

SPALDWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Rogue Trader and Cashpoint Crime Alerts

Rogue Traders are gaining access to homes in order to pressure sell Home Security Equipment and there are suspicions of selling other in-house systems (broadband, TV etc)

Cambridgeshire Police are warning us about a company calling itself '**Home Security**' - This Company has been cold calling in the area of South Cambridgeshire. They may also have been in the Peterborough area - two strange phone calls were made to elderly householders there. In these cases, fake reference numbers and contact telephone numbers were offered. The best advice is to be aware of who you are talking to on the phone should you receive a call.

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**.

March/April Waste Bin Collection

Blue/Green

Fri 6th Fri 20th April Fri 3rd

Grey

Fri 13th Fri 27th April Sat 11th

SPALDWICK NEWS

March 2015

Mothering Sunday or Mother's Day?

Mothering Sunday is a Christian Festival, held on the fourth Sunday in Lent. It dates from the 16th Century when people would go to their mother church, usually the Cathedral. It gradually became a day when they would return to their families, being about the only day off that workers such as servants would have in the year.

Mothers Day dates from 1905 and was started by an American woman, Anna Jarvis, in memory of her mother a nineteenth century peace activist. The meaning of this day also changed, in Anna Jarvis's lifetime, becoming a commercial activity with the selling of cards and gifts much to her dismay.

Mother's Day is now worldwide but not everywhere is it the second Sunday of May, as originally established. It can be from January (Myanmar) to December (Panama). Only in The United Kingdom, Ireland and Nigeria are both days on the fourth Sunday in Lent.



LAWN CARE IN MARCH - See Special Offer below

Moss Moss poses a real threat to lawns this year, and may be affecting your lawn. ProLawnCare can spray their special Moss Control Treatment. Moss dies in front of your eyes.

Mowing Mow at least once a week now; make sure mower has been serviced and blade replaced or sharpened.

Fertiliser – Organic This is the time to feed the lawn after most nutrients will have been washed through during the wet winter months. The fertiliser we use is organic based which feeds the soil.

Weed Control Once the weeds and grass are actively growing a selective herbicide to kill broad leaved weeds such as dandelions, daisies and clover within the grass can be applied.

Patio/Drive Weed Treatment We can spray our industrial strength weed killer which will kill weeds and keep them weed free for several months.

- Apply Moss Control Treatment
- Mow Lawn At Least Once Per Week
- Apply Organic Spring Fertiliser To Produce Vibrant Green Lawn
- Spray Weeds In Lawn With Selective Herbicide
- Spray patio and drive with our long lasting treatment before the weeds get a hold and become an eye sore
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Happy 16th Anniversary Reader Offer
"Book up for a Weed Control Treatment and we'll apply the Spring Fertiliser FREE OF CHARGE."
 (existing Customers will receive a "free seaweed application" with the weed treatment)

Call Deborah, Nikki or Richard on **01480 812393**

"for that lawn you've longed for....."

PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Greg Rice, 14 Ivy Way

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

Phone: 01480 890065 email: davidstowell@onetel.com

Website: www.spaldwickparishcouncil.org.uk

The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled to be held in the Community Room at Spaldwick School on Thursday 19th March at 8 pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend and may address the meeting on relevant matters during the Open Forum

SPALDWICK CARPET BOWLS CLUB

ANNUAL DINNER

Spaldwick Carpet Bowls Club held a well attended and greatly enjoyed Annual Dinner and Trophy Presentation at the George, Spaldwick, on Tuesday 17th February.

The Club now starts its new season of friendly matches, club competitions and social events which are all held in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere in the School Hall from 7.00pm every Tuesday evening during term time.

Carpet Bowls is a game of skill which provides active but not overly energetic exercise, and can be played by anyone at any age.

New members would be sure of a warm welcome; just turn up at 7.00 pm at a Club Night on a Tuesday evening and give it a try or contact one of our members.

Spaldwick Church

March Services

1st 10.45am Parish Communion

8th 10.45am Family Service

15th 10.45am **Mothering Sunday**

22nd 10.45am Morning Worship

29th 10.45am United Service Kimbolton

Stephen Bowring (Vicar) 01480 860792

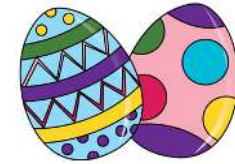
John Blatch (Churchwarden) 01480 890853

For up-to-date information on Church activities

see spaldwick.com/church

Flowers for the Church at Easter

You are invited to place a vase of flowers in the Church on Easter Saturday 4th April 2015 in memory of loved ones or just to give thanks at this special time of year. For any further information, call Chris Saynor on 891219 (note new telephone number).



Escape Youth Group

Happy Easter to all our Escape children this month. Hopefully, with the help of Tony there will be an activity to help celebrate easter soon. We are still planning a Grafham residential event as last year's event was such a success. This will be on first come-first serve basis so don't miss out on a memorable time with friends. Remember limited numbers only!

As usual we will provide details for this and other events through ESCAPE facebook & Spaldwick website ESCAPE group page. If you have any loose change you are welcome to put into our collection pot in our wonderful No.Twelve shop.

We have now received visit details for the trip to see Big Ben & Houses of Parliament courtesy of MP Jonathan Djanogly which will be reviewed to see how we can run this event.

Next Dates this year:- Mar 13th, Mar 27th, April 17th, May 1st, May 15th, June 5th, June 19th, July 3rd, July 17th. Please refer to webpage www.spaldwick.com/escape for any changes.

Escape still welcomes volunteers to help man the tuck shop. Please email escape@spaldwick.com.

Escape Youth Group

Mark Sturdy

Spaldwick Gardening Club

At our February meeting it was decided that we would visit the Cambridge Botanical Gardens in September and hire a guide to take us round so that we get the very best out of the garden.

The Gardening Club will be supporting April's Pudding Club event with a plant stall in the church on Sunday 19th April from 2.30 onwards. If anyone has any plants they could donate, please contact Roger on 891683.

At our March meeting on Thursday 12th March we will be welcoming a guest speaker who will be telling us what we should be doing in our gardens at this time of year. She will also be doing some soil testing for us, which will be very interesting.

This meeting is being held at Maggie Lincoln's, Orchard House, High Street.

Tea and cake will be served.
New members always welcome.
Roger Haines

The next Open House will be on Monday 30th March at 12 Mount Pleasant 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Dates for your Diary

Mar 15th Mothering Sunday
Mar 25th SSG AGM
Apr 19th Pudding Club/Plant Sale
Apr 3rd Easter Garden

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

For items in the News email john@blatch.com



A BIG THANK YOU goes to all the Committee, Parents and Staff for your continued support and efforts over the year so far. Your Community Playgroup and Out of School Club cannot run without it!

As we are a charity, we would like to remind everyone that if they know of any way to assist the setting, be it through fundraising ideas or support, donations of equipment, supplies, or even just their time - we always have lots of ongoing work, whether you are on the Committee or not. We continue to have ideas to improve the setting and events to involve the community so are always on the look for ways to achieve these goals and make our wonderful setting even better!

Please also continue to support our fundraising activities and events as any funds generated help to guarantee the high standard of care the playgroup provides for the children of our community. Thank you.

2015 SPRING TERM/EASTER BREAK HOLIDAY CLUB DATES	
Ages 3-11 years	Monday March 30-Thursday April 2
Open 8:00am-6:00pm	Tuesday April 7- Friday April 10
	Monday April 13

Book and pre-pay your Holiday Club space by March 15 and receive 10% off your fee



Members of Spaldwick Social Events Group met at No 12 the Village Shop on Valentine's Day to draw the Raffle in aid of SANDS, the Still Birth and Neonatal Charity.

Prize winners were;

1. Jenny Purdy- Photographic Shoot from Aldana Photography
2. Paul Kinally-Lead Crystal candlesticks from Harlequin
3. Stephen and Yasmin Chopin-Rose Topiary by Herve Gambs from Amara Living
4. Cherie Luckman- Accomodation for two at Ashby B&B near Cambridge
5. .Rosemary Balchin-Louis Dornier Champagne from Peter Lane estate Agents
6. Karen franklin-Wine Tasting and Canapes for two at The Old Bridge Hotel, Huntingdon
7. Chocolate hamper from Number 12 Village Shop

The Raffle raised £814 Thankyou to all those who donated prizes and who bought tickets.

SPALDWICK SOCIAL GROUP

Celebrating St George

Join the Spaldwick Social Events Group for an evening meal at our local, The George, for a St George's Day supper! We will be holding the event on 22 April 2015 (the day before the official day). We organised a 'do' last year and it was sold out very quickly and this year we have just twelve tickets left. There will be a bottle raffle to raise funds for the Village Fete; if you would like to donate a bottle please email Socialgroup@spaldwick.com with your offer. Steve and his team at the pub will put on a super roast beef meal and there will again be readings and general jollity. We look forward to an evening of conversation, music, singing and general noise and banter as we celebrate heroism, courage and chivalry.

Please contact John Blatch for tickets which are priced at £13.50 (two course meal included), email john@blatch.com.

Scarecrow week

Scarecrow week will run from 28 June - 5 July 2015 and on-line voting takes place 5 - 10 July 2015.

We would like to make particular reference to that fact that our US allies joined us in times of need and we are sad to see our local air bases at Molesworth and Alconbury close, so if you are making a scarecrow please put your thinking caps on! **The Scarecrow competition will use the theme "UK and US"**.

Village Fete

This is on Saturday 11 July 2015 and we wish to celebrate peace and commemorate the 70th Anniversary of VE and VJ day. We will decorate with red, white and blue (bunting, clothing, yes, everything possible!). Oh, and we would love to have some American swing style music at the Fete. If you know of anyone who can help us with that please contact Socialgroup@spaldwick.com.

The AGM will take place on 25 March 2015 at 8.00pm in The George, Spaldwick. Now is the time to think about volunteering. If you would like to join our organising group, giving up a little of your precious time, sharing your skills and experience and generally being jolly, we'd love to hear from you. We wish to represent all sectors of our village community on the committee and therefore particularly welcome applications from our menfolk and also people who are under 40. Contact SSEG Chair Lucy@frain.wanadoo.co.uk

EASTER IN THE CHURCH

Good Friday Workshop for Children

Come and join the fun on Good Friday, 3rd April, in our Good Friday Workshop for Children. Starting at 2pm and finishing with a short service and hot cross buns at 4pm, there will be a mix of activities including making the Easter Garden, banner-making, games and more. In among the activities we will be hearing again the story of Easter, and singing some new songs. Note to parents: children under school age will need to be accompanied, and older children will need to be signed in and collected afterwards - safeguarding your children is important to us.

Holy Week Services

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on 29th March. This is a fifth Sunday in the month, and an opportunity for a united service for our whole benefice of seven churches. This will be held in Kimbolton, starting at 10.45 on Castle Green (in front of the School gate) for a short introduction and bible reading before we walk the length of the High Street to St Andrews Church for the rest of the service. Those who need to or prefer can just gather at the church.

Starting on Holy Wednesday (1st April) we offer a short series of four evening services under the heading of "*A Walk with Jesus.*" Wednesday's service (7.30pm) is at Tilbrook All Saints where we hear again and reflect on the story of Jesus' last days in the traditional "*Station of the Cross.*" On Thursday at 7.30pm we are at Kimbolton for the *Maundy Eucharist and Watch*, and on Friday 7.30pm at Easton St Peter for the *Proclamation of the Cross.* Saturday's service at Stow Longa begins much later at 11.30pm for an "*Easter Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter.*"

More details can be found on the benefice website at www.kymchurch.org.uk, or ring the vicar on 01480 860792

Easter

There will be a 10.45 service at St James on Easter Sunday



SPALDWICK SOCIAL GROUP ST GEORGE'S DAY SUPPER

In
THE GEORGE

On

Wednesday 22nd April at 7.00pm

Readings and Music

Tickets £13.50

From

socialgroup@spaldwick.com

or John Blatch tel 890853