

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

This month is still a very much slimmed down version, but now things are beginning to look rather more upbeat and reality beckons again, hopefully it will begin to round out again next month.



As some restrictions remain in force from the beginning of June, the volunteer contacts are repeated on the back page. Apart from that there is little mention of lockdown arrangements, as they have been widely covered in the last two issues. For those with internet access, there is the Ironstone Churches website, which is kept up-to-date with Messy Church activities and Zoom/telephone services, and also three facebook pages: Help for Household (Waltham), Scalford Triangle and Eastwell Together - all of which are listed on the back page.



This picture is by Estelle Slegers Helsen of Waltham - see www.newtraces.uk.

Please may I have all items for July by MONDAY, 22nd JUNE
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EATON PARISH COUNCIL

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JUNE NEWS

Parish Council Meetings

Remote Monday, 29th June at 7.30 pm by Zoom. Please see Council's web site on the day of the meeting for details of how to join the meeting.

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.

Memorial Garden in Cemetery

The Parish Council has recently had an area at the bottom end of Eaton cemetery cleared with the intention of creating a memorial garden, and would like to receive any ideas residents may have on how to design this.

Parish Councillors

Chairman:

Marcus Hardy 01476 879124

Vice Chairman:

Les Bettley 01476 879164

Councillors:

Andrea Wright 01664 464837

Alice Crafts 07846 766833

John Nelson 01949 860698

Chris Hill, clerk

EASTWELL FLOODLIGHTING



During June the church will be floodlit:

to celebrate the birthdays of:

SARAH WOODING on 9th June, and

HENRY WATFORD on 16th June

.. and in memory of:

GEORGE HINE on 17th June

SCALFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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JUNE NEWS**Parish Council Meetings:**

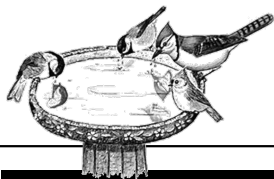
Monday, 22nd June at 7.30 pm remote by Zoom. Please see the Council's website on the day of the meeting for details of how to join the meeting.

Bonfires

Once again, we would draw allotment holders' and residents' attention to the need to be mindful of your neighbours when having a bonfire. Please make sure that any smoke and ash is not being blown across neighbouring properties whose windows may well be open at this time of year.

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

TOTE WINNERS**EASTWELL:**

26 Ray Hewson : 83 Mike Shearstone : 10 Judy Darby
51 Tim Pedlar : 59 Joanne Rowbotham



We apologise for the fact that the winnings have not yet been distributed. The envelopes have been made up but not delivered - and the £5 notes inside have not been touched by anyone else since the beginning of lockdown. Now that restrictions are being lifted, everything should return to normal - at least as far as Eastwell tote is concerned.

THE IRONSTONE VILLAGE CHURCHES
www.ironstonechurches.org**RECTOR**

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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 is being 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

Living with uncertainty

Dear Friends,

We're living with uncertainty on so many fronts, aren't we?

There is uncertainty over the UK government's latest lockdown guidance. What does 'stay alert' actually mean? Who exactly is still supposed to stay at home, and who should be returning to work?

Will the over-70s have to remain in lockdown until there is an effective vaccine? Will the primary schools reopen this month and - if so - how? And what about pubs and cafes? When can sporting fixtures - like football - resume?

And what changes will we be told to implement in response to the Government's new instructions by the Church of England's updated "COVID-19 guidance for churches" website page? For example, when will it be possible to hold funeral services inside our church buildings once again? And what about weddings and baptisms?

Most of us are personally impacted by several of these uncertainties, often with detrimental effects upon us - whether physically or mentally, financially or emotionally. In my own family, we don't know when my wife Mary's mother, who's in lockdown with us, will be 'allowed' to return to her own home in Devon; when our elder daughter will be 'allowed' to have her baby baptised; when our younger daughter will know about whether her ordination to priesthood (originally planned for June), and her wedding planned for September will be 'allowed' to proceed.

Uncertainty is something that the coronavirus pandemic has heaped upon us all in spades. Who will catch it, and who will recover? The statisticians are having a field day trying to predict such things - not to mention the uncertainty about what adjustments risk increasing the "R" number or when there will be sufficient supply of tests and PPE to meet present needs and future demand, if there is a second spike

There are few, if any, people who're not finding all this additional uncertainty hard to cope with. But it is 'additional' uncertainty, because even in 'normal' times, life is full of uncertainties.

Life IS uncertain, risky, unpredictable, changeable, and often precarious. Those who like fixed structures and schedules find this harder than people who by nature enjoy spontaneity, but everyone needs a reasonable amount of security and stability in order to flourish.

The Bible never suggests that God will remove all uncertainty from our earthly lives. On the contrary, we're warned against seeking security in such things as wealth, which is so uncertain. Instead, we are encouraged again and again to put our hope in God (eg. 1 Timothy 6.17). And - in the face of all uncertainty - to remember that "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble" (Psalm 46.1).

With prayers and all good wishes,



(John Barr, Rector)

Letter from the Revd James Skinner

Dear Friends,

I trust you are keeping well. This week we had planned to be in Scotland as part of our summer holiday; instead we have been getting the garden ready for summer, planting out tender vegetables and summer bedding flowers.

We have also been exploring some of the countryside near Melton Mowbray on foot and on our bikes. We have been blessed with warm weather and opportunities to notice the large variety of wildlife that lives close to us, from birds in the hedgerows to butterflies and the occasional hare in a cornfield.

It has also given time to reflect on the current situation. The last day in May this year is the Christian festival of Pentecost, fifty days since Easter Day. It is also the Christian Church's birthday. The day the church started was the one when God's power, the Holy Spirit, first came to Jesus' followers. On that day many people from Eastern Mediterranean countries, who were visiting Jerusalem for the Jewish festival, were able to simultaneously hear and express God's praise in their own language - an experience that people had never had before. The coming of God's power was able to unite them, cutting across the different languages they spoke, as they praised God together.

One of the saddest things about the current world situation is that the major countries are not working together to confront the

challenges that the Covid 19 pandemic has created. They are not united. The focus has been looking after one's own needs rather than working together for the common good.

This has been highlighted by the ways in which some countries have been seeking to create vaccine just for their own use, or to access 'PPE' without regard for the needs of others or recognition of the extra challenges that many less developed countries face. One exemption to this is in the United Kingdom in the Dorset village of Piddlehinton, where everybody in this rural settlement is using their gifts to help other people.

The message of Pentecost is about God sending his power, the Holy Spirit, to people. It is a force which unites people, brings out their gifts and enables them to work together for the common good, so that God's work can progress.

One of the most concerning results of the current pandemic has been how the poorest and most vulnerable people have been the worst affected. Let us pray that in the coming months the world may respond in a more united way, utilising the many God-given gifts that people have, in searching for solutions that help all the world's peoples to deal with this virus.

With best wishes,

James





by Estelle Slegers Helsen of Waltham - see www.newtraces.uk

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.

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*).

GENERAL NOTICES

*** FREE *** FREE *** FREE ***

CARPET: ULSTER VELVET

Same quality, close texture and looks as Wilton carpet

COLOUR: A soft apricot/buff

SIZE: can be trimmed to give approximately 3.5m x 3.3m

Was in a little used spare bedroom
Very good condition
Clean

Possible delivery

Tel 01476 870359 (Eaton). Can leave a message.

Email: geoffknight970@gmail.com

HELP FOR HEDGEHOGS

Many thanks to all those passers-by who supported our sale of cakes and preserves at the bus shelter in Wycomb on Saturday, 2nd May, and to all those who have bought preserves from the stall outside Colette's house in Goadby Marwood.

A total of £260 profit from sales has been donated to the Hedgehog Rescue at Barrow upon Soar, one of our nearest hedgehog hospitals, who rescue and nurse back to health hundreds of sick and injured hedgehogs every year.

The impromptu event was a wonderful success which we hope to build on with another sale in the summer, post lockdown. Details to be advertised in the Village News.

Special thanks to Lucie and to Colette for all their help.

Sales of preserves are ongoing and include homemade lemon curd (using free range eggs), as well as a wide variety of marmalades, jams and relishes, and can be obtained from Colette at Goadby Marwood or from Sue Wall at Wycomb - please call 07925 194068 for orders or enquiries. ALL SUPPORT IS WELCOME!!

Thank you.

Sue Wall, Stonepits Farm, Wycomb.

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



GENERAL NOTICES, cont.**FACT
- or Covid 19 in perspective**

In 1610 Scalford was hit by the plague and 49 burials were recorded between April and June.

There would normally have been about 8 in this period. There were quite a few instances of five or six people of the same surname being buried one after the other, which indicates whole families wiped out.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank whoever has taken the time and effort to smarten up the Horsepool in the village by cutting the grass, digging out all the accumulated soil on the steps next to the old bridge, and restoring the bench.

We imagine it is probably the same people who have placed pots of sweet peas at various points on the approaches to the village.

Thank you, your efforts are greatly appreciated.

James and Helen McNamara

**SCALFORD VILLAGE AUCTION
and
JUMBLE SALE 2020**

It is very much regretted that, due to the present restrictions this year's Village Auction and Jumble Sale have been cancelled.

The event was due to take place over the weekend of 18th and 19th July.

**... and for anyone who may be interested**

During a short conversation, it emerged that Woody has now been putting the yellow pages on line (at <http://villagenews.e-kit.co.uk>) for 14 years.

He then wondered when it started (January 1989), and whether we had a copy of the first one. We do - a very grotty, dog-eared piece of yellow paper, which unexpectedly scanned in well. For fun - and for anyone who may be remotely interested - he has added it to the website

<http://villagenews.e-kit.co.uk>.

This first one was only for Eastwell village (January 1989): Chadwell, Eaton, Goadby Marwood and Wycomb joined in March that year, and Scalford in March 1990 - then Stonesby and Waltham in November 2018.

**Old Brickyard
Tea Garden****There's more to Tea than a
bag in a Mug! on ZOOM**

Monday, 1st June, 7.30 to 8.30 pm

An introduction to the fascinating world of tea and tea tasting.

Did you know we drink approximately 165 million cups of tea a day in the UK? Have you ever wondered what goes into your daily cuppa? Would you like to see a real tea bush?

Now's your chance to find out all about the wonderful world of tea. Join our Tea Lady - Anna Stasinska, a qualified Tea Champion after attending the UK Tea Academy in 2019. Discover and taste 5 different teas and find out why tea is so amazing.

A fun, informative evening discovering tea, its origins and history - on ZOOM.

If anyone would like to join in, please contact Anna on 07803 206852.

email: oldbrickyardtea@icloud.com

Also see
<https://www.facebook.com/events/543937753178329/>



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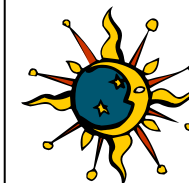
My tea is on sale at the Scalford Post Office. If anyone would like to get in touch and order any delicious loose leaf tea, I will leave it at the post office for collection.

**VIRTUAL
SUMMER ART AND CRAFT FAIR
7th June**

This is actually taking place on my Creative Hub facebook page.

See link:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/749568059129507/>

**EASTWELL
FETE**

Depending on circumstances between now and then, Eastwell Fete will - or will not! - take place on

**SATURDAY, 22nd AUGUST
11.00 to 5.00 pm**

We have a brand new web page which will be kept up-to-date with all the latest information.

This should be appearing on line within a week or so, depending on how quickly we can get the domain swapped over which is proving very difficult for someone (me!) who doesn't understand the terminology employed.

www.eastwellfete.co.uk

This request for funds was received over a month ago, and for one reason or another I decided not to include it, as so many charities are always asking for donations ... but the Air Ambulance is popular and has affected quite a few lives in the area - and also there is space to include it this month. So I have simply dropped it in as it arrived.



I NEED TO ASK FOR YOUR URGENT HELP TO KEEP THE CHILDREN'S AIR AMBULANCE FLYING

The Covid-19 Coronavirus pandemic continues to dominate our entire way of life and is causing harm to many people. All our thoughts are with those who are suffering and every individual who is doing their utmost to help.

The Children's Air Ambulance is a key organisation at the frontline of emergency care. It supports the efforts of the NHS by providing a lifesaving transfer service for critically ill babies and children, flying them to major children's hospitals across the UK. This is an important voluntary funded service that is provided completely free of charge to the NHS.

Prior to this pandemic, one of the most crucial sources of funds for the charity was a network of 20 shops. These shops are now closed and they are also losing vital funds raised from their reuse, recycling and clothing collections. These losses amount to £348,000 a month

and they simply cannot afford to lose these vital funds, and keep the helicopters flying every day.

If they stop flying, more babies and children will be at risk. We cannot let this happen.

We acknowledge the struggles people are experiencing at the moment and know the Children's Air Ambulance are not alone in this suffering. If you are one of the fortunate ones who is still able to support them, then all they ask is for any donation you can make.



Thank you for listening.

Karen,
NHS
Paediatric
Intensive
Care Nurse

LOCAL SUPPLIES AVAILABLE DURING LOCKDOWN

⇒ **Coffee Shot (Stathern shop)** will deliver essential groceries and other goods. Telephone 01949 869063 or email: info@coffee-shot.co.uk.

⇒ **Stathern Garage** remains open for fuel and is happy to collect your car for repairs or MOTs whilst isolating. Tel 01949 869063 or email: adam@statherngarage.co.uk.

⇒ Glenda and Chris continue to sell **fruit, vegetables and potatoes** on Stathern Road, Eastwell, from Tuesday to Sunday inclusive, 11.00 am to 4.00 pm. They will also deliver locally. Tel 01949 861693 or 07903 784844.

⇒ Eggs are available from The Stables, Eastwell (centre of village).

LOCKDOWN 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 with desserts from £1.00. 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/>

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



Please help by donating today at www.childrensairambulance.org.uk/national-appeal
or call: **0300 3047 680**

keeping hope alive