

SPALDWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

From latest E-Cops bulletin

There are still on-going issues with cycle crime. This still remains a real issue for our local area. I would urge any of you with pedal cycles to ensure they are properly secured with solid locks and to remain vigilant in your local areas for any potential bike thieves that may be out there and whether you think you know where these bikes may be being sold on.

For more information see: <http://www.cambsnhw.org.uk/>

REMEMBER to dial **101** for all non-emergency calls.

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Textile Re-cycling

Textiles can be re-cycled in many ways, from simply being re-used as clothes to making bank notes but we are still re-cycling only about a quarter of what is thrown away.

HDC cannot re-cycle textiles put in the Blue Bins. Please take your old clothes to a Textile Bank or Charity Shop or put them in the sacks regularly distributed by charities. But be careful, there are many fraudsters who make collections for their own gain or even steal sacks from the doorstep if put out over night. Stick to the mainstream collectors such as the Salvation Army.

September Waste Bin Collection Dates

Blue/Green

Fri 6th

Fri 20th

Oct Fri 4th

Grey

Fri 13th

Fri 27th

Fri 11th

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All is safely gathered in.
Now for the Festival, see Page 7

100 Club Winners in August

The August winners were £40 No.87 Peter Thomas, High Street and £20 No. 19 Helen Chalkley, Ferriman Road

LAWN CARE IN SEPTEMBER

The Autumn Renovation Programme begins this month; thatch and compaction are two of any lawns major problems and now is the best time to tackle them.

Scarification and Over Seeding (Special Offer - 25% off this month)

September's Scarification

Remove the thatch, the dead and the weak grass, and open up the surface to allow the lawn to breathe and over seed with a quality grass seed.

Autumn Aeration and Over Seeding

Soil compaction is a frequent cause of turf deterioration and moss invasion; this is the process whereby 10 – 15cm (4-6 ") holes are "mechanically punched" in to the lawn allowing air in to the roots of the grass encouraging a more vigorous and greener lawn. Additional grass seed can be sown too.

Autumn Feed

This feed is another important part of any lawn care programme. Our fertiliser is high in Phosphate and Potassium with additional Iron for that dark green look and moss prevention.

Actions required in September

- Scarify lawn
- Aerate Lawn and Over seed
- Combine an Autumn Feed with an Early Moss Control

Ask for a quote for a Lawn Renovation-25% Off This Month
Offer ends 20th September

Call Deborah or Simon on 01480 812393 e-mail- info@prolawncares.co.uk

- <http://twitter.com/ProLawnCareUK>

- <http://www.facebook.com/ProLawnCareUK>

Ask the Lawn Ranger for advice (we promise he will reply within 24 hours)

www.prolawncares.co.uk/ask-the-lawn-ranger

Lawn Fact: Recovery rates amongst hospitalized people are often quicker when their rooms view a green landscaped area, compared with patients who have no view".

PARISH COUNCIL

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

The next meeting is at 8 o'clock on Thursday 12th September in the Community Room.

SPALDWICK CARPET BOWLS CLUB.

Spaldwick Carpet Bowls Club will resume their 2013 season with a club night at Spaldwick school on Tuesday 3rd September commencing at 07.00 pm. The club meets every Tuesday evening during school term time and is looking forward to a busy programme of club nights, internal competitions, matches with other local clubs, and social events. Carpet bowls is a sociable game which requires skill and concentration, but is not physically demanding. New members will be assured of a warm welcome - just turn up at the school at 7.00pm on a Tuesday club night and give it a try!

Spaldwick Welcome Club

We are holding an evening of entertainment at The School Hall on 7th September from 7 pm-10pm ,we will be entertained by Billy Keys. It will be an evening of music, songs, funny stories and audience participation. Tickets will be £10 per person which will include a luxury Ploughmans Supper (Please bring your own drink and glasses)
For tickets contact Derek Relf on 860669.

Spaldwick Church

September Services

1st	No Service	Sunday Worship at Grafham 11.00am,
8th	9.30am	Eucharist
14th	12.30pm	Wedding
15th	6.00pm	Evening Service
22nd	9.30am	Eucharist
29th	6.00pm	Harvest Festival

Jonathan Young (Rector) 01480 891695
Rosemary Good (Churchwarden) 01480 890287
John Blatch (Churchwarden) 01480 890853

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

Church Flowers.

Liz McCue is retiring from her post of Diarist and Chris Saynor has kindly offered to take over.

She says thank you to the very willing and talented group of flower arrangers who decorate the church throughout the year.

Many, many thanks to Liz for her good work during her time as Diarist
Would you like to help? Harvest Festival is coming up.
Call Chris on 891385



It's nearly the end of a lovely warm summer and that means it's time for Escape to begin youth group sessions again!

The first youth group session of the new autumn term will take place on Friday 6 September at 7pm at the usual venue of Spaldwick School and we look forward to seeing our young people there - and hearing about what they got up to over the holidays.

We're adopting the same policy with regards to year 6 children this year, with children being welcome to join us from the half-term they become 11.

This helps integrate them with the older children and to appreciate the relaxed atmosphere we provide away from school.

We recently received £34.52 from the collection tin at Number 12 village shop in Spaldwick. Thanks to Darrell and Maud and their customers.

We have decided to make a donation to Asthma UK in memory of one of our young people, Elouise Keeling of £70, which equates to the entry money from the last two sessions in July.

Forthcoming youth club dates

Friday 6 September - 7-9 pm at Spaldwick School

Spaldwick Gardening Club

Our August meeting took the form of a farewell drinks and nibbles evening with Barbara Seymour who is hoping to be moving shortly. We thank her for her enthusiasm and kindness and wish her every happiness in her new home.

The club finalised the date of next year's Open Gardens as Sunday 22 June. It is very pleasing to have received so many offers from people wishing to open their gardens which we greatly appreciate and if anyone else wishes to join in, then we would be delighted to hear from you.

To coincide with the Open Gardens, there will be a flower festival in the church; more details about this and other activities to be finalised.

If any group wishes to use this event to showcase their activities, please contact me.

The Club's next main event will be a **COFFEE MORNING** on **12th October** in the church from 10am to 1pm where we will also be selling plants, cakes and preserves. There will also be a charity raffle.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 11th September from 7.30pm at 23, Thrapston Road. Please bring your secateurs as we will have a tidy up of this garden.

Roger Haines

September Open House will be hosted by Margaret Taylor, 12 Mount Pleasant on 30th September.

Dates for Your Diary

Every Tuesday Bowls Club P. 11

Sept 4th Social Group meeting

7th Welcome Club Show P.11

14th Ride and Stride P.6

29th Harvest Supper P.7

Oct 12th Gardening Club (see above)

26th Halloween Party P. 5

Nov 2nd Games Night P. 6

For items in the News email john@blatch.com

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

WOOLLEY HILL WIND FARM

Community Liaison Group Meeting

Ellington Village Hall,
Ellington, PE28 0AB

Tuesday 14 May, 7:00pm

This meeting will include a discussion about noise as well as providing an update on general progress towards construction of the wind farm.

All members of the public are welcome.
Attendance is free.

www.woolleyhill.co.uk



Please check the Woolley Hill Wind Farm website closer to the proposed date of the meeting for final confirmation of the date and location, as this may be subject to change.

Background information about Woolley Hill Wind Farm and the Community Liaison Group can be found at:

www.woolleyhill.co.uk

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IS RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR YOU?

As solar panels become a common sight around our neighbourhoods, you may be wondering what options are available to you to save or even generate your own energy but it can be daunting knowing where to start. At Trading Standards we want to help you find a trader you can trust and make sure you know what you can expect of these businesses.

When considering the options available to you, the Energy Saving Trust (www.energysavingtrust.org.uk) is a good place to start. They are an independent organisation that provides free, expert advice on saving energy in your home. Their website contains extensive information, and they also have a helpline which can be contacted on 0300 1231234 (national rate).

In terms of funding any improvements, if you aren't able to pay for them up front, you could consider the Government's Green Deal Scheme (www.gov.uk/green-deal-energy-saving-measures) which allows for repayment over a period of time through your energy bills. There are a range of businesses that offer home assessment visits to advise you on the options most suitable for your specific circumstances. You will usually need to pay for this and you should check whether there is a tie-in clause requiring you to use a certain business to do the installation work if you decide to go ahead. The assessment will give you estimated savings projections for the first year based on a specific level of energy usage. Unfortunately this means you won't know exactly what you will save, but you can at least check to make sure the estimate is based on a realistic level of energy usage for your situation.

In terms of finding a trader, it is important to shop around to ensure the business is reputable and that the price is fair before agreeing to any work. Green Deal has its own approved assessors and installers, but if you are not using Green Deal we would recommend that you find an installer and products that are part of the Micro Generation Certification Scheme (MCS) or are Renewable Energy Assurance Limited (REAL) approved. These organisations have codes of practice that traders have to comply with and standards that the products have to meet. The Energy Saving Trust website allows you to search for local installers who belong to MCS. Some members also sit on our Buy With Confidence approved trader scheme giving you even greater assurance that they are businesses you can trust. Visit www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk for more details.

If you encounter any problems with an assessor, installer or any other type of business and need some advice, please contact our advice partner, the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline, on 08454 040506 (national rate).

Church Roof

We are still fund raising for the church roof. The Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust could not donate but has offered an interest free loan of £3000, which is to be paid back within 4 years. Volunteers for their annual tour of local churches (see page 6) would be very helpful.

The £12000 from the local landfill fund (AmeyCESPA) is still pending. The Trust supervising the fund insists upon a bat survey which has been promised by the Bat Conversation Trust for two months now but has never been made. Hope it is carried out before the offer lapses, it cannot just lay on the table for ever.

Halloween Party

**Organised by the Spaldwick Social Group
On Saturday 26th October
Put the date in your Diary
More Info in the October News**



Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust
Ride, Drive or Stride
Saturday 14th September

This is a sponsored tour of our local churches, Brington, Buckworth, Bythorn, Covington, Easton, Ellington, Grafham, Kimbolton and Spaldwick to raise money for their restoration.

Spaldwick has been offered £3000 to help with our roof repair, which we hope to start on soon.

Please help. Entry forms from John Blatch, Tel. 890853, email john@blatch.com or direct from the internet at cambshistorichurchestrust.co.uk (but please let JB know)



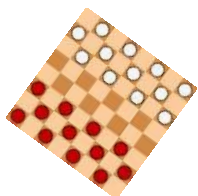
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Church Roof



GAMES NIGHT
SATURDAY 2ND NOVEMBER
Dominoes, Darts, Draughts and Cards

Turn off the computer and play real
games with real opponents

More details next month



St James Church
Harvest Supper
and Auction

Sunday 29th September
at 7.00pm
(Festival Service at 6.00pm)
in

The George

Tickets Adults £10 Children £5
From

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