

SPALDWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The National Cyber Crime Unit are aware of a **mass email spamming event** that is ongoing, where people are receiving emails that appear to be from banks and other financial institutions.

The emails may be sent out to tens of millions of UK customers, but appear to be targeting small and medium businesses in particular. This spamming event is assessed as a significant risk.

The emails carry an attachment that appears to be correspondence linked to the email message (for example, a voicemail, fax, details of a suspicious transaction or invoices for payment). This file is in fact a malware that can install Cryptolocker - a piece of ransomware. Cryptolocker works by encrypting the user's files on the infected machine and the local network it is attached to.

Once encrypted, the computer will display a splash screen with a count down timer and a demand for the payment of 2 Bitcoins in ransom (Approx £536 as at 15/11/2013) for the decryption key.

"The NCA are actively pursuing organised crime groups committing this type of crime. We are working in cooperation with industry and international partners to identify and bring to justice those responsible and reduce the risk to the public."

An NCCU investigation is ongoing to identify the source of the email addresses used. Anyone who is infected with this malware should report it via [Action Fraud](#) Sound advice can be found at [GetSafeOnline](#)

Advice: This is a case where prevention is better than cure

Do not click on any such attachment

Anti virus software should be updated, as should operating systems

User created files should be backed up regularly and preserved off network

Where a computer becomes infected it should be disconnected and professional help sought

Various antivirus companies offer remedial software solutions

In an emergency, when a life is in danger or there is a risk of violence or serious injury or when a serious crime is being committed please [call 999](#).

For all non-emergencies, general enquiries and to report crime please [call 101](#).

To give information anonymously, about crime, call Crimestoppers on [0800 555 111](#).

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SPALDWICK NEWS December 2013



December Waste Bin Collection dates

Grey	Fri 6th	Fri 20th	Jan	Mon 6th
Blue/Green	Fri 13th	Mon 30th	Jan	Sat 11th

100 Club Winners in November

The November winners were £40 No.64 Faye Barnden, Thrapston Rd. and £20 No. 4 Mr Hughs, Ivy Way



**ST JAMES' CHURCH
CAROL
PARTY**

**Tuesday
17th December
At
7.00pm**

**Mulled Wine, Mince Pies, Sand-
wiches, Tasty Bites**
Tickets Adults £5 Children £3.00
From
**Rosemary Good, John Blatch,
Amba Harbour, Edie Adams, Liz
McCue, June Dixon**
Tel. 890853 or
email john@blatch.com

PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Bernard Plummer, 41 High Street, Phone 890534
Clerk: David Stowell, 23A Thrapston Road, Phone: 890065
email: davidstowell@onetel.com

The next meeting is at 8 o'clock on Thursday 12th December
in the Community Room at Spaldwick School.
Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Anne Weaver

It is with the greatest sadness that we have to tell you our beautiful Mum Anne Weaver died on Tuesday 19th November, at home, surrounded by her daughters and grandchildren. She bore her illness with strength, dignity and courage. She never lost her kindness and humour and we are so proud to be her daughters. We would like to thank her friends and neighbours who helped her through the last few months, your care and compassion will never be forgotten. Elizabeth, Andrea, Siobhan, Bernadette and Gabrielle

Anne Weaver

The members of Church Committee would like to add their own tribute to Anne. For two years she was the voluntary cleaner for the church. She did the work cheerfully and willingly even though she was carrying a vacuum cleaner in one hand and an oxygen bottle in the other. She is greatly missed and we are praying for her and her family.

Spaldwick Church

December Services

1st	No Service (9.30am at Easton 11.00am Grafham, 11.00am Barham)
8th	9.30am Sunday Eucharist
15th	3.00pm Memorial Service (Requiem Mass) for Anne Weaver
17th	7.00pm Carol Party
22nd	9.30am Sunday Eucharist
24th	5.15pm Crib Service
25th	Christmas Eucharist 9.30am Barham 11.00am Grafham
29th	11.00am Group Service Ellington

January Services

5th	No service
12th	9.30am Sunday Eucharist
19th	6.00pm Evening Service
26th	9.30am Sunday Eucharist

On Sunday 2nd February everyone in the five parishes is invited to Jonathan Young's farewell service as our Rector at 11.00am in Easton church.

For up-to-date information on Church activities see spaldwick.com/church

Superfast Spaldwick gets even closer...

While it may be a frustrating wait for faster Internet speeds, the Connecting Cambridgeshire project is gathering momentum, and the very first fibre street cabinets are being installed across the County - ahead of schedule.

Due to engineering considerations, the Buckden exchange (serving surrounding villages including Grafham) has been first to become fibre-enabled. On Monday 25th November, a special media event was held in Grafham to celebrate the switch-on of the very first street cabinet. Mark Heath attended the event and took photographs and video, which can be found on his regularly-updated information page:

<http://www.increasebroadbandspeed.co.uk/cambridgeshire>

Spaldwick (connected to the Woolley exchange) is close behind, and has been included in the very first phase of fibre cabinet roll-out in the county - helped by your amazing response with registrations.

In November, a new fibre street cabinet was installed near the service station. It has the highest capacity of the four types of street cabinet that can be installed, and would be able to support all residents of Spaldwick being able to move to high-speed fibre services over the coming years.

There are still a number of engineering activities required before superfast broadband services go live, including the installation of a fibre-optic cable across the A14, and BT Openreach is generally tight-lipped until just before service activation. We will continue to keep you updated, and the latest information is always available from the above link (and the Spaldwick website).

With a substantial proportion of the UK still not able to access superfast broadband services, the switch-on will be a major milestone for Spaldwick and the people and businesses based here.

Spaldwick Gardening Club

At the November meeting, the club decided to donate £100 from the proceeds of our plant sale/coffee morning each to Spaldwick Church Escape Youth Group and Magpas Air Ambulance

At the meeting, there was a demonstration of Christmas wreath and festive door swag making. A Christmas workshop will be held by members on Saturday 14th December in the church where we will be making some of the festive arrangements that will adorn the church during the Christmas season. Some of the group will be making festive arrangements for their homes.

The Open Gardens on Sunday 22nd June 2014 now has 10 gardens committed to opening. In addition to the gardens, we will be providing a Plant Stall, afternoon teas, a flower festival in the church and promoting the Escape Youth Group.

If any other organisations wish to become involved in this event, please contact the Gardening Club.

The next meeting will be on 8th January 2014 at 7.30pm at 1 Ivy Way. New members always welcome.

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No Open House in
December

Dates for Your Diary
Dec 17th Carol Party
Dec 22nd Christmas Parade
Jan 24th Burns Night

For items in the News
email john@blatch.com

For items on the website
email
mark.heath@spaldwick.com

SOCIAL GROUP



SPALDWICK



Some pictures from SSG organised events over the past few years- Annual Fete, Valentine Ball, Scarecrow Week, Jubilee Street Party., Hawaiian Hoe Down, Christmas Parade Would you like to join the Committee or perhaps just help when needed? Lucy Frain, Jutta Fiford, Bernard Plummer, Caroline Lock, Yasmin Chopin, John Blatch, Raine Thomas, Trevor Cooper, John Lock, Alison Heath, Lisa Hunter and June Dixon will all be pleased to see you. Next meeting is at 7.45pm on 11th December in The George. Come along.



Save The Children Coffee Morning and Card Sale

We would like to thank everyone who attended our charity event on 7th November.

Christmas Card sales totalled £268.30 and we raised £54 on the raffle, plus a further £1 donation, so a total of **£323.30** altogether.

Many thanks to all who came and supported us.

Spaldwick Welcome Club Joins Waitrose Community Matters Scheme



Spaldwick Welcome Club has been selected to be one of the three Community Matters charities at their Huntingdon store for the month of **January**. When you buy anything in Waitrose, you are given a little green token which you then place in the Community Matters box as you leave the store. We would like to encourage as many people as possible to go into Waitrose in the month of January so that you can support us by placing your token in the Welcome Club box.

Thank you!



BURNS NIGHT DINNER
The George 24th January 2014
Organised by Spaldwick Social Group
Put this date in your diary
Details and Tickets next month



Carol Party - Tuesday 17th December 7.00PM

St James church is hosting a social, musical and humorous evening. Tickets £5 for adults and £3 for children to include a finger buffet. Adults will receive a complimentary first drink of mulled wine on arrival. A thoroughly enjoyed annual event in the church and a great start to the week before Christmas! We don't like to leave anyone out or talent unturned so if you have hidden away for a while or new to the village and have a Festive musical piece, sketch or Seasonal story to share please let us know. Contact Jonathan Young, tel. 891395 or Kim Hall tel. 891984 we look forward to a fun-filled evening with carols to sing too! Tickets From Liz McCue, Stuart Dixon, Edie Adams, John Blatch, Rosemary Good
Or phone 890853 Email john@blatch.com

Our Crib Service is on Christmas Eve at 5pm

Monday 24th December at 5.15pm St James Church welcomes all families and friends to join our Christmas service. We would love it if the children of the village and surrounding villages would join in. So if you are little and would like to dress up as a character/animal from the nativity story please do as we would love you to participate and help with showing the Christmas story. If you are older and would like to read a prayer or other text we would also love to hear from you. Amba Harbour will be organising this part of the service so if you could let her know how involved your children would like to be please contact her at 4 High Street or email ambajane@hotmail.co.uk. Otherwise we look forward to sharing "The Spirit of Christmas" with you all at this lovely community service.

Refreshments will be provided after the service.

CHRISTMAS CAROL PARADE

SUNDAY 22ND DECEMBER

START--SCHOOL AT 4.00 PM

FINISH--THE GEORGE AT 6.00 PM

THIS YEAR WE WILL BE PLAYING
CHRISTMAS MUSIC ON THE WAY FOLLOWED BY
CAROL SINGING IN THE GEORGE.

FATHER CHRISTMAS WILL BE PLEASED TO HAND OUT
PRESENTS TO CHILDREN IF
PARENTS WILL LEAVE THEM IN THE VILLAGE SHOP
BY FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER
PLEASE SEE LABEL BELOW
(CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT)

DO JOIN SANTA ON THE WAY, AT THE
STOPPING POINTS OR AFTERWARDS FOR MULLED
WINE AND MINCE PIES IN

THE GEORGE

**FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE AS
USUAL IN THE GEORGE**

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO

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