

VILLAGE NEWS

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

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The VILLAGE NEWS can be found on line at
<http://villagenews.e-kit.co.uk> www.eatonvillage.org.uk
www.ironstonechurches.org

Inevitably the distribution of these pages throughout the villages was rather sketchy in some places last month. Many, many thanks to all those who volunteered to help by circulating them via email as widely as they legally could (taking data protection into account). Apologies to those it didn't reach - hopefully the net will be cast somewhat wider this month.

Although we can no longer photocopy, a few hard copies are being printed out for anyone who would like one, but doesn't use email. If you know of anyone in that position, maybe you could pass their names on to one of your village contacts, listed on page 11.

.... and from all villages: please ask for help if you need any - even just for a friendly chat on the phone. Apart from local contacts, the MBC Community Support Hub has been specially recommended as being extremely helpful, and their notice has been repeated in full this month (bottom half of page 8).



This picture is by Estelle Slegers Helsen of Waltham - see www.newtraces.uk. Other local pictures by Estelle will also feature in future copies of these pages.

Please may I have all items for June by MONDAY, 25th MAY
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EATON PARISH COUNCIL



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Tel: 01664 411705 Email: clerk@eatonpc.org.uk

MAY NEWS

Parish Council Meetings

It is hoped to hold a remote Parish Council meeting in May. Details will be made available on the Council's web site.

Members of the Public

Agendas and minutes are on the following website: www.eatonpc.org.uk. Details of remote meetings will be made available here.

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

| | | | |
|---------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Chairman: | | Vice Chairman: | |
| Marcus Hardy | 01476 879124 | Les Bettley | 01476 879164 |
| Councillors: | | | |
| Andrea Wright | 01664 464837 | Alice Crafts | 07846 766833 |
| John Nelson | 01949 860698 | | |



Chris Hill, clerk

TOTE WINNERS

EASTWELL:

80 Emma Wooding : 23 Pete Halpin : 36 Sheila Johnstone
38 Janet Knapp : 11 Kimberley Cooke



Eastwell 200 Club

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|------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| February: | 1st prize, £35 - No 20 Matt Willars | 2nd prize, £15 - No 64 Alan Shaw |
| March: | 1st prize, £35 - No 25 Alan Shaw | 2nd prize, £15 - No 1 Graham Doyle |
| April: | 1st prize, £35 - No 72 Colin Naylor | 2nd prize, £15 - No 19 Marion Wood |

SCALFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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**MAY NEWS****Parish Council Meeting:**

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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

**JANET ALLEN**

Most people reading this will be familiar with "Janet's wall", outside her house in Church Street, Scalford, where she regularly had a variety of goods for sale in aid of charity. Through the proceeds from her 'wall', the Friday Club bingo evenings she organised in the village hall and the Scalford 200 Club she ran, she raised over £100,000 for cancer and £80,000 for other local charities. She fully deserved the MBE she was awarded some years ago.

Quite a legacy - but more visible are the banks of daffodils she planted, which bring the village to life each spring. Her garden was colourful and immaculate - and until recently she also kept the churchyard the same. On the day of her funeral villagers placed garden forks with messages on them in the churchyard.

It is hoped to arrange a memorial service when the present restrictions are over.

THE IRONSTONE VILLAGE CHURCHES
www.ironstonechurches.org
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The Rev'd Peter Newton - email newtonji@hotmail.com; tel 01476 870024

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Mrs Janice Newton email: newtonji@hotmail.com Tel 01476 870024

Mr Paul Taylor email: paul-taylor@gmx.co.uk Tel 01664 444092

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Mr Mike Alexander email: wee3mike@btinternet.com Tel 01664 464802

Mrs Chris Alexander email: wee3alexander@btinternet.com Tel 01664 464802

CHURCHWARDENS

Eaton Hannah Canham (01476 870344) Sue Peters (01476 870476)

Eastwell Stella MacGregor (01949 861827) Sue Watford (01949 861256)

Goadby Marwood Harry Westropp Neil Rogers (01664 464779)

Scalford Penny Clemons (01664 444687)

Stonesby Jill Stannage (01664 464 011) Debbie Whitton (01664 464835)

Waltham Richard Miller (01664 464240)

METHODIST CHURCH

Church Minister: The Revd James Skinner, 01664 482132

Contact: Stonesby - Jacky Speck, 01664 464 494

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 church buildings.

www.ironstonechurches.org

<https://www.ironstonechurches.org>

Information can also be found on two Facebook pages:
for the Ironstone Churches and Messy Church at Waltham

Letter from the Rector

Counting our blessings at a testing time

Dear Friends,

As we continue to stay at home during these weeks of lockdown, how are you finding this experience? While the restrictions are challenging, there are also good things to celebrate in the midst of the struggle - signs of hope, which shine like bright lights in the darkness of fear and anxiety.

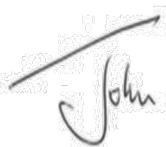
Think, for example, of those whose work we celebrate every Thursday evening at 8.00 pm, when we stand outside and clap for carers. We have so many to thank, so many key workers who can easily be taken for granted - all those who are out there making a huge difference to our lives in these challenging times.

It's so important to count our blessings, isn't it? Graeme Woods, a family member of one of the staff at Waltham Hall Nursing Home, has written a short poem, which he has kindly given permission for us to share

As these times are hard to bear,
let's think positive and not despair.
Family and loved ones we miss the most,
but keep in touch by phone or post.
Better days will come ahead,
when this virus we can put to bed.
Until then the days and nights are strangely long,
but think good things and stay strong.
Care and compassion are what's needed now,
So let's pull together and show them how.
Our nation is strong, robust in blue.
Doctors, nurses, carers we thank you.
Our lives will return to us one day,
but let's not forget those who passed away,
in our hearts to surely stay.
When we come out the other side,
God will be with us by our side,
and let's hope with saving grace
the world will be a better place.

The message of Easter is that God is "with us by our side". And in the light of Easter, we are assured that nothing - not even the present crisis we are going through - need ever separate us from God's undying love for us in Jesus Christ.

With all good wishes,



(John Barr, Rector)

Letter from the Revd James Skinner

Dear Friends,

We continue to live in unusual times. The current coronavirus pandemic means being mainly confined to our homes, apart from our daily form of exercise (if we are able to) and a weekly shop.

For Christians it has been strange to celebrate the Easter festival away from church. For Kath and I this has been the first time in many years that we have not shared in the transformation of the cross of suffering to the cross of resurrection by covering it with flowers on Easter Day (see picture).

However, we are discovering new ways of worshipping as a church community, even from our homes. The Melton Methodist Circuit website offers weekly worship, that has been pre-recorded; contributors include ministers, lay preachers and members of our difference church congregations. It can be found on this URL:

[www.meltonmethodist.org.uk/
sundayservices.htm](http://www.meltonmethodist.org.uk/sundayservices.htm)

We would be delighted if you paid us a visit.

What many people are missing at this time more than anything else is physical contact with other people. This sense of isolation is particularly acute if they are the only person in their house and unable to go out. Large families, which include members from different generations, are missing being able to gather together to catch up and to share simple things from hugs, games and meals

upwards. This physical separation is being keenly felt at the important milestones in life - the arrival of a new baby and the absence of being able to say our farewells at death, when the loved one is suffering from a Covid-19 infection.

The Easter stories in the Bible contain huge contrasts, from Jesus being crucified on Good Friday, feeling deep isolation having been abandoned by his friends, even feeling God had deserted him - to the joy of Easter Day as the first followers discover and meet the risen Jesus. Not only that but also in the recognition that he was **always** with them - in good times and in challenging ones. That is something we should hang on to in the coming weeks and months.

With best wishes,

James



*Picture of the Easter Cross at
Scaford Methodist Church in 2017*

NOTICES

EVERYDAY PRAYER

Our church buildings may be closed, but the church is still open for prayer every day. If you would like prayer for yourself or someone you know, please contact Revd John Barr by phone, email or Facebook.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SERVICE

A Sunday afternoon service by telephone is being held each Sunday at 4.30 pm. You need a telephone line, but nothing else. To access this service, about 4.25 pm simply call 0333 011 0616. A recorded voice will ask you to enter the access code, which is 854 8103, followed by #, then to say your name, followed by #. You will then be in ... and at 4.30 pm you'll hear John Barr welcoming you to a short Sunday afternoon service (15-20 minutes).

DAILY HOPE LINE

This is another telephone line launched by the Archbishop of Canterbury, and is aimed at those with no internet connection. It is a free phone line which can be accessed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You will hear an opening message from the Archbishop, followed by favourite hymns to listen to or join in singing, prayers and reflections. The number to call is 0800 804 8044.

NEW FREE WEEKLY ONLINE COURSE!!

Revd Canon John Barr and Christine Alexander are running a weekly, online Christianity Explored course, the first virtual session of which started on Wednesday evening, 29th April at 7.30 pm (for around 40 minutes). If you are interested in taking part, then please contact Christine on 01664 464802 or by email at wee3alexander@btinternet.com. Open to all those who are interested in knowing more about the Christian faith. Don't worry about missing the first one - it will be easy to catch up!



SAFEGUARDING

If anyone has any safeguarding issues they wish to report, please get in touch with either Penny Clemons, tel. 01664 444687 (for Eastwell, Goadby Marwood, Scalford with Chadwell and Wycomb) or Mike Alexander, tel. 01664 464802 (for Eaton, Stonesby, Waltham).

THANKS to W T Lee Builders

Thank you, William, for very kindly securing the tower windows in St Mary church, Chadwell, with netting to prevent bird access. It is greatly appreciated.

Chadwell Church Community

Mandy and Colin Darby ...

... would like to thank everyone for all their cards and kind wishes following the death of Janet Allen, Mandy's mother. They were all very much appreciated.



This Support Hub comes highly recommended; we've been told they are extremely helpful....

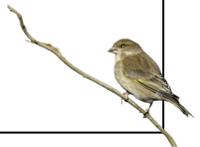
OPPORTUNITY FOR VOLUNTARY WORK

HM Prison 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 and we will get back to you. Alternatively, you may email: imbrecruitment@justice.gsi.gov.uk and ask for an application form.

More information about the IMB can be found at www.imb.org.uk



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. 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. 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).



As there is very little activity with no events to promote at the moment, we have some spare space - so, to brighten things up, here are some pictures taken at

The Eastwell Easter Egg hunt

It was promoted through the Eastwell Together facebook page. Gardens and windows were decorated with Easter items which the children had to find/solve, and families walked round throughout the Easter weekend. Great idea! Great fun! so much so that there is talk of repeating it next year.

Not all the pictures can be seen clearly, but at least they will appear in colour (even on the hard copies). The one piece of text which should be explained is from the picture bottom right - the white piece of paper says "Christ is Risen".



EASTWELL FLOODLIGHTING

During May the church will be floodlit:

*to celebrate the birthday of:
.. and the wedding anniversaries of:*

KAT WATFORD on 16th May
GUY & JENAN WATFORD on 24th May
TRICIA & TIM PEDLAR on 27th May
ADAM & KAT WATFORD on 30th May

SUPPORT NETWORKS



EASTWELL

1. The central contact is Simon and Jess Congdon, tel. 01949 358651.
2. Volunteers include: Claire Leaman (claireleaman123@gmail.com); Eleanor Ceney, tel 07879 890974, e_grimmer@hotmail.com; Vanessa Dobson, tel 01949 729333 or 07794 581394; Emma Wooding, emmawooding@btinternet.com; Paddy Johnson, 01949 729368; and Jo Toon, 07746 047012.
3. The "Eastwell Together" Facebook page shares information, offers support and help. All Eastwell people are encouraged to join. The address is: www.facebook.com/groups/eastwelltogether.
4. Prescriptions can also be collected. Emma Wooding will collect from Long Clawson; for other surgeries, please get in touch with Jess/Simon Congdon.

EATON

Eaton Good Neighbours can be contacted on 07856 994892. They offer help with picking up shopping/urgent supplies, collecting medicines, posting mail, and/or a friendly phone call.

SCALFORD



1. Residents are being offered meals delivered to your doorstep at £2.00 for main course and £0.50 for small and £1.25 for large desserts. The main menu: shepherd's pie, pork bake, sausage surprise or stew, with a vegetarian option on request. Desserts: crumble (variety of flavours) or bread and butter pudding. All subject to change and availability. Phone Sarah on 444441, Penny on 444687, or email scalfordtriangle@yahoo.com or pennyclemons@live.com.
2. Free range eggs are available at £2 per dozen delivered. Please phone 07743 618746.
3. Kathleen Hewitt will deliver groceries and post office related items to people in the village. Tel. 01664 444868.
4. Jonathon Agnew at jp.agnew@btinternet.com, is also available to help with shopping, etc.
5. The Scalford Triangle Community Group will also pick up shopping, get urgent supplies, post mail, or just a friendly phone call (supported by local borough and endorsed by the Parish Council). Call June on 07398 155014, Sarah on 01664 444441, Penny on 07443 618746/01664 444687, or email scalfordtriangle@yahoo.com. Deliveries will be left on doorsteps. Facebook: Scalford Triangle MMXV.

WALTHAM

Help for Housebound (Waltham) will pick up shopping, get urgent supplies, post mail or offer a friendly phone call. The group is endorsed by Waltham on the Wolds & Thorpe Arnold Parish Council. Call or text 07305 458340 (9.00 am to 5.00 pm and leave message if engaged), or email walthamhelpforhousebound@gmail.com. Deliveries will be left on doorstep. See Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Help-For-Housebound-102758984703303/>

VILLAGE CONTACTS - for distribution of these pages

The following people are all helping to distribute these pages via email, and, as far as possible, are trying to make sure everyone who needs one gets a hard copy.

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| Waltham | Chris Alexander, tel 01664 464802; wee3alexander@btinternet.com |
| Wycomb | Richard Grieve, tel 01664 444 421; richard@rgrieve.plus.com |

OTHER FACILITIES AVAILABLE DURING LOCKDOWN**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.

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.

Fruit and Vegetables

Glenda and Chris' stall selling fruit, vegetables and potatoes will in future close on Mondays. From Tuesday to Sunday inclusive they will be open from 11.00 am to 4.00 pm. They will also deliver locally. Tel 01949 861693 or 07903 784844.

Eggs

Eggs can be bought each day from The Stables at Eastwell (centre of village).

