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CRIMESTOPPERS

Crimestoppers received nearly 600 pieces of information over the past year about criminals operating in Cambridgeshire.

Ann Scott, Eastern Regional Manager for Crimestoppers has expressed a huge thank you to the people of Cambridgeshire for using the charity to pass on information about crime. As a result, 40 criminals have now been brought to justice who may have still been on the street without the charity's and public help.

Crimestoppers would like to reassure the public that their service is completely anonymous and in the 23 years that the charity's been running no one has ever been identified. The service is run for the public, to help make communities a safer place to live. Crimestoppers is not part of the Police or government, it's an independent charity, so by contacting them you'll never have to give a statement to the Police or go to court.

Recently Crimestoppers offered a reward of up to £5,000 for information on a series of sexual assaults across Cambridge and the public responded very well. The appeal, which features on the charity's Most Wanted site, received extensive coverage in the media.

The support and involvement of local communities is essential to fighting crime in Cambridgeshire and I would encourage anyone with information about criminals operating within the county to contact police or if they do not wish to be identified to use Crimestoppers.

If you have any information you can contact Crimestoppers anonymously on

0800 555 111 <http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org>

Report suspicious activity to the Police - 0345 456 4564

For Internet users more information is available at: www.mynhw.co.uk

www.cambs.police.uk and www.cambsnhw.org.uk

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SPALDWICK NEWS

June 2011



100 Club Winners in May

May numbers were drawn in The George on 25th May.

The winners were No.32 Peter Racey, Stow Road Fullers Close and Bridgett Woodisse, West Lodge Farm

NATIONAL GARDEN SOCIETY

In aid of charities, including Macmillan Nurses and Marie Curie, four local gardens will be open to visitors on Sunday 1th June from 2.00pm until 6.00pm

In Spaldwick Stewart and Mary Barnard will be your hosts at 7, Thrapston Rd (well worth a visit, one of those unexpected gardens hiding behind an otherwise normal house front) The other venues are 32, High Street, Catworth, Molesworth House and Yew Tree Cottage, Brington

Combined admission is £3, children free. Tea and cakes available at three of the gardens, plant sales at the other.

PARISH COUNCIL

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

Phone: 890065 email: davidstowell@onetel.com

Following the election, the Council now has the following members:

Bernard Plummer (Chairman), 41 High Street

Greg Rice (Vice Chairman), 14 Ivy Way

Sharan Jackson-Rimmer, 7 Littlecotes Close

Richard Johnson, 41 Stow Road

Grahame Leach, 8 High Street

Graham Smith, 3 Stow Road

Shonah Wakefield, 36 Ferriman Road

The next **Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council** will be held in the Community Room, Spaldwick School on Thursday 20 June commencing 8 pm. Members of the Public are welcome to attend and may address the meeting on relevant matters during the Open Forum. The agenda may be viewed on the website www.spaldwickparishcouncil.org.uk and on the notice board on the Village Green.

Making Spaldwick Bloom.

The Parish Council would like to improve the look of Spaldwick and is considering the possibilities of putting large planters at key points in the Village in places that we will agree at a later date. It is anticipated that the costs of these planters would be funded by the Parish Council. We would need to look after the planters and their contents with volunteer labour and they would need to be watered and weeded to keep them looking attractive. I would ask anyone who is interested in this aspect to contact me. It would be useful if we could have a rota of people and I will personally be pleased to be part of that. I would like to meet with other interested people in the Village to discuss the idea and hopefully produce a firm proposal for submission to the Parish Council.

The Parish Council would also like to encourage individual houses to put up their own window boxes and planters to add to the general look of the Village. We have the Queen's Jubilee to celebrate next year and we could use this event as a reason to start this idea off.

Grahame Leach Tel 01480 890216

A poster for 'SPALDWICK SCARECROW WEEK' on a yellow background. It features a hand-drawn scarecrow in a hat and coat, holding a plant. Several birds are flying around. The text 'SPALDWICK SCARECROW WEEK' is written in a large, hand-drawn font. Below the illustration, there is a list of details in black text.

SPALDWICK SCARECROW WEEK

- FREE ENTRY
- Be Creative - use your imaginations!
- Judging will take place on 8th July
- Prizes awarded at the fete on 9th July
- Please bring Scarecrows to Fete for Display
- Please register your entry by 2nd July

Email: scarecrow@drumpulse.com OR call; 896996 to enter

St James Church Services

June

5th	6.00pm	Evensong
12th	9.30am	Whitsun Eucharist
19th	11.00am	All-Age Service
26th	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

Rosemary Good (Churchwarden) 01480 890287

John Blatch (Churchwarden) 01480 890853

SPALDWICK SOCIAL GROUP ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Spaldwick Social Group AGM will take place on Wednesday 22nd June at 8.00pm in Playtimes (next to the school). It is open to all so come along, meet the committee members and perhaps bring some new ideas.



News

We held two youth club evenings in May which were attended by 30 youngsters. We unfortunately had a late date change this month due to insufficient staff numbers - we would love to hear from any adults who would be interested in helping on an occasional basis at the youth club, please email spaldwickyouth@btinternet.com to register your interest and we will be in touch - you do not need to join the committee to volunteer on an occasional basis, more regular volunteers will be asked to complete a CRB check though.

On the 25th of June 25 youngsters will be going paintballing with Commando Elite at Monks Wood Abbots Ripton - free of charge - paid for by the Young Lives grant received last year. We have a few spaces left, so if you are between the ages of 12 and 18 come along to the next youth club night and put your name on the list.

Dates to note over the coming weeks:

Friday 10th June - Youth Club 7-9pm

Friday 24th June - Youth Club 7-9pm

Saturday 25th June (am) - Paintballing with Commando Elite

Friday 8th July - Youth Club 7-9pm

Friday 22nd July - Youth Club 7-9pm

Monday 25th July - Connections Bus visit 7-9pm

Wednesday 24th August - Spider mountain day 10am to 5pm - more details to follow.

Thanks to all for your continued support,
Mark.

Spaldwick Fete and Scarecrow Week 2011

Last year saw the inaugural Spaldwick Scarecrow Week with nearly 30 scarecrows situated around the village. It was really great to see the groups and families walking round looking at all the extremely creative scarecrows and everyone appreciating the effort that many people in the village put in to make this another event to remember. This year we will see the event **starting on the 2nd July** and I know of at least 20 families that are already planning their creations.

We will be looking at the scarecrows throughout the week and **judging will be completed by Saturday 8th July** with the winner announced at the fete.

This year the **fete will take place on the 9th July between 11:00am and 4:00pm** at the school so please everyone come along and support the event as you have done the last few years (and please say a small prayer for decent weather again).

We already have a number of people from the village committing their support with stalls, but would welcome more. If you are interested in a stall or helping out please let us know.

For all the wonderful people that attended last year, we will be having some of the regulars features back by popular demand including :- bouncy castle and assault course, giant goal (always popular, tea and cakes (a sell out every year), fancy dress, events in the arena and a BBQ that is always very popular, as well as some new additions for children and adults alike.

With such a great location and the full use of the school field (thank you Rachel Prior and team) there is always space for everyone - last year as always we sold out of programs and had well over 750 visitors during the day.

The Spaldwick Social Group set down a few objectives every year, all of which provide much needed funds back into the local community and charities. Over the past few years we have donated all available profits

Get the latest news for Spaldwick by email, Facebook or Twitter

You can ensure that you always receive the very latest news from the Spaldwick website.

On the front page of the website you can register to receive email alerts.

If you use Facebook, you can access the Spaldwick Facebook page ('Spaldwick Village'), which gets an automatic news feed from the Spaldwick website. Just 'like' the page and you'll always get news updates on Facebook.

If you use Twitter, you can receive all the Spaldwick website news alerts from @Spaldwick.

Please email mark.heath@spaldwick.com if you would like anything added to the website.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Jun 12th	Open Garden 7 Thrapston Rd
Jun 22nd	Social Group AGM
Jun 27th	Open House, Ivy House, High Street
Sat 2nd July	Scarecrow Event
Sat 9th July	Village Fete

Waste Bin Collection Dates

Wed June 1st Green	Sat June 4th Blue	Tue June 7th Grey
Tue June 14th Green	Fri June 17th Blue	Tue June 21st Grey
Tues Jun 28th Green	Fri July 1st Blue	Tue July 5th Grey

A big thank you for supporting the Spaldwick Website

I would like to thank everyone in the village for supporting the local website www.spaldwick.com

The Spaldwick website has now been going for more than seven years, and the traffic is growing month on month. The site now receives more than 2,000 visits per month. The recent Spaldwick Royal Wedding Party photos have so far been viewed 3,200 times, and the new 'Increase your broadband speed' page has so far been viewed 563 times.

What's on the website

If you haven't used the website recently, there are now 246 pages of content, including:

- Latest news (such as the Spaldwick Parish Council election results)
- Comprehensive Spaldwick diary (covering all events in Spaldwick)
- Information on the very latest broadband developments in Spaldwick (including superfast broadband)
- Guide to improve your own broadband speed
- Photos of many Spaldwick Events
- Old photos of Spaldwick
- Information about Spaldwick Escape, including planned events for young people
- PDFs of all previous Spaldwick News magazines
- Information about local businesses
- In-depth information on the Spaldwick Shop
- Minutes of meetings of the Spaldwick Escape committee
- Information on local clubs and groups, and local schools

to a number of causes including, Playtimes, FOSS, the Church, Magpas, Crossroads Young Carers, Escape, Dreamdrops, Stage Stars, Welcome Club, Village Sign, NSPCC, Raptor Foundation, Christmas Gifts for the village and many more.

In addition we have purchased a PA system with microphone and stands and a marquee, both are available for hire at a reasonable fee to anyone who lives in Spaldwick or almost free!!! to established groups from within the village.

For this years fete **we are urgently looking for books, wine, raffle and tombola prizes** so even if you cannot spare any time, please have a look through your cupboards and see if you have anything to spare.

You can drop anything you would like to donate to me at 53 Stow Road, 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!).

The village fete can only work with the support of the community so any feedback would be most welcome as would any volunteers (please shout loudly now).

I would be happy to collect so you can also contact me on 07785-392568 or 01480-896143 or email to lessingcaller@gmail.com

On behalf of the Social Group thank you Spaldwick for your support

Gavin Lessing-Caller
Chairman

Scarecrows 2010



These are just a few of the 30 Scarecrows made last year. The Rubbish Collector, top right on the opposite page, won First. Lets have more this year. Judging will take place on Saturday 2nd July, the week before the Fete where they will all be on display.

