

#### Stour River

As you will have read in the Clare Castle Country Park update dated 8 September from Geoffrey Bray progress has been made recently in negotiations with SCC on the transfer of ownership of the park. Sadly, however, and despite pressure from the Town Council and the trustees-elect of the park, a recently proposed solution to the river levels in the park has turned out to have a number of negative aspects. Other alternatives are now being investigated. CTC and the trustees-elect have made it very clear to SCC that an acceptable solution to the river level is a pre-requisite to further discussions with SCC on the transfer of ownership of the park. We have called upon SCC also to place maximum pressure on the Environment Agency to produce an acceptable proposal.

## Clare Cemetery

Much work has been undertaken in the cemetery during the last 4 months, tidying garden areas and repairing some of the older graves, and huge thanks for this go to our Cemetery Management Officer. As we move into autumn, attention moves to the Lawned Section of the cemetery as now is the time to lay turf and ensure that the ground surface is level ready for mowing next year. Please be assured that all work will be carried out with the greatest sensitivity and respect for the graves in this area.

# Naming of new roads on land East of the Granary development

Parishioners may remember that we asked for suggestions of street names for this new development in the July edition of Chevron. A good response was received including a proposal from Alison Krohn for the streets to be named after Herbert Pask, Private 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Suffolk Regiment and Bennett George Maxim, Private Royal West Surrey Regiment. These two gentlemen were the first and last soldiers from Clare to lose their lives as a result of the First World War and, given the imminent anniversary of WWI, it seemed most appropriate to use this way of commemorating them and all who lost their lives in this and more recent conflicts.

## Electric blanket testing campaign 2013

It's coming up to that time of year, the summer is fast escaping us and we'll be moving into the cooler autumn period. With this in mind Suffolk County Council's Fire and Rescue Service along with Trading Standards and Age UK are starting this year's electric blanket testing campaign.

If you live in Suffolk and own an electric blanket they are offering the chance for you to have it tested free of charge in September and October 2013. If the blanket fails the testing they won't return it to you, however you will be offered a FREE replacement.

To find out further information please follow this link to the SALC Website: http://salc.onesuffolk.net/news/electric-blanket-testing-campaign/

## C.H.O.C. General Knowledge Quiz

Trustees are holding this annual event on <u>Friday October 18<sup>th</sup></u> in Clare Town Hall.

Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start - Teams of 4 to 6 people.

Cost per person £5.00 to include a Ploughman's Platter per team and the bar will be open during the evening.

Please contact Olive Smith on 277082, or Rosemary Warmington on 277933 by October 15<sup>th</sup> at the latest to reserve a table for your team. We look forward to hearing from you.



## The Endeavour Travel Card

Suffolk County Council is introducing a new travel card for young people in the 16-19 age range. This smart travel card will provide a 25% discount off the standard single adult fare and will be designed to enable cashless payment on specified public transport services. The card will act like an Oyster Card, in that it will have stored value and online top-up ability. This will enable parents and others to ensure young people can pay for their transport.

Further information is available on Suffolk's website at: <a href="http://www.suffolkonboard.com/endeavour-card">http://www.suffolkonboard.com/endeavour-card</a>, any questions can be emailed to <a href="mailto:Passenger.Transport@suffolk.gov.uk">Passenger.Transport@suffolk.gov.uk</a> or phone 0845 606171.

## Clare Community Cascade

"Clare Community Cascade" was developed following a distraction theft that occurred in a popular business premises in the town. The Cascade is a communication tree networking 35 shops and businesses in Clare, it works on the basis that if an issue/problem, or some form of suspicious activity, occurs in any one of those premises then that vital information can be shared between all the other members by making two simple phone calls which then puts the cascade into motion. This gives a 'heads up' to all the other shops in the area and also enables possible further descriptions and details to be established surrounding the incident.

The idea is based on the Shop Watch schemes that are currently up and running in the larger towns and cities across the county. However, due to the size of Clare and its community minded nature we felt a costly Shop Watch scheme would not be warranted in a small rural town, so the Community Cascade is perfectly suited and reflective of the spirit embraced by the local residents and business owners alike. We hope the Cascade shouldn't have to be used very often, however having it in place offers a peace of mind to all those involved.

The St Edmundsbury Rural South Safer Neighbourhood Team are committed to help making Suffolk a safer place for all to live and work in. If you have any questions regarding Clare Community Cascade please contact PCSO 3265 Sophie Mitchell or PCSO 3031 Claire Fuller.

Or if you have any queries or concerns for the Team please contact us on <a href="mailto:stedsruralsouth.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk">stedsruralsouth.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk</a> or telephone 101."

## Did You Know That....

The eggs from roundworms, Toxocara Canis, are deposited in dog faeces and become infectious 2-3 weeks later. They can be viable for up to 10 years in the soil and are resistant to disinfectant and frost.

Each female can lay 700 eggs per day.

If ingested by humans and untreated, they can cause infections to the brain, liver and lungs.

They can cause tumours and lead to blindness.

Dog poo does not act as a fertilizer, but leaves toxins which harm animals, humans and the environment.

Please remember......

To avoid taking your dog into areas of Clare where children play.

To always clean up after your dog.

To use the dog bins.

Thank You

