

SPALDWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - October 2010

POLICE are warning users of social media websites to check their security settings after burglars targeted an unoccupied home. "This case highlights the dangers of putting personal information on the internet." Burglars monitored the victim's **Facebook** account waiting for the perfect opportunity to ransack their home.

Stay Safe Card

The Stay Safe card was developed so that vulnerable people can get support in the community. The cards hold information about the card holder:

Health concerns

Communication issues

Helpful contact details for friends and family

Contact instructions if the police are required

The cards can be shown at any point; vulnerable people may feel scared and isolated when they are out on their own.

The Stay Safe cards have been developed in partnership with the Speaking Up projects by [Cambridgeshire County Councils](#) Children's and Young Peoples Disability Team as a result of the Aiming High initiative, Cambridgeshire Constabulary and Safety of Vulnerable Adults ([SOVA](#)).

If you would like to have a stay safe card or know of someone who might benefit from having one you can download one from - <http://www.cambs.police.uk/help/staysafe/>

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/

SPALDWICK NEWS October 2010



This was the scene for the Hawaiian Hoedown, last month's dance organised by the Spaldwick Social Group. See inside for more photographs and a report on the evening.

See more photos on the village website www.spaldwick.com maintained by Mark Heath .

100 Club Winners in September

Numbers were drawn in The George on 16th September The winners were No. 59 Alan Barnden of Thrapston Road and No. 80 Elve and Peter Ogan. The end of year is approaching, we hope that everybody and perhaps a few more will be joining the 100+ club for 2011.



DIARY DATES

October 23rd	Magic of the Musicals
October 25th	Open House, 23 Stow Road
October 27th	Visit of Connections Bus
December 19th	Carols Round the Village

Waste Bin Collection Dates October

Green	Blue	Grey
Tue 5th	Fri 8th	Tue 12th
Tue 19th	Fri 22nd	Tue 26th

ESCAPE
 YOUTH GROUP (Spaldwick)

THE CONNECTIONS
 BUS PROJECT

Free Just bring money for tuck

Open to ages 11 to 18

Playtimes carpark

Oct 27th Wed 7-9pm

Games consoles Music Karaoke
 Crafts Sports Tuck-shop
 Internet Access Information & Advice

To book please contact
 spaldwickyouth@btinternet.com
 www.connectionsbusproject.org.uk

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All aboard! Youth bus comes back to Spaldwick! Young people in Spaldwick are invited to come along for a fun evening aboard the Connections Bus Project when it visits the village for a second time on Wednesday October 27th from 7 - 9pm outside Playtimes Play-group on Ferriman Road. Organised by Escape (the new name for Spaldwick Youth Group), the bus offers a range of activities guaranteed to appeal

to everyone aged between 11 and 18, including games consoles, music, karaoke, crafts, sports, tuck-shop and internet access. You can find out more by visiting the Connections website at www.connectionsbusproject.org.uk To book yourself a place, please e-mail spaldwickyouth@btinternet.com This is the second time Escape has organised a visit by the Connections bus to the village. The bus first came to Spaldwick in July this year, winning rave reviews from all the young people who attended. A big thank you to Spaldwick Fundraisers and Spaldwick Parish Council for kindly sponsoring the bus visits.

St James Church Services

October

3rd	6.00pm	Evensong
10th	9.30am	Eucharist
17th	11.00am	Family Worship
24th	9.30am	Eucharist
31st	11.00am	Group Service

Ellington

There is usually a service at 9.00am Tuesday to Friday

Salvation Army Collection

On behalf of The Salvation Army, Theresa and Bob Dearman would like to thank all fellow villagers who made donations to the Salvation Army via envelopes which we delivered and collected. If you were out when we called, we are sorry we missed you. This particular Appeal takes place annually throughout the country with different towns/villages visited each year. We last collected Spaldwick 5 years ago.

The money collected is vital towards the work of the Salvation Army throughout the United Kingdom which includes:-

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| Over 700 centres for worship | 18 elderly care centres |
| A clothing recycling programme | 68 substance misuse centres |
| A prison chaplaincy/visiting service | A family tracing service. |
| 57 hostels offering over 2,800 beds | |

Internationally of course the Salvation Army does much more - but - that is another story.

We appreciate your help.
THERESA AND BOB DEARMAN

NATURE NOTES

Brian Davis



Many of you must surely have seen Red admiral butterflies in your garden this summer, especially if you have Buddleia in flower. I haven't seen a single one in my garden even though I have lots of fallen apples and they often come to those, too. And I have only recorded a few Small tortoiseshells anywhere this year, and no caterpillar webs on net-

tles, whereas they used to be one of the most common butterflies. This species has been declining for a few years now, apparently because of a parasite. On the other hand, I have seen more White admirals this year than ever before, probably because I have been to Brampton Wood at the peak flying period, at the beginning of July. A friend saw Purple emperors and Purple hairstreaks in Fermyn Woods, Northamptonshire, at around the same time, so that is in my diary for next year - along with the first week in May for Nightingales at Little Paxton Pits. At present it is just lovely to watch House martins and Swallows wheeling around the skies hunting for aerial plankton, with the occasional buzzard drifting lazily above them. Can anyone tell me where the House martins nested this year?

Spaldwick Open Gardens - 2011

I have been approached by various interested villagers to see whether it would be feasible to organise another Open Gardens event for June 2011. The last event, two years ago, was a great success and included some lovely gardens, plant stalls and, of course, the delicious teas plus other events in the church. We raised over £1000 for charity and received very positive feedback from all concerned.

If anyone would be interested in opening their garden next year or being a volunteer to help with the organisation, please let me know by either ringing me on 891683 or emailing me at roger@jeanhaines.plus.com



Forthcoming Events at Your Village Pub



Our Homemade Sunday Roast Lunch
Now only £10 (Children £6.95)

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



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

Thai Gourmet Night
Friday 8th October 2010
An extravaganza of authentic
Thai cuisine
£23.95 per head for 4 courses
Booking advisable



Quiz Night Every Sunday
From 8:30pm

Christmas Celebration
Menus now available
Visit our website to download



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

Clerk: David Stowell, 23A Thrapston Road, Spaldwick PE28 0TA
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Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council is due to be held on Thursday 14 October in the Community Room at Spaldwick School commencing at 8 pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Please see notice board on the Village Green or view the website www.spaldwickparishcouncil.org.uk for the agenda and confirmation of the date. Draft minutes of meetings, which are subject to confirmation by the Council, are published on the notice board and website shortly after each meeting. Those on the website are replaced by the approved version when they become available.

Bury Close

A number of complaints have been made by residents about the condition of the field during the height of the summer which made walking along the paths difficult and produced large amounts of thistle seeds which blew around the village. An overall cut of the field was carried out in mid August, which has removed the seed problem. Mr W Brown has confirmed that it was cut at the request of the land-owner who has pointed out that the field is privately owned and that users of the footpaths should remain on them and not walk anywhere they choose.

The Parish Council recognises that walkers may have difficulty in recognising the official paths as they are not delineated and the perimeter unofficial path created by dog walkers is clearly visible. To clarify the position of the public footpaths across the field an extract of the definitive map is, therefore, being displayed on the Parish Notice Board. Walkers are requested to keep to these paths.

Community Access Point

This comprises two computers, complete with scanners and printers, provided by Cambridgeshire County Council and located in the Community Room at Spaldwick School. They are available for public use free of charge on Monday afternoons in term time from 1.15 pm to 3.15 pm. A volunteer "tutor" will be available if help is needed. To book a slot or discuss the possibility of using the facility at some other time please contact David Stowell.

OPEN HOUSE Come join Theresa and Bob Dearman at 23 Stow Road at 1.30pm on 25th October for Tea, Coffee and a chat. Also Bring and Buy.

News from Spaldwick School

OUR OWN VILLAGE SHOP

Darrell Haylett, the Head Chef of The George of Spaldwick, has taken the opportunity to open his own village shop, known as 'Number 12' with his wife Maud, just across the road from The George.

Darrell has been Head Chef at The George for the past 3 years and continues to assist in maintaining their excellent reputation for locally sourced, home grown and foraged produce. His passion has led him to provide Spaldwick with its much needed 'Village Shop' and delicatessen providing him with an avenue to sell and promote the wonders of local produce for people to enjoy the benefits of in their own home.

Darrell remains Head Chef at The George continuing to provide award winning local and home grown dishes to their customers while Maud will be looking after their Village Shop on a daily basis.

Some of the produce featured in the shop will include eggs from alpha farm, potatoes, strawberries and honey from Pidley, stoned fruits and apples from the orchards surrounding Cambridge, Toms Cakes from Somersham, freshly baked bread, homemade jams and chutneys, old fashioned sweets weighed at the counter, cold pressed rapeseed oil from Farringtons and local organic flours from Glebe Farm from just outside Huntingdon.

Darrell, Louise and Mark at The George are protective over the wonderful tradition of the Great British Village Pub and Shop -and we can all benefit from both of these now.

A hundred years ago there were several shops in Spaldwick, butcher, baker, grocer, drapers, a blacksmith's and two (three?) pubs. In the 1970's there were just two stores, one of which was also a post office, then there was one and then none. We all know the attractions of the supermarket but a shop, in our own village is an asset. Let us give Darrell and Maud our support.



Our first whole school special assembly was our Harvest Celebration and saw a wonderful collection of fresh and tinned produce collected on our Harvest Table. All the donations were collected by the Newmarket Open Door Charity for immediate distribution

A spectacular flypast has also taken place, as part of a visit to school by the Night Owls. The pupils learnt about the habitats of Owls, caring for their environment as watched as six different Owls swooped very low over our heads. All children then had the opportunity to have their photograph taken with Zippy the Barn Owl.



Finally, our first open classrooms event for this academic year has taken place, with parents invited in to share with their child the results of our Happy Handwriting week. During the course of the week, pupils completed a series of handwriting challenges to help them identify elements of this Literacy skill to improve. The next open classroom event for pupils and parents will take place in November.

One way have a night out

These CCTV pictures were taken between 4 and 5 in the morning on Sept. 1st at Spaldwick School. A bin was set on fire and a lot of damage was caused to the roof when the youths climbed onto it. Things could have been a lot more serious, with the school being out of action for a sustained period.



We need to stop this before it does get serious. Do you recognise anybody? If so please call 0345 456 456 or 07734 179182. All calls are confidential.

And Another Way, The Hawaiian Hoe Down



About 70 people went along to the Hawaiian Hoe-Dpwn last month and had a really good time, despite or perhaps because of, the mixture of Hawaii, the old west and a traditional hog-roast. We learned a lot of new steps, only to forget them the following day, met some delightful, if unexpected, partners on the floor and had a very good supper.

The decorations were superb, congratulations to the Spaldwick Social Group who put so much work into the evening



The next big event will be the Valentine's dance in February next year.

See you there.