



# Elkstonians Village Newsletter

## January 2019



### Rob's Ramble

Another year almost gone and the days are starting to get longer – hope you've all made lots of New Year Resolutions so that you can forget them on 2<sup>nd</sup> January !

Looks like an interesting year to come with dire predictions of an even hotter, drier Summer and the complete shambles running up to Brexit – maybe future Newsletters will be written in French and your Subscriptions will be charged in Euros ?

### Diary Dates

**Church Service – Dec 30<sup>th</sup>** Holy Communion at 1100

**Next Coffee Morning – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January** 1030 to 1200 at Mount Pleasant with Liz and Rob

**S.E.W.I.N.G. – Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> January**, details to follow. No meeting in December

**Steak Night – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February** 7 pm at the "Red Lion" / "Reform" in Thorncliffe.

### Subscriptions – a Polite Reminder

**Have you paid your Subs yet ?** Subscriptions remain the same at £5 per household and are now due for 2018 / 19 – please pay Margaret or Rob. If you wish to receive your Newsletter by post, please send £11.60, cheques payable to "The Elkstonians".

### What's Going on around Elkstones

8 of us met up for Coffee at Bank House on the 5th, 24 of us sat down for Christmas Lunch at Biggin Hall on the 16th, and 10 Carol Singers went round the Village on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you very much to all who organised



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us and entertained us. We sent a donation to Longnor and Flash First Responders of £100 collected by the Carol Singers

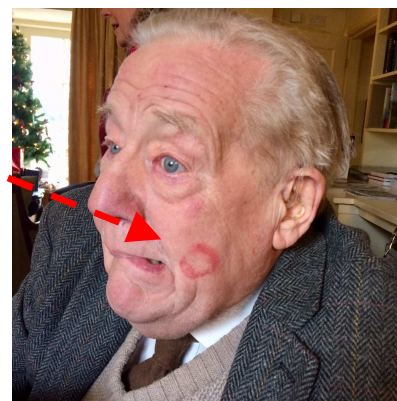


## Welcome to Elkstones

Sorry this one's a bit late (my fault !) – Stephanie Booth with baby Evie Rose, born on 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Both “doing well” as you can see.

## Who Dunit ?

or that doesn't look like Margaret's lipstick....  
and I'm not allowed to tell you who took this incriminating photograph either !



## Collection Plate

Many thanks to Chris Hall for the beautiful polished wood Collection Plate which he presented to the Church. It belonged to his Father but he knows nothing more about it's origins or history.



## Carol Service

A delightful, informal Service of Carols and Readings led by Liz M. Thanks to Liz and Reg for organising us, to everybody who cleaned and decorated our little Church, to the providers of Mince Pies and Punch, and to the 40 people who came and joined us. The collection for Church Funds raised £180 and the Raffle a further £157



## Short Eared Owl

Fairly rare but a regular visitor to the Moors up beyond the Mermaid Pool – back again recently patrolling to and fro across the heather at about head height. About 1 metre wing span



## Thoughts for This Month

If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.  
Politicians and nappies have one thing in common. They should both be changed regularly, and for the same reason

To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.

## Contact Us

If you have any stories ( rumours and gossip welcome ! ) or pictures you would like to share, email

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