhibitors who set up and took down with no fuss.
- The volunteer crew who were there before 7am to get started and then cleared up at the end.
- The organisers to coordinate all the stall holders.
- The Easter Bonnet contestants.
- The free hot cross buns and juice.
- All the visitors that make the event worthwhile!



So we are going to do it all again in the Summer! Save the date 10 August.



**But before then we have our regular weekly markets and monthly speciality markets:**

1st Saturday Makers and Crafts.  
3rd Saturday Food and Drink.

Look out for more information on our web site and contact Alison for stall holder information: [markets@wickhammarketpc.com](mailto:markets@wickhammarketpc.com)



## ART INSPIRED BY SUFFOLK

A new Exhibition to Open in Wickham Market, Saturday May 25th to June 8th.



*John Duvall, 1816 -1892. Sheep and lambs. Oil on canvas, circa 1865*

Art Inspired by Suffolk is an exciting new exhibition opening to the public at the East Anglian Traditional Art Centre in Wickham Market. It will celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the Ipswich Fine Art Club, which is still thriving today as the Ipswich Art Society.



*John Moore, 1820 -1902. Shipping off the Coast. Oil on panel, circa 1875*

More than sixty drawings and paintings will be loaned to the Exhibition. The works, which date from 1850 to 1950, are by Suffolk artists who were members of the Ipswich Fine Art Club and include John Duvall, John Moore, George Thomas Rope, Robert Burrows and the Smythe brothers, Edward and Thomas. A further small selection of pictures from various Collections will be for sale.

John Day of the East Anglian Traditional Art Centre comments, "We are looking forward to displaying these of marvelous paintings by artists who enjoyed depicting Suffolk people in their towns and in the countryside. The pictures provide an insight into both rural and urban regional history.

Art Inspired by Suffolk is of interest to all who love our beautiful county. It is fascinating to contrast the changes in some areas with others remaining relatively unaltered over the intervening years."

**East Anglian Traditional Art Centre 'Art Inspired by Suffolk' Saturday May 25th to June 8th. 11am-4pm, closed Sunday and Monday.**

To view the online catalogue please visit [eatac.co.uk](http://eatac.co.uk) or contact: [john@eatac.co.uk](mailto:john@eatac.co.uk) 01728 747050

This Exhibition forms part of the Ipswich Art Society celebrations to mark its 150th Anniversary. Further works from the Day Collection are included in an exhibition 'Art at the Heart of Ipswich' on view at The Hold in Ipswich.



*Cavendish Morton 1911-2015. Plough and Sail, Snape, 1967. Oil on board*

For details of the IAS events please visit [IPSWICH-ART-SOCIETY.ORG.UK](http://IPSWICH-ART-SOCIETY.ORG.UK)

## VILLAGE HALL MODERNISATION



The Village Hall Modernisation Steering Group (MSG) has amalgamated and merged to form a Joint Modernisation Steering Group (JMSG) with members from Village Hall CIO Trustees and Parish Council.

In order to give the Group financial powers, it will probably have to become a Committee of the Parish Council whilst retaining the original membership. Work to achieve the best solution to this tricky problem is proceeding well.

Sally Noble, our East Suffolk Councillor [ESC] for Wickham Market Ward and Sam Kenward, our ESC Communities Officer, were extremely helpful in getting the JSMG meetings up and running but may well step back a little as the structure of the group changes.

An architect has been selected on a competitive tendering basis ensuring that they had sound experience and good references for Village Hall Modernisation projects. Subsequently a purchase order was placed by the Parish Council with OWL Architects of Bungay.

The JMSG formulated the Architects outline specification and outline Clients general vision of objectives along with a brief enabling the Architect to provide two or three initial Concept Design Schemes for review on Tuesday 26th March 2024. These schemes are being reviewed, together with their supporting detailed reports, and soon we should be in a position to move forward and obtain costed options from specialised main contractors for the modification works.

District Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Grant Application Form is being prepared. A meeting with ESC is being arranged to discuss our submission to enable us to have best possible change of receiving a substantial grant towards funding the Village Hall modernisation project. A considerable amount of work is needed to raise the funds needed to carry out modernisation of the Village Hall as the CIL grant is unlikely to cover the full cost.

It is appreciated that the existing Village Hall must be able to continue to operate until the work starts. Consequently, some essential work is being planned. The Village Show 2023 has donated funds towards cost to carry out a specialised Kitchen Deep Clean and hopefully this much needed work will be completed soon.

***Cllr John Horsnell and Cllr Dick Jenkinson***

## ARCHIVE CENTRE RE-OPENING



After 4 years, we are, at last, re-opening. In a new location. And on more days.

The Archive Centre closed when Covid struck, and after that we never properly re-opened.

Before closing, we were looking for a new location, and we kept looking during that period, and finally hit upon a solution. Now, thanks to the very generous support of The Wickham Market Partnership, who have used a legacy and obtained several grants, we have been able to build and move into a new fully insulated log cabin in the grounds of the Resource Centre, behind the Library in Chapel Lane.

Our official re-opening will take place on **Monday 6th May**, and you are all welcome to join us during the day, between **10:30am and 4:00pm**. The official ribbon cutting and naming of the building will take place at 11:00am, and throughout the day we will be providing drinks and light refreshments.

So come along and see our new building, bring along any photos and other information to go into the archive, and have a look at our displays.

We will have some Roman coins and a Roman pot on display. They were found in Wickham Market in 1983, and date from 249 to 275 AD. We will be showing the banners that used to be paraded through the village on May Day by the Foresters and Oddfellows.

After 6th May, we are pleased to say that we will be **open on Tuesdays and Thursdays, between 10:30am and 12:30pm**, so do come along with your questions about your family history, property history or anything else.

We could also open at other times, by appointment. Phone 01728 746058 or email [chairman.wmarchives@gmail.com](mailto:chairman.wmarchives@gmail.com)



Take a look at the information which is being posted on Facebook, at any time - just search for Wickham Market Area Archive Centre (WMAAC) and ask to join the group.

You can also find information at [www.wmarchives.co.uk](http://www.wmarchives.co.uk).

***Philip Tallent***

# ALL SAINTS CHURCH

With all the rain we have had this winter, we are glad to be reminded by the rainbow of God's promise not to flood the whole world again!

As this is written, we are still in the process of appointing a new Vicar; hopefully by the time you read this we will know who that will be! The Easter season with its mix of sadness at Jesus' crucifixion, and joy at His resurrection is now past, and summer is approaching.

## Our services continue as usual:

Our regular monthly pattern of services is:-

1st Sunday: 11.00 Communion

2nd Sunday: 11.00 Contemporary Service

15.00 Oasis (Informal service with tea and cake)

3rd Sunday: 09.30 Communion

10.30 Coffee/Tea & toast followed by an informal family service Together@11

18.30 Praise and Prayer

4th Sunday 11.00 Contemporary Service with Testimonies

5th Sunday 11.00 Contemporary Service

Information about the church, YouTube of many of our services, and details of all our activities on our website: [www.wickhammarketchurch.org](http://www.wickhammarketchurch.org)

*Dr Peter Elliott, lay elder*



## WICKHAM MARKET PARISH COUNCIL

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[www.bellissima-beauty.co.uk](http://www.bellissima-beauty.co.uk)

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Indian Restaurant/Takeaway

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Textiles, lampshades, curtains, blinds

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46 High Street 01728 746690

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### COOPERATIVE SUPERMARKET

14-18 High Street 01728 746313

[www.coop.co.uk](http://www.coop.co.uk)

### EAST ANGLIAN TRADITIONAL ART CENTRE

48 High Street 01728 747050

[www.eatac.co.uk](http://www.eatac.co.uk)

### THE FLAMING FRYER

Fish & Chips

75 High Street 01728 46361

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Hairdressers

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Riverside View Industrial estate

01728 747279 / 07747 831535

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77B High Street 07717 448509

[www.lilychristinabridal.com](http://www.lilychristinabridal.com)

### MORRISONS DAILY

Convenience Store

79A High Street 01728 747413

[www.morrisons.com](http://www.morrisons.com)

## Wickham Market Village Hall 73rd Annual Show 2024

Saturday 3rd August and  
Sunday 4th August

### Show theme of Bees



We are pleased to announce that the Show Schedule with the Entry form will be produced in April. This will give plenty of time to plan your entries! You will find the schedule located at local outlets and online.

The Show Team let you know when this is available for you to collect.  
Anne, Ali, Alison, Jenny, John, Philip, Rosemary, Gloria and Sue

If you have a business located in Wickham Market and would like to list your details here FOR FREE, please let me know: [clerk@wickhammarketpc.com](mailto:clerk@wickhammarketpc.com)

# LET'S KEEP IT LOCAL!

## THE NEW PEACH BOWER

Chinese Restaurant/Takeaway  
56 High Street 01728 747901  
[www.thenewpeachbower.co.uk](http://www.thenewpeachbower.co.uk)

## NR RESTORATIONS

Property renovations, refurbishments.  
Nathan Reay 07432 241101  
nrrestorations@icloud.com

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Riverside View Industrial estate  
01728 747745

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Film and Video Production  
179D High Street. 01473 598669  
[www.offsetfilms.co.uk](http://www.offsetfilms.co.uk)

## OLD SCHOOL ANTIQUES

Unit 1, Riverside View IP13 0TA  
01728 746700  
[www.theoldschoolantiques.co.uk](http://www.theoldschoolantiques.co.uk)

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62 High Street 01728 747394

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32 High Street. 07845 599256  
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22 High Street 01728 747427  
[www.saxonvets.com](http://www.saxonvets.com)

## ANNA SHAND

Chiropodist / Podiatrist  
64 High Street 01728 745010

## SOUTH EAST ANTIQUES

Buy, Sell & Value Antiques & Jewellery  
Unit 7, Riverside View, IP13 0TA  
[www.southeastantiques.co.uk](http://www.southeastantiques.co.uk)

## SVRC DOG WASH

Riverside View industrial estate  
07921 586339

## TEA POT TEA ROOMS

Dine-in/Takeaway  
70A High Street 01728 748079

## VALLEY FARM EQUESTRIAN LEISURE

Horse Riding, Visitor Centre, Holiday Lodge, Camping  
<https://www.valleyfarm.co.uk/>

## WICKHAM MARKET DENTAL CLINIC

2 Crown House 01728 746222  
[www.wickhammarketdentist.co.uk](http://www.wickhammarketdentist.co.uk)

## WICKHAM MARKET PHARMACY

68 High Street 01728 746267

## WICKHAM MARKET POST OFFICE

and Stores  
36 High Street 01728 746201

# EMERGENCY NUMBERS

**FALLEN TREES:** 0345 606 6171

**HIGHWAY FLOODING:** SCC  
0345 606 6171 or 0300 1235000  
[www.highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk](http://www.highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk)

**STREET CLEANING/CLEARING:**  
0333 016 2000

**POWER CUTS:** Power Networks call:  
105 or 999

**DANGEROUS STRUCTURES:**  
01394 444 219 or 0800 440 2516

**MANHOLE PROBLEMS** that are considered an emergency:  
0345 606 6171

**WATER LEAKS:** Anglian Water: 24/7  
0345 145 145

**EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL** Emergency out of Hours: 0800 440 2516

# USEFUL INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

## CITIZENS ADVICE EAST SUFFOLK:

14 Colonial House, Station Rd, Leiston IP16 4JD  
Open Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri 10 - 2 pm

**Wickham Market drop in service:**  
Resource Centre (next to the Library)  
Tuesday 1.30 - 3.30 pm.  
[www.leistoncab.org](http://www.leistoncab.org)  
[www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)  
01728 832193 or 0808 2787868 (Free)

**Disability Advice Service**  
(East Suffolk): 01394 387070

**Good Neighbour Scheme:** (GNS)  
Provides transport to medical and social appointments. Friendship and support with shopping, posting letters, filling forms, computers, dog walking, DIY, 07914 494108.

**Wellbeing Tree Café** at The Aspire Centre. Relax, chat and make new friends over a hot drink and cake.  
Wednesdays 10.30 - 12.30.

**Men's Shed:** Behind the Village Hall. Social and creative centre.  
Mondays 2 pm  
[www.wmshed.org.uk](http://www.wmshed.org.uk) 01728 747782

## INTERESTS

**Youth Football Club,** Simon's Cross Playing Field, IP13 0ST.  
Steph: 07778 880735.

**Football Club and Social Club,** behind the Village Hall. 01728 747731  
[www.wickhammarketfc.co.uk](http://www.wickhammarketfc.co.uk)

**Tennis Club,** Simon's Cross Playing Field: 01728 746736

**Bowls Club** (playing Field):  
01728 746715

**Red Triangle Bowls Club:**  
01728 604491

## GLEVERING HALL IP13 0EU

**Badminton Club at 7:30**  
Thursday: Ladies / senior school students  
Monday: Men / senior school students  
07860 402288

## VALLEY FARM

**Pony Club** <https://www.valleyfarm.co.uk/content/pony-club>

**Tots Pony Club** <https://www.valleyfarm.co.uk/content/riding-tiny-tots>

**Young Equestrians Club**  
<https://www.valleyfarm.co.uk/content/young-equestrians>

## VILLAGE HALL

Lettings: Alison 07653 226760  
[lettings.wmvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:lettings.wmvillagehall@gmail.com)

### Also at the Village Hall

#### Bingo

Tuesdays 6pm  
Tina Clack 01728 746846

**Community Club:** social activities and support for those new to the area, Friday mornings

Val Mann: [val@penpal.me.uk](mailto:val@penpal.me.uk)  
01728 747078

#### Gardening Club:

Monthly third Thursday 7:30 pm  
[wmgardenclub27@gmail.com](mailto:wmgardenclub27@gmail.com)

#### Toddler and Baby Group

Wednesdays during school term  
9:00 - 11:30 (£2.50 per family)  
[stephanieworne@gmail.com](mailto:stephanieworne@gmail.com)

#### WI

Second Thursday each month at 7.30

#### Wickham Market Movies

3rd Saturday monthly  
19:00 for 19:30 start  
Pete Holden 01728 747229

## ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Crown Lane, IP13 0SA  
01728 748224  
[warden@wickhammarketchurch.org](mailto:warden@wickhammarketchurch.org)  
[www.wickhammarketchurch.org](http://www.wickhammarketchurch.org)

**Open Pantry:** Fresh food and household goods shared with anyone in need.  
Thursdays 9 - 11 am.

**Open Door:** coffee, tea, biscuits and friendship.  
Fridays 10am to noon

**Bell Ringing:** Monday Evenings  
from 7:30 - 9pm

## BEEHIVE BUILDING

Crown Lane  
**Rainbows** (age 4-7), **Brownies** (age 7-10), Linda Payne: 01728 604491  
**Guides** (age 10+)  
Jacquie Goodwin & Tracy Burch

## WICKHAM MARKET LIBRARY

Chapel Lane, IP13 0SD. Open  
Tuesday to Friday: 9.30 - 5.30  
Saturday: 10 - 12.30 then 1 - 4.30  
[help@suffolklibraries.co.uk](mailto:help@suffolklibraries.co.uk)  
01728 747216

### Regular Events at the Library:

**Family History Guidance** By Appointment: Tuesdays 10am - 1pm

#### Morning Book Group:

1st Tuesday monthly 10am,

**Tots Rock:** - active songs and rhymes for preschool children:  
Thursdays 9.45am - 10.15am,

#### Sewing Group:

Thursdays 1.30pm - 4.30pm,

#### Lego Club:

Saturdays 10am - 12pm.

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION CLUB

01728 746915

## WM PRIMARY SCHOOL and LITTLE AVOCETS NURSERY:

01728 746405

**RESOURCE CENTRE** Chapel Lane, IP13 0SD: 01728 747782

**Resource Centre Gardening Group**  
2nd Wednesday monthly at 10am.  
Barbara Harrington: [sbharrington@outlook.com](mailto:sbharrington@outlook.com) or come along.

## ARCHIVE CENTRE:

Local history, archives and artefacts  
Philip Tallent 01728 746058

## WHICH COUNCIL DOES WHAT?

**SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL:** Highways, Recycling

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/> 0345 606 6067

**Reporting any highways issue including:** potholes, street lights, drains, hedges, gritting, pavements <https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk/>

**EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL:** Waste collection, Pay car parks, Planning

<https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/> 0333 016 2000

**Sally Noble** [sally.noble@eastsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:sally.noble@eastsuffolk.gov.uk)

District Councillor for the Wickham Market Ward.

**WICKHAM MARKET PARISH COUNCIL:** Cemetery, Playing Fields, Children's Play Area, Allotments, Markets, Footpaths (with SCC).

[footpaths@wickhammarketpc.com](mailto:footpaths@wickhammarketpc.com)

<https://wickhammarketpc.com/>

[clerk@wickhammarketpc.com](mailto:clerk@wickhammarketpc.com)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON COUNCIL SERVICES:**

<https://wickhammarketpc.com/useful-links/>



We would like to thank everybody who took part in the "Guess the Weight of the Easter Egg Jar" competition and those who gave a donation at the Spring into Spring market on the Hill on 16 Mar 24.

The competition was won by David Silver whose estimate was closest to the exact weight of the jar which was 1.765Kg or 3lbs 14¼oz. The money raised will go towards the costs of giving assistance to Wickham Market residents.

The Good Neighbours Scheme can help in many ways including providing lifts to appointments and dropping off or picking up of prescriptions. If you need our help, please ring:

**07914 494108**

We would also like to thank all those who signed up to get more information on how to become part of our volunteer team.

*Dick Jenkinson*

# EMERGENCY PLANNING

## Making a Household Plan

### What is a Household Plan?

There are lots of different types of emergencies. But every emergency can result in potential disruption to your life or leave you isolated from immediate help.

A Household Plan is a useful tool to help you deal quickly and effectively with emergencies or a stressful situation within the home. Involve your household members in writing the plan to help them prepare too. If you know of vulnerable or elderly neighbours who would struggle in emergency situations, consider befriending them and offering assistance with creating an emergency plan specific to their needs.

### What do you need to consider when making a Household Plan?

- Agree a place to meet if you can't get into, or stay in your home
- Consider who will collect your children from school if you can't get there
- Think about which neighbours you may need to check in on
- Take a note of how to turn off the gas, water, and electricity supplies in your home
- Agree where or who you and your family can stay with if you are evacuated
- Think about who could collect medicine and supplies if you are unable to leave your home
- What items will go in your 'Get Prepared Bag'
- Consider who can look after your pets if you are unable to
- Make a note of local radio stations to keep up with local news and weather reports
  - BBC Radio Suffolk
  - Heart Suffolk – Ipswich 97.1FFM
  - BBC Radio 4 92-95FM, 103-105FM

### Get prepared

You can download a copy of a household plan on the Suffolk Prepared website where there is more useful information on being prepared for any emergency situation. Website: [suffolkprepared.co.uk](https://suffolkprepared.co.uk)

We recommend printing a household plan similar to or the same as the example on the next page and taking the time to fill it out with other household members to ensure that everyone is familiar with the plan.

Remember, this is a guide and there may be more things you'd like to add to your plan.

**Pauline Huggins**  
**Wickham Market Parish Council**  
**Emergency Plan working group**

# SUFFOLK PREPARED

## Get Prepared

Emergencies can have serious impacts on lives and property. We encourage you to 'Get Prepared' to help yourself, your family, your community and your business should the unexpected happen. Getting prepared will also enable our partners and emergency responders to help those most in need such as elderly or vulnerable people.

### What is an emergency?

The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 defines an emergency as: an event or situation which threatens serious damage to human welfare in a place in the UK, the environment of a place in the UK, or war or terrorism which threatens serious damage to the security of the UK.

### What should you do in an emergency?

If an emergency occurs dial 999 and alert the appropriate emergency service. If the building is on fire – Get Out, Stay Out and Call 999.

If there is no fire or other dangers in the building, consider the – Go In, Stay In, Tune In rule.

If possible and safe, pass on warnings to neighbours and check on the vulnerable people living near to you.

Limit phone calls – it keeps lines free. Someone may be trying to contact you!

### Six things you can do to help you prepare for an emergency:

The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 defines an emergency as: an event or situation which threatens serious damage to human welfare in a place in the UK, the environment of a place in the UK, or war or terrorism which threatens serious damage to the security of the UK.

1. Make a household plan
2. Pack an emergency "Get Prepared" bag
3. Check in on others
4. Health advice
5. Create an emergency contacts list
6. Sign up to the Priority Registration Services

INFORMATION FROM: <https://suffolkprepared.co.uk/get-prepared/>



# HEDGEHOG CORNER



It was great to see so many people on the 3rd of February at our first 'Wild about Wickham' event at the Village Hall. Many thanks to those who took the time to fill in and return the hedgehog questionnaires.

There will be another event on the 27th of April and we will soon be contacting people that left their details. Please join us on the 27th and see what we're doing for wildlife.

Hedgehogs are now coming out of hibernation, so there are more prickly friends snuffling about under the cover of darkness, (and eating me out of house and home!). They're hungry, thirsty and already looking for love, so please keep a shallow bowl of fresh water out, and meat based kitten biscuits if you can.



If you would like to see videos of my rowdy lot, please email [niki.f@wickham-marketpc.com](mailto:niki.f@wickham-marketpc.com). There is also a YouTube channel: 'Niki's Hedgehog Cottage'.



The hedgehog hibernacula (nest boxes) that were bought with the grant from Sally Noble of the ESC have now been carefully hidden around our village in quiet green areas. We are encouraging hedgehogs into our safe areas and hopefully increasing their numbers, away from hazards such as speeding traffic, poisoning and garden machinery. If you find one of these hidden boxes, please leave it



alone; you would endanger any hoglets, as the mother could abandon or eat the babies if disturbed and won't return. Quietly re-cover it and don't draw any attention to it. Likewise, please email me if you see anyone around them. There will be updates of any developments of a prickly nature as there are cameras involved!

We've been lucky to do 4 releases in February; all were autumn juveniles returning to Wickham Market. This shows how quick responses really do save lives, thanks to Suffolk Prickles and the fast acting finders!

These creatures are not just cute; they're an endangered species, reduced by 75% in East Anglia since the year 2000. I'm always happy to help if I can, or offer advice so please don't hesitate to contact me.

*Niki, Wickham Market Hedgehog Help.*



## WICKHAM MARKET MOVIES

Wickham Market Movies shows films at Wickham Market Village Hall on the 3rd Saturday of every month. 7.00 for 7.30 pm. Tickets £5 on the door - cash or card. Refreshments available - cash only.

### 20 APRIL - ONE LIFE

**Starring Anthony Hopkins, Lena Olin, Helena Bonham-Carter**

The true story of Sir Nicholas Winton, a young London broker who, in the months leading up to World War II, rescued over 600 children from Nazi-occupied Czechoslovakia.

A heart-warming tribute to a remarkable humanitarian effort.

### 18 MAY - THE HOLDOVERS

**Starring Paul Giamatti, Carrie Preston, Tate Donovan**

A cranky history teacher at a remote prep school is forced to remain on campus over the holidays with a troubled student who has no place to go, and a grieving cook. A beautifully bittersweet and thought provoking comedy drama.

*More information on future presentations can be found on Facebook, Next Door and Round Robin and the Parish Council events page:*

<https://wickhammarketpc.com/events-2/>

## WICKHAM MARKET PRIMARY SCHOOL

Children and staff at Wickham Market Primary School have enjoyed an exciting and busy Spring Term with a range of engaging curriculum work as well as a range of special days, visits and visitors.

As well as weekly P.E. lessons in school our Year3/4 class have enjoyed weekly swimming lessons at Framlingham College and our Year 2/3 and Year 1 classes have enjoyed a block of Forest School sessions in our school woodland. A mixed age team represented us at the 'High Suffolk School Partnership' Boccia competition.



Boccia is an inclusive sport similar to bowls where competitors throw, kick or use a ramp to propel a ball onto the court with the aim of getting closest to a 'jack' ball. The children were praised for their team work and perseverance. A team of Year 3 and 4 children also took part in a football match against Easton Primary School as part of the EAST (East Anglian Schools Trust) Primary inter-school sports tournaments.

The majority of our year 5 class completed the level 2 Bikeability course with cycling instructors from Suffolk County Council Road Safety Team. During the course the children gained lots of experience of cycling on the roads around the school and learnt about bike handling skills, observation and forward planning, risk management and sharing the road with other road users.



As part of the 'Tractors into Schools' programme run by the Suffolk Agricultural Association, in February our Nursery, Reception and Year 1 children enjoyed a visit to school from local farmer Thomas Over of Westrope Farming Ltd. The children learnt about the work of Suffolk farmers and asked lots and lots of questions about the tractor!

In early March the whole school enjoyed celebrating World Book Day. Children and staff spent the day dressed as a favourite book character or in their pyjamas with younger classes pairing with older classes to enjoy some shared reading. Year 1 also enjoyed their termly visit to Wickham Market Library gaining a few amused looks as they walked through the village all dressed up.

**Mrs Jo Harris, Head of School**

## WICKHAM MARKET PLAYING FIELD BOWLS CLUB

### WHY NOT GIVE US A TRY?

**Do you enjoy a stroll on a summer evening - time spent with convivial company – with some 'light' competition thrown in?**

If your answer might be 'yes' why not give green bowls a try? Wickham Market Playing Field Bowls Club is your local league Bowls Club and we are here to help you! Our green (on the village playing field near the village hall) will be opening for the 2024 summer season in late April.

Bowls is not just a game for the elderly. It is a mixed sex team game with equality for all players. The club offers opportunity and activity for all age ranges through secondary school up to Senior Citizen.

We are a friendly and welcoming club playing home games on our outdoor green where we play in two local evening leagues and offer a weekly evening informal get-together. The outdoor season runs from late April through to September.

We offer experienced bowlers to assist newcomers to the sport and can also loan all necessary equipment apart from footwear. We have a number of sets of bowls of various sizes (including smaller bowls specifically designed for young people or those of smaller stature). All you would initially need to provide are flat soled shoes (most trainer type footwear will be fine).

### Why not give us a try?

Come for a 'roll-up' (bowls speak for a practice/ trial/ taster session). **You can do this at an Open Day to be advertised in April or for a one-to-one session at times for your convenience.** Contact me or one of the other Playing Field bowlers, to arrange an assisted individual try.

Hope to meet you on the green!

**Bruce Laws  
Secretary**

**Wickham Market (Playing Field) Bowls Club  
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# Wickham Market

# Youth Club

## Wednesdays 6pm to 8pm

## Any Young People of High School Age

### In the Committee Room

### At the Village Hall

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