# <u>Village & Community Magazine</u>

# **October 2021**

Keeping All Our Villages Connected and United



#### Some Upcoming Events in October

Music Concert with 'THEA GILMORE' - Alstonefield Village Hall - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8pm (Bar open 6.30pm) Harvest Supper - Dovedale House, Ilam - Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6.30pm

Yoga Classes - Warslow Village Hall - Monday Mornings in term time - 9.30am to 11.00am

Alstonefield & District Friendship Club - Meet at Denstone Hall Farm Shop - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> - 11.30am

"History Live" meeting (Calke Abbey & the Harpur Crewes) - Warslow Village Hall - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> - 7.00pm

Harvest Supper - Alstonefield Village Hall - Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> - 7.00pm

Music Concert with 'IOTA' - Alstonefield Village Hall - Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> - 8pm (Bar open 6.30pm)

Harvest Supper - Wetton Village Hall - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Bingo - Warslow Village Hall - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> - 7.30pm

## DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER EDITION IS 6am on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October

Input from you all would be gratefully received. At the end of the day, if you don't contribute then there is no magazine. Talking of which, a lot of you believe that you cannot send items until the deadline time and date. A deadline has to be set but you can send your information/pictures/jokes anytime and it really helps me to put things together the earlier you send your items to me. So please feel free to submit any article.

It's your magazine and just so long as it is Legal, Decent and Appropriate in my eyes, it will be inserted of course.

#### Please remember I can only accept word documents and <u>NO</u> PDF's or Photocopies.

Call me on 01538 304560 if you need any help. Don't be late, the old rule still applies...absolutely nothing will be accepted after 6am on the above date. \*\*Editors decision on layout and inclusion is final.



#### Wetton & Alstonefield Community First Responders

"Serving the community's emergency medical needs with pride, care and excellence"

We thank the staff and customers of Hulme End Tea Junction, and the organisers and visitors at Butterton Wakes Weekend, for their generous support.

Thanks to Sue Prince's kindness, Beechenhill Farm is one of our largest single long-term donors. They solicit donations from their tourism visitors, and each year they host a weekend exhibition of Peak District Artists at which they serve refreshments and donate proceeds to WACFR. In return we bake cakes and we offer to do some shifts serving the refreshments alongside Sue and her friends.

This year the event will be on the weekend of 27-28 November.

If you would like support Sue and WACFR could anybody kindly volunteer to bake any cakes for the event?

If you can help then please contact Jon Lane (Treasurer, Wetton & Alstonefield Community First Responders) on 01335 310453.

#### NEW RECRUITS

If you are interested in learning about becoming a Community First Responder, please contact either:

Denise Noble: 07973 730775 Mike Tidmarsh: 07931 558541

Or Email: wacfr.staffs@gmail.com



Moorlands Connect is a Demand Responsive Door-to-Door bus service connecting villages throughout the Staffordshire Moorlands with Leek, Ashbourne, Buxton and Cheadle.

For workers, shoppers, walkers, cyclists, visits to the area's market

towns and major attractions, or simply a trip to your favourite hotel, restaurant or pub. Leave the car (or motorhome) behind and make your journey with us! Cycles and dogs welcome please mention when booking. Booking

Booking is simple and can be made up to 2 hours before travel time Mon - Fri by phone or text and 24 hours in advance by email (to ensure availability). **Call: 01335 342951, Text: 07946 365256, mail:** <u>bookings@moorlandsconnect.co.uk</u>



# **Christmas Wreath Workshops 2021**

## Alstonefield Village Hall (DE6 2FR)



Friday 3rd, Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th December 2021



Come along and create your very own Christmas Wreath(s)

Morning Workshop 9.30 am-12 pm Afternoon Workshop 2 pm-4.30 pm £25 – this will include a ring, wire and foliage.

Please bring gardening gloves secateurs/scissors and your own finishing touches to personalise your design

To book your place on one of the workshops or for further details - please phone/text/email/message - 07714041682 or Suelovatt@aol.com

## Payment required on booking. Limited places available.

Orders currently taken for Christmas Wreaths (Doors or Graves) & Table Decorations. All individually made – for collection/local delivery priced £15-£30.





# Black Lion Inn BUTTERTON, PEAK DISTRICT

# Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November Live music with JP and Milo

Free live music from local rock and pop duo all the way from Grindon.

Starting from 8.30pm



Here's a sneak peek at some of the great dishes from our festive menu this year. Full menu, opening times and prices will be on our website very soon....

Spiced fruit loaf, homemade butter

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Smoked salmon Scotch egg, tartare sauce Chicken liver parfait, toast, spiced plum chutney Half pork pie with apricot, marrow and apple chutney

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Turkey breast stuffed with sausage meat and cranberries, turkey gravy Porcini buttered roast beef sirloin, seasonal vegetables, peppercorn sauce Squash, chestnut and mushroom loaf, vegan gravy

All served with dauphinoise potatoes, maple syrup glazed hasselback parsnips and shredded sprouts Herb crusted cod loin, squid and borlotti bean stew, crushed new potatoes, lemon and garlic dressing ---

Pear tarte tatin, Disaronno ice cream Rum and raisin millionaire's chocolate pot, shortbread Christmas pudding, brandy butter

01538 304232 bar@blacklioninn.co.uk

## Smile Once in a While...

Scientists say that one day it may be possible to live on Mars. What a load of rubbish. I tried it for a month, gained nearly 2 stones in weight and developed type 2 diabetes.

I said "The postman was telling me that he'd slept with every woman on our street except one." "I bet it's that stuck up woman next door," replied my wife.

My girlfriend is always stealing my t-shirts and sweaters...BUT if I take one of her dresses, suddenly "we need to talk."

Three weeks ago, I sent my hearing aid in for repair...I've heard nothing since.

A mate called and said "I've just had a huge fight with the wife. Do you have a spare bed for a few weeks until I find a flat?" I replied "I've a sofa if that's any good." "Perfect" he said, you're an absolute legend! I'll send her round in a bit."

At every party there are two kinds of people: those who want to go home and those who don't. The trouble is, they are usually married to each other.

I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older. Then it dawned on me... they were cramming for their finals.

Be careful of your thoughts, they may become words at any moment.

You have two choices in life: You can stay single and be miserable, or get married and wish you were dead.

Insanity is defined as doing the same thing over and over again, expecting different results. Wife: "Tonight I'm going to make all your dreams come true". Husband "I'll help you pack ".

To the person who stole my glasses. I will find you; I have contacts!

Just had the holiday of a lifetime - never again!

Just found out the company that produces yardsticks won't be making them any longer.

Never challenge Death to a pillow fight. Unless you're prepared to handle the reaper cushions.

News reporters around the world are panicking as the new Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwillantysiliogogogoch Covid variant has been identified in Wales.

You come from dust, you will return to dust. That's why I don't dust. It could be someone I know.

We all know Albert Einstein was a genius......but his brother Frank was a monster.

Breaking news: Guy shot with a starting pistol. Police think its race related!!

Two antennas met on a roof, fell in love and got married. The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was excellent.

I've learned that the people you care most about in life are taken from you too soon and all the less important ones just never go away.

If it's true that we are here to help others, then what exactly are the others here for?

My wife ran off with my best friend last week. I miss him!

Married men live longer than single men, but they're a lot more willing to die.

I was in McDonald's recently but couldn't decide what to have so in the end I just decide to have a kid's meal. His mother was furious and told me to hand it back.

Looking for a bit of advice...What's the best number of Roses to give the wife for Mother's Day? 16? 12? 24? Or the whole tin?

## NEW AND LOCAL

## <u>Wanted</u>

Small and friendly local team seek a kind new member to cover holidays, days off, sickness & gaps in the rota involving the day-to-day care of an elderly lady in the Alstonefield area. If you are interested or for further details, please contact Karen on 07974996591

## <u>Yoga Classes</u>

- Mondays 9:30am-11am RISE UP
- Tuesday 7-8pm GENTLE FLOW
- Fridays 9:30am-11am WIND DOWN
- At Grindon Village Hall
- £5/class or £8/two classes
- All levels, ages and abilities welcome
- Qualified Instructor

Please bring your own mat, towel or blanket Contact: Becky Clayton, 07727101125 <u>For Sale</u> Local & Home Produced Christmas Poultry Traditional Turkey, Chicken, Goose & Duck Please Contact Myrtle 01538 304225



#### PRICES Pay by cash, cheque or BACs please.

Minimum order by geographical area: Leek £10.00 Longnor, Congleton, Biddulph, Cheadle £15.00 Buxton, Ashbourne, Macclesfield £20.00



## Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back.

Knives £2.50 each	
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Hairdressers & barbers scissors £12.00	
Barbers clippers £7.00	
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Lawn edging shears f4.50	
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Garden secateurs £3.00	
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Electric hedge trimmer blades f15.00	
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# Just had to include this!!

## **ALSTONEFIELD**



Revd. John Austerberry 01335 310002. <u>Warden:</u> Vacancies

St. Peter's.

#### Sunday Worship in October Harvest Service Sunday 3rd Oct 11am llam Sunday 10th Oct 6pm Harvest Service Alstonefield Sunday 17th Oct 11am Harvest Service Wetton Sunday 24th Oct 11am Holy Communion Wetton Saturday 30th Oct 3pm Forest Church Alstonefield Churchyard Orchard/Wood Sunday 31st Oct 11am Holy Communion Ilam, Benefice All Saints Service Sunday 31st Oct 6.30pm All Souls Memorial Alstonefield



#### Harvest Suppers

**Ilam Harvest Supper**, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – 6.30pm for 7pm at Dovedale House. Tickets £8 per adult, £5 per child/concessions. Tickets will be available from Ellen.

**Alstonefield Harvest Supper**, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 7.00pm at the Village Hall. Tickets £10 available from Rev. John or Mandy's Cafe. Ticket numbers limited to 50, tickets will be available soon.

Wetton Harvest Supper, Monday 18th October (tbc) at the Village Hall, tickets will be available soon.

Bring your Harvest gifts & produce to Church on the day before the Harvest Service All those attending Harvest Supper, please help keep each other safe: by having a Covid lateral flow test before attending and wear a mask when moving around the hall/room.

#### Forest Church – Rocky's Wild Wood – in Alstonefield Churchyard Orchard/Wood <u>3pm Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October</u>

Forest Church is outdoor worship focusing on being creative and engaging with God's natural world. It is for everyone and especially will appeal to families, adults and children alike. Dress for the weather and come prepared to join a creative activity.

Rev Steve Hollinghurst is a Diocesan Mission Enabler with a focus on Environmental issues. He will join us for our first Outdoor Forest Church event to support and encourage us.

#### All Souls Memorial Service – 6.30pm at Alstonefield Church

You are invited to a Special Service to Remember all our loved ones who have died. This will be a reflective service; we will name and light candles to remember our loved ones who have died.

**St Peter's Church** – a Big Clean of the church and churchyard, from 9am this coming Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Help would be appreciated to check the gravestone memorials, weed around the church, strim the wild areas and sweep the upper areas of the church and other bits; please do come if you could spare an hour or so. Thank you.

**Exhibition and Refreshments at St Peter's Church** – the Exhibition of Sue Prince's Lockdown Chronicles was very popular with many people visiting over the week. Huge thanks to all those who helped to set up, take down, serve refreshments and bake cakes; we made £2,039.76 for the upkeep of the church and churchyard.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning** – a delightful morning of coffee, cake and chat, thank you to all who came, baked and donated. We raised £607.21 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Alstonefield Community Carol Suppers – dates are booked at the Village Hall for Friday and Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December to raise funds for Cancer Research UK. We would appreciate ideas from community members of ways to improve the format of the evening. Please contact Carrie O 310453 or Jo Wood.

#### ALSTONEFIELD EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Are you a young person or do you know a young person, under the age of 25, who is currently undertaking some form of learning? Well, the trustees of the Alstonefield Educational Charity are interested in receiving applications for grants to assist in the education of children and young people, under the age of 25 and resident in the parish of Alstonefield or its neighbourhood.

Grants are not restricted to young people in further or higher education but are available to all children and young people for educational purposes where a need for some financial support can be shown – for instance: extracurricular, leisure or out of school activities. Grants are also available for organisations or groups involved in sponsoring educational activities for our children or young people.

Each application will be considered by the Trustees at their meeting in October 2021 and grants awarded at their discretion.

Applicants in Year 7 and above are required to complete an application form, which is available via <u>www.alstonefield.org</u>. Applicants below year 7 or groups should submit their application in letter, giving details of what the grant is required for and how it would be of benefit to the individual or group.

Please forward all applications to Siobhan Hayes, Raikesleigh, Alstonefield, Ashbourne, DE6 2FS, to arrive no later than 30 September 2021.



LEADEN BOOT CHALLENGE 2022

### SAVE THE DATE

#### SUNDAY 22nd MAY 2022

New registrations can be submitted from 1st October 2021

On 1st October, the booking system will be open for new registrations and application forms for individual and group will be available on <a href="https://www.leadenboot.org.uk">www.leadenboot.org.uk</a> .

Those of you with a confirmed booking for 2021 wishing to transfer from 2021 to 2022 must confirm this wish to <u>admin@leadenboot.org.uk</u> by 31 December latest to be sure of a place. If you delay beyond that date, then you will be put on the waiting list for 2022 but no place can be confirmed.

If you have contacted admin already and been given an event number for 2022, you do not need to take any action. You are confirmed for the 2022 event

You can join our Facebook group Leaden Boot Challenge or follow our updates on www.leadenboot.org.uk

#### Alstonefield and District RVS Friendship Club

We warmly invite you to join any of our meetings- you don't have to be a member. We currently meet monthly for fun and friendship, entertaining talks and afternoon tea.

#### Autumn/ Winter program:

**October 6<sup>th</sup>: Denstone Hall Farm Shop and café visit:** Meet 11.30am at Denstone Hall Farm Shop car park. Shared lifts available on request. Most meals around £10.00. After lunch there is an opportunity for some early Christmas shopping or a walk around the JCB lakes.

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>: Greek Island Hopping with Rob Handscombe:** 3.00pm Alstonefield Village Hall. Cost £5.00. Followed by a traditional English Cream tea.

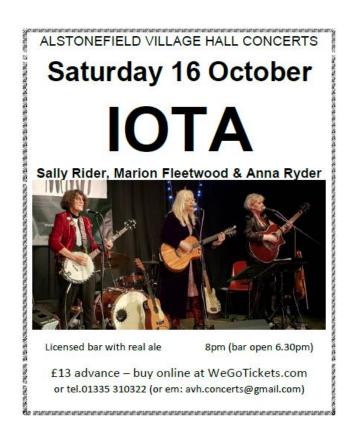
**December 1<sup>st</sup> Christmas Dinner at the Bentley Brook Hotel:** Meet 11.30am for 12.00 at the Bentley Brook Hotel. Shared lifts available on request.

Please ring Fiona Goodyear 01335 310200 if you would like further information about any of these events. You don't need to book in advance for the talks in the village hall, but we will need to collect numbers for the outings.

#### Alstonefield Village Hall

Chair/Secretary: Martin Snodin 01335 310121 Treasurer: Debs Railton: Bookings Officer: Jo Griffin Committee members – Dave & Val Littlehales, Anne Morgan, Jamie Tomlinson. For bookings or enquiries, please email: alstonefieldvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk





## Pop Up Café inside Alstonefield Village Hall Opening Times

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

(Hatch open)

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October



#### Alstonefield Cricket Club

Calling potential cricketers!

Alstonefield Cricket Club has ended a very enjoyable season, with thanks to all players, supporters and spectators. Looking ahead, like many other small sports clubs, our main problem will be shortage of players. To encourage and train new or returning players, we have developed a welcome programme. It started with the Carnival Game in August and will continue with activities through the winter, ready for next season. If you would like to try your hand at cricket, or return to playing it after a break, please ring Jon Lane on 01335 310453. Please don't be shy: cricket is a game for women and men of all ages and skill levels, and you will be very welcome. We play cricket for fun, friendship, gentle exercise, joy of being alive in this beautiful place, and for the happy looks on the faces of our visitors. If those feelings appeal to you, you are the ideal member for our Club.

#### Alstonefield Parish Council

Clerk to the Council –

Alan Hayes (tel. 01335 310057)

Email: c/o The Village Hall, Alstonefield, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. DE6 2FR

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**Chair –** Richard Butler (tel. 01335 310620)

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Vice Chairman Gordon Campbell (tel. 07919353800) Nick Bonsall (tel. 01335 310262) Rupert Higne

Rupert Hignett (tel. 01335 310389) Carrie Osborne (tel. 01335 310453) Rebecca Mcintyre (tel. 01335 310498)

#### "AVETS Remember"

In an emergency you should always dial 999 first. If you need help before the emergency services arrive, you could call the Alstonefield Village Emergency Telephone System (AVETS) on 01335818911. AVETS aims to connect you direct to speak to a local volunteer who may be able to assist. If you would like to know more about what we do, please call Meg on 488 or Carrie on 009.

## **BUTTERTON**



St. Bartholomew's Church

St Bartholomew's PCC Members:

Secretary: Maggie Risby 304115

Church Wardens: Barbara Woodward 304324

Maurice Woodward, Brenda Mollatt, Lily Hambleton-Plumb, Doris Wentworth. Dorothy Glaister, Sheila McDermott, Maggi Rowland

#### St Bartholomew's, Butterton

We welcome Rev Jane Held as Vicar to the Benefice of Butterton, Ipstones with Berkamsytch and Onecote cum Bradnop. Rev Jane will be licensed in a service at Ipstones Church at a service in early December. More details next month.

**Morning Worship and Baptism** on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Baby Sidney Robert Jones, son of Katie Spencer and Jonathan Jones from Fair View Farm was welcomed into the church. Rev Arthur Hack officiated.

Sadly, **Butterton's Bells** are out of commission until repairs have been carried out. A bell rope snapped during a Wakes service practice due to it having suffered from the damp in the tower. All the other ropes have initially been inspected and have been pronounced safe. The tower has historically always suffered from damp and ingress of water. We now need the advice of an architect to help us try and eliminate the problem.

**St Bartholomew's Harvest Service** is on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 4pm. Rev Arthur Hack will officiate. Donations this year will be tinned and dried goods which will then be passed onto Leek's Foodbank. Sadly, the decision was made that it wasn't in everyone's best interests to hold a Pie and Pea Supper. Maybe later in the year.....

#### New Gates and Bench

Thanks to a very generous donation we are in the process of getting new gates for the churchyard. We have gone for metal gates for longevity. Designs are still being considered. Watch that space. Thanks to the Bus Shelter donations a new bench has been ordered for the Churchyard. Delivery and installation will be before the November issue.

#### Thank you

The PCC would like to say Thank you to everyone who has made both of these projects possible.

We would like to thank The Wakes Committee for the very generous £1,400 donation as part of the proceeds of The Wakes. This secures Churchyard maintenance for the forthcoming year. Thanks also to outgoing Wakes Queen Sophie Garnett for her donations to the Church and the Mower Fund.

#### **Butterton Church Lottery**

#### There are 134 numbered balls in the draw and the winners of the September 2021 draw are;

| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Xander Steel    |  |
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| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Kimberley Kirby |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Ann Prince      |  |

| 57)  | £30 |
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| 30)  | £20 |
| 108) | £10 |

#### Numbers drawn by M Woodward and the next lottery draw will be on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 11 am in Church.



#### **Christmas Shoeboxes**

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Start collecting gifts now for your shoebox.

National collection week for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child is 15 - 22nd November 2021.

More information in the next newsletter but choose boy/girl and age group then have fun looking for fun things to fill your shoe box. No sweets or toothpaste allowed now.

I will hope to source some pre-printed shoeboxes and leaflets which give more details. In the mean-time if you need more information contact Lily on 01538 304397.

#### **Butterton Wakes**

An update following the Wakes – we are pleased to announce that following a successful Wakes we have donated £1400 to St Bartholomew's Church, £1400 to Butterton Village Hall and a £250 donation to Buxton Mountain Rescue. Thank you once again to everyone has supported the Wakes.

#### **Butterton History Group**

Thirty people attended a very interesting evening with Eli Lycett, 'The Mythstorian' on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Eli has traced the legend of the Headless Horseman way back to Arthurian times. He was also interested in hearing local tales about strange apparitions etc in the area and is currently investigating the Mixon Fairies and 'Old Nancy'. If anyone has any tales or 'happenings', please let me know and I can forward them to Eli.

#### **Butterton Parish Council**

C/O Clerk: Maggie Risby, 01538 304115. Email buttertonpc@live.co.uk

Chairperson: Jenny Land 304265, Vice Chairperson: Mike Stone 304455

**Committee Members:** Karen Salt 304543, Sarah Kinneir 304274, Peter Tomlinson 304560, Mike Stone (Website Manager) 304455, Roz Lees 304673, Tracey Perkin 304781.

Please could the PC ask, now Autumn is upon us, that householders trim back any overhanging trees or hedges that could cause problems to walkers, cyclists or motorists. Thank you.

Could we also ask that any footpath, road maintenance issues etc continue to be reported online using the Staffordshire Moorlands Reportit Online system.

Next meeting is 7pm on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October at the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend but if you have a specific issue you would like discussed, then please contact the Clerk to ensure sufficient time is given.

#### Butterton Village Hall

Chairperson: Hilary Bassett 304219 Treasurer: Maggie Risby 304115 Secretary: Sheila McDermott 304386 Minutes Secretary: Marjorie Renshaw

Gwen Bagshaw & Dianne Wint

A **BIG** thank you to the Wakes Committee for the very generous donation of £1,400 as part of the proceeds from the Wakes. Until we meet on 5<sup>th</sup> October, we haven't made a decision as to how to spend the money. It could be updating the electrics at the Hall or it could go towards a new boiler. Thank you to Sophie Garnett, outgoing Wakes Queen for her donation. We have replaced the Village Hall hoover as a result of Sophie's donation.

## **Butterton Halloween Pumpkin Trail**

Let's all join to create our Butterton Community Pumpkin Trail. We will hopefully (harvest permitting) have some pumpkins and tealights to give away for you to decorate and place in your window, driveway or wherever you fancy so we can see them over Halloween weekend.

We will then create a local trail (maps will be available) where we can see how many can be spotted. Fun for young and young at heart too. There will be competitions with prizes – Feel free to dress up – you might even see the headless horseman....

#### How do you get involved?

Check out the Butterton Facebook page or contact Kim Kirby on 07816 840486/ <u>mail@kjkirby.co.uk</u> – we will arrange collection from The Black Lion Inn, Butterton or we can deliver to you.

If you wish make a donation, then all funds will go back to the community.



## Seasons of the soul.

And so tonight, Ghosts will rise, One last haunting, One last fright

Plain of spirts, Set to scare, Shifting in the Autumn air

From the misty, Shadows creep, Here the footsteps, Cushion feet

I remember, Onecote brook, First time that, I saw a spook

Lady wandering, On by, yes I saw I won't deny

Headless horseman, Moors will reap, Season of the , Souls to keep!

Anthony Rhead, Butterton

#### **Butterton Cook Book**

After a slight pause, the Butterton cookbook project is back on. I have received some fantastic recipes already and there is still room for a few more. Please do send me your recipes by October 15th if at all possible. Plus any photos - either of your creation or a Butterton picture. All being well, we will have the 3rd Edition of the Butterton cookbook before Christmas.

Yvonne - yvopope@googlemail.com or phone 01538 304137.



#### MESSAGE FROM THE BUS SHELTER

#### MOVING ON

The Bus Shelter has ordered the new seat for the churchyard, and it will arrive in October. This is paid for by you and supported by Chris & Pru Hayhow's donation on behalf of their holiday visitors. We will update you next month.

The Bus Shelter and the Bus Shelter Stalls have so far funded the new village defibrillator and contributed towards the new playground equipment at the Village Hall as well as the churchyard seat. Meanwhile, your generous donations at the Bus Shelter continue to come, so we are recommending a new project to fund.

We propose to contribute towards the Butterton History Group's fund to buy a fire safe. This will be for the long-term safe keeping of irreplaceable village documents and artefacts. You can learn more

about this by going to one of the History Group events or contacting one of the members of the group. This is an investment for future generations of villagers. Do let us have your views, and suggestions. This is the village's money and your opinions count. Message Jeremy & June or phone 01538 304408 if you would like to discuss this.

## MacMillan Coffee Morning

Hilary Bassett would like to thank everyone who supported the coffee morning held at the Village Hall on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September. Along with a raffle, £360 was raised and will be sent to MacMillan Cancer Support. Thanks to everyone who baked cakes and donated raffle prizes.



## **ELKSTONES**

St. John the Baptist Vicar: Father John Baines

At long last the Village is coming back to life after a long, long lockdown. Our first major event was the Harvest Festival and Sale – lovely to see so many friends and neighbours back with us and we hope that people will continue to join us.

Myrtle's Pea & Pie Supper, Liz M's Raffle, the Sale and all the donations raised a total over £870 for our Church funds. Thank you to everybody who attended the Service and the Sale, and thank you very much to everybody who helped, contributed, and donated especially Myrtle who organized the cleaning and decoration of the Church, Liz M for the Raffle, and David who ran his 40<sup>th</sup> Auction !

Next event is our AGM of the Elkstonian Society when we need to think about our future direction. Sadly, two of our most active couples are leaving the Village so one or two people who thought that they had retired have been dragged back to keep things going whilst we recruit some more Members.... (the definition of a "Volunteer" is a person who didn't understand the question ! ).

We are looking to resume our monthly Coffee Mornings (we held some by video last Winter but it's not the same) to welcome our new Villagers and we are open to suggestions for new activities to get the Village going again.

Diary Date – Elkstones Christmas Carol Service. 7pm on Monday, 20th December, in St. John's Church

## <u>ILAM</u>



| Holy Cross                                 | Sunday Worship in October            |                      |             |                                                                         |                                          |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Revd.<br>John Austerberry.<br>01335 310002 | Sunday<br>Sunday<br>Sunday<br>Sunday | 10th Oct<br>17th Oct | 6pm<br>11am | Harvest Service<br>Harvest Service<br>Harvest Service<br>Holy Communion | llam<br>Alstonefield<br>Wetton<br>Wetton |
| Warden:<br>Miss Ellen Clewes               | Saturday                             |                      |             | Forest Church                                                           | Alstonefield Churchyard<br>Orchard/Wood  |
| 01335 350437                               | Sunday                               | 31st Oct             | 11am        | Holy Communion                                                          | Ilam, Benefice All Saints<br>Service     |
|                                            | Sunday                               | 31st Oct             | 6.30pi      | m All Souls Memorial                                                    | Alstonefield                             |

#### Flower Rota

| 1st October 2021   | Mrs L Ouslam and Ms C Sellers | Brasses and Flowers |
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|                    |                               |                     |
| 8th October 2021   | Mrs S Wiltshire               | Brasses and Flowers |
| 15th October 2021  | Mrs S Wiltshire               | Brasses and Flowers |
|                    |                               |                     |
| 22nd October 2021  | Mrs D FLynn                   | Brasses and Flowers |
| 29th October 2021  | Mrs D FLynn                   | Brasses and Flowers |
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We will be meeting at Church on Saturday 2nd October at 2pm to decorate and prepare it for the services.

#### Paul and Ruth Watson

We are sorry to be saying goodbye to Paul and Ruth Watson who have decided to move to pastures new following many years of living at Barn Cottage - we hope their move goes well and they are happy in their new home - do come back and see us.

#### News from Ilam C of E (VA) School: 2021

After another disrupted school year, it has been wonderful to welcome back all our pupils as well as welcoming new pupils into our reception and nursery class. On the first Friday of term, the whole school headed off to Stanley Head outdoor education centre for a day of activities which included pond dipping, archery, a climbing wall, abseiling and crate stacking. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children and staff to take part in team building and fun activities after such an interrupted past 18 months.

Last week, it was fabulous to invite the grandparents of our pupils for a lunchtime meal to celebrate Grandparents' Day. More than twenty-five families enjoyed sharing a roast dinner and fruit crumble! We are looking forward to holding other dedicated events soon.

Forest School lessons have begun for each year group. The children have cooked bread over a fire and walked into Ilam Park to observe and identify the different trees.

Our pupils have also taken part in the first Cluster Sports events with other local schools led by Primary Stars. Our pupils did well at the Cross Country and are excited to be taking part in further events later this term.

We are currently looking to employ someone as a lunchtime supervisor, if you are interested, please contact the school office for more information.

#### Mrs Rachel Linton: Head of School, Ilam C of E(VA) School

#### Ilam Parish Council Chairwoman: Caroline Sellers 01335 350368 Clerk: Paul Watson 01335 310321 paul@prwatson.co.uk Website: www.ilam.org.uk.

## **WARSLOW**



<u>Vicar:</u> Father John Baines 01298 83411 <u>Wardens:</u> Mrs. Rachel Moorcroft 01298 84568, Treasurer: Emma Gould 01298 687190.

St. Lawrence

#### Magazine Note's (E.G.)

#### <u>Services</u>

The wearing of masks is optional and Holy Communion will be as normal, communicants can now take wine. Hand sanitiser is still to be used.

#### **Flower Festival**

Our Flower Festival and Harvest weekend, has just concluded. We held our Quiz on Friday evening with 4 teams enjoying the fun and food. The Jam Jars of flowers were so beautiful. Visitors commented on the simplicity of nature, yet the overwhelming beauty of each jar. We paused to remember those from our community who we have lost in the last 18 months, who would usually be supporting us and joining in with the activities.

Unfortunately, due to the inclement weather, we had to cancel the Car Boot Sale on Saturday – apologies for the disappointment. However, we thank Geoff Derbyshire for his kind offer of the use of his field.

We finished off on Sunday with our Service followed by a Cream Tea – we welcomed new and old members of our community. The Rev. Nicola Pepper took our service and we thank her for the mindful sermon and Gwen Turnock for playing the Organ. The second banns were read for Esther Ruth Hunt and Jonathan, Paul, Wottan Clements of St Mary's Church, Walkley, Sheffield. We wish them good luck in their wedding preparations and married life.

A big thank you to everyone who helped to make the weekend a success, by helping, preparing foods, supplying raffle prizes, arranging flowers, and most of all supporting and attending our activities.

It is understandable that some people did not want to attend the weekend due to the constraints and fears of Covid 19. If you still want to support the Church you can make a donation to the Church. Please pass to Rachel, Judy or Emma.

Finally, it was lovely to welcome Judy back to our Church Team. We have missed you!

#### **Regular Giving**

As we have lost over a year's income from fundraising and services, the sustainability of our Church is, therefore threatened for the future. On this note, we would value and appreciate, anyone who can make a regular donation to our Church by way of regular giving. All donations however small, will make a difference to our Church and help to keep the Church in our village, open for important moments in our lives.

If you are a Tax Payer you can Gift Aid your donation, which means that the church will receive extra money at no extra cost to you. If this is something that you are interested in – please contact the Treasurer – Emma Gould on 01298 687190 or <u>gouldemma80@gmail.com</u>, all donations are treated in the strictest of confidence and will make such a difference. Thank you in anticipation.

#### <u>Thank You</u>

Thank you to Sean and Louise, who have kindly taken on the tidying of the Church Path and plants. What a difference it makes to the appearance of our Church and an extra pair of able hands is always appreciated... many hands make light work....

#### <u>IIIness</u>

We are sorry to hear that yet more of our community have suffered with Covid 19 over the last few months. We hope that they will re-habilitate quickly – we all need to play our part, protect each other and look out for each other.

If anyone wants to talk to somebody in confidence or just for a chat, because they are lonely or anxious, please contact a member of the church team. We all need each other, never more than now in these uncertain and challenging times.

#### **Church Yard Mowing**

As summer is slowly drawing to a close, we thank Steve Bentley and his team for their hard work in keeping the Church Yard in such an excellent condition. If you are interested in volunteering to help next year – please contact Steve. Thank you!

#### Warslow & Elkstones Parish Council

#### Clerk: Vacancy – see below.

Website: http://warslowandelkstones-pc.org

Chair: Ian Astle 01298 84800.

Vice Chair: Nik Searson 07790 354330

Councillors: Amy Wardman 01538 304512; Stuart Gould 01298 687190; Laura Gordon 01298 84984; Phil Moakes 01298 687238;

<u>Vacancy</u>: We are looking to appoint a Parish Clerk and would invite anyone who may be interested in the role to discuss with any of the councillors. Full details available on request.

<u>'myStaffs' app:</u> We would encourage parish residents who have access to the internet to use the 'myStaffs' app. Within the app you can report a wide variety of issues or problems to either the County or District Councils, including Highways issues, Fly-tipping, Dog fouling and others. Simply search the App Store or Google Play for 'myStaffs' or at <u>www.staffordshire.gov.uk/mystaffs</u>. If you wish to escalate any reported matters please contact a member of the Parish Council.

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#### <u>Bingo</u>

Bingo is restarting at Warslow Village Hall on Wednesday  $20^{\text{th}}$  October, 7.30pm. All proceeds towards the upkeep of the hall. Any enquiries contact Pam on 01298 687452.

#### **Annual Christmas Fayre**

Saturday 27th November 2021

12-4pm

#### FREE ENTRY Refreshments available

Santa's grotto, Warslow Silver Band, tombola, special appearances from Elsa, Buzz and Woody! Plus much more... Stalls £7.00 each, to book please contact Laura on 01298 84984 (first come, first served basis) Order of the day TBC

Slightly smaller scale than previous years due to COVID but we will be back to normal in 2022.

#### Warslow Christmas Lights Competition

Let's spread a little Christmas cheer this year by lighting up your homes and make Warslow a place to visit.

Decorations/lights to be up by 18<sup>th</sup> December-1<sup>st</sup> January.

Judging to take place during this period. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes up for grabs.

If your home would like to take part, contact Laura on 01298 84984 to add you to the map.

Good Luck!

#### **Warslow Silver Band Christmas Concert**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2021 7pm start, doors will open at 6.30pm Raffle and bar available Tickets £7 each including supper Tickets will be on sale from 25.10.21 Capacity of 80 people. Strictly first come, first served basis.

#### LOST PROPERTY

We've found some lost property in the Village Hall toilets at the beginning of September. If you think you might have left something behind, please contact us on 01298 84984 and give us a description of your item.

#### Yoga Classes

Yoga classes have restarted at Warslow Village Hall on Monday mornings, 9.30am-11am (term time). £6 per class. Bring your own mat or hire a sanitised mat for £1. Beginners most welcome. Drop-in class (22 spaces max) See www.yogamania.co.uk for more details or call Louise on 0773 6351257 if you wish to discuss.

#### **History Live**

"History Live" is a friendly group which meets at Warslow Village Hall at 7.30pm (doors open at 7pm) on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month between September and May to listen to knowledgeable and entertaining speakers and enjoy sharing an interest in local history. Entrance is £3 per meeting including a hot drink and homemade cake. October 6<sup>th</sup> 2021-Calke Abbey and the Harpur Crewes.

#### Air Ambulance Clothing Bin

We now have an Air Ambulance clothing bin situated on the Village Hall carpark. 100% of the proceeds raised from the sale of these items goes directly back into the charity. Please do not leave any clothing or bags by the side of the bin. If you notice that the bin is full, please contact 01509 670989.

It's that time of year again where we're looking for donations of raffle or tombola prizes for our forthcoming events. Any prizes would be much appreciated, please drop them into Holly Bank or contact Laura. Thank you.





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## **WETTON**



St. Margaret's Revd. John Austerberry 01335 310002

Service Times:

Warden: Claire Day 01538 381773

|         | Sunday Worship in October |          |        |                      |                    |  |
|---------|---------------------------|----------|--------|----------------------|--------------------|--|
| rberry. | Sunday                    | 3rd Oct  | 11am   | Harvest Service      | llam               |  |
|         | Sunday                    | 10th Oct | 6pm    | Harvest Service      | Alstonefield       |  |
|         | Sunday                    | 17th Oct | 11am   | Harvest Service      | Wetton             |  |
|         | Sunday                    | 24th Oct | 11am   | Holy Communion       | Wetton             |  |
| 381773  | Saturday                  | 30th Oct | 3pm    | Forest Church        | Alstonefield       |  |
|         |                           |          |        | Churchyard Orchard/V |                    |  |
|         | Sunday                    | 31st Oct | 11am   | Holy Communion       | Ilam, Benefice All |  |
|         |                           |          |        |                      | Saints Service     |  |
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#### St Margaret's Church 50/50 Lottery Results

The lucky winners in the September draw were:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Mrs. Linda Morris £5 Mrs. Anne Bury £3

£52.50 £35.00

You can join the lottery by paying £5 cash to Margaret Hodgkinson at Manifold Cottage. You can of course pay by monthly standing order and never miss a draw. Ask Margaret (310244) for the bank details.

The closing date to join for the October draw is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021 and the draw will take place on Friday 22nd October at 11.30am. Thank you to all the people who support the lottery.

## St Margaret's Church – Treasurer

Our Treasurer is retiring after many years of service. If anyone is interested in becoming Treasurer for St. Margaret's please contact

Clare on 01538 381773

#### HARVEST SUPPER.

#### Event to be held at Wetton Village Hall, Monday 18th. October, 6-30 for 7-00pm.

We are delighted to join together in this traditional community event, especially as this was not possible last year due to the prevailing pandemic situation and advice.

Our numbers will, necessarily, be limited to 30, so please secure your tickets for a "Pea & Pie" supper, plus dessert with tea and coffee for £10 per adult.

Children's tickets may be requested but are also limited in number. Please bring your preferred drinks, glasses, and sense of fun. There will be a quiz, raffle and auction of produce.

Vegetarian option is available if booked early, with tickets/places secured through calling John and Pam on 01335 310257 (answerphone available, when we are not).

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#### Summer Fete

Many grateful thanks are due, to the Wetton community, for supporting St. Margaret's Church Summer Fete. Your generosity with donations and patronage on the day, helped to make a successful event, alongside the considerable efforts of the wonderful team who worked to make this possible, despite a pandemic.

Over £800 raised/donated, so thanks again, to our community.





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