SPALDWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Crime Prevention

Sheds and outbuildings are often targeted by burglars both due to the high value of the contents inside, such as garden mowers, bicycles and power tools, but also because they usually contain an arsenal of breaking-in implements.

In addition to making your garage secure it is important to secure all contents so they are more difficult to remove. Wherever possible, tools and equipment should be stored inside a secure building to avoid them being used to break into your home. Equipment such as spades, power tools, ladders and bicycles should be either:

Secured to each other and a heavy object, preferably a ground anchor which meets 'Sold Secure' gold standard using a steel chain or rope or Locked in a steel box secured to the floor If they are left outside, secure them with a steel chain through a ground anchor and lock ladders to a wall-mounted bracket.

If you think you may have witnessed anything to do with a crime or incident then please contact:

Call 101 - For all <u>non-emergencies</u>, general enquiries and to report crime. 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 <u>call</u> 999.

By e-mail at <u>HuntsCops@cambs.pnn.police.uk</u>

David Henrick 01480896556 david.consult@btinternet.com

April/May Waste Bin Collection			
Blue/Green			
	Sat 2nd	Fri 15th	Fri 29th
Grey			
	Fri 8th	Fri 22nd	May <mark>Sat</mark> 7th

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Fete Raffle

Following on from the success of last year's Fete Raffle Spaldwick Social Events Committee asked Yasmin Chopin if she would organise another for the 2016 event. Yasmin has already started work on it and prizes to date include a copper dish (MiaFleur rrp £49.95), which would look super in anyone's home, and a tub of wooden building blocks ideal for the little ones (dotcomgftshop rrp £24.95). The aim is to have around 15 quality prizes and with seven already promised we would like to invite Spaldwick businesses and residents to put their offers in NOW. Yasmin says: "We had many wonderful items from generous donors last year - I'm excited to see what will be on offer this year! I'd like to ensure there's something for everyone - if you would like to donate an item please get in touch with me direct: ycid@yasminchopin.com (07831 231 664), and thank you!"

PARISH COUNCIL

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The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 14th April at 8 o'clock in the Community.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be on Thursday 21st April at 8 o'clock in the Community Room. All Electors are invited to attend to hear reports given on behalf of village organisations and to raise any matters of concern regarding the village.

Members of the public are welcome to attend these meetings and may address the council on relevant matters during the Open Forum. Please note that our Standing Orders state that "The time allotted to any member of the public shall not exceed 5 minutes and the total time if more than one wishes to speak in respect of the same business shall not exceed 10 minutes. Members of the public are not permitted to speak except during these periods.

COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH UPDATE

Myself and two volunteers held a community Speedwatch session on Friday 4th March between 8 am and 9 am. We monitored the speed of 122 cars, 2 buses and 4 HGVs. We reported four vehicles for speeding. Thanks to my volunteers: Shona Blair Roughsedge and Stuart Ainsworth for helping me and also to thelady who kindly offered to make us tea and coffee!!!

I'm always after volunteers so if you'd like to volunteer please email me at csw.spaldwick@yahoo.co.uk

SHARAN JACKSON-RIMMER

Dates for Your Diary

April 20th St George's Supper June 12th Garden Party

April 24th Pudding Club July 9th Annual Fete

For items on the Website email info@spaldwick.com

For items in the News email john@blatch.com

Spaldwick Church

Every term time **April Services**

10.45am Parish Communion

10.45am Morning Worship 10th

3rd

17th 10 45am Parish Communion

24th 10 45am Family Service Tuesday:

Jimmy's in Spaldwick School at 9 o,clock

Pudding Club St James Church, Spaldwick Sunday, 24th April 2016 from 2.30 till 4.00 pm



"Puds Glorious Puds"

The Pudding Club makes its delicious return to Spaldwick

Put down those whisks, cake tins and rolling pins; come along and treat yourself to several of our tasty desserts. Give your taste buds a Sunday treat at the Pudding Club Yummy

No entrance fee but all donations very welcome

All proceeds for the benefit of the Church Improvement Fund

We are looking forward to another successful afternoon at this popular event, we hope to see lots of people and of course would be very grateful for donations of puddings. Please contact Liz McCue at 891537 if you wish to donate a pudding"

Escape Youth Group





As you can see, Escape members had

brilliant time at the archery & climbing wall event we held at the Grafham Water Centre last month! Thanks to the Grafham Water Centre for looking after our youngsters, and thanks to the Woolley Hill Wind Farm Community Fund for providing the means to support this event.

Youth Club Sessions in April are: Friday 15th April 7-9pm Friday 29th April 7-9pm

All year 6 pupils are now welcome to attend. Entrance is just £1.50

Is there anybody out there who would be interested in training to become a youth worker? If you are thinking of a career in youth work or social care, this would be a good addition to any CV. The successful applicant will be trained to a minimum status of Level 1 youth worker by Huntingdon Youth Services, and would be paid!

Some of the current committee plan to stand down at our next AGM in July, so we desperately need new members to ensure continuation of the youth club after the summer break. We meet every 6-8 weeks (in the George!) to plan sessions and additional activities, and address any issues arising. This isn't very demanding, but is vital to ensure we can continue after this summer. If you are interested in helping the continuation of the youth club into its 7th year. please either email or speak to one of us anytime at the youth club.

Find us on Facebook - Spaldwick Escape Or email us - escape@spaldwick.com Mark Sturdy Escape

Youth Group

Come and Celebrate

St George's Day

At The George

Spaldwick

Featuring

Various Wonderful People from the

Village of Spaldwick

St George's Day





THIS EVENT IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY

SSG Spaldwick Social Group

St George's

Day Dinner

Quiz, Sing-a-Long Food and live Entertainment

Tickets Only £15

You are
encouraged to
bring/wear
St George
paraphernalia

TICKETS

socialgroup@spaldwick.com

Or tel: 890727

20th April 2016

7.00 for 7.30

The George

Spaldwick Church

There has recently been talk about the closure of Spaldwick church. This will not happen in the forseeable future but it has caused the PCC (church committee) to discuss the future of the church.

The PCC agreed that things should not be allowed to go on as they are, an aging congregation, which only occasionally reaches double figures, and an annual struggle to meet the basic running costs of about £8000.

We have decided to make a major effort to extend the use of the church in order to attract more attendance, both to the weekly services and for other purposes. Our first intention is to supply mains water and drainage.

At the moment we have no estimate of cost, but it will be considerably more than we can expect to raise from village events and we will be applying to a range of grant making organizations for the greater part of the money. We did this for the repair of the church roof two years ago and got £15000, so money is available, but we will always be in competition with many other causes.

The one thing that impresses the grant organizations most is evidence of self-help, so we will have to increase our own fund raising. The first event will be a Pudding Club in the church (with imported water and no toilets!) on Sunday 24th April and then a Queen's Birthday Garden Party at 43 High Street on Sunday 12th June.

We hope that we will get good attendances at both. Also, should anyone wish to help raise funds by having their own event we would be most grateful and willing to give help.

Having got the utilities and then toilets and a kitchen area there is much more that could be done with the body of the church to provide for a variety of events. This may seem to be in competition with the plans for a Village Hall but we would always want water and drainage. How much further we go with our plans may depend on progress with the Hall.