Village & Community Magazine July 2022

Keeping All Our Villages Connected and United















Some Upcoming Events in July

Cara Dillon in Concert - Alstonefield Village Hall - Friday 1st - 8pm
"Tedesca Quartet" - Alstonefield Village Hall - Saturday 9th - 3pm
Butterton WI Meeting - Butterton Village Hall - Tuesday 12th - 7pm
Pub Quiz - Black Lion, Butterton - Wednesday 13th - 8pm
"Beer, Blues & Americana Festival" - Black Lion, Butterton - Saturday 16th - 2pm
Warslow Bingo - Warslow Village Hall - Wednesday 20th - 7.30pm
Joe Danks' SEASPEAK - Alstonefield Village Hall - Saturday 23rd - 8pm

DEADLINE FOR THE AUGUST EDITION IS 6am on Wednesday 27th JULY

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 NO 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"

Many thanks to the Peak District Artisans and to the Watts Russell Arms for their generous ongoing support to WACFR. Thanks also to several patients and family members for their recent kind donations.

"SPARE" DEFIBRILLATOR

The 'spare' Defibrillator is currently out on loan to one of our local villages who are awaiting delivery of replacement parts.

WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR

We are looking for someone locally who could take over the administration and management of our website, it requires an overhaul and refresh. If you are able to assist, please contact us using the details below.

If you are interested in learning about becoming a Community First Responder, please contact either Denise Noble: (07973) 730775 or Mike Tidmarsh: (07931) 558541

Email: wacfr.staffs@gmail.com
Wetton & Alstonefield Community First Responders
Registered Charity Number: 1121223

OPEN THE BOOK.

A group of people from the Deanery Churches are hoping to visit the Schools in the Deanery to offer the Children an opportunity to hear Bible stories told in an engaging way. We are looking for people who would like to help by making props, or costumes.

Please contact Clare on 01538 381773

Milldale Chapel

There will be two services this summer in the lovely little chapel in the valley, at 7.00pm on the first Wednesday in July and August. On 6th July by Rev Tim Morris and on 3rd August by Rev David Leese. Everyone is very welcome to come to either of these services, which will be simple and quiet. We look forward to seeing you there.

Recipe/Tip of the Month

More suggestions for healthier cakes:

- Most cakes will still work out well if you omit about a quarter of the sugar. Any more and they do lose their taste a bit.
- When making a drizzle for the top of a cake, just use about a teaspoon of sugar with your lemon, lime or orange juice. You won't get the frosted topping but the taste will still be there.
- Fruit purees e.g. dates or bananas will definitely sweeten a cake as a substitute for sugar.
- Some bakers substitute honey or agave syrup. Personally, I have not tried this. It's all the same on the hips!
- Another way to make cakes more healthy and less processed is to use different flours such as wholemeal wheat or wholemeal spelt. Alternatively, blitz some porridge oats in the food processor and use to substitute half the weight of white flour in your cakes.
- Personally, I rarely put icing or frosting on a cake. A few fresh berries or some toasted coconut has a fraction of the calories or sugar.
- Finally, most cakes freeze well sliced and stored between sheets of greaseproof paper.

Y.P. Butterton

Smile Once in a While...

At school, Little Johnny's classmate tells him that most adults are hiding at least one dark secret, so it's very easy to blackmail them by saying, "I know the whole truth." Little Johnny decides to go home and try it out.

Johnny's mother greets him at home, and he tells her, "I know the whole truth." His mother quickly hands him £20 and says, "Just don't tell your father."

Quite pleased, the boy waits for his father to get home from work, and greets him with, "I know the whole truth." The father promptly hands him £40 and says, "Please don't say a word to your mother."

Very pleased, the boy is on his way to school the next day when he sees the mailman at his front door. The boy greets him by saying, "I know the whole truth."

The mailman immediately drops the mail, opens his arms, and says, "Then come give your Daddy a great big hug!"

An Irishman was flustered at not being able to find a parking space in a large supermarket car park.

"Lord," he prayed "I can't stand this, if you open a space up for me, I swear I'll give up drinking me whisky, and I promise to go to church every Sunday."

Suddenly, the clouds parted and the sun shone on an empty parking spot.

Without hesitation the man said "Never mind, I found one."

My daughter was doing her homework and asked me what I knew about Galileo.

I, proudly and confidently, told her that he was just a poor boy from a poor family.

A young woman was taking golf lessons and had just started playing her first round of golf when she suffered a bee sting. Her pain was so intense that she decided to return to the clubhouse for medical assistance. The golf pro saw her heading back and said, "You are back early, what's wrong?" "I was stung by a bee!" she said. "Where?" he asked. "Between the first and second hole." she replied. He nodded and said, "Your stance is far too wide."

Dear people who type in all lowercase

We are the difference between helping your Uncle Jack off a horse and helping your uncle jack off a horse.

Sincerely yours

Capital Letters

My girlfriend just asked me, "When we go to Egypt can we go on a camel?"

I said, "As you wish," and booked it for her. She's going tomorrow...I'm leaving in three weeks and flying there!

An Amish husband, wife and son travel to the city on vacation. They visit a shopping mall and while the mother is shopping, the father and son are standing in awe in front of an elevator (having no idea what it is). As they watch, an elderly lady walks into the strange silver doors and the doors close. The father and son watch as the numbers go up, and then back down. When the doors open, a beautiful young woman walks out. The father leans over and whispers to the son, "Son, go get your mother!"

Just failed my driving test. When the examiner asked me "what sign would you expect to see down a narrow country road?" Apparently 'fresh eggs for sale' wasn't the answer...



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"HOLIDAYS" – A Poem by Anthony Rhead (Butterton)

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Holidays upon
Imagining the
Ripples of,
Height of sun
Above

Echoes of The Ocean, Or where you Want to be, Spirit of Adventure, Gypsy roaming Free

Energy or restful Journeys or a Book, home or International, Forward to We look Holidays upon us, Necessary rest Myriad of memories, People at their best..

Tedesca Quartet



Alstonefield Village Hall
DE6 2FR
Tickets £20, under-18s £5
To book tickets, contact
Margaret
cohenmargaret@aol.com
01335 310381 - 07506687660
Or Richard
munceyrichard@gmail.com

3 PM

Haydn Quartet in C Major, Op 20 No 2
Ravel Quartet in F Major
Beethoven Quartet in E Flat Major, Op 74
"The Harp"

Saturday 9th July 2022

THE MOORLANDS TOP TEN

A brand-new event to incorporate the 'Moorlands Master Gardener' including vegetables 'Moorlands Master Floral Artist'

'Moorlands Master Cook' and 'Moorlands Master Baker'
'Moorlands Master Artist' and 'Moorlands Master Photographer'
'Moorlands Master Crafter'

All produced in the wonderful Staffordshire Moorlands

'Rural Reflections' SATURDAY 6th AUGUST 2022

MEERBROOK VILLAGE HALL, MEERBROOK, LEEK ST13 8SL

Open to the Public 11am

FREE ENTRY TO VIEW: RAFFLE: REFRESHMENTS
STAGING: Friday 5th August 7pm – 9pm
Saturday 6th August 7am – 9am No admission after 9am

Your support is greatly appreciated

Judges: David Lownds, Menga Bentley, Rosie Fairs, Sue Davis,
John Hodgkinson and Victoria Sheldon. Steward: Sara Lipp
Prizes for First, Second & Third Places
Winner of 'Best in Show' will decide which Charity proceeds from the show will go to
Further information from Suzanne Sheldon
07518 074185 or suzsheldon@btinternet.com

SCHEDULE

Class 1 'The Moorlands Master Gardener'

A display on a trestle table (approx. 6ft) comprising 1 vase of mixed cut flowers, 1 vase of mixed herbs, 1 pot plant (flowering or non-flowering), 1 bowl of mixed summer fruits (any quantity), 3 different vegetables, dressed (minimum of 3 each). Must be home grown.

Class 2 'Floral Art' - 'Mermaid Pool'

An exhibit using fresh flowers and foliage to depict 'Mermaid Pool', Morridge. Space allowed 36" wide by depth of table, height unlimited. Accessories may be used.

Class 3 'Moorlands Ploughman's Lunch'

An exhibit of home-made produce displayed in a picnic basket or similar no larger than 24" comprising of 5 items from the following - bread, pork or fruit pie, sausage rolls, chutney, pickle, fruit cake, cordial, wine or beer plus an accessory of cheese. Other accessories may be used.

Class 4 'Moorlands Afternoon Tea!'

A selection of home-made savouries, sweet cakes, pastries, biscuits and confectionary suitable for an afternoon tea. To be displayed on a cake stand. Accessories may be used.

Class 5 'Moorlands Master Baker'

A decorated cake to depict the local Moorlands beauty spots of The Roaches, Thor's Cave, Rudyard Lake, Tittesworth Reservoir, Manifold Valley Railway or Winking Man. To be exhibited on a cake board measuring no more than 12". **To be judged on decoration only.**

Class 6 'Children's' 'Mini Garden with a Moorlands theme'

A mini garden in a shallow tray or container no larger than 324mm x 201mm. Accessories may be used.

Class 7 'Painting' 'Beautiful Moorlands'

A painting in any medium to depict either The Roaches, Thor's Cave, Rudyard Lake, Tittesworth Reservoir, Manifold Railway, Winking Man, The Roaches, Rudyard Lake or Morridge. May be framed or unframed. Painting, including frame, not to exceed 18" x 12" portrait or landscape. Must be exhibitor's own work.

Class 8 'Children's Painting' 'Moorlands Scenery'

A painting in any medium to depict an attraction in 'The Moorlands'. Can include animals. May be framed or unframed. Painting not to exceed A4, portrait or landscape. Must be exhibitor's own work.

Class 9 'Photography' 'Scenery in the Moorlands'

A photograph taken by the exhibitor depicting the beautiful scenery of 'The Moorlands'. May be mounted or unmounted. Overall size, including mount, not to exceed 12" x 10".

Class 9A 'Children's Photography' 'My Favourite Moorlands Place'

A photograph taken by the exhibitor of a favourite place in 'The Moorlands'. Can include animals. May be mounted or unmounted. Overall size, including mount, not to exceed 12" x 10".

Class 10 'Moorlands Craft'

An exhibit showcasing a craft from 'The Moorlands'. This can be any craft item but must be the exhibitors own work.

For full schedule and entry form please contact Suzanne Sheldon

suzsheldon@btinternet.com or 07518 074185

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Beer, Blues & Americana Festival 2022

Saturday 16th July Start: 2pm. Finish: 10:30pm.

Free Entry





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Alstonefield Village Hall Concerts - July

Friday 1st July 8pm CARA DILLON



SOLD OUT – Returns only, check online at WeGotTickets.com

Saturday 23rd July 8pm Songs and Stories from the National Maritime Museum

Joe Danks' SEASPEAK



In 2018, Joe Danks was musician in residence at the National Maritime Museum, bringing to life some of the museum's most affecting stories and the role of the sea through history

£13 online at WeGotTickets.com or tel. 01335 310322

ALSTONEFIELD



St. Peter's. Revd. John Austerberry 01335 310002 Warden: Vacancies

July Worship Times				
$3^{\rm rd}$	11.00 am	Morning Worship	Alstonefield	
$10^{\rm th}$	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Ilam	
17^{th}	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Wetton	
17^{th}	3.00 pm	Rocky's Wild Wood Church	Alstonefield Churchyard	
24 th	11.00 am	St Margaret's HC	Wetton with Rev Nicola Pepper	
31 st	11.00 am	Lammas Service	Alstonefield	

From the Vicarage:

Rocky's Wild Wood Church – in Alstonefield Churchyard Orchard/Wood – Sunday 17 July 2022 at 3.00 pm Forest Church is outdoor worship focusing on being creative and engaging with God's natural world. It is for everyone and appeals especially for families, to adults and children alike. Dress for the weather and come prepared to join a creative activity. Seasonal refreshments will be served after the service.

Sunday Afternoon 24th July – Tea and Cake at the Vicarage Garden

Rev John is celebrating his 60th Birthday that weekend. Everyone is welcome to come to the Vicarage for Tea and Cake between 2 to 4 pm.

New Foundation Governors for Ilam School for Autumn Term

There are 2 vacancies on Ilam School Governing Board for Foundation Governors. They are appointed and supported by the Lichfield Diocesan Board of Education. Please contact Rev John If you or you know someone who would like to support our local school as a Foundation Governor. Click here to see the Lichfield Diocesan Board of Education website for more details.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

What a wonderful time was had by all! Huge thanks to Ann Colclough, Notty Hornblower, Sue Lovatt and Sylvia for their hard work on The Seven Decades of the Queen display of Costumes, Memorabilia and Flowers in St Peter's Church, and to Angela Campbell for organising the refreshments. Thanks also to Martin Snodin for the lovely selection of photos of people and activities in the village of the seven decades, and to Martin and the History Group for the Alstonefield 1952 exhibition in the Village Hall.

Wonderful to hear the Bell Ringers ringing their special peal, thank you. The Platinum Jubilee Book has entries from some villagers; there is still time to add your note for the gueen if you would like to. We are also adding copies of the wonderful entries of the Jubilee art work; thank you Margaret Sharples for organising that. Thanks to Ann Morgan for the flowers around the War Memorial, on the village green and outside the village hall. The Jubilee Picnic was relocated to the village hall and was a lovely event with the Jubilee mugs for the children, the bench on the playing field, a toast to the Queen and lots of great food and chat; thanks to Marie and Charlie McIlroy. The Jubilee Wakes service and concert in The Manor garden was thoroughly enjoyed on a lovely breezy afternoon; many thanks to Jo and Rob Wood and the Warslow Silver Band.

St Peter's Church

We will do some more fundraising over the next few months as the roof of the North porch needs fixing, as well as a few more maintenance tasks. If anyone is walking in the churchyard we would be very grateful if you could pull a few weeds from the French drain around the church.

Following a survey of the church windows we would now like to clean the church windows on the inside; we wondered if any readers might offer to join a little working party to tackle this? We need to use de-ionised water and soft cloth only. Please contact Carrie O on 310453.

The Seven Decades of the Queen - St Peter's Church, Alstonefield

"AVETS Remember"

In an emergency you should always dial 999 first. If you need help before the emergency you could call the Alstonefield Village Emergency Tolar' aims to connect you direct to

know more about what we do, please call Meg on 488 or Carrie on 009.

Alstonefield Parish Council

Clerk to the Council - Post Currently Vacant

Email: clerk@alstonefield-pc.org.uk

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

Chair – Gordon Campbell (Tel:07919353800)
Vice Chairman: Rebecca McIntyre (Tel:310498)

Rupert Hignett (Tel:310389), Alan Hayes (Tel:310057), Carrie Osborne (Tel:310453),

Sarah Jeffery (Tel:07465 217269), Charlie McIlroy (Tel:310293).

Next Parish Council Meeting: Contact any Councillor for details.

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

Please see poster on page 7 for full details of next music event.

Alstonefield Gardening Group

Alstonefield Gardening Group is flourishing with 21 members. We communicate mostly by WhatsApp or email with suggestions, seedling swapping etc. we also have dates for visits to one another's gardens for informal idea swapping. If you would like to join, please send a message to Carrie O on 07891 480104.



Open Garden

Debs and Paul Railton are opening their garden on the Raikes on Sunday 21st August from 2-4.30, with cream teas and other refreshments for sale to kindly raise funds for St Peter's Church.

Ed's Note: Image sourced from the internet not to be confused with Deb or Paul's actual garden

Alstonefield and District RVS Friendship Club

Life in the 50's - Bill Durose and Friendship Club Birthday party: Wednesday July 6th

6.00pm Alstonefield Village Hall Includes evening meal-£10.00

National Arboretum Visit, Wednesday 20th July

Pick up 9.15am Warslow Village Hall and 9.30 am Alstonefield Village Hall.

Leaving the Arboretum at 2.30pm. Return approximately 3.30pm

There are still places available on the coach. The cost for non-members is £7.50 to be paid on the day. Please ring Fiona if you would like a place (01335 310200- please do not leave a message as these can be missed)

In pursuit of a Peak District pensioner criminal: The life and crimes of Annie Burke - Tim Knebel Wednesday 3rd August

3.00pm Alstonefield Village Hall Followed by a cream tea- £5.00

Volunteers, guests and new members always welcome

Please consider joining us for one of our meetings this summer. You don't have to be a member! We aim to provide an interesting variety of talks and events to suit different people. I am sure you will agree that we offer very good value for money as each meeting includes a meal. It helps us to know in advance if you are coming so we can cater for the correct number.

We are also looking for new volunteers who could help on occasions with catering, transport or admin. Please contact Fiona (01335 310200) for more information about any of the above.

BUTTERTON



St. Bartholomew's Church
Revd - Jane Held: 01538 262116
St Bartholomew's PCC Members:

Secretary: Maggie Risby 304115

Church Warden:

Barbara Woodward 304324

Maggje Risby 304115 and Secretary

Services in July:				
3 rd	3pm	Evening Worship Taken by Rev'd L Price		
17 th	10am	Holy Communion		
24 th	6pm	Songs of Praise & Gift Day (Money raised will go towards Tower Fund)		
31 st	11am	Benefice Holy Communion		

P.C.C. Members:

Maurice Woodward, Lily Hambleton-Plumb (Deanery Synod + Safety),
Dorothy Glaister, Sheila McDermott, Maggi Rowland, Jackie Sumerling (Treasurer).

Altar Flowers: B Mollatt Cleaning Rota: B Woodward

A donation has been gratefully received for the churchyard maintenance in memory of family and friends buried in the churchyard by an anon donor, all donations are most welcome.

St Bartholomew's Church Lottery Winners for June				
•	First	Sarah Garde	(134)	£40.00
•	Second	C & L Snooks	(64)	£20.00
•	Third	Nancy Bassett	(143)	£10.00
Next draw is Saturday 9th July at 11am in Church.				

St Bartholomew's Church

How beautiful our church looked for the Civic Service on 5th June. Thanks to Jackie Sumerling, Jacqui Salt and Barbara for decorating in the theme of red/white/blue. Although the attendance wasn't as we had hoped, we still enjoyed our service albeit with an 'incapacitated' Vicar who apparently had been racing with the children up the hill to Ipstones beacon and had 'come a cropper'.

A plan has come to fruition in the last month. The gnomon (sticky uppy bit) on the sundial atop the remains of the medieval cross near the church porch has been replaced.

Since finding evidence that a sundial had been installed in the early 1700's, it was a present-day mystery as to where it was exactly. Without the gnomon one would have had to climb the three steps at the base of the cross to see what was left of it. It then became a 'mission' to get the sundial restored. With full funding from South West Peak Small Heritage and Landscape Scheme, masterminded by Catherine Parker-Heath, the Butterton History Group adopted the sundial.

A sundial restorer, Alastair Hunter, was found, a faculty completed, and Alistair arrived from Edinburgh to remove the base plate. He returned to Edinburgh and within 24 hours he was emailing me (Maggie) with a discovery. On the underside of the plate, after cleaning it, he had found some Gothic script. In translation, it didn't really make any sense as it seemed to have been a scrap of brass cut from a much larger monumental brass. Moving on........... thanks to the help and super sleuthing of some historians we now know it was cut from the original monumental brass to Bishop Robert Pursglove and was in Tideswell Church until the original brass was replaced in 1705. From evidence found at Stafford Archives a few years ago, a document tells of 7s 6d being paid to Joseph Slack who replaced a gnomon in 1789. On the same document it seems the sundial was first installed at Butterton in 1714. Great excitement here and I feel a booklet coming on !

By the time this Newsletter goes to press our new church gates will have been fitted. An anonymous & generous donation has made this possible. Thanks also to Kevin Edge and the team at Iron Age Designs, Leek for their skill and craftsmanship.

Church Repairs

As mentioned previously, we have a BIG problem with water ingress in the church tower which has led to all kinds of problems. Plaster has to be stripped from the walls and replaced and storm proof mesh fitted to the windows high up in the steeple.

You may have missed hearing the bells. That is because one of the bell ropes got soaked and had to be replaced and the other ropes were removed in order to keep them from getting damaged. We have had the architect in to

survey the damage and sadly he has quoted a figure of £50 K to get it fixed. This has hit us very hard. Over the past few years we have been unable to have our usual number of fundraisers. We now need to put our thinking hats on and come up with some good ideas. Please let Churchwardens Maggie or Barbara know if you have something that will bring in some cash. Obviously, we will be looking for grants but we will not get grant funded for the whole amount.

With all this in mind we are holding our Gift Day and Songs of Praise service on Sunday 24th July at 6pm. In the past we have attached Gift Day envelopes to the Newsletter but as the Newsletter is now distributed electronically, we don't have that facility. If you can make a donation then any PCC Member will be only too pleased to collect/accept. Just let a Churchwarden or Jackie Sumerling our Treasurer know.

Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Whoever thought to plan two events on consecutive nights needs to be spoken to !!!

Having started preparations earlier in the week (thank goodness!), we held a Pie and Pea Supper on Thursday for 70 people. The evening commenced with the meal, progressed to a quiz arranged by the History Group and then we all toasted the Queen as the beacon was lit. The evening ended with prize giving for the quiz winners and the raffle was drawn.

Following a quick turnaround, it was Jubilee Bingo on Friday. 28 people attended and fun was had by all. There was an attempt to have a Jubilee themed array of prizes but the prices that were being charged for commemorative items etc prevented this from happening. Nevertheless, the prizes were of exceptional quality and there was a cash flyer and raffle to help finish the evening off. Oh, and another toast to Her Majesty.



Butterton W.I.

14 members enjoyed a Jubilee themed Afternoon Tea at the Village Hall on Tuesday 14th June. We tucked into an excellently prepared pre-packed picnic and tea/coffee. The best bit was no washing up! It was a lovely afternoon and we all thoroughly enjoyed each other's company. The next meeting is at 7pm on Tuesday 12th July at the Village Hall.

Our Village was Suitably Adorned Too





MESSAGE FROM THE BUS SHELTER



Thank you to everyone who has used the Bus Shelter shop and has given money or stuff. We never stop being delighted by the positive feedback and the popularity of the project for both locals and visitors.

In May, we started collecting for the costs of the Pulse Oximeter needed for the First Reponders ambulance; we have wizzed past the target of £400, and will be making a donation of at least £700 to WACFR in July.

The extra money will pay for new batteries and pads for the onboard defibrillator, amongst other necessities.

We continue to ask for suggestions for local causes that we can support. We have had the following suggestions:

Manifold Pre-School in Warslow; this is a charity run by parents and needs local fundraising to carry on and is highly regarded. It is the closest childcare setting for the village. Butterton is in the catchment area for Manifold School which the pre-school feeds in to.

Pat Wood's Leek Home for Strays, usually still called 'Pat Wood's' as it was known for so many years until her passing. They help to find new forever homes for cats and also support their owners with veterinary care and neutering.

Please give us your feedback on these plus any new suggestions via FB messenger, phone or 'on the street' as soon as possible. All names are kept confidential.

Please keep the bric-à-brac and books coming! As ever, the Bus Shelter clientele are a picky bunch; some stuff just sits in the Shelter using up valuable space and in the end we have to dispose of it.

So PLEASE don't leave:

Clothing, DVDs & CDs, Jam Jars, Egg Boxes, Out of Date Travel Books, Encyclopeadias etc Nor Anything that is 'Grubby or Dirty'

Thanks again to everybody for your contributions and donations.

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, Peter Tomlinson 304560, Mike Stone (Website Manager) 304455,

Tracev Perkin 304781.

The two vacancies have been filled and the Parish Council now welcomes John Hewitt and Darren Kirby on board. The next meeting is on Tuesday 26th July at 7pm at the Village Hall. We are looking for green fingered flower tub monitors i.e. someone to keep them tidy and watered during the hot spells. Please contact the Clerk if you can help out, even on a rota system perhaps? The area of the Ford is now looking much improved. Steve our Parish Lengthsman has repaired the wall, cleared the build-up of silt and debris in the brook to enable the water to free flow under the road and a section of pavement has been repaired. The bridge will be cleaned and another section of the footpath will be repaired in the near future.

Butterton Village Hall

Chairperson: Hilary Bassett 304219: Secretary: Sheila McDermott 304386: Minutes Secretary: Marjorie

Renshaw:

Treasurer: Maggie Risby: Members: Gwen Bagshaw & Dianne Wint

Butterton History Group

It is the intention that the History Centre is opened up for anyone who would like to visit to see what we have in our archives. You may decide to start your family tree? If so, one of us can help you get started. We are always asking for any documents/items/books/photos that might boost our archives. Please do not be tempted to throw them in the skip!! Bring them along.....

The Centre (the former Kids Club building at the Village Hall) will be open from 11am-4pm on Tuesday 5th July. Come and say hello. Refreshments will be available.

The Bhg AGM is on Wednesday 27th July. It is our intention to form a 'Friends of Butterton History Group'. You are welcome to attend the meeting at 2pm at the History Centre to find out more.



We have two very exciting events to announce for July

Pub Quiz

Wednesday 13th July

8pm Start £2 per person max team size 6 ppl

Call us to book a table to eat before or during

Butterton Beer, Blues and Americana Festival 2022

A fantastic FREE event with an incredible line up of bands and a delicious Cajun Street Food Menu

No need to book or buy tickets, just turn up on the day



Butterton Annual Village Wakes.

We are pleased to say the Butterton Annual Wakes will take place August Bank Holiday Monday. It will follow a similar format to last year with some improvements. We will have the exciting addition of a local Arts & Crafts fair in the Village Hall alongside our usual children's entertainment, stalls, games, live music, fabulous food and the beer & cider festival

As you know the Wakes requires volunteers, cake/scone donations, donations of auction, tombola or raffle prizes to make the day successful and the more the merrier so please could I ask if you would be willing to volunteer even for an hour – on or before the day or donate then please let any of the committee know.

We will keep you updated with more details about the day as we get closer and if anyone can display a poster, please let me know. If you have any feedback or ideas the please do contact me on Kim Kirby 07816 840486. Please also check out our events page on Facebook.

Committee Members

Kim Kirby – 07816 840486, Gwen Bagshaw- 01538 304358, Jan Lees - 304673, Maggie Risby – 01538 304115, Darren Kirby – 07779 121210, Sarah Stone – 01538 304455, Jane Hilton, Hannah Grimsey and Lesley Atkins – 01538 304219



Scarecrow Festival

Following the amazing scarecrow festival last year, we would like to do it again this year. The theme given this Jubilee year will be 'All Things Royal' – past, present, fact, myth or legend – it is completely up to your creative imagination... Please can I ask that you let Jenny Land 01538 304265 or Kim Kirby 07816 840486 know by the 20th August if you wish to take part, this will allow us to print the trail maps. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place courtesy of the Parish Council.

ELKSTONES

St. John the Baptist: Vicar: Father John Baines

See Church Wardens for information

Elkstones News - July 2022

It feels great to be back into some form of routine with the Village meeting up again. Several of our regular residents have moved on but it has been nice to welcome the newcomers and to be able to show them "life in Elkstones"

Jubilee Celebration

Father John and Mrs Nicola Pepper from Buxton presided over a simple Service followed a marvellous spread of refreshments – many thanks to Myrtle for organizing this Celebration and to all the other people who helped to prepare the Church, tidy the Village, and contributed to the refreshments

We also presented a Royal Mint Jubilee Sovereign to each of the Village Children still at school as a lasting momento. Several grandparents joined in to present Sovereigns to their Children as well.

Elkstones Wakes

At last, the Elkstone Wakes are back with Ashbourne Town Band followed by our usual Beef & Baps from Myrtle and Des, Raffle by Liz M, Tombola and Bar by Peter and Hazel. The Church was full with about 30 people and we raised about £350.

Many thanks to Myrtle and Liz for organizing the evening and to everybody who came along to help, to contribute, and to support us

Cleaning

Thank you very much to several volunteers who have joined our team so that the Rota is much lighter. Thank you also to Des, Roland, and Mark for strimming and tidying the Churchyard and lane outside

Harvest Festival

Sunday, 18th September, at 7pm in St John's followed by the Harvest Sale on Monday 19th, details to follow....

Apologies

As you can see above Elkstones is back in action – but I am still struggling so I apologise for any errors and omissions. Lots of people have done so much work to get our Village up and running again so it is very frustrating being unable to join in and help. Sorry if I missed you out!

Ed's Note: Elkstonians, don't be shy and submit, straight to me, any items you might have. Anything witty, an unusual birthday/wedding or absolutely anything of note, just let us know. Just so long as it is legal and decent give it a whirl and give Rob a bit of a breather whilst he fully recovers.

GRINDON



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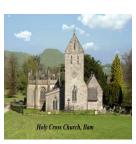
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Sunday 10th July 2022

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ILAM



Holy Cross Revd. John Austerberry 01335 310002. Warden: Vacancies

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Sunday Afternoon 24th July – Tea and Cake at the Vicarage Garden

Rev John is celebrating his 60th Birthday that weekend. Everyone is welcome to come to the Vicarage for Tea and Cake between 2 to 4 pm.

July Flowers and Brasses

1st & 8th Mrs V Nottage 15th & 22nd Mrs W Hudson 29th & 5th August Mrs J Frith

Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Many, many thanks to the Ilam community spirit committee led by Cathy for organising the wonderful jubilee celebrations at Dovedale House - it was great to see so many villagers together chatting and enjoying each other's company in the glorious sunshine. The buffet was marvellous - Ilam is so lucky to have so many talented cooks. Huge thanks also go to Jo Green for her help and for the use of Dovedale House which made a brilliant base for the celebrations. Our thanks also go to Glyn for the brain teasing and topical quiz along with the inventive tie breaker!

Weddings

We send our best wishes to Tamsin and Oliver whose wedding blessing is to take place on July 9th 2022 for a long and happy life together

Stuart Hudson

Congratulations to Stuart Hudson who recently celebrated a significant birthday!

Ilam Church Book Stall

Our popular book stall in church is getting low on second hand books so any donations would be gratefully received - please feel free to leave any donations on the bookstall or at Ellen's back door.

<u>Ilam Church Fund Raising Lunch Sunday 14th August 2022</u>

The church fund raising lunch is back after a break due to covid! By kind permission of the Dovedale Sheep Dog Trials the lunch will be held in the marquee on the dog trial field at Blore Cross Roads on Sunday 14th August 2022 with a start time of 12.30pm for 1pm. Adults £15.00. children slightly less! For tickets please contact Julie, Karl, Joan or Ellen.

Lunch Planning Meeting - 5th July 2022

We will be meeting at Dovedale House at 7.30pm on Tuesday 5th July to finalise plans for the lunch - if you are interested in helping, please do come along.

Harvest 2022

Save the date - Harvest 2022 Service Sunday 9th October 2022 at 10.30am with the supper in the evening at Dovedale House.

News from Ilam C of E (VA) School: May 2022

We have been making the most of the drier and warmer days at school. We are so blessed to be situated in such stunning surroundings.

This term has been busy with many of our children taking part in the national statutory tests as set out by the Government. All the children have shown incredible tenacity, diligence, and resilience. We are so proud of them!

Last week, we welcomed many dads and grandads for our annual Father's Day lunch. Miss Lisa cooked a delicious "All day breakfast" with ice cream for pudding! It has been so special to have been able to hold all our special meal events this year after 2 years of restrictions.

Y3-6 visited Parwich for another cluster sports event with other local schools. This event was rounders and was enjoyed by all with good sportsmanship and teamwork been demonstrated by all the children taking part.

Miss Rouse and her gardening club have been busy keeping our garden area and pots around the school looking beautiful. The children have sown seeds and are enjoying watching them grow!

We've also had a visit from Mrs Longson from Lichfield Diocese. She led an activity afternoon where Y3-5 learned about different aspects of Collective Worship. The children had opportunities to respond to imagery, read bible stories, draw pictures and have time to reflect and look around the church and its surroundings. They will continue to work at considering ways they can lead worship at school.

Please do look at our website <u>www.ilam.staffs.sch.uk</u> or our Facebook page <u>www.facebook.com/ilamprimary</u> which showcases many of the learning activities we provide for our children.

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

New Foundation Governors for Ilam School for Autumn Term

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Ilam Parish Council

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Clerk: Lindsay Oulsnam 01335 350579 Email: clerk@ilamparishcouncil.co.uk

Website: www.ilam.org.uk

A Big Thank You to Everyone who helped with the Platinum Jubilee Village Party. It was lovely to see everyone and to see all the children having a great time!

We had a Jubilee Quiz, old photos, lots of catching up and laughter plus lots of lovely desserts that were kindly made by everyone so thank you very much.

A Special Thank you to Jo at Dovedale House for all your hard work, it is very much appreciated.



The next meeting is Tuesday 12th July 2022, 8 pm at Dovedale House. All welcome and please send any questions you may have to the clerk, so they can be passed on to the council for discussion.

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Treasurer: Emma Gould 01298 687190

July Services

10th July 11.00am Holy Communion

24th July 6.30pm Evening Prayer - Lay Led

Rogation Walk

On Sunday 22nd May, we had the rogation walk which started at St. Paul's Newtown just after 10am and was to finish at St Lawrence church, Warslow. Although the forecast stated it may rain, we were lucky in that the weather, thankfully, turned out to be a sunny day.

Along the way, we stopped several times to say a prayer or psalm to give thanks for our beautiful countryside and to witness the beauty of nature. Although it was quite muddy at times, we all enjoyed walking mainly in fields and on designated paths. We arrived at our destination just over three hours later to be welcomed with a cuppa, scone, and cake.

Afterwards we had a short service which included Holy Communion officiated by Rev. Nicola Pepper. So, thank you Nicola for the lovely service and Judy for kindly providing and giving us much needed refreshments.

Reapsmoor Displays

We recently attended the Thursday morning service at St. Paul's, Newtown, and after the service, we looked at bygone days of local families past and present. It was a joy to see the history and look back at life during a different era, this was originally presented at the recent Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee celebrations and thankfully was extended.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

We had a service of thanksgiving for the Queen's reign- this was a fitting tribute to a life of duty. Thank you to Rev Nicola Pepper for the service and the excellent and meaningful sermon. Afterwards we enjoyed a luxurious buffet – thank you to Margaret Massey, Judy Prince and Rachel Moorcroft for their hospitality and support.

Flower Festival

We have decided to move away from the traditional August date, for the Flower Festival, as too many of our valued contributors are away. Therefore, the provisional date will be the first weekend in September – please contact Emma Gould to confirm your participation. Thank you in advance. This is a chance for the whole community, new and old, to join together for an enjoyable event.

Warslow & Elkstones Parish Council

Clerk: Vacancy - Sandra Hampson email: parishclerk.warslow@gmail.com

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Phil Moakes 01298 687238; Carl Booth 01538 304495; Nick Gilman 07773 768785.

Date of Next Meeting: Contact Clerk/Councillor for details.



An event to support our group is to be held at the Black Lion, Butterton on Saturday 16^{th} July. Please see poster and item under Butterton to support our Pre-School.

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St Margaret's Church 50/50 Lottery Results

The lucky winners in the June draw were:

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