

The Wick 4-Weekly

What, When, Where, & Who of Village Life

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Hanging Baskets on Eton Wick Road

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Finally, summer has arrived. It is wonderful to have a bit of hot sunny weather to enjoy at last. The hanging baskets and planters in the village continue to be a joy to look at. Next year we will start earlier in getting out the requests for sponsorship of the hanging baskets. It would be great to see a display all down Eton Wick Road as you drive through. We will start this process in about January/February 2025 so we will be ready to place an order early in May. This year was a little stressful trying to get sponsorship in a two-week window!! We are also thinking of trying to raise funds for some wooden planters which could replace the plastic flower towers.

We hand delivered our survey in June to over 1,000 households, and made it available to complete online, resulting in exactly 50% of responses received via the collection boxes in the village centre and 50% received online. Although a lower volume of responses than we'd hoped, we had some lovely feedback, and very useful suggestions. We will be looking to implement some of the suggestions if we can, and if they are not something EWVA can deal with, we will ensure that the suggestions are passed on to the relevant agencies.

In September we will hold an AGM for Eton Wick Village Association, Eton Wick Youth Club and Eton Wick Waterways. During the 'official' part of the meeting, we will have a 10-minute presentation from each of the three groups, and then opportunity for questions. An update on the results of the survey will be included at the AGM. After the meeting we will host a social for everyone to stay and enjoy.

In the survey there were several requests/suggestions about the new Corner Café hosting some of the groups that had to stop meeting when the library closed. I have been in touch with the owners of the café, and they are very up for any suggestions of groups that may like to meet there. It's a win-win for everyone if it can be used in lots of ways. If you want to meet there as a group please do go and speak with the owners when they open, which should be in 2-3 weeks. They have been delayed due to late deliveries of equipment they need but are very keen on opening ASAP.

More details to follow about the AGM in September. This will be advertised on the Eton Wick Village Association Facebook page.

Happy holidays to you all.

*Lucy Ludovici
Chair EWVA*



Weed clearance from the Roundmoor and Boveney have finally been completed with 4-5 Maydencroft operatives working for nearly six weeks, nearly double the time it has taken in previous years. They have worked with dedication despite tummy upsets and repetitive strain to their arms. They reported that residents along the rivers have been very encouraging and several offered cups of tea as a short respite to the work.

The overall effect of almost weekly sewage releases in the spring have caused this overabundance of weed and Thames Water are aware of this. We discussed the arduous nature of the work and the timeframe with the Thames Water project manager and alternatives need to be found before next year.

Maydencroft have been contracted to undertake a second cut from September, which should be quicker. We also discussed the need to employ mechanical methods for some areas such as the reed overgrowth around Tilstone Close and the upper Roundmoor. The environment agency is standing firm on their rule about not disturbing riverbeds before 15th June and our council are hoping to take this matter higher. It's clear that earlier cutting would prevent or lessen the flooding.

Now that the flooding has cleared our team of volunteers have focused on the Colenorton Ditch and Common Brook, which was being impounded by fallen tree trunks and other debris. On 13th July a small group of 8 volunteers went to sort out some of the problems in the Brook along the, now dry (!!!), ASDA path. The flow in the Brook along the path was very much obstructed by weeds, wood debris, rubbish, and a fallen tree 😞 we dealt with most of it, but we will try to get Slough Council to sort out the horror at the culvert under the little bridge. The council need to take full responsibility for keeping this path open all year.

Together with Wild Eton Wick volunteers, we have also been out litter picking in early July as part of the national 'plastic blitz' campaign and will continue to monitor and clear rubbish accumulating along the banks of the Thames around Eton Wick over the summer, when things tend to get worse.

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

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, link below.

<https://ewva.org.uk/><https://www.facebook.com/EtonWickWG>



The last YC session before summer holidays was the day before end-of-term at school for most of our members. Luckily it was a lovely warm evening as we all enjoyed a BBQ, outside play, and an impromptu water fight! Many thanks to all our volunteers for organising. Many of our members made use of the crafting table to create cards, bookmarks, and friendship/letter-bead bracelets as gifts for their teachers and schoolfriends.

When we return for the autumn term on Monday 9th September we will be sharing the space with Ginger Jollies nursery, running our session after their day has finished. This may mean that our start time will need to be later than the current 6pm – we will let you know !

Subs only £1.50 per session and 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.

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<https://www.facebook.com/EWYouthClub>



On Sunday 15th September, a group of six village friends (Carly Foster, Simon Kane, Lindsey Siddall, Dan Gillard, Tracey Tierney, and Cian Tierney) will be cycling 55 miles from London to Brighton to raise money for Eton Wick Youth Club. Money raised will be used to treat EWYC members to a trip out to a theme park, adventure activity/day, or Christmas panto. Thank you in advance for your contribution which will mean so much to the young people in our community.

Read more here <https://gofund.me/92ee7efa>



Eton Wick Mens Football Club trains every Wednesday evening at Haywards Mead from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

Pre-season friendly fixtures @ home (Eton Wick, Haywards Mead)

Saturday 3rd August vs FC Bracknell, kick-off 11am
 Wednesday 14th August vs Bracknell Aces, kick-off 7pm
 Saturday 17 August vs Pundit FC, kick-off 2pm

Football season commences Saturday 31st August.



On 27th August, Eton Wick families came together to remember Neil Quantrill and enjoy a fun game of football, a bouncy castle for the little ones, and a BBQ for everyone to raise much needed funds for The Thames Valley Air Ambulance Service. Many thanks to all those who came along.



YOUTH TEAM

Following the success of the eight week D.N.A. Academy youth football tournament at Eton Wick, Eton Town Council hosted a fundraising football tournament on 14 July. The fundraiser was held to raise money for the upkeep of the pitches at Haywards Mead.

With the expertise of Craig Sumner from D.N.A. Academy, 24 grass root teams were welcomed to the pitches to participate in the first annual “John Lovell Cup” tournament. 200+ children aged six to nine years competed in mini games of football, showing skills beyond their years and a passion for their sport. The players weren’t the only ones honing their skills and showing energy for the game, with the D.N.A. Academy helping to advance young referees, six youth referees worked with professionals to improve their techniques.

Eton Town Council’s ex-Mayor John Lovell, who the tournament is named for, handed out winners trophies. ETC’s current Mayor Malcolm Leach and Mayoress Katie Leach awarded children with medals and certificates.

Parish councillors from both Eton and Eton Wick volunteered their services as car park marshalls, runners for the referees delivering scores, and general organisation on the day. Volunteers from Eton Wick Waterways Group did a fantastic job of litter picking at the end of the event.

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 more information on forthcoming social and soccer events.

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



Local Crime Incidents

Please find below the incidents reported in Eton and Eton Wick during July. If you have any information around these incidents, 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.

11 July – Criminal Damage – Colenorton Crescent, Eton Wick

The back window of a car was smashed but nothing taken. There was a bag on display which may have been the cause. No CCTV or Ring doorbell footage available.

12 July – Theft from Motor Vehicle – Meadow Lane, Eton

Front passenger window broken and £2 taken from the drink holder compartment.

The schedule of regular bookings for our Village Hall is shown below. For full information visit the village hall website <https://www.etonwickvillagehall.com> or call 07949 147846.

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Mon	Adult Ballet & Stretch 11am – 12 noon Susan Handy 07515 270432	Indoor Bowls 2 – 4pm Chris 01753 863190 Dave 01753 863710	Yoga/Pilates 6 – 7pm & 7.15 – 8.15pm Michelle Jones 07791 346298
Tue	Pilates Classes 9.30 – 10.30am Simona Stojkova 07917 103 856		School of Traditional Karate 6.30 – 8pm Ashley 07963 433643
Wed	Body Conditioning Classes 9am Michelle Jones 07791 346298		History Group 7.30pm 4 or 5 events a year
			Eton Wick Village Assoc. 8pm 4 or 5 meetings a year
Thu	Art Group 10am – 12 noon Sandra Drummond 01753 857492		Susan Handy School of Dance from 4.30pm Susan Handy 07515 270432
Fri	Fit Steps 9.45am Michelle Jones 07791 346298	3.45 – 4.15pm Junior Theatre 4 – 6-year-olds 4.30 - 5.15pm Senior Musical Theatre 6 – 10-year-olds 5.15 – 6pm Senior Dance 6 – 10-year-olds Enchanted School of Dance - Marianne 07702 268 729	
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. Please note it is often necessary to book months in advance to hire the hall for a Saturday or Sunday booking.



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.

Reference - 24/01823/Full – application validated 31 July 2024 – awaiting decision

RCG Praise Embassy Haywards Mead, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6JN

Part two-storey, part first floor front extension, two-storey side extension with an encased fire escape, enlargement of the existing first floor and alternations to fenestration, along with internal alterations.

Reference - 24/01834/Condit – application validated 24 July 2024 – awaiting decision

Reference - 24/01691/Condit – application validated 10 July 2024 – awaiting decision

Reference - 24/01689/Condit – application validated 10 July 2024 – awaiting decision

Reference - 24/01617/Condit – application validated 21 June 2024 – awaiting decision

Manor Farm House, Manor Farm, Common Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6QY

Listed building consent for repairs.

Reference - 24/01772/TPO – application validated 22 July 2024 – awaiting decision

Manor Farm House, Manor Farm, Common Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6QY

Reduce branches of Acacia to suitable growth points.

Reference - 24/01754/CPD – application validated 19 July 2024 – awaiting decision

18 Northfield Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6LG

Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed loft conversion with rear L-shaped dormer and front rooflights is lawful.

Reference – 24/01627/Condit – application validated 5 July 2024 - awaiting decision

Land to the South of 8 to 12 South View, Eton Wick Road, Eton Wick, Windsor

Details required by Condition 4 (programme of archaeological works) of planning permission 22/03335/Full for Flood Storage Compensation.

Reference – 24/01615/Full – application validated 4 July 2024 - awaiting decision

4 The Gables, Eton Wick Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6PE

Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing single storey rear bay extension.



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Are you a village resident and local trader? Perhaps 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.

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Date for your diaries - Eton Wick Christmas light switch-on will be Saturday 30 November 2024

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 and Hair by Us in the village centre. You could pick up a copy for them to help them keep in touch 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 some useful local information links and the end of the newsletter for your information and convenience. Thank you for reading.

Helen Branscombe-Davies

Secretary EWVA



Teddy Bear's Picnic Post-box Topper July 2024

CONTACT DETAILS FOR VILLAGE SHOPS & LOCAL SERVICES

The Village Pharmacy – 01753 863575

Hair By Us – 01753 831957

Jade Garden Fish & Chips + Chinese Takeaway – 01753 850991

South Meadow Surgery, Eton – 01753 864545

USEFUL LINKS

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



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