The Wick 4-Weekly

What, When, Where, & Who of Village Life

Check out this month's village news, and share your news items with us -

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Printed copies of this newsletter are available from the Village Pharmacy, the Corner Café, Hair by Us, Eton Wick Football & Social Club, and the Village Hall foyer.



Hi there

Welcome to the June edition of the newsletter.

You will hopefully have noticed the hanging baskets that have gone up in the last couple of weeks? They are already looking good and will get bigger and more beautiful over the summer. We have three large planters on order that will go on the paved area outside the Bell Lane shops. They haven't arrived yet but will do shortly.

We must thank the following for donating the money to get both the baskets, and the planters for the community:

FOR THE HANGING BASKETS: EWF&SC, BE & JL Alder, Ken Robertson, NG & LC Saunders, Rob & Joanne Jones, Lindsey Siddall (Portia Financial Services), Shelley Canavan for Little Me Nursery, Natalie Marchant-Long, Sue Evans, BJ Humphries, Crescendo Financial Orchard House, Ray Belchamber for Eton Driving School, Croisette, Always Growing Ltd, B Hodge, J Smith, Michelle Fitness, and St John the Baptist coffee club.

FOR THE PLANTERS: Helen Branscombe-Davies, Brain Hoare, Pipedreams, Ella's Party Shop, Alison Hill, Brevity Money Match, Mobile Maids, Daniel Moran and FJ Munt.

FOR THE VILLAGE HALL: Ginger Jolley and the Village Hall Trustees.

TWO OF THE BASKETS ARE IN MEMORY OF: David Hogg and Mr & Mrs Hodge.

FOR DONATING LAST YEAR FOR BRACKETS: Wendy Pentelow.

You will also (hopefully) have also noticed that the three large plastic flower towers are being removed. On the corner of Princes Close and Eton Wick Road there are now four wooden troughs which have been treated and lined with plastic and filled with flowers. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Gary Richardson for making the 4 troughs, for free, for the community. Thank you very much Gary (2). Hopefully the flowers with help detract from the very ugly hoardings that surround the Shepherds Hut.

As ever, you can contact us through our FB page, email us at <u>ewva_committee@outlook.com</u> or message us on 07957 122856.

Lucy Ludovici Chair EWVA



The Boveney and Roundmoor streams are now so congested with weed that the level of water in them is extremely high and flooding gardens in Tilstone Close, Queens Road, and Princes Close. As well as this, the field to the south of the Boveney is saturated right up to the footpath, preventing dog walkers, walkers, and runners from enjoying this path without getting soaked. The water is backing up the Roundmoor, Cress Brook and Common Ditch and expanding the flooding to the west and east of the Roundmoor on the Common and fields north of Colenorton Crescent. This is causing flooding of the 'Asda' footpath.

Although we have now learned to expect this effect in May every year, it is particularly bad despite 6 weeks of drought. Unless it rains heavily in the next month, we can assume that it is due to the weed overgrowth, not an increase in water inflow from the treatment works, which has remained constant. The Jubilee meantime is at maximum capacity, and this could be causing an increase in water seeping from its porous bed and banks, although the Environment Agency appears not to be concerned about this possibility.

Unfortunately, despite many pleas to the Environment Agency, we are not permitted to clear weed from waterways due to the fish spawning season, which ends on June 15th. Following pressure from us and the council, Thames Water have now agreed to put in their contractors to clear the stream of weed from Monday 16th June. They will start at the Thames confluence and work upstream, so residents will not see the result until the end of the first week of work. This will improve further as the river is cleared upstream all the way to the top of the Roundmoor stream on Dorney Common.

We must hope that there will not be storms before that, which could lead to partially treated sewage releases. Please keep alert and check the EDM if rain is persistent for several days.

We are pleased to report that the Water Restoration Project mentioned in the last newsletter is now well underway. Ecologists have conducted surveys of the 'baseline habitat', and the river experts Cain Bio-Engineering are now conducting morphology and topographic surveys of both waterways. Residents may see surveyors out on the field taking measurements in this period. They will not be able to discuss possible solutions at this stage.

Please contact us at EWWG-committee@outlook.com

Find us on the village website, and on Facebook, links below.

https://ewva.org.uk/ew-waterways-group https://ewva.org.uk/https://www.facebook.com/EtonWickWG

You can check at any time to see if effluent is being discharged into rivers by using the Thames Water sewage discharge map: <u>https://www.thameswater.co.uk/edm-map</u>

Environment Agency incident hotline – call 0800 80 70 60 (24-hour service) https://engageenvironmentagency.uk.engagementhq.com/your-watercourse-rights-and-roles

Laura Regazzacci EWWG



The summer youth football league, run by Eton Town Council in collaboration with Eton Wick Youth Football, started on Sunday 1 June. This exciting 7-week summer league has 48 grassroots teams taking part across four age categories, under 6, under 7, under 8, and under 9. Teams come from Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, and bordering counties, making the summer league a real opportunity to showcase the great pitches at Eton Wick to a wide audience.

The league raises essential funds to maintain football pitches in Eton and Eton Wick that benefit local teams, youth clubs, girls' teams, and the wider community.





Youth Club summer term starts Monday 2 June, and we look forward to welcoming all our existing, and hopefully some new, members.

The Wick is a super friendly, relaxed, and inclusive club. We welcome ages 8-14, with sessions starting at 6pm and running until 7.45pm every Monday during term time in the ground floor of Eton Wick Village Hall and the attached Sports Hall. Subs only £1.50 per session plus a great value tuck shop. No additional charge for any activities.

If you can spare a couple of hours on a Monday evening during term time to volunteer, please contact us. We have a very small core group of volunteers and even if you could only spare one evening a month this will help us greatly and enable a wider range of supervised activities. Please contact Helen on 07764 821130 or email us at <u>EWYC-Committee@Outlook.com</u> or message on FB, thanks.

https://www.facebook.com/EWYouthClub

Helen Branscombe-Davies, EWYC

Eton Wick Football & Social Club

If you would like to become a member of Eton Wick Football and Social Club, please see bar staff for a membership form.

We have great facilities and activities:-

- Bingo every Wednesday at 8pm start
- Poker every Thursday 7.30pm start
- Sky Sports and TNT showing all sports not just football!
- Dart board and pool table
- Hall Hire (see bar staff for form)
- Live Music Nights

Our opening hours are shown below:-

- Monday & Tuesday closed
- Wednesday & Thursday 4pm to 10.30pm
- Friday 4pm to 11pm
- Saturday 12 noon to 11pm
- Sunday 12 noon to 9.30pm



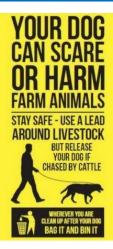
Tea and Cake £3 Prosecco and Cake £5 Extra glass of Prosecco £3 Kids Squash and Cake £2 Everyone Welcome!



See the EWF&SC Facebook page for more information on forthcoming social events.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/391970034327592/

Stacey Ray Club Treasurer



Please Drive Carefully on Dorney Common

The cattle are out 24/7 until the clocks change in late October, plus we now have many waterfowl with their ducklings, cygnets, goslings etc crossing the road.

Please slow things down and drive carefully.

Remember, all dog poop must be picked up, bagged, and binned. Dog poop can contain the parasite Neospora Caninum which causes diseases in livestock resulting in abortions and other health problems in cattle.



Thank you for keeping our local livestock and wildlife safe.



For details of local planning applications, the link below takes you to the "Find a planning application" page of the RBWM website.

https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/planning-and-building-control/findplanning-application

You need to enter the reference, shown below, to find details for each individual application, or you can type Eton Wick into the location search bar and view a summary of all current applications. Only applications currently awaiting decision are shown below, please visit the website to view applications for which decisions have been made.

Reference - 25/01181/FULL – application validated 8 May 2025 – awaiting decision

46 Queens Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6NA Part single part two storey side/rear extension and alterations to fenestration.

Reference - 25/01246/FULL – application validated 14 May 2025 – awaiting decision

17 Queens Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6NA

Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed hip to gable, 1no. rear dormer, 3no. rooflights and 1no. detached outbuilding is lawful.

Reference - 25/01289/FULL – application validated 19 May 2025 – awaiting decision

11a Tilstone Close, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6NG

Part single part two storey side/rear extension.



A crime map can be viewed on the police website, and you can zoom in and click on each to see the type of crime that was reported. Currently the map shows up to end March 2025 activity.

Our local police team cover Windsor Central, Eton and Eton Wick as shown on the map.

If you have any information around any incidents shown on the police website, or would like to report a different incident, please call 101 or visit the police website - <u>https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/</u> If it is an emergency, please call 999.

Below is a link to the email address to sign up to get 'TV ALERT' emails with crime prevention advice and neighbourhood updates. Please register for information relevant to where you live and in what you are interested. Our

local police sergeant posts bi-weekly updates on the neighbourhood team's activity.

Home Page - Thames Valley Alert

Windsor Central | Your area | Thames Valley Police | Thames Valley Police – this is you can report ASB, and other non-emergency crime on-line.



Eton Wick Village Hall Regular hirers and their contact details

	Morning	Afternoon		Evening	
Mon	g	Short Mat Indoor Bowls 2 ~ 4pm Chris 01753 863190 Dave 01753 863710		6 ~ 7pm Yoga/Pilates 7.15 ~ 8.15pm Yoga/Pilates Michelle Jones 07791 346 298	
Tue	9.30am ~ 10.30am Pilates			6.30pm ~ 8pm Ashley Jansen School of Traditional Karate 07963 433 643	
Wed	9am ~ 10am Body Conditioning Michelle Jones 07791 346 298			The History Group 7.30pm (5 events per year)	
	01191 540 296			Eton Wick Village Association 7.30pm several times a year	
Thu	Art Group 10am ~ 12 noon Sandra Drummond 01753 857492			Susan Handy School of Dance 07515 270 432 Modern & Tap Classes and Commercial and Theatre Jazz	
Fri	9.45am ~ 10.45am Fit Steps Fab No partner needed. For all who love to dance and keep fit Michelle Jones 07791 346 298	[Private booking] Art Tutorials Two 8-week courses Spring & Autumn	Juni (4~6 Sen (6~1 Sen	Enchanted School of Dance 07702 268 729 Junior Musical theatre (4~6 years) 3.45 ~ 4.15pm Senior Musical theatre (6~10 years) 4.30 ~ 5.15pm Senior Cheerleading (6~10 years) 5.15 ~ 6pm	
Sat	Available for hire *				
Sun	Available for hire *				

If you are interested in any of the groups/classes held in the hall, they would be pleased to hear from you. For more information or to book the hall please visit our website: <u>www.etonwickvillagehall.com</u> or 'phone 07949 147 846

*Please note it is often necessary to book months in advance to hire the hall for a Saturday or Sunday booking.



Eton Wick Neighbourhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch is the largest volunteer-led crime prevention charity in the country, working in communities to support them in being safer, more resilient places to live. They provide resources, projects and networks that support volunteers and communities to work together to prevent crime, raise awareness around safety initiatives and community resilience, and connect neighbourhoods. For more information on NHW across England and

Wales do visit <u>https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/</u> and together we can make our community a better place to live.

Issues of the Neighbourhood Watch newsletter are available on our village website, link to page below, and the newsletter download is at the bottom of the website page. <u>https://ewva.org.uk/ew-neighbourhood-watch</u>

John Connor, EW NHW

Weddings at Eton Town Council Chamber

Eton Town Council Chamber is a licensed venue offering an affordable and truly unique setting for smaller bespoke ceremonies.



For more information visit the Eton Town Council website - https://www.etontowncouncil.gov.uk/weddings/



Pickleball at Eton Wick Sports Hall

Pickleball is a great game for players of all ages and, as it is played in doubles, makes it very sociable. Whilst the size of court doesn't allow for much running, you still get a good "sweat on", thanks to the constant involvement of all players.

Saturdays 10-12 am. Beginners welcome. Fun sociable atmosphere!

Subs £4/hour with coaching provided at no extra charge!

Introductory sessions at Eton Wick will be held during the next few weeks. If you are interested in playing, please contact Bryn Lee on brynlee10@gmail.com.



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Are you a village resident and local trader? A beautician, plumber, electrician, mechanic, hairdresser, gardener, financial adviser, or something else. Do you want to advertise your services to our community? If yes, contact us for space on the Eton Wick Village website. PLUS, we can add a local trader's section to the bottom of this enewsletter, again please contact us if you want to promote your services to the Eton Wick community.

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If you have a neighbour who is not online, please let them know they can collect paper copies of this newsletter from locations in our village centre. You could deliver the newsletter to someone who is less mobile to help them stay connected with local information.

If you are a member of a local group that would like to be included in this newsletter, please do get in touch. Our mission is for this newsletter to be all-inclusive, collaborative, and mutually supportive ... representing our whole community.

We include useful local information links at the end of the newsletter for your information and convenience.

Thank you for reading.

Helen Branscombe-Davies Secretary EWVA



CONTACT DETAILS FOR VILLAGE SHOPS & LOCAL SERVICES

The Village Pharmacy – 01753 863575 South Meadow Surgery, Eton – 01753 864545 Feet by Clare (registered foot health practitioner) – 07961 020269 Hair By Us – 01753 831957 Jade Garden Fish & Chips + Chinese Takeaway – 01753 850991 Royal Spice – 01753 830260 Pipedreams – 01753 865682 Ella's Party Shop – 01753 378418 Eton Wick Post Office (located inside Nisa) – 01753 863631 Little Me Preschool and Wrap Around Care – 07526 303103 GingerJolley Pre-School – 07716 664933 The Greyhound – 01753 868633 Nails to Tails Dog Salon – 07395 107050 Eton Driving School – 07904 184451 PMU Windsor (Permanent Make Up - operates from Hair by Us) - pmuwindsoruk@gmail.com

More information on the "local retailers and businesses" page of the village website, link below:

https://ewva.org.uk/local-businesses

USEFUL LINKS

Eton Town Council

https://www.etontowncouncil.gov.uk/

RBWM Report-It

https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/apply-pay-report/report-it

Thames Valley Police - Report a Crime

https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/

Local Bus Services

https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/transport-and-streets/public-transport/bus-routes https://www.thamesvalleybuses.com/services https://www.slough.gov.uk/buses

RBWM Highways Works

https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/transport-and-streets/roads-and-pavements/council-works-highway-week

For all local roadworks, including work by utility firms visit One Network <u>https://one.network/</u>

Household Waste Collection Information + Bin Collection Day

https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/environment-and-waste/recycling-and-rubbish/household-rubbish-

<u>collections</u>

https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/binday

Thames Water – Report a Problem

https://www.thameswater.co.uk/help/report-a-problem#/view-and-report-problems

Reporting environmental incidents, including pollution and damage to the natural environment. <u>https://www.gov.uk/report-an-environmental-incident</u> - or call the 24/7 hotline 0800 80 70 60

Age UK may be able to provide you with direct support. The services and facilities on offer vary from area to area, but can include: • information and advice • help at home schemes • befriending schemes • advocacy services • handyperson schemes • nail-cutting services • transport schemes • help with claiming benefits • exercise classes • day centres.

www.ageuk.org.uk – or call 0800 169 6565

Citizens Advice have a national network of centres offering free, confidential, and independent advice, faceto-face or by telephone. Visit the website for full information and to find the nearest Citizens Advice Bureau. www.citizensadvice.org.uk – or call 0800 144 8848

MoneyHelper - gives impartial information about financial products and services and offers tips on everyday money management.

www.moneyhelper.org.uk - or call 0800 138 7777

Action Fraud - National reporting centre for fraud and internet crime. Use the online fraud reporting service and get a police crime reference number. Call the helpline for advice on preventing fraud and how to report it if it happens to you. <u>www.actionfraud.police.uk</u> – or call 0300 123 2040

