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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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Happy New Year to you all. I hope you all had a very good Christmas and a relaxing break.

Last month Eton Wick Village Association co-hosted the second Volunteers Christmas get together with the Sports & Social Club in the village. We had an excellent turn out which was lovely to see. We spent a few hours getting to know each other and learning about the new groups that people are involved in around the village. We hope to make this a tradition and so if you belong to a volunteer group please look out for the next invite in November. If you would like to get involved with volunteering in the village then please do let us know as we would be happy to put you in touch with the various groups who are always looking for people to assist.

Some dates for your diary:

On **Saturday 1st March** there will be a disco in the Village Hall. Tickets will be sold in February so please look out for the flyers in the village, or on our Facebook page. This will be open to the first 80 people.

On **Friday 28**th **March** there will be another Bingo night at the Village Hall. As a result of the last Bingo night in aid of 'Eton Wick in bloom' we hope to have another very successful night. There were many people who said they did not know it was on and would have loved to have attended so please do spread the word to your friends, family and neighbours.

That's it for the moment. I think we need to ease ourselves into 2025, so I'll not overload you with dates. We have a Nearly New sale planned but haven't set a date yet so that will be advertised in February's edition. In the meantime, I'm sure like me, you are still ploughing through a cheese board, Christmas cake and various boxes of chocolates before the 'New year, new me' regime kicks in (or not).

Happy New Year.

Lucy Ludovici Chair, Eton Wick Village Association





The Eton Wick Christmas elves were busy delivering seasonal cheer and goodwill on Saturday 21st December. Tommy (age 4), one of the designers of the accompanying Christmas card, was one of the village children who took part in the delivery.

A grand total of 126 boxes were hand delivered to residents in our village and a great big THANK YOU to every kind person who donated a box or bag as without your generosity it would not be possible to fulfil this amazing task. A special thank you goes to Andy Wild, Piotr Rosinski, Samantha Doore, Clare Hibbert, and Karen Tullock who put so much time and effort into this great initiative.

Although a great total of boxes, the number donated by village residents was significantly lower than in previous years ... 53 vs 130 in 2023 ... and we are very grateful for the grant from Eton Poor's Estate (a registered charity run by Eton College) which made the creation of 126 boxes possible, with special thanks to Philip & Lynne Highy, and Sue Warren.



The Boveney and Roundmoor streams have been running low throughout December, in part due to low rainfall but also due to the thorough clearance of weeds and debris in November by the Thames Water team. The next clearance will take place in early March according to Thames Water, who have also asked the Environment Agency for support by taking action to eliminate impediments to the natural flow and maintenance such as fallen trees and low bridges.

For residents with riparian responsibility (have the river as their garden boundary); information on your watercourse rights and roles can be found using the link below.

https://engageenvironmentagency.uk.engagementhq.com/your-watercourse-rights-and-roles

Please contact us at info@etonwickwaterwaysgroup.org if you would like to join us in campaigning or volunteering in any capacity. Plus, 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

Environment Agency incident hotline – call 0800 80 70 60 (24-hour service)



Eton Wick Youth Club meets from 6pm to 7.45pm every Monday during term time on the ground floor of Eton Wick Village Hall. Ages from 8-14, subs only £1.50 per session, and an excellent value tuck shop. No additional charge for any activities.

We had great fun with Christmas lanterns and decorated biscuits on the last session for 2024 ... unfortunately only one biscuit photo (not included) as all were swiftly consumed ... and as I was running the biscuit session, I didn't have a chance to take pics as well as give guidance and help where needed (plus it was a very messy activity!). Some equally gorgeous but not edible creations on the lantern activity table did make it home. We hope all our members had a wonderful festive time and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday 6th January 2025.







Plus, we lent our Christmas decorations that we can no longer use to EWVA to decorate the village hall for the Christmas light switch on event, and then to EWF&SC so they didn't have to spend out too much on decorations this year. **Great to be part of a one team Eton Wick community**.

The Volunteers are currently planning activities for 2025 to include some special events outside of the usual Youth Club sessions which will be funded by the very generous donation received from the London to Brighton cyclists. Money raised at the Eton Wick Fireworks will be used for hall hire, supplies and equipment for our regular Monday evening sessions. Our young members will benefit from every penny donated – THANK YOU everyone.

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Eton Wick Village Hall

We are so lucky to have a wonderful village hall. It is used during weekdays by a variety of groups, bowls, keep fit, yoga, dance, karate etc.

Weekends are available for private hire. With preferential rates for residents of Eton Wick. Please look at the website for contact links and booking information.

Karen McGlasson and Lindsay Pardoe became trustees on 4th December and a new Committee of 10 Trustees was formed on 10th December 2024. The Trustees all reside in Eton Wick and have a variety of skills and knowledge. The Committee are working to ensure the village hall is utilised fully by the residents of Eton Wick and is financially viable. With emphasis on library and community activities as the recent EWVA survey confirmed this is what residents would like.

We wish to work in a friendly, cohesive, collaborative, and transparent way with all partners and organisations. Some willing volunteers have also expressed an interest in helping to run the hall and activities.

If you would like to become a trustee or volunteer, and reside in Eton Wick, we do still have some vacancies. The Treasurer position is still vacant if you feel you could help. Please contact us by -

email: ewvillagehallwebsite@gmail.com

telephone: 07949 147 846

or post a note in the village hall post box by main door

The Committee would like to extend their appreciation to the past Chairman and Secretary for their dedication and hard work over many years.

The Committee will report back monthly via the village newsletter and other village channels. We thank you for your support in the transition phase.

Lindsay Pardoe, Chair of EWVH

Karen McGlasson, Lettings Secretary EWVH

Calling all Young People and Adults.

Are you ready to try something new?

scouts.org.uk/join #SkillsForLife Want to join a fantastic group, learn new skills and make new friends? Why not get in touch? 1st Eton Wick & Boveney

Who

EVERYONE

Where

1st Eton Wick & Boveney Scout Hut, Haywards Mead, Eton Wick, Windsor, SL4 6JN

Why

Great way to get involved within your community, do something with/for the young people and gain new skills for life.

What

The group needs everyone. Volunteering can be rewarding especially seeing your child thrive in a safe environment. It's not just about working with the young people we have so many opportunities at the group.

Contact

Kelly at kelly.fricker@berkshirescouts.org.uk or call 0118 206 9760 to find out more





The December issue of the Neighbourhood Watch newsletter is available on our village website, link to page below, and the newsletter download is at the bottom of the page.

Our village NHW team continues to grow slowly, and welcome to our newest members. Together we will make a positive difference in our community.

https://ewva.org.uk/ew-neighbourhood-watch



Eton Wick Men's kick off the New Year with a home game on Saturday 4th January. Kick off 2pm. Our opponents are Taplow Swans.

Happy New Year to all our supporters who come out in all weathers to cheer our team on. Information on forthcoming fixtures will also be shared via Facebook.

Come along to the **Eton Wick Football & Social Club**, open Wednesday to Sunday every week. It is great value and brings regular community activities and live music to

our village. Opening hours as 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

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

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



Local Crime Incidents

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 still shows

October 2024 so has not been updated recently. 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 - https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/ If it is an emergency, please call 999.



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

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.



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/find-planning-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 - 24/03038/Full - application validated 10 December 2024 - awaiting decision

Keay Roofing Services, Nutts Close, Common Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6QY Replacement office building.

Reference - 24/03093/CPD - application validated 17 December 2024 - awaiting decision

31 Tilstone Avenue, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6NF

Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed hip to gable, 1no. rear dormer and 1no. gable window is lawful.

Reference - 24/03119/CPD - application validated 19 December 2024 - awaiting decision

46 Queens Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6NA

Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed 2no. front rooflights, hip to gable, 1no. rear dormer with Juliet balcony and 1no. gable window is lawful.

Reference - 24/03132/Full - application validated 20 December 2024 - awaiting decision

46 Queens Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6NA

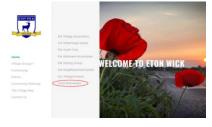
Part single part two store side/rear extension.

Reference - 24/03126/Full – application validated 20 December 2024 – awaiting decision

116 Eton Wick Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6NP

Single storey side/rear extension.

(No other new applications since the December newsletter.)



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 e-newsletter, again please contact us if you want to promote your services to the Eton Wick community.

EWVA Committee@outlook.com

Eton Wick Village Hall Regular hirers and their contact details

	Morning	Afternoon		Evening	
Mon		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			The History Group 7.30pm (5 events per year)	
	07791 346 298			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 Seni (6~1 Seni	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: www.etonwickvillaqehall.com 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.



If you have a neighbour who is not online, please let them know they can collect paper copies of this newsletter from Eton Wick Pharmacy, Hair by Us, and the Corner Café in the village centre. You could pick up a copy for them 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 vision is for the 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.

Secretary EWVA - Helen Branscombe-Davies



Tommy Scott delivering Christmas Boxes

CONTACT DETAILS FOR VILLAGE SHOPS & LOCAL SERVICES

The Village Pharmacy – 01753 863575

South Meadow Surgery, Eton - 01753 864545

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

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 https://one.network/

Household Waste Collection Information + Bin Collection Day

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

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. https://www.gov.uk/report-an-environmental-incident - 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, face-to-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. www.actionfraud.police.uk – or call 0300 123 2040

