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# SPALDWICK NEWS June 2010



#### **WANTED**

- Tombola prizes any unwanted presents or tins/bottles food welcome!
- Toys for the toy stall
- Empty screwtop wine bottles

This is your chance to raise money for your community just by having a good clear out!!

Please drop items in to Playtimes, 3 Ivy Way or 53 Stow rd. Alternatively call 0845 260 3131 to arrange collection.

#### 100 Club Winners in May

Numbers were drawn in the George on 19th May The winners were No. 73 Maggie Lincoln £40 and No 48 Ian Brennan£20, The next draw will take place in The George on Wednesday May 19th. At 8 o'clock



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#### DIARY DATES

June 28th Open House at 23a Thrapston

Road 1.30pm-3.30pm

June 6th Open Garden 7 Thrapston Road
June 12th Church Garden Party, 43 High Street

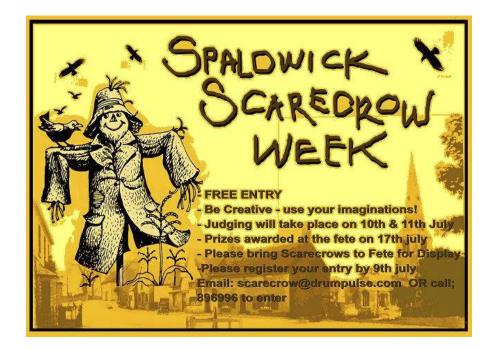
July 17th Village Fete

#### Waste Bin Collection Dates

Wed Jun 2nd Green Sat Jun 5th Blue Tue Jun 8th Grey

Tue June 15th Green Fri Jun 18th Blue Tue Jun 22nd Grey

Tue Jun 29th Green Fri Jul 2nd Blue Tue Jul 6th Grey







#### NATIONAL GARDENS SCHEME Gardens Open for Charity

Stewart and Mary Barnard are opening their garden at 7 Thrapston Road in aid of charity on Sunday 6th June from 1pm to 6pm

Well worth a visit, if you have not seen it before you can have no idea what awaits you as you walk down the side of the house.

Go along and find out, teas will be served £2.50, children free.







### St James Church Services

June

6th 6.00pm Evensong

13th 9.30am Eucharist

20th 11.00am All-age Service

27th 9.30am Eucharist

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

Church Cleaning We are still in need of a volunteer or volunteers to help with church cleaning. This is not a big task, mainly vacuuming every now and again and dusting pews and window sills. Anyone who can help please contact John Blatch tel. 890853 or Rosemary Good tel. 890287.

NATURE NOTES



Reed Warbler feeding its Cuckoo chick

Whilst walking Sam, my Springer Spaniel day dog, along the river at Brampton last week I heard a cuckoo. He (it the male bird that gives the familiar call) was the first one that I have heard in several years. I have only once actually seen one, this was about fifteen years ago in a tree along the edge of the field where Ivy Way is now built,

but in the past they would be heard

every year in Spaldwick and, I suppose,

the rest of the country because they

Brian Davis

were once wide spread summer visitors.

They are now on the RSPB Red List of birds in danger but it is not clear why they should have declined in numbers, the Dunnocks, Meadow Pipits and Reed Warblers, the common host birds for the Cuckoo's egg, are not particularly endangered.

At one time it was a mystery how the cuckoo could match the colouring of its egg to that of the host bird until it was realised that female Cuckoos pass on a preference for the host to their chicks. The exception is with the Dunnock where the Cuckoo's egg does not resembles the host bird's; it is thought that this is because the Dunnock is a recent choice of host and it has not yet learned to recognise the Cuckoo egg as an intruder or is not smart enough.











## Forthcoming Events at Your Village Pub



Our Homemade Sunday Roast Lunch 2 courses only £14 per head (children £7.50 per head)

Great British Homemade Pie Night Every Tuesday 6pm to 9:30pm Choice of fillings, with mash or handcut chips & gravy £6.95 per head

From Tuesday 1st June and every Tuesday
For the Summer months, our Pie Night will be
changing to

Gourmet Stonebaked Pizza Night Choice of toppings with salad or handcut chips £6.95 per head

Gourmet Homemade Pizza Take-Away / Delivery Service Available everyday 6pm to 9:30pm

The World Cup! All England games will be screened in the bar

> Mexican Gourmet Night Friday 18th June 2010

An extravaganza of authentic Mexican cuisine £20.95 per head for 4 courses Booking advisable

> Quiz Night Every Sunday From 8:30pm

All New Blues Brothers Revue Performing in the garden Sunday 15th August 2010 from 2pm

Mark, Louise and all the team look forward to welcoming you to your local village pub, the traditional hub of every community.

www.georgeofspaldwick.co.uk

#### PARISH COUNCIL

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 24th June in the Community Room at Spaldwick School commencing at 8pm.

Please see notice board on The Green for the agenda and confirmation of the date. Members of the public are welcome to attend and to address the meeting during the Public Open Forum.

Minutes of meetings are published on the website www.spaldwick.com and on the notice board (or boards, when the one in Royston Avenue is repaired).

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#### SPALDWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - June 2010

#### Spring time...half-term holidays...

Warm days, evening barbecues, garages & sheds left open! Convertible cars with the hoods left down and mobile phones still on the front seat...sound familiar?

As we enter warmer weather (he said - hopefully) please do ensure that you secure your valuables.

#### Stay safe on the roads

In 2008 60 people were killed on the county's roads. By taking simple safety precautions when driving and travelling we can significantly reduce the number of serious and fatal collisions each year.

Sadly the majority of collisions are caused by driver error so it is vital road users remain alert and adhere to Pedestrian safety:

Pedestrians are among the vulnerable road users.

To reduce the chance of being involved in a collision always:

Wear bright clothing, preferably high visibility clothing, to ensure that you can be seen.

Stay alert and aware of what is going on around you.

Obey the High way Code.

When walking on a road always walk towards traffic.

Report suspicious activity to the Police - 0345 456 4564

Crimestoppers - 0800 555 111

http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/

For internet users more information is available at:

www.mynhw.co.uk www.cambs.police.uk www.cambsnhw.org.uk/
David Henrick - 01480896556

david.henrick@virgin.net

#### VILLAGE EVENTS

COFFEE OPEN HOUSE Next Open House coffee afternoon is June 28th at 1.30pm in the home of David Stowell, 23a Thrapston Road

We are delighted with the response we have had, both in numbers attending and folks willing to host future get-togethers. This is an event for the entire village so remember to put the date (last Monday in the month) in your diary and come along.

We have now donated £50 each to the Church and to the Village Hall fund

St James Church
Evening Garden Supper
6.00pm on 12th June
At
43 High Street
Free Pimm's on Arrival

Covered Seating for a

Two Course Meal

Children Welcome
Tickets Adults £10, Family £25
From any PCC Member or contact
John Blatch Tel. 890853
Email john@blatch.com

# Spaldwick School

WALK TO SCHOOL POEMS FROM SPALDWICK PRIMARY SCHOOL



# RECYCLE YOUR OLD CLOTKES, BOOKS AND DVD'S TO KELP RAISE FUNDS FOR SPALDWICK SCHOOL

# The next collection is WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am

Please help us to raise funds for school – Now is the time to have a clear out and ask family and friends too.

As last time please use your own bags, and box books and DVD's separately.

#### WHAT WE CAN TAKE:

Clothes, Paired shoes, Handbags, blankets, sheets, curtains, soft toys or, books and DVD's (in separate box / strong bag)

Please deliver to school on the morning of 9<sup>th</sup> June.

For queries contact Becky 01480 890386.