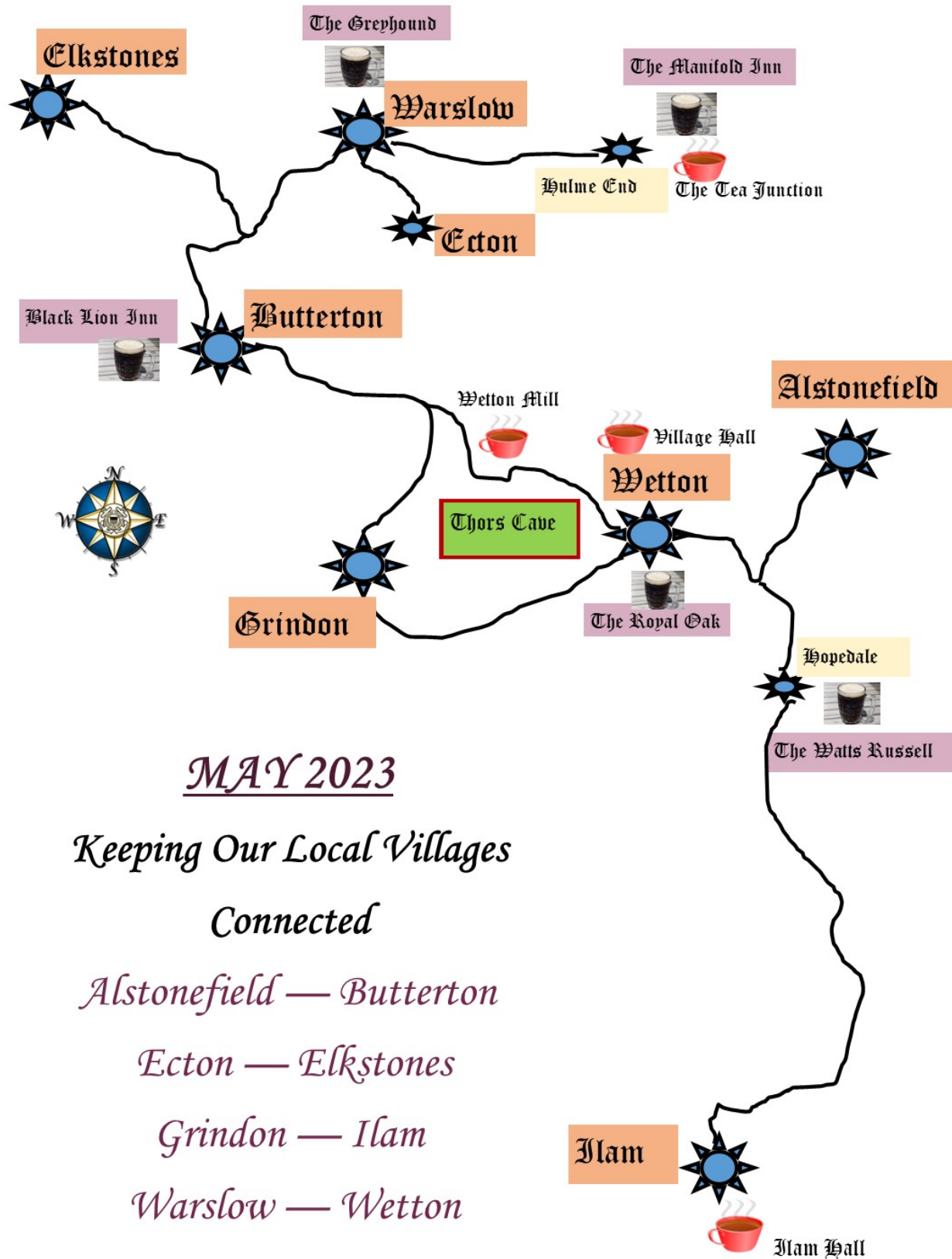


VILLAGE & COMMUNITY MAGAZINE



DEADLINE for June 2023

6am Sunday 28th of May

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.**

Belted Galloway Beef Boxes

Born & Grass Fed overlooking the Beautiful Manifold Valley



Farm Assured, Traditional Family Farm,
Low Food Miles
Available Summer 2023

**£195 (min 22kg, inc joints, steak, mince
& stew steak)**

Happy to provide alternative options if required.

Contact Barbara 01335 310231 or email castern@btinternet.com for more details

A Poem for May

By Anthony Rhead (Butterton).

1) Higher Sun shines upon,
Blossom dreams of May,
Mother Nature's magic wand
Casts a spell again

Spring is set in motion,
Life's prosperity,
Goddess Earth has spoken,
Her trade fertility

3) Time to come together,
Light upon a new,
Creative in endeavour,
Colouring the view

If happy is to flourish,
Roots are our ideal,
Sufficient is the nourishment,
All around us heal!

Smile Once in a While...

Mick pulls up at the traffic lights next to a good-looking bird.
He smiles at her and winds down his window.
She smiles back and winds her window down.
Mick says, "Have you just farted as well?"

Two good old boys from the south were driving a truck through the backroads of West Virginia when they came to an overpass with a sign which read, "CLEARANCE 11' 3".

They got out and measured their rig which was 12 feet 4 inches tall.

"What do you think?" said one as they climbed back into the cab of the truck.

The driver looked to his left then to his right, checked the mirrors, then shifted into first gear.
"Not a cop in sight. Let's take a chance," he said.

A blonde woman is walking down the street with her blouse open.

A policeman is approaching from the other end of the street thinking, "Boy, my eyes must be going, it looks like that woman's right breast is hanging out."

As he gets closer it becomes apparent that her breast IS hanging out. When he gets face to face with her, he says, "Ma'am, are you aware I could cite you for indecent exposure?"

She says, "Why officer?"

The policeman says "Well, your breast is hanging out."

She looks down and says, "O MY GOD, I left the baby on the bus!"

Mick and Patrick were on a plane. Halfway through the flight Mick said, "If this plane were to turn upside down do think we'd fall out?"
Patrick says, "No way, we'd still be friends."

Fellow 1: "Now my grandfather, he knew the exact day of the year he was going to die. It was the right year too." Not only that, but he knew what time he would die that day, and he was right about that too."

Fellow 2: "Wow, that's incredible. How did he know all of that?"

Fellow 1: "A judge told him."

You know when you're at that stage in your marriage when the wife says, "You're on a promise this weekend." And you're thinking, "I hope it's a mixed grill."

Patrick took 2 stuffed dogs to the Antiques Roadshow.
The presenter said, "This is a very rare set, produced by the celebrated Johns Brothers taxidermists who operated in London at the turn of the last century. Do you have any idea what they would fetch if they were in good condition?"
"Sticks!" Patrick replied.

HAVE YOU GOT SEX INSURANCE ?

You can now get sex insurance in the UK so make sure you get the correct insurance for the sex you are having .

Please find a list of companies below catering for most tastes:

Sex with your wife – legal and general.

Sex on the telephone – direct line.

Sex with your partner –standard life .

Sex with someone different – go compare.

Sex with a lady of generous proportions –more than.

Sex on the back seat of a car – Sheila's wheels.

Sex with a prostitute – commercial Union .

Sex with your maid –employers liability.

Sex with an oap – saga .

Sex resulting in pregnancy – general accident .

Sex with a monk– Abbey Life

Sex with Navy Officers– Admiral Group.

AND FINALLY

Sex with a transvestite – confused. Com

Make sure you are adequately covered!!

Good luck 🤔

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

Mozart Quartet in B Flat Major,
K458 "The Hunt"

Elgar Quartet in E Minor, Op 83

Mendelssohn Quartet in E Minor Op 44 No 2

3 PM

Sunday 25th June 2023

Black Lion Inn

BUTTERTON, PEAK DISTRICT

Take a look at these great events coming up over the summer



Coronation Barbeque

Food served 12 until 4 pm

Live music from Helen Walford

Kids activities

FREE ENTRY

The Festival 2023

Our music festival is back again after an absolutely smashing day last year.

Saturday 15th July

Keep the date free and watch out for the full line up soon...



When's the next Pub Quiz?

Wednesday 10th May 8pm

Wednesday 14th June 8pm

01538 304232

bar@blacklioninn.co.uk



BUTTERTON CELEBRATES

Sunday 7th May

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

1pm Afternoon Tea (with raffle!)

2.15pm-3.00pm BELL RINGING

3.00pm Coronation Service

3.45pm Loyal Toast to their Majes-
ties

Followed by a draw!!!





THE LEADEN BOOT CHALLENGE

Sunday May 21st 2023

at

Alstonefield Village Hall

**Please come and support this great, local event on the day,
when our bar will be open all day,
serving a variety of drinks and food.**

Local Draught Beer on Sale

**With 10% of sales being donated to WACFR
(Wetton and Alstonefield Community First Responders)**

Hot and Cold Drinks

Hot Food served all day

**Breakfast baps served from 8am
Jacket potatoes with a variety of fillings
Homemade Scotch Eggs
Filled rolls**

Delicious HOMEMADE CAKE and much more!

**(All the money raised by the Leaden Boot goes to local good causes
and in excess of £45,000 has been awarded since its inception).**

Any enquiries get in touch – admin@leadenboot.org.uk or 07535658850

CORONATION BINGO

Let's celebrate..

Join us on

FRIDAY 5TH MAY

BUTTERTON

VILLAGE HALL

EYES DOWN 7.30PM

FREE WARM UP GAME, RAFFLE,
£8 FOR BOOK OF 10 GAMES
CASH FLIER, LUCKY DIP, FIZZ,
REFRESHMENTS AT HALF TIME.

Alstonefield Wakes

Sunday 25th June

at

Alstonefield Manor Gardens

2.00 Wakes Service

Held by the Bishop of Lichfield
the Rt. Revd. Michael Ipgrave

3.00 Picnic

Warslow Silver Band

Please bring a picnic and something to sit on.

Raffle

Prizes welcome

£5.00 p.p. suggested donation, all
proceeds to St. Peter's Church.

In the Church if wet.



New & Local

House Sitting/Dog Sitting Service

My name is Kirsty and as a lifelong dog lover, I have always helped out family and friends with their dogs and house sitting.

I'm now offering these services within the Ashbourne, areas of Derbyshire/Staffordshire.

I am friendly, professional, honest and have worked in policing for 20 years.

I do work full time but have flexibility to either work from home (yours or mine)

My rates are very reasonable (typically £15-20 per hour, £70 a day, £25-35 overnight) but vary depending on your requirements & location.

I hold appropriate insurance.

If you need help with house and dog sitting or home boarding, whether that's for a few hours, a day/overnight or for a holiday, please message or email me and we can discuss your requirements.

Kirsty Norman

07727159721

Kirstynorman48@yahoo.co.uk

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## Wanted

*Cleaner Wanted to Help our Team*

*With Holiday Cottage in Warslow*

*Dates can be Flexible*

*Good Rates Paid*

*If you can help, Give me a call or Text*

*Michelle 07734 417928*



## ALSTONEFIELD

### May Services

7<sup>th</sup> 11.00  
14<sup>th</sup> 10.45  
21<sup>st</sup> 08.00  
21<sup>st</sup> 11.00  
28<sup>th</sup> 11.00

Coronation Service  
Holy Communion  
Blessing of Boots  
Holy Communion  
Morning Worship

Alstonefield  
Ilam  
Alstonefield  
Wetton  
Wetton

St. Peter's: Vacant

Warden: Vacancies

### "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.

## Coronation Events & Celebrations



To celebrate the Coronation of HM King Charles III,  
there will be a commemorative service on  
**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm.**

Everyone is most welcome to attend this special  
thanksgiving service



Everyone is very welcome to join in a  
Coronation celebration on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>  
May to be held in Alstonefield village  
churchyard from 3.30pm – inside  
church if it's wet weather.

Bring your own picnic or enjoy a cream tea and  
perhaps a glass of fizz! There may even be a treasure  
hunt for the children...

At 5.15pm the bells will be pealed for 45 minutes  
before the celebrations conclude with a special  
community service at 6pm (led by Marion).



### **THE LEADEN BOOT CHALLENGE**

Takes place on Sunday May 21<sup>st</sup> 2023. The challenge  
begins at 9am and the entrants have 12 hours to  
complete the course. The majority of the course is across  
open countryside but there will be walkers on the road for  
short distances in Alstonefield, Ilam, Grindon, Sheen and  
Hartington for part of the day.

Alstonefield Village Hall hosts the event and there will be a bar and food available all day. Please come  
along and support this local event and cheer on the entrants as they cross the finish line. All the money  
raised by the Leaden Boot goes to local good causes and in excess of £45,000 has been awarded since  
its inception.

Anyone wanting to put in a late entry should apply using our online entry form available at  
leadenboot.org.uk or Facebook page – Leaden Boot Challenge or enter on the day before 8.30am  
If you have a local good cause you need financial support for, please visit our website to complete a  
grant application form.

Any enquiries get in touch – [admin@leadenboot.org.uk](mailto:admin@leadenboot.org.uk) or 07535658850



### **Alstonefield Village Cricket Resumes for 2023**

Alstonefield Cricket Club is preparing for another enjoyable season of social  
Sunday afternoon cricket from early May to mid-September. As always, we  
welcome new players of any age and standard – in our club enthusiasm and  
friendliness are more important than skill and experience. Please don't hesitate to  
ring the Club Chair Jon Lane on 07510 927439 for more information.

### **Alstonefield Parish Council**

**Clerk to the Council** – Martin Jinks

**Email:** [clerk@alstonefield-pc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@alstonefield-pc.org.uk)

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

**Chair** – Rupert Hignett (07904 187785)

**Vice Chairman:** Mr G Campbell (07919 353800)

Mr A Hayes ([Tel:01335 310057](tel:01335310057)), Mrs S Jeffery ([Tel:07465 217269](tel:07465217269)), Mr C McIlroy ([Tel:07930 001374](tel:07930001374)).

Mr M Newman ([mn821268@gmail.com](mailto:mn821268@gmail.com)), Mrs R Longdon (07870 731389).

**Next Parish Council Meeting:** Contact Clerk for details.

***"To all residents of Alstonefield, Hope and Milldale; the Annual Community Meeting is to be held on  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May, at 7:00pm in Alstonefield Village Hall. Please feel free to come along, meet your  
Parish Councillors and raise any matters that concern or interest you. Further details can be obtained  
from The Clerk "***

## **Alstonefield and District RVS Friendship Club**

### **Fun and Friendship**

Would you like to join a local group that offers fun and friendship every month? Alstonefield and District RVS Friendship Club is a welcoming group of (mainly retired) people who meet regularly for companionship and a meal. We usually have a speaker or some kind of entertainment as well as varied meals- often including delicious cakes!

You don't have to feel old or be old to join us! We are very active and all help to make the meetings work. You can come along as a visitor or a volunteer (we are currently looking for someone to help organise trips) or join us as a member.

Membership benefits include a subsidised meal out at Christmas and subsidised coach travel on trips. Membership still only costs £5.00 per annum (until Sept 2023).

Our meetings (including food) cost £5.00 for members and £8.00 for non-members- so do come and join us. Where else can you get a meal and entertainment out for just £8.00?

### **Our Summer Programme:**

Weds 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
3.00pm  
Alstonefield Village  
Hall

Talk by Rachel Metcalfe  
**Farmer's wife for Farming Life**  
Tea/ Quiz/ Raffle



Weds 7<sup>th</sup> June  
9.00 to 5.30  
Pick-ups in Butternon,  
Warslow and  
Alstonefield

**Visit to RHS Bridgewater Garden**  
Contact Fiona 01335 310200 for more details (afternoons and evenings only)  
**There are plenty of spaces on the coach- (coach cost £10 members, £12 non-members)**



Weds 21<sup>st</sup> June  
6.00pm  
Alstonefield Village  
Hall

Talk by Ian and Catherine Parker-Heath from  
**Enrichment through Archaeology**  
Evening meal/ Quiz

Weds 5<sup>th</sup> July  
3.00pm  
Alstonefield Village  
Hall



**Friendship Club "Birthday" meal**  
Talk by Elizabeth Holloway  
**Off the boats**  
**Full meal/ Raffle/ Quiz**  
Cost £10.00 members/ £12.00 non-members

Weds 19<sup>th</sup> July

**TRIP- To be confirmed**

Weds 2<sup>nd</sup> August  
3.00pm  
Alstonefield Village  
Hall



Talk by Linda Woodroffe  
**Lip-reading**  
**Bring and Share picnic- outdoors if fine. No raffle**

Weds 16<sup>th</sup> August  
6.00pm- AVH

**Activity- To be confirmed**



## Alstonefield Village Hall

**Chair/Secretary:** Martin Snodin 01335 310121

**Treasurer:** Debs Railton: **Bookings Officer:** Jo Griffin

**Committee members** – Dave & Val Littlehales, Kevin Stockton.

For bookings or enquiries, please email: [alstonefieldvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:alstonefieldvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk)

### **Alstonefield Village Hall Concerts – what people say...**

*"I just had to thank and congratulate you for organising the appearance of Heidi Talbot and her musician friends at Alstonefield. My wife and I travelled from Bridgnorth in Shropshire for the event. We spent two nights at Stanshope Manor.... The intimacy of the venue and the joyousness and togetherness demonstrated by Heidi made it a most memorable evening for us. We thank you so much for this. You have obviously done so much to make the Alstonefield venue such a success. I DO hope you will be able to persuade Heidi to return. With much thanks and appreciation."*

**Leo & Nicola Mullen 23/3/2023**

If you've never been to one of our concerts, do give it a try. Licensed bar with real ales available. Tickets available online at [www.wegotickets.com/AVH-Concerts](http://www.wegotickets.com/AVH-Concerts) or call 01335 310322.



**Mim Grey**

"The most beautiful voice to come out of the UK in a very long time" Michael Ball

"She's my favourite singer" Sir Tom Jones

**Saturday 13 May**

**Alstonefield Village Hall** 8pm (doors 7.30)

Tickets £16 plus booking fee via [WeGotTickets.com](http://WeGotTickets.com) or buy direct at the venue bar/cafe or tel. 01335 310322/email: [avh.concerts@gmail.com](mailto:avh.concerts@gmail.com)

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**BLUES LEGEND**

**GUY DAVIS**

"...a voice like Howlin' Wolf dipped in honey. He is fabulous" The Scotsman

"Lining up alongside other modern bluesmen such as Eric Bibb and Keb Mo, Davis is the complete performer" Maverick Magazine

**Saturday 3 June**

**Alstonefield Village Hall** 8pm (doors 7.30)

Tickets £15 plus booking fee via [WeGotTickets.com](http://WeGotTickets.com) or buy direct at the venue bar/cafe or tel. 01335 310322/email: [avh.concerts@gmail.com](mailto:avh.concerts@gmail.com)

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## BUTTERTON



### St. Bartholomew's Church

**Rev'd - Jane Held: 01538 262116**

**Secretary:** Maggie Risby 304115

**Church Warden:**

Barbara Woodward 304324

Maggie Risby 304115 Secretary & Treasurer

**P.C.C. Members:**

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

Church Flowers for May:  
Cleaning Rota:

B Woodward  
S McDermott

### Services in May

**7<sup>th</sup> 3.00pm Civic Service for**  
**The Coronation of King Charles 111**

(This will be preceded by Afternoon Tea in Church 1-3pm & followed by a Celebratory Glass of Fizz). Please note the bells will be rung on Saturday 5.30pm for 45 minutes and again on the Sunday 2.15pm until the Service.

**21<sup>st</sup> 10.00am Holy Communion**

A Benefice HC Service will also be held on 18<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am for Ascension Day at Ipstones Church

## St. Bartholomew's

The Churchyard Tidy on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April was a successful event and the churchyard is now ready for its first mowing. (In fact I hear it is mowing day tomorrow, weather permitting.)

All helpers were fed and watered. We enjoyed Barbara's soup and Maggie's hot cross buns that looked and were packed very much like Sainsburys!

We have had a report of dog poo near one of the graves. Not good....We ask that please, if you take your dog with you into the churchyard, keep an eye on them. Pru and Chris Hayhow are very kindly donating a dog poo bag station which will be placed near the bins.

The Palm Sunday service was very well attended but not by the donkey. I think he was double booked! All other donkeys hereabouts are feral and apparently not to be trusted.

The Easter Fire Service on the evening of Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April was also well attended. It was 'interesting' when we got to the renewal of our Baptismal vows as we all got wet!

Sixteen people attended the Holy Communion Service on Easter Sunday which was followed by an Easter Egg hunt in the Churchyard.

Thank you to all who donated Easter flowers. The church looked lovely.

The PCC Meeting was Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm. We discussed the PCC input into the weekend of the Coronation Celebrations. The bells will ring at 5.30pm for 45 minutes on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>.

On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> we have an **Afternoon Tea** starting at 1pm. During Afternoon Tea the bells will ring again. We break at 3pm for our Coronation service. After the service we will toast Their Majesties and draw the raffle.

The APCM is Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm in Church. Anyone who would like to be added to the Church Electoral Roll needs to complete a form which is available from Maggie. This enables you to have a vote should it ever be necessary on Church matters.

The **Flower Festival** will be the weekend of 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> June. Afternoon Tea will be available on Saturday. The theme is 'All Things Bright and Beautiful'. Most of the village organisations are decorating a window each. If anyone would like to come and arrange some flowers or would like to sponsor a window, please contact Barbara or Maggie for more details. Butterson, Ipstones and Onecote churches are all participating. Trail leaflets will be available soon.

### St Bartholomew's Church Lottery Winners for April

|                 |                  |       |        |
|-----------------|------------------|-------|--------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Judy Prince      | ( 39) | £40.00 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Andrew Wentworth | ( 66) | £20.00 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Steve Billings   | (144) | £10.00 |

**Numbers drawn by Maggie Risby.**

**The next draw will be held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May in Church at 11am.**

### Butterson Village Hall

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

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

Apart from fitting two new outdoor lights (which couldn't be done due to horrid weather), our electrics have now been well and truly brought up to date.

The Easter Bingo on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March was the best ever attended Bingo session we have held. Over 50 people-adults and children, vied for the prizes of Easter eggs and other Easter themed items.

We are repeating this with a **Coronation Bingo** on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Eyes down at 7.30pm. Free Warm Up Game, Tickets £8 a book for 10 games, Cash Flier, Lucky Draw, Raffle, Auction. Refreshments served at half time. We aim to toast their Majesties too.

**Hall Hire**.... £12 an hour for Buttersonians, £15 an hour for 'out of towners'. Please take a look at our hire agreement on Butterson's webpage.....[buttermoorlands.co.uk](http://buttermoorlands.co.uk). Click on the link on the Village Hall page. More details from Maggie 01538 304115. The Hall will be used for the Elections on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Please remember to bring photographic id with you in order to be able to vote.

## **Butterton Parish Council**

C/O Clerk: Maggie Risby, 01538 304115. Email [buttertonpc@live.co.uk](mailto: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, Tracey Perkin 304781, Jon Hewitt 07976266459, Darren Kirby 07779121210.

Meetings of the PC for the rest of the year are.....**2<sup>nd</sup> May, 13<sup>th</sup> June, 25<sup>th</sup> July, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 17<sup>th</sup> October & 28<sup>th</sup> November.**

The **Annual Meeting will be on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.** All 7 existing Councillors were nominated for re-election on 4<sup>th</sup> May, (Jenny Land, Mike Stone, Peter Tomlinson, Karen Salt, Tracey Perkin, Darren Kirby and John Hewitt.)

The Village Hall will be used for the Elections on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Please remember to bring photographic id with you in order to be able to vote.

## **Message From The Community Bus Shelter**



The Butterton Bus Shelter opened after the winter, and the shelves and tables have been full with books and bric-a-brac. The big news is that we are now a charity. Over the last three years donations made to local and international causes and purchases for village amenities exceed £8,300. From now on as a charity, this will be more transparent, and have continuity. We are named the 'Butterton Community Giving Charity', and have four trustees. We have published the finances from 2020 until we became a charity on the village website

(<http://buttertonmoorlands.co.uk/village-organisations/butterton-bus-shelter/>).

We will keep you updated on this over the coming months.

During April we collected for the Disasters & Emergency Committee relief for the appalling tragedy of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria, where 50,000 lives were lost and millions made homeless. We have a number of causes suggested by you which were reviewed by the trustees of the new charity. Among them we have selected two which we have not donated to before and that have a true local impact: Mountain Rescue and the Air Ambulance. They will be our chosen causes for May and June. Please continue to suggest causes for future months.

Many people have asked us to advise on levels of donation. We strongly encourage you to make a donation for anything you take. Prices in charity shops have increased – a sign of the times. To help there is a list in the Shelter suggesting amounts which we consider to be reasonable. Soon, we hope to make it easier for those without cash to make donations.

As previously, we invite you to leave books and bric-a-brac in the Shelter.

**Please make sure items are CLEAN and intact.**

**Electrical or Mechanical items should work (label them 'WORKING ORDER').**

**We will be obliged to remove anything which is inappropriate or potentially dangerous.**

**PLEASE don't leave:**

**Clothing, knives, paint, anything flammable or toxic.**

**DVDs & CDs**

**Jam jars, egg boxes, out of date travel books, encyclopedias etc.**

## **Butterton History Group**

We are moving into the modern era by commencing to digitise our documents. Not easy for someone who has spent most of her life teaching Key Stage One children !

We are so lucky to have accumulated so much material - documents, photographs, maps, newspapers etc etc. We are still working hard to transcribe the mid seventeenth century documents recently acquired from Stafford Archives relating to Butterton Mill. Sampson Stubbs is the 'main mover' but The De Wrottesley Family have crept onto the radar. Therein lies a connection with Waterfall and the family living there in the late thirteenth century. Butterton is not a Doomsday Village and interestingly doesn't feature in Volume V11 of the Staffordshire Victorian Histories series of books. The earliest mention of Butterton's beginnings that have been found to date is in 1254 when a religious presence was established. This is now proving to be an exciting time, filling in some gaps and is proving to be fascinating whilst uncovering some useful facts.

The AOF Banner is on the move. It will shortly be on its way to Derby where a potential restorer will have a look at



it and hopefully come up with some ideas for its preservation. Watch this space.

The History Group event 'All we know about St Bartholomew's Church' that was reported in the last issue of the magazine as being in June, will now be in October. We are asking for copies of any Butterton Church weddings for our display.

To all you happy snappers.....We are holding a photographic competition with thirteen lucky winners seeing their photos in a 2024 calendar. We still have to refine details with the printers but we are asking for landscape photos of our beautiful village, not family shots. We think digital photos would be better but the real thing will be acceptable too.

## **Butterton Annual Village Wakes – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023**

We are very pleased to announce we are holding the annual Butterton Village Wakes Summer Festival again this year, the event will follow a very similar format to last year however we will have a few exciting additions to our entertainment – more details to follow in the coming months.

It is with much thought and consideration that the Wakes Festival has moved from the Bank Holiday Monday to the Sunday and whilst I realise this could be disappointing to some, the decision was not taken lightly and this was felt the best way forward rather than the Wakes cease to exist. We have an amazing selection of people willing to help, however many of them have work & family commitments post the event and therefore cannot support the clear down on the evening / following day. However, that said there is always a silver lining and as a result we do feel we can offer more by moving it to the Bank Holiday Sunday so there will be the opportunity for the bar to stay open longer, the band to play slightly later followed by a family friendly disco into the evening. We really hope that you will continue to support us to keep the Wakes tradition going.

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, before or after the day or can donate then please let any of the committee know.

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, Hannah Grimsey and Lesley Atkins – 01538 304219

## **Scarecrow Festival 2022**



Following the amazing scarecrow festival last year, we would like to do it again this year. We are currently working on a theme and please feel free to let us know if you have any suggestions. As a reminder we did 'All things Royal' last year

## **ELKSTONES**



**St. John the Baptist:**  
**Vicar: Father John Baines**

**Flowers & Cleaning for May**  
**Elizabeth Buxton**

### **May Services**

**Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> - Service for Coronation weekend at 6.30 p.m.**

Early May sees us looking forward to a chance to get together as a village to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our plan was to have a Street Party on the Village Green, but the venue may be moved to the back lawn at Bank House, as there will be much more space, tea/coffee making facilities if wanted, and toilet facilities if needed. Whichever venue is finally decided upon, help will still be needed on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 6 p.m. to bring out the village tables currently stored in Anthony's barn, and the chairs from the church, and also to put up



bunting, gazebos etc. This leaves TV viewers free to watch the Coronation on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May, and to enjoy the Coronation Picnic on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May, 1 p.m. till 3 p.m. Fingers crossed for nice warm weather, but if it rains, then Bank House will be available for a move inside. Hopefully, those attending will help to take the tables and chairs back again afterwards!

So far there are 25 people coming to the event. Please bring your own picnic, and the Elkstonians will provide champagne to toast the new King.

### **Flower Festival Plans**

After 4 years without a Flower Festival, (thanks to Covid), plans are now afoot for the weekend of 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> June, with the theme of 'Lyrics in Bloom'. The arrangements will be based around flowers mentioned in Song Titles, or within the Lyrics of Songs, and the event will take place in the Church from 10-30a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June, at 6.30 p.m. for 7 p.m. Alan Salt will give a talk on 'Cheese Making', which will be followed by a tasting of the cheese plus a glass of wine to go with it. The price of £7 on the door will go to St. John's Church funds.

### **Volunteers are needed to for:**

- The refreshments rota (there will be a list in Church shortly)
- To sponsor an arrangement (please give your sponsorship donation to Myrtle, who will allocate it as needed).
- To provide raffle and tombola prizes (please give to Myrtle – she can collect them if necessary)
- To donate cakes and buns for the refreshments - please let Myrtle know if you can provide some.

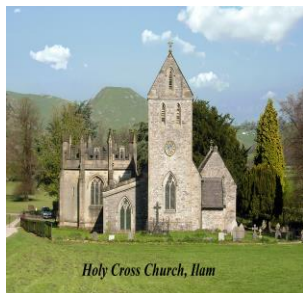
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### **Warslow and Elkstones Educational Charity**

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## **ILAM**



*Holy Cross Church, Ilam*

### **May Services**

|                  |       |                    |              |
|------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------|
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | 11.00 | Coronation Service | Alstonefield |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> | 10.45 | Holy Communion     | Ilam         |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | 08.00 | Blessing of Boots  | Alstonefield |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | 11.00 | Holy Communion     | Wetton       |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> | 11.00 | Morning Worship    | Wetton       |

### **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

Our APCM will take place on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May at around mid-day following our communion service and will be chaired by the Rural Dean Father John Baines. All welcome.

### **Flower and Brass Rota**

|                                         |                 |                   |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 5 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> May  | Mrs S Wiltshire | Flowers & Brasses |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> May | Mrs D Flynn     | Flowers & Brasses |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup> June  | Mrs C Rowlinson | Flowers & Brasses |

**Easter Flowers:** Many thanks to all for the Easter Flower donations and help in decorating church which looked lovely following the end of lent.

**Kings Coronation Celebrations:** Our coronation celebrations are to take place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at Beechenhill Farm from 4pm. Please contact Cathy, Vera, Lyndsey or Ellen to book your place.

### **Ilam Parish Council**

**Chairperson: Caz Sellers 01335 350368**

**Clerk: Lindsay Oulsnam 01335 350579 Email: [clerk@ilamparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@ilamparishcouncil.co.uk)**

**Website: [www.ilam.org.uk](http://www.ilam.org.uk)**

The next meeting is Tuesday 11 July 2023 at 7pm 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.

# **WARSLOW**



## **St. Lawrence**

**Vicar:** Father John Baines 01298 83411

## **Wardens:**

**Mrs. Rachel Moorcroft** 01298 84568

**Deputy Warden:** Judy Prince  
01298 84351

**Treasurer:** Emma Gould 01298 687190 or 07989294809

## **May Services**

|                  |         |                        |
|------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | 4.30pm  | Coronation Service     |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | 11.00am | Morning Prayer Lay Led |

## **St. Lawrence Church**

On Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March, Manifold Academy visited St. Lawrence Church to perform their Easter service before they broke up for the Easter holidays. They virtually performed the service by themselves, including songs and narratives along the way. By all accounts, it was very good too! Thank you to The Rev. Nicola Pepper for officiating and Judy for helping with the children.

On Easter Sunday, several parishioners from Warslow visited St. Paul's at Newtown for the Sunrise Service. Although the sun refused to come out, it was still a very uplifting service, followed by Holy Communion and an appetising breakfast afterwards. Thank you.

Following the Sunrise Service, the Easter Sunday service at St Lawrence Church took place at 11am and the church looked beautiful with flowers once again, after Lent.

Special thanks to Margaret, Jenny and Vic. for helping to clean our lovely church recently. We really appreciate you giving up your time and all your hard efforts. We have had several visitor's comments to confirm that your hard work doesn't go unnoticed.

Listen out for the bells of St. Lawrence on 6<sup>th</sup> May as we hope to join in with the national "ring for the King".

Our Coronation Service for King Charles III will be held on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 4.30pm, followed by tea and cakes. If anyone can provide additional cakes, scones, etc. we will be very grateful. Please do come along and share this special day at your local church.

## **Warslow & Elkstones Parish Council**

**Clerk:** Sandra Hampson email: [parishclerk.warslow@gmail.com](mailto:parishclerk.warslow@gmail.com)

**Website:** <http://warslowandelkstones-pc.org>

**Chairman:** Nik Searston 07790 354330 ([searston.nik43@gmail.com](mailto:searston.nik43@gmail.com))

**Vice Chairman:** Laura Gordon 01298 84984;

**Councillors:** Amy Wardman 01538 304512; Stuart Gould 01298 687190;

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

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

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## **WETTON**



|                  |       | <b>May Services</b> |              |
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### **St. Margaret's**

"Wetton Parochial Church Council is holding its annual meeting in Wetton Church straight after the service, at noon on the 21st. of May. All are welcome to attend."

### **St Margaret's Church 50/50 Lottery Results**

The lucky winners in the April draw were:

|                             |                        |               |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1<sup>st</sup> Prize</b> | <b>Robin Kimberley</b> | <b>£51.00</b> |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Prize</b> | <b>Lindsay Higton</b>  | <b>£34.00</b> |

You can join the lottery by paying £5 cash to Margaret Hodgkinson at Manifold Cottage.  
Closing date for the May draw is Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May and the draw will take place on  
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