

# SPALDWICK NEWS

September 2009

SPALDWICK SOCIAL GROUP  
PRESENTS...

# DOLLYWOOD BARN DANCE

FUSION OF  
GREAT INDIAN FOOD  
AND A LIVE BAND

**SAT 26TH  
SEPTEMBER  
2009**

**7 TO 11PM**  
**£15 PER TICKET  
BAND & FOOD**  
**16 YEARS & OVER**

**GRAFHAM  
VILLAGE HALL**

**BAR AVAILABLE  
FOR TICKETS CALL  
GAVIN: 01480 896143  
LISA: 01480 896996**

SPALDWICK SOCIAL GROUP  
*Bringing the Community Together.....*



A watercolour by Casey Buonaugurio who lived in Pound Close but has now moved back to America

# St James Church

Supper in the Garden with  
The Meerkats if Fine or in the  
House if not  
In Aid of the Church Roof Fund

43 High Street Spaldwick  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept

6pm for 7pm

Free Pimm's on Arrival

Shepherd's Pie      Chicken Casserole  
Tickets £10      Children Free

Tombola • Draw • Champagne Draw

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## Tickets From:

John Blatch	43 High Street	Tel. 890853
Liz McCue	10 Ivy Way	Tel 891537
Romi Good	Ivy House High St	Tel 890287
Amba Harbour	Three Ways High St.	Tel 890565
Norman Vickers	58 Stow Road	Tel 891201
Hilary Shuker	18 Littlecotes Close	Tel 891727
Jean Bradshaw	31 Thrapston Rd.	Tel 890353

Or email [john@blatch.com](mailto:john@blatch.com)



Readers may remember we collected money from the sale of the Spaldwick Rose which was originally earmarked for the Allotments project but has now been donated to Macmillan Cancer Support. This is the acknowledgement we received and a big thank you for all those who contributed.  
Roger Haines

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# St James Church Services

6th September 8.00am Eucharist  
 13th September 9.30am Eucharist  
 20th September 9.30am Eucharist  
 27th September 9.60 Eucharist

Our Harvest Festival Service and Supper will be on Friday 2nd October at 6.30pm in the Church. Tickets will be on sale later this month.

There is usually a service at 9.00am Tuesday to Friday

For more information about the church - services, baptisms, weddings, ministry to the sick, or funeral services contact one of the clergy or churchwardens:

Father Jonathan Young (Rector) 01480 891695  
 Father Martin Kettle (Curate) 01480 890284  
 Rosemary Good (Churchwarden) 01480 890287  
 John Blatch (Churchwarden) 01480 890853

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**DIARY DATES**

Sept. 5th	Garden Supper at 43 High Street	(PCC)
Sept 26th	Barndance, Grafham Village Hall	(Social Gp)
Oct 2nd	Harvest Supper, Church	(PCC)
Nov 21st	Quiz, School	(PCC)
Dec 20th	Carols Round the Village	(Social Gp)
Dec 22nd	Carol Service, Church	(PCC)

## NATURE NOTES 51

Brian Davis

This is surely the high season for wasps. We have had to compete with them for our pears and pick these slightly too early when we noticed that they were attacking a new pear every day, and with 20 pairs of rasping mandibles at a time were hollowing them out to just a skin within a few days. It's a pity they have such a sweet tooth, for most of the summer they are far too busy collecting food for their young to bother us. They rear their larvae entirely on small insects such as caterpillars, and as a complete nest can contain 20,000 individuals one can only imagine the impact they must make. There are five kinds of 'social' wasps in Britain, excluding the distinctive Hornet and a parasitic 'cuckoo' wasp. I don't know which kinds are most common around here but if everyone kills just one wasp this autumn and looks at it between the eyes (or gives it to me) we may be able to discover this for ourselves. Compare these pictures: does it have small black dots on the yellow plate above the jaws?. Is the upper yellow plate between the eyes small and square or rectangular, or large and Y- or X-shaped?

Other, more welcome, signs of approaching autumn are hearing Tawny owls and Little owls again, setting up their territories, and the subsongs of Willow warbler and Chiffchaff, watching a young Hedgehog exploring the churchyard in broad daylight, and House martins in their aerial acrobatics



## Forthcoming Events at The George

### Freshly Prepared Homemade Pizza Night

Every Tuesday - 6 to 9:30pm  
Choice of Toppings  
Served with Salad or Handcut Chips  
£5.95 per head

### Homemade Pie Night

1 back from Tuesday 15th September  
Choice of fillings with chips or mash with gravy  
£5.95 per head

### Live Acoustist Music Night

Last Friday of every month  
Tapas menu available

### North African Gourmet Night Friday 16th October

An extravaganza of North African cuisine  
£22.95 per head - 4 courses

### Gourmet Pizza Take-Away Service

Available from 1st September  
Full details will be available on the website

### Ladies Night – Hosted by The George & Calmer Beauty First Wednesday of every month from 8pm

Purchase a bottle or large glass of wine and receive a free nail paint that evening  
By the ladies of Calmer Beauty in the Hemingway Suite. Also receive a 10% voucher for any treatment at Calmer Beauty redeemable before the next Ladies Night.  
Tapas menu available

### Sunday Quiz Night

Tapas menu available every Quiz Night

### Still to come....

'Tea at The George' - Cream tea afternoons, The Ritz style Race Night in aid of Help for Heroes; A Jolly Boys Outing Coach party to the Proms and more

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## SPALDWICK WEBSITE



These pictures

of the Fete and others can be seen on [www.spaldwick.com](http://www.spaldwick.com) the village website provided by Mark Heath of Ivy Way. Currently it gives news about the

School, Playtimes, local services, the Parish Council and pictures from the Fete plus other photos of Spaldwick. If you have anything that you want to share send it to Mark via the site

## Your New Village Challenge from the Spaldwick Social Group

Do you lust after next door's dumplings? Is there nothing more you would like to do, than try out the tart at number 329?

Can you barely hold yourself back when you see the neighbour's toad in the hole? Then our next project is right up your street

The Spaldwick Social Group would like to produce a recipe book like no other. Why have Marco Pierre White trying to get you cook his pan-cakes when you can spread the word about your family traditional drop scones.

We are looking for your favourite recipes, the ones that have been with you for 4 generations, or the ones you have only just discovered that make you want to have the same meal 3 nights in a row.

Soups, Main Courses, Deserts, Dips, Cakes or whatever your speciality is please let us have your suggestions without delay. With the wide range of people in our village the mix should be very interesting. Miss Agostini has supplied her Sicilian family Calzone recipe and we already have a few South African cakes on the short list

Please include your name and address and if the recipe has a history behind it a short note about this would be very welcome and will be included in the book. It is not often you can get your name in print (without having to commit a crime) so don't delay send your recipe's today.

You can drop your recipes and notes of to me at 53 Stow Road, email them to [lessingcaller@gmail.com](mailto:lessingcaller@gmail.com) or hand them to a member of the Spaldwick social group (we are getting everywhere so there is sure to be someone in a road near to you!).

I would be happy to personally collect the original "recipe on a scrap of paper" and photocopy it so you can also contact me on 07785-392568 or 01480-896143

**All profits will go back into our community**

## PARISH COUNCIL

The next scheduled meetings will be held at 8 pm in the Community Room at Spaldwick School on Thursday 3 September 2009, and Thursday 1 October 2009.

Please see notice boards for agendas and confirmation of dates.  
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

Minutes of meetings are published on the Parish Council website <http://eoe.xarg.co.uk/spaldwick/> They can also be accessed by a link

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### Dog Waste Bags

Two weeks ago when I was trimming the shoots from around the large lime tree on the High Street verge, I pulled out 11 dog waste bags from the hollow area. The following day I emptied the litter bin adjacent to the seat in the children's play area in Ferriman Road where I found a further 8 bags.

I appeal to those who dispose of the bags in this unhygienic way to take them home for disposal or to put them in one of the four black covered bins which can be used for that purpose. They are located in Royston Avenue, Thrapston Road, High Street near The George and on the Village Green.. David Stowell

### Waste Bin Collection Dates

Wed Sep 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grey	Tue Sep 8 <sup>th</sup> Green	Fri Sep 11 <sup>th</sup> Blue
Tue Sep 15 <sup>th</sup> Grey	Tue Sep 22 <sup>nd</sup> Green	Fri Sep 25 <sup>th</sup> Blue
Tue Sep 29 <sup>th</sup> Grey	Tue Oct 6 <sup>th</sup> Green	Fri Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> Blue

## Spaldwick Social Group Update (Money from the Fete)

As mentioned in the last news letter as a result of the excellent support from the village the money raised at the fete will go back into our community.

We had a small ceremony at the church to present them with a cheque for £500. Further presentations will be carried out in the coming months

### SPALDWICK SOCIAL GROUP AGM

The Spaldwick Social Group AGM will be held on Wednesday



7th October at 8.00pm in the Playtimes building. All are invited to attend.

## Spaldwick Social Group Next Event

Following on the success of the Village Fete, the next event run by the Spaldwick social group is the "Bollywood Barndance" a fusion of Indian food and Barn Dancing will be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> September between 7:00 and 11:00pm at Grafham village hall.

One of the best Cailidh bands in the country will be helping us remember our doe's e doe's from our promenades. If you haven't tried this before please come along as it is a great laugh and even if you have 2 left feet like me you will have a great time. My wife even tried to avoid dancing at our wedding, but we went to an event with this band and she didn't get of the dance floor all evening.

The ticket price includes entry to the event and a meal prepared by the excellent Cinnamon Restaurant (a vegetarian option will be available).

There will be drinks available throughout the evening with a specially commissioned cocktail punch the bollywood slammer making a guest appearance. Dress is optional (well you have to wear clothes, but the choice is optional, from saris or jeans and boots to your every day casuals or fine dining attire)

I know you have heard it all before, but the hall capacity is around 100 and ticket allocations are already at around 50 so please don't delay in getting yours.

Price is £15 per head (over 16's only please) and tickets are available from anyone in the Spaldwick Social Group, or you can contact Gavin on 07785-392568 / 01480-896143 or Lisa on 01480-896996

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**All profits from the event go back into making our community better**