

# VILLAGE NEWS

Chadwell, Eastwell, Eaton, Goadby Marwood,  
Scalford, Stonesby, Waltham, Wycomb

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[www.ironstonechurches.org](http://www.ironstonechurches.org)

A rather different 'yellow pages' this month - for most people, who will be reading them via email, it will be a case of 'not the yellow pages'.... and maybe even 'Not the Village News' - with only one event happening! Before you recoil in shock, have a look at page 11.

Unfortunately, due to the present circumstances, there are problems both with photocopying and distributing hard copies. In most villages there is a volunteer who has offered to circulate these pages as widely as possible (with prior consent) via email. If you know of anyone who is not included, but who would like to be, please let your relevant contact know. There is a list of village contacts on page 11.

It is hoped that a limited number of hard copies will be available for those without email. Again, if you know of anyone who needs one, please let me know (details below). Some copies may also be available from village post offices, etc.

Being endlessly optimistic, I was going to include flower and cleaning rotas for the second half of April - just in case social distancing rules were relaxed by then - but the realist in me over-ruled my optimism. However, depending how things turn out, there may be a list of hopefully forthcoming events later in the year in next month's pages.

Please also note that  
**ALL MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICES HAVE BEEN  
CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**



Simnel cake—my favourite!



Please may I have all items for May by **FRIDAY, 24th APRIL**  
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Tel 01949 861256 : [SueWatford@aol.com](mailto:SueWatford@aol.com)

## EATON PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Chris Hill, 43 Bowley Avenue, Melton Mowbray, Leics., LE13 1RU  
Tel: 01664 411705 Email: [clerk@eatonpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@eatonpc.org.uk)

### APRIL NEWS

#### Parish Council Meetings

Parish Council meetings are likely to be suspended until further notice.

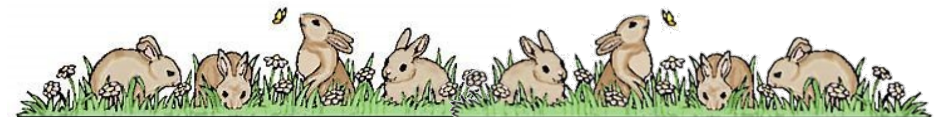
#### Coronavirus

Due to the current situation, the Parish Council wish to advise parishioners that should anyone have difficulties during this period and need help, the Council will try to assist where it can. Please contact any of the councillors listed below or the clerk, details above, if you need help.

#### Parish Councillors

<b>Chairman:</b>		<b>Vice Chairman:</b>	
Marcus Hardy	01476 879124	Les Bettley	01476 879164
<b>Councillors:</b>			
Andrea Wright	01664 464837	Alice Crafts	07846 766833
John Nelson	01949 860698		

*Chris Hill,* clerk



## TOTE WINNERS

#### CHADWELL:

L Jardine : K Watchorn : A Stokes (Last draw for current year)

#### GOADBY MARWOOD:

1 M Gatehouse : 38 A Billington  
57 D Alexander : 62 Lady Manton

#### EASTWELL:

59 Jo Rowbotham : 43 Imants Lusia : 12 Les Darby  
22 Alan Haynes : 76 John Watford

**SCALFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

Clerk: Chris Hill, 43 Bowley Avenue, Melton Mowbray, Leics., LE13 1RU  
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**APRIL NEWS****Parish Council Meetings:**

Parish Council meetings are suspended until further notice. Should you have any questions for the Council, please email or telephone the clerk in the first instance.

**Coronavirus**

During this difficult time the Parish Council wish to make parishioners aware that they are available to help where they can, and will be supporting community groups in the village. In the first instance, if you are self-isolating and need help, please contact the Scalford Triangle Community Group.

**Parish Councillors**

Elizabeth Bryan (chairman)	01664 444206	Brian Dodd	01664 444215
Tim Spencer	01664 444573	Margaret Wright	01664 444354
Robert Ingles	01664 444382	Robert Thring	01664 444496

*Chris Hill*, clerk

**EASTWELL FLOODLIGHTING**

During April the church will be floodlit:

*to celebrate the birthdays of:*

**JENAN WATFORD** on 4th April

**JENNY BARNES** on 17th April

**JOE MANKELOW** on 29th April

**SHONA BLOODWORTH** on 24th April

*.. and in memory of:*

**MARGARET & WILL ROWBOTHAM** on 4th April

**MARGARET GOODSON** on 25th April

**ALAN BARNES** on 25th April

**“EASTWELL NEWS”**

Apologies, but because:

- there's virtually no news, as nothing is happening;
- we cannot comply with restrictions on door-to-door leafletting;
- what news there is appears in these yellow pages,

there will be no Eastwell News for April.

**SORRY!**

**THE IRONSTONE VILLAGE CHURCHES**  
**[www.ironstonechurches.org](http://www.ironstonechurches.org)****RECTOR**

The Revd Canon John Barr  
The Vicarage, 23 Melton Road, Waltham on the Wolds, LE14 4AJ  
Email: [johnbarr2817@gmail.com](mailto:johnbarr2817@gmail.com) Telephone 01664 464265

**ASSISTANT CLERGY**

The Rev'd Sue Bradley - email [bradleysusan74@gmail.com](mailto:bradleysusan74@gmail.com); tel 01476 870502  
The Rev'd Peter Newton - email [newtonji@hotmail.com](mailto:newtonji@hotmail.com); tel 01476 870024

**READERS**

Mr Mike Alexander	email: <a href="mailto:wee3mike@btinternet.com">wee3mike@btinternet.com</a>	Tel 01664 464802
Mrs Janice Newton	email: <a href="mailto:newtonji@hotmail.com">newtonji@hotmail.com</a>	Tel 01476 870024
Mr Paul Taylor	email: <a href="mailto:paul-taylor@gmx.co.uk">paul-taylor@gmx.co.uk</a>	Tel 01664 444092

**PIONEER MINISTERS**

Mr Mike Alexander	email: <a href="mailto:wee3mike@btinternet.com">wee3mike@btinternet.com</a>	Tel 01664 464802
Mrs Chris Alexander	email: <a href="mailto:wee3alexander@btinternet.com">wee3alexander@btinternet.com</a>	Tel 01664 464802

**CHURCHWARDENS**

<b>Eaton</b>	Hannah Canham (01476 870344)	Sue Peters (01476 870476)
<b>Eastwell</b>	Stella MacGregor (01949 861827)	Sue Watford (01949 861256)
<b>Goadby Marwood</b>	Harry Westropp	Neil Rogers (01664 464779)
<b>Scalford</b>	Penny Clemons (01664 444687)	
<b>Stonesby</b>	Jill Stannage (01664 464 011)	Debbie Whitton (01664 464835)
<b>Waltham</b>	Richard Miller (01664 464240)	

**METHODIST CHURCH**

Church Minister: The Revd James Skinner, 01664 482132  
Contact: Stonesby - Jacky Speck, 01664 464 494

**MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOPS  
ABOUT CLOSURE OF CHURCH BUILDINGS**

“The Church continues to be alive and active, but our buildings must close. We are seeing a huge increase in the number of people falling sick with COVID-19. We must distance ourselves from one another and prevent the spread of infection in order to save lives. Therefore, as well as public worship being suspended, all church buildings in the Church of England are now closed.”

**NEW IRONSTONE WEBSITE**

The Ironstone website will be kept up-to-date with any changes during the present situation. Please use it to access all the latest information as it affects the church and the church buildings.

**[www.ironstonechurches.org](http://www.ironstonechurches.org)**  
<https://www.ironstonechurches.org>

## Letter from the Rector

### Easter in a strange land ...

#### Dear Friends,

Everywhere around us, there are signs of spring. Whether it is bright and cheerful daffodils waving along the roadside or new-born lambs gambolling in the fields, we are reminded that nature is waking up. And having just cut our vicarage lawns for the first time this year, new spring growth demands that more attention be paid to the garden - no 'garden distancing' for me from now on!

Yes at the same time, human society is shutting down, 'hibernating', in response to the global threat presented by Covid-19. Life has changed in so many ways for all of us over the past few weeks, and we find ourselves living in the strange land of 'lockdown', 'self isolation', and 'social distancing'.

In these disorienting days, it can feel rather like we are now living in a state of exile, a time when we are distanced and isolated from so much that has been dear and familiar - whether exile from our loved ones, exile from our work and leisure routines, exile from social gatherings, exile from gathering to learn together in schools and colleges, or exile from worshipping together in our village churches.

In the face of this huge, rapid and bewildering change - and the uncertain future that lies beyond the end of the Covid-19 outbreak - where can we find any hope to sustain us? In a world where what seemed secure suddenly collapses like a pack of cards in the face of an

invisible enemy, where do we turn to find true refuge and lasting security? For Christians, the answer to these - and similar - questions is Jesus Christ. This month, as we celebrate Easter, we recall how by His death on a cross, and by His rising again to new life beyond death, Jesus has already won for us the ultimate victory over our greatest foes - sin and death.

In the light of Easter, we are assured that nothing need ever separate us from God's loving purpose for us and our world. For, as Archbishop Desmond Tutu has put it: "Good is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate; light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death. Victory is ours through Him who loves us".

In the light and assurance of that victory, may I wish you Easter joy in a strange land.

With all good wishes,



(John Barr, Rector)



## Letter from the Revd James Skinner

Dear Friends,

It is coming to the end of March. Our lives are very different from what they were even a week ago, with the current restrictions [to reduce the](#) Coronavirus pandemic.

It seems odd not mixing with people we know well, who we would normally meet during the course of a week, communicating through messaging apps, the telephone or through speaking on iPad or tablet. It seems odd not being at church as we prepare to celebrate Easter, remembering how Jesus suffered during the final days of his earthly life.

People are discovering a new daily pattern, those who are able, going out just once a day. We have been enjoying an early morning walk which has given Kath and myself opportunities to get to know better our surroundings as well as appreciating the wild life: the brightly coloured yellow hammer has been a highlight, also a hare running across the field in the sun and today a buzzard being mobbed by crows.

The cessation of the regular pattern of life must not obscure us from the worry and concern the Coronavirus is currently bringing to many in the United Kingdom and around the world. Especially concerning is the news this weekend of the increasing number of cases and deaths in parts of the United Kingdom, coupled with the stress this is bringing to many of our health works. This anxiety must be particularly acute in countries around the world where health services are not equipped to deal with it.

This week I have been reminded again of some verses of the book of Isaiah in the first part of the Bible. They come from the beginning of chapter 43 of this long book.

*<sup>2</sup> When you go through deep waters,  
I will be with you.*

*When you go through rivers of difficulty,  
you will not drown.*

*When you walk through the fire of oppression  
you will not be burned up,*

*the flames will not consume you*

*<sup>3</sup> For I am the LORD, your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour..*

I was first introduced to these verses by a Sri Lankan Methodist minister, some years ago when he was telling us about how the civil war in his country had affected his life and the life of his people.

Today many people are facing "deep waters and rivers of difficulty". We must do what we can to support them, practically and through our prayers. The message of the closing days of Lent leading up to Easter is that we worship a God who fully identifies with human suffering as he has been through many of these experiences as a human person, Jesus.

Jesus went through many deep waters during his earthly life, culminating with his arrest, trial and crucifixion on Good Friday. He promises hope beyond our sufferings best summed up in the Easter hymn by John Campbell Crum:

*/continued .....*

*Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,  
Wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain;  
Love lives again, that with the dead has been;  
[Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.](#)*

*In the grave they laid him, Love who had been slain,  
Thinking that he never would awake again,  
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen  
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.*

*Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
He that for the three days in the grave had lain,  
Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.*

*When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
Then your touch can call us back to life again,  
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.*

John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872-1958)(alt.)

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With many best wishes,

*James*

**NOTICES**

**The Melton Borough Covid-19 Community Support Hub**

The Melton Borough Covid-19 Community Support Hub has been created to coordinate, help and support residents across the borough during the coronavirus outbreak. The Hub provides a place where businesses, groups and individuals who want to help and can offer services, and those who need help, can be brought together.



The hub can be found at [www.melton.gov.uk/here4melton](http://www.melton.gov.uk/here4melton). Here both residents (including the elderly and those self-isolating) and businesses can find relevant and up-to-date information and guidance, and anyone who needs additional support can ask for it through the hub. Support can also be requested by telephone, 01664 502502.

*If any businesses, organisations or individuals can offer any support, please email [here4melton@melton.gov.uk](mailto:here4melton@melton.gov.uk). We will coordinate and match the support where it is most needed within the community. Please use the hashtag #Here4Melton to promote the Community and Business Support Hub (Covid-19).*

**OPPORTUNITY FOR VOLUNTARY WORK**

**H**MP Whatton is a category C prison near to Bingham. Like every other prison, it has an *independent Monitoring Board (IMB)* - a group of ordinary members of the public doing an unusual job. IMB members are appointed by the Prisons Minister and work unpaid for three or four days per month. Their role is to monitor the day-to-day life of the establishment and ensure that proper standards of care are maintained.

We are currently recruiting more members to our Board. If you are looking for an interesting and challenging role, which may sometimes be outside your comfort zone, then this could be for you! If you would like to learn more and talk further about the possibility of joining the Board, please email us at

[IMBWhatton@hmps.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:IMBWhatton@hmps.gsi.gov.uk)

and we will get back to you. Alternatively, you may email:

[imbrecruitment@justice.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:imbrecruitment@justice.gsi.gov.uk)

and ask for an application form. More information about the IMB can be found at

[www.imb.org.uk](http://www.imb.org.uk)

**MY HEARTFELT THANKS**

It is with heartfelt thanks that I wish to convey to all my friends, neighbours and also those throughout the benefice for all the prayers, kindness and help I have received since returning home following my shoulder replacement operation.

Thank you also to Revd John for all his prayers and good wishes: it has all meant so much to me and helped me during this period of recovery.

Due to the COVID-19 virus I regret we may not be seeing each other as much, so I wish you all good health in the coming weeks, and look forward to seeing everyone again soon.

*Jill Stannage*

**SCALFORD HELP**

**K**athleen Hewitt at the post office has offered to help out with delivering groceries and post office related items to the village. She can be contacted on 01664 444868.

Jonathon Agnew at [jp.agnew@btinternet.com](mailto:jp.agnew@btinternet.com), is also available to help with shopping, etc.



**FRUIT AND VEGETABLES**

Chris and Glenda have a small stall on Stathern Road, Eastwell, selling fruit, vegetables and potatoes each day from 11.00 am to 4.00 pm. They will also deliver locally. Tel 01949 861693 or 07903 784844.

### Help for Housebound (Waltham)

<https://www.facebook.com/Help-for-housebound-10275+8984703303/>

Hello! Are you self isolating/work for NHS and struggling to pick up essentials? We can help. We are a local group of volunteers organised to assist with picking up shopping, Getting urgent supplies, posting mail or even just a friendly phone call.

Our group is endorsed by Waltham on the Wolds & Thorpe Arnold Parish Council

Call or text the number below (will be manned 9.00 am to 5.00 pm - Leave message other times/when engaged) or email [walthamhelpforhousebound@gmail.com](mailto:walthamhelpforhousebound@gmail.com), and we'll give you a helping hand.  
(This is not an emergency number)

**07305 458340**

**Deliveries will be left on doorsteps as a precaution to avoid the spread of the virus. We are taking every precaution to make sure we only spread kindness.**

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Help-For-Housebound-102758984703303/>

### SCALFORD TRIANGLE COMMUNITY GROUP

#### Help for Housebound

Hello! Are you self-isolating or work for the NHS and are struggling to pick things up. We can help. We are a local group of volunteers organised to assist with picking up shopping, getting urgent supplies, posting mail, or even just a friendly phone call.

We are supported by our local borough and endorsed by the Parish Council

Call or text any of the numbers below and we'll give you a helping hand:

June - 07398 155014

Sarah - 01664 444441

Penny - 07443 618746 or 01664 444687

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**Follow us on Facebook  
Scalford Triangle MMXV**



**EGGS**

... available

daily

from

Eastwell Hall

stables



### EASTWELL SUPPORT NETWORK

In these strange times, with most of the over 70s self-isolating and the term 'social distancing' taking up residence on the end of everyone's tongue, the Eastwell community has come together to offer support to one another.

**The central contact** for the volunteer group is Simon and Jess Congdon, and their telephone number is 01949 338651.

#### Other volunteers include:

*Claire Leaman*  
[claireleaman123@gmail.com](mailto:claireleaman123@gmail.com)  
*Eleanor Ceney*, tel 07879 890974  
[e\\_grimmer@hotmail.com](mailto:e_grimmer@hotmail.com)  
*Vanessa Dobson*,  
01949 729333 or 07794 581394  
*Emma Wooding*  
[emmawooding@btinternet.com](mailto:emmawooding@btinternet.com)  
*Patrick (Paddy) Johnson*  
01949 729368

**Several new initiatives have been put in place:**

#### FACEBOOK GROUP

A Facebook group, "Eastwell Together" has been set up to share information, to support one another and to access help. All Eastwell residents with access to the internet are encouraged to join. The address is:

[www.facebook.com/groups/eastwelltogether](http://www.facebook.com/groups/eastwelltogether)

**Coffee Shot (Stathern shop).** A local delivery service for essential groceries and other goods is being offered. Tel 01949 869063 or email: [info@coffee-shot.co.uk](mailto:info@coffee-shot.co.uk).

**Stathern Garage.** The garage will be open for fuel and will be happy to collect your car for repairs or MOTs whilst isolating. Tel 01949 869063 or email: [adam@statherngarage.co.uk](mailto:adam@statherngarage.co.uk).

**Fruit and Vegetables.** Please see page 8.

**Prescription delivery.** A prescription delivery service is being planned, with the central drop off point at Janeta's house. Volunteers will deliver them round the village from there.

Finally, would everyone please keep an eye on their neighbours, and alert one of the volunteers if they feel someone is struggling in any way and needs help.

### Eaton Good Neighbours

#### Hello!

If you are self-isolating, or have to stay indoors at this time, village neighbours are happy to help!

[Picking up shopping/urgent supplies](#)  
[Collecting medicines](#)  
[Posting mail](#)  
[A friendly phone call!](#)

Please make contact by phoning:

**07856 994892**

Peak to the coordinator, or leave a message and they will get back to you.

*Coronavirus is contagious. Please take every precaution to ensure you protect yourself, others and the NHS.*

*Avoid physical contact - stay six feet distance.*

*Wash your hands regularly.*

*Items will be left on your doorstep.*

*Thank you - together we can help everyone through.*

## VILLAGE CONTACTS

The following are the people to contact if you know of anyone who would like an email copy of these pages, but is not already on the list.

They can also be contacted if you would like - or know of anyone else who would like - a hard copy.

### CHADWELL

**Peter Knowles**, tel 01664 444662  
Email: ringshaw2009@yahoo.co.uk

### EASTWELL

**Stella Macgregor**, tel 01949 861827  
email: macgregorstella@gmail.com

### EATON

**Linda White**, tel 01476 870680  
Email: whitelinda@icloud.com

### GOADBY MARWOOD

**Kit Kitson**  
email: kit@7notrumps.com

### SCALFORD

**Kathleen Hewitt**, tel 01664 444868  
k9hewitt@googlemail.com  
**Penny Clemons**, tel 01664 444687  
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### STONESBY

**Debbie Whitton**, tel 01664 464835  
Email: whitton\_simon@hotmail.com  
**Jacky Speck**, tel 01664 464 494  
email: jaspeck@btinternet.com

### WALTHAM

**Chris Alexander**, tel 01664 464802  
email: wee3alexander@btinternet.com

### WYCOMB

**Richard Grieve**, tel 01664 444 421  
Richard@rgrieve.plus.com

## SPECIAL EVENT in APRIL

# Old Brickyard Tea Garden

## WHAT'S GOING ON!

### Mad Hatter's VIRTUAL Tea Party

### Monday 13th April

Join us from the comfort of your own home for our 9th Mad Tea Party! This year will be extra special due to an uninvited guest - COVID-19! We're mustering our creative troops to bring you

### Fabulous on-line Fun!

Get your Socks out - decorate your bushes and trees

### Dress-Up and Dance

Join in Art & Craft Demos

Relax and listen Story Telling

### Mad Hat Competition and Much MORE!

Pop the kettle on and join in the

 **VIRTUAL FUN** 

Tea on sale at Scalford Post Office

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

Contact Anna: 07803 206852

Email: oldbrickyardtea@icloud.com



We're hoping to offer local delivery. For availability please

Telephone: 01664 444464

## For Scalford Parish Residents



## Are you self-isolating or living alone?

We can deliver to your doorstep:

Savoury - Shepherd's Pie, Pork Bake,  
Sausage Surprise, Stew

Vegetarian option available on request

All £2.00 each

Desserts - Crumble (variety of flavours)

Bread and Butter Pudding

All at £0.50 (small) or £1.25 (large)

Subject to change and availability

Cash or kind (can trade for ingredients)

Phone Sarah - 444441 or Penny - 444687

or email - [scalfordtriangle@yahoo.com](mailto:scalfordtriangle@yahoo.com) or [pennyclemons@live.com](mailto:pennyclemons@live.com)

Free range eggs - £12 per dozen delivered - 07443 618746