

SPALDWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH May 2012

Report fraud to Action Fraud

Action Fraud is the UK's national fraud reporting centre and the place for you to report fraud and scams, or to get advice if you're not sure what to do. **Fraud is a crime** - fraudsters will constantly find new ways of tricking people. **Anyone could be a victim** - Some people think that fraud is a victimless crime, or that it's not as serious as other crimes. Fraudsters are often part of serious organised criminal gangs, who use the money to fund other crimes such as human trafficking, illegal firearms trade and terrorism.

Top 5 tips to prevent fraud Do not give out any personal information (name, address, bank details, email or phone number) ♦ Many frauds start with an email. Banks and other financial institutions will not send you an email asking you to click on a link and confirm your bank details. ♦ Destroy by shredding receipts with your card details on and post with your name and address on. ♦ If you have been a victim of fraud, be aware of fraud recovery fraud. This is when fraudsters pretend to be a lawyer or a law enforcement officer and tell you they can help you recover the money you've already lost.

To report fraud or if you need advice, visit Action Fraud's website www.actionfraud.org.uk.

David Henrick - 01480 896556 david.consult@btinternet.com

REMEMBER You can now contact Cambridgeshire Constabulary on **101** for all non-emergency calls.

ELLINGTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE (WI)

Calling all ladies! Would anyone be interested in joining Ellington WI? The group meets on the first Tuesday of every month at Ellington Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

This year we have a full and varied programme, including a visit to The Manor at Hemingford Grey, the home of the late Lucy Boston. Later in the year a trip to the theatre to see Legally Blonde has been planned. The April meeting was great fun, with Frances Ashfield making us all feel like Picasso's in the making!

New members are very welcome - for further information please contact Ann Bentley on 01480 891628, alternatively should anyone like to attend but requires a lift - please contact Libby Henrick on 01480 896556. .

SPALDWICK NEWS May 2012



Easter Fayre. A view of the Church with the exhibits laid out. See inside for a report and pictures, with more pictures on the Spaldwick website spaldwick.com

100 Club Winners in April

The April winners were £40 No. 17 Hilary Shuker, Littlecotes and £20 No. 52 Sally Goddard, Royston Avenue. Will last month's winner, David Goe, please telephone 890853



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LAWN CARE FOR May-
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Mowing

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

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.

Wetting Agent

A wetting agent will help your lawn utilize any irrigation or rainfall more efficiently by drawing it in to the soil. We will apply this free of charge with the weed control and liquid feed

Patio/Driveway Weed Control

Weeds can look unsightly at this time of year in patios and driveways. We can spray a total weed killer to kill them and keep weed free for up to 6 months.

Actions required in May

- ◆ Mow lawn At least Once Per Week
- ◆ Apply Spring Fertiliser To Produce Vibrant Green Lawn
- ◆ Spray Weeds In lawn With Selective Herbicide+ Additional
- ◆ Wetting Agent
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Reader Offer

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Lawn fact: Front lawns of just eight houses have the cooling effect of about 70 tons of air conditioning

PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: David Stowell, 23A Thrapston Road, Spaldwick PE28 OTA
Phone: 890065 email: davidstowell@onetel.com

Diamond Jubilee Picnic at Burghley House, Stamford on 13 June

The Parish Council would like to thank those who replied to the letter requesting nominations to attend this event. 26 replies were received with a total of 47 nominations which included 18 individual names. Five of the 18 indicated that they did not wish to be considered. A small group of councillors then had the difficult task of selecting two names to send forward to the Picnic organisers. The process included names being drawn from a hat and seeking the consent of the 'winners' for the names to go forward.. The nominations finally submitted to the Lord Lieutenants were: Joyce Leach and guest (Grahame Leach), Kit Lee and guest (Sharan Jackson-Rimmer). They will be receiving their invitations to the event shortly.

The **ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**, which includes the election of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2012-13 will be held in the Community Room, Spaldwick School on **THURSDAY 24 MAY** commencing at 8 pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend and may address the meeting on relevant matters during the Open Forum.

The **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**, which is comprised of all electors in Spaldwick Parish, will be held in the Community Room on **THURSDAY 31 MAY** commencing at 8 pm. Reports will be given by the Parish Council and other organisations in the Village. **PLEASE COME ALONG IF YOU POSSIBLY CAN TO HEAR WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING FOR THE VILLAGE AND TO EXPRESS YOUR VIEWS ON ANY MATTER CONCERNING THE VILLAGE.**

Waste Bin Collection Dates

May		
Tues 1st	Fri 4th	Wed 9th
Tues 15th	Fri 18th	Tues 22nd
Tues 29th	June Fri 1st	Tues 6th

Spaldwick Church

May Services

6th		No service
(8.00am Eucharist at Grafham, 9.30am Service at Easton)		
13th	9.30am	Eucharist
17th	6.30pm	Ascension Day Eucharist
20th	4.30pm	Family Service
27th	9.30am	Eucharist
Jonathan Young (Vicar) 01480 891695		
Rosemary Good (Churchwarden) 01480 890287		
John Blatch (Churchwarden) 01480 890853		

FUTURE EVENTS

Open Church Meeting Thursday 17th May - at Amba's House (4 High Street, Threeways) at 8pm. Please join the "team" for refreshments and help plan some events to raise funds for your local church - open to support from anyone especially with knowledge of gaining grants/finance.

Family Service on May 20th at 4.30pm with refreshments and time to chat afterwards - lay led (this service does not offer communion and is led by members of Spaldwick). We shall be looking at the relationship of servants and friends and the differences between them - which one are you to others?

ENLIGHTENING YOUTH GROUP - The meeting on the 13th is cancelled, sorry, and we will meet on Sunday 20th May instead, 6.30-8 at Amba's house. We will be chilling out over hot chocolate and thinking about the history of faith and what really matters in our lives - A Mulberry Handbag? Olympic tickets? or.....see you there. Amba



We started back after the Easter break with 29 youngsters attending the Youth Club held at Spaldwick School/community room. Now the nights are getting brighter and hopefully drier, our youngsters have the

option to use the school grounds during the youth club sessions. Inside we have table tennis which is always popular, 3 games consoles, and various other activities (not forgetting our well stocked tuck shop!) to keep everyone happy throughout the sessions. Our maximum limit for each session is 40 so we have room for more to attend. Entrance is only £1, all welcome from age 11 upwards.

Notable dates up to the summer break are:

Friday 4th May - Youth Club 7-9pm

Friday 18th May - Youth Club 7-9pm

Friday 1st June - Youth Club 7-9pm

Friday 15th June - Youth Club 7-9pm

Saturday 16th June - Bowling trip - details to be given out at the youth club night on Friday 4th May - don't miss out.

Friday 29th June - Youth Club 7-9pm

Friday 13th July - Youth Club 7-9pm

If any parents would like to support the efforts of the committee by helping out on the occasional youth club night, or with donations to help support our activities in the future, please speak to any of the committee on the above sessions or email

escape@spaldwick.com.

Please support our fundraising efforts in aid of Escape - next event - Live music at the George 11th May, 9pm onwards.
Mark Sturdy.

Spaldwick Gardening Club

Another well-attended meeting of the Gardening Club took place on Wednesday 18th April with three new members joining us.

There were lively discussions and a demonstration of seed sowing plus some very good plants for sale or to exchange.

I would like to thank all those who donated plants at quite short notice for the plant stall at the Easter Craft Fair where we raised £63.50 on plant sales. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 9th May at 18 High Street. Members will be bringing along a hanging basket and plants and we will be planting these up with information on drought resistance. The group decided they will have their first trip out to an open garden in June and also two members from Stow Longa have kindly offered to open their gardens to Club members in a couple of month's time.

We always welcome new members to our very informal gardening club. Roger Haines

The next OPEN HOUSES

will be :

28th May David Stowell
23a Thrapston Road

25th June John Blatch
43 High St.

30th July June Dixon,
1 Fuller Close
All at 1.30pm -3.30pm

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

April 30th	Open House
May 4th	Youth Club
May 11th	Live Music at the George
May 17th	Church Meeting
May 18th	Youth Club
May 20th	Enlightening
June 3rd	Jubilee Tea
July 14th	Village Fete



I am raising awareness of this campaign against slavery because not everyone knows that this is happening in our world.

I am raising money for this campaign and any donations would be amazing, you can either donate to the charity or pass it to me and I will send it to them. Please look at the website:

<http://www.thea21campaign.org>

The A21 campaign helps to prevent trafficking across the world.

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Teigan Harbour

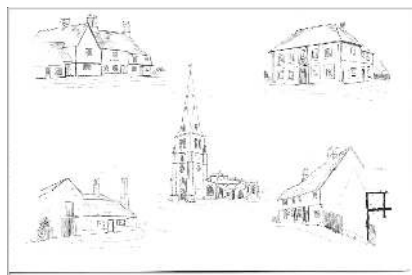
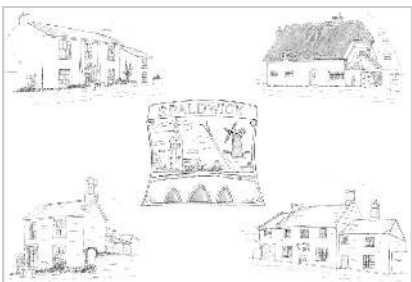
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Solar Panels

Anyone who picked up the booklet on energy saving from the Village Shop (recommended in last month's News) may have noted the cost of solar electric panels as £3000-£4000 per kilowatt. This figure already out of date. Spurred on by the reduction in Feed-in-Tariff from 43p/kw to 21p/kw installers have now cut their prices to £2000 per kw.

SPALDWICK NOTELETS

Stuart Dixon of Fuller Close has produced notelets which are folded A5 and come complete with envelopes at 60p each. On the back they show hand drawn pencil sketches of village houses.



He has also produced a 36 page book on the history of the church, now on sale for £3.50. Both of these items are being sold in aid of the Church Roof Fund. This year so far we have raised £1300 which, together with funds in hand and the insurance payment of £5000, means that we are on the way towards the £24000 estimate for the cost of replacing the stolen lead. The replacement will be in "Terne" coated stainless steel so we should not get another theft. The books will soon be available in the church (with an honesty box) and can also be got direct from Stuart tel. 891837 email stuardixon49@gmail.com

ST. JAMES THE GREAT

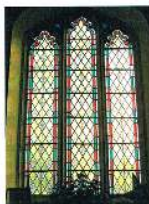
SPALDWICK



A HISTORY AND GUIDE TO THE CHURCH

THE SOUTH AISLE

The south aisle has in the south wall three three-light windows with multi-coloured Victorian glass which, although remarkable, do look lovely when the sun shines through and casts coloured patterns of light a neat doorway of c.1250, and a 16th-century octagonal knocker. The west wall has a three-light window similar to the west.



The south aisle is separated from the south chapel by an early 16th-century oak screen of five bays with simple open tracery and an apogee. The upper beam is carved with a vine and is surmounted by a moulded cartouche of foliage and crowns. The screen has been much patched, and possibly comprises parts of two screens. In 1851 there was a screen across the chancel arch, and no mention is made of a screen to the chapel, but there is some evidence that a screen seems to have been erected in 1863.



In the south aisle there used to be a fine 17th-century chest but this was stolen, together with another stone of furniture, in the 1930s.

At the west end of the South Aisle is the Pew which dates from the 17th.



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BABYSITTING

I am 14 years old with younger siblings and cousin. I am about to do an official babysitting course but already have some experience and undertook a basic first aid course at school. I am sensible and reliable. I am available from 4.30 weekday evenings and weekends, £4 an hour or by arrangement. Please contact Teigan Harbour on 890565.

EASTER FAYRE

14TH APRIL



Fortunately although a little chilly the sky stayed clear of rain and villagers came out to visit the event. There was a busy period between 9 and 10 as people proudly registered their works of art from flowers to cross stitch, handwriting and cakes. It didn't take long for the church to fill with displays of many peoples efforts. The Side Chapel became an area to have a go at mak-

ing a bookmark, jewellery making and learn from our local expert Bunta how to turn a carrot into a flower or radish into a toadstool !

The choir stalls hosted an amazingly talented display of Liz's Calligraphy and book-making talent. Also the local village quilters displayed the fruits of their detailed and patient works of art.

Next through the doors were "The Village Judges". They were so impressed and found the task of placing First, Second and Third certificates a real challenge. It was just as well our food judge hadn't had lunch as there was a lot of pizza, quiche and bread to try, not to mention a few dozen cakes to sample too!!



At 2.30 we opened and the church became alive with people enjoying the displays, proud of certificates awarded and enjoying each others company over tea and cake.

Several first place items received a "Wow!" trophy for demonstrating extra skill. These went to :

Church Painting	Chloe Rutherford
Spaldwick People Photography	Lorraine Sturdy
A Needlework box	Margaret Plummer
A Decorated Egg (Chocolate and chicken)	Charlotte Hutton
Handwriting	Bridgett Wooddisse

Sponge cake	Liz McCue
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Trophy's were also awarded to individuals in each age category who had entered several classes and therefore by being awarded certificates had gained the most points. These were awarded to

Under 5	Emily Wakefield
6- 10 years	Lorcan Harbour and Alice Rutherford
11-15 Years	Aine Harbour and Teigan Harbour
16 and older	Carolyn Traynor



There were also teddy bears dropped from the church tower only to be saved by their handmade parachutes.....Their descent was timed taking between 2.7 and 5.5 seconds. The winner was Tiny Teddy whose owners last words were "Don't blow away!"

John Blatch was the winner of the "Egg Jarping" contest, we will need some enthusiasts back next year to take his place as reigning champion.

Many thanks to all who helped on the day and those who entered items into the event. Some feedback forms have been gratefully received and further feedback and offer of help would be appreciated to make next years event bigger and better!

The event raised £430 towards the church restoration fund, many thanks to all involved.

