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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 –

EWVA Committee@outlook.com

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



Hi all

Welcome to July's newsletter.

What amazing weather we have experienced over the last month, it has rivalled most of Europe!!! Obviously, this weather, lovely as it is, comes with a downside. It is difficult for a lot of people with health problems. If anyone is having any difficulty staying cool, or need assistance with shopping, or help in their homes, please do contact us as we would be very glad to lend a hand. As ever the number is 07957 122856, email is <a href="mailto:ewva\_committee@gmail.com">ewva\_committee@gmail.com</a> or message us through our Facebook site.

Iforgot to give an update in my last newsletter about the Nearly New Sale. The donations of clothes, toys, books, and home-wear was overwhelming. The response on the day was enormously positive and I am grateful for everyone who came along. The plant sale went very well, and I know the Allotment Association were delighted. The most heartwarming part of it all was the kind, positive comments we received on the day and then on our Facebook post and via email. I can't tell you how grateful we were for those. It was a super stressful event, but the comments made it all worthwhile. A fantastic £800 was raised which will be used in support of initiatives to benefit our lovely village of Eton Wick.

You will have seen the hanging baskets in the village, and the three planters on Bell Lane outside the shops. They look amazing and really help lift the appearance of our village centre.

#### Onto other events:

- Saturday 7th Sept Eton Wick Allotment Association Horticultural S2how at the Village Hall.
- Saturday 29th November Eton Wick Christmas Light Switch On.
- Friday 21st November Eton Wick Village Hall Christmas Bingo Night.
- Saturday 14th December Eton Wick Village Hall Children's Christmas Party.

More details in the newsletter below, and to follow in the next few months. Make sure to put the dates in your diary.

### Lucy Ludovici, Chair EWVA



Weed clearance by the Thames Water team on the Boveney and Roundmoor streams started on 17th June, shortly after the spawning season ban was lifted by the environment agency. However, progress has been very slow this year, much to the disappointment of us and residents, who would have normally expected to see a greater decrease in water levels on the Boveney by now. Thames Water have given several reasons for the delays, starting with the very hot weather preventing safe working conditions, to the problem of a fallen willow tree that has yet to be removed from the river on the Boveney behind Princes Close. Our group had

identified this fallen tree back in April and requested its removal by the landowner, Eton College. Unknown to us this work was not carried out and is now providing a further delay to the work on the river progressing.

We are constantly on the case with Thames Water and will continue to exert pressure to continue with the clearance as soon as possible. The river is now so choked with weed that the longer they take removing it, the more difficult it will be to remove. Riparian residents are encouraged to check our Facebook page for progress over the coming weeks.

Please contact us at <a href="mailto:EWWG-committee@outlook.com">EWWG-committee@outlook.com</a>

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: <a href="https://www.thameswater.co.uk/edm-map">https://www.thameswater.co.uk/edm-map</a>

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

# **Eton Wick Village Hall Update**

We have a wonderful active committee of 14 new volunteer trustees who have all taken on roles and responsibilities. Their names and contact information can be found on the notice board outside the village hall. We are all living in the village and are more than happy to hear from you.

We have set up a bookings team to share the workload, have new email addresses, updated website and set up WhatsApp groups for faster communication. The in-house maintenace team have sourced new energy deals, reclaimed VAT from last 3 years, split utility meters, undertaken risk assessments for fire and water, installed CCTV, completed PAT testing, renegotiated waste contract ...... all generating huge savings!!

A mini audit has been completed on the accounts and the new treasurer is ensuring all documents are accessible and transparent.

Policies are also being reviewed and DBS checks in hand.

We will have or AGM in the autumn and will have a full report on our progress and financial statement available for scrutiny

We were delighted to facilitate in the reopening of the Library and the grants we obtained enabled the trustees to ensure the library is now open two days a week. Tuesday afternoon and Saturday morning. Footfall is amazing !!!, Please keep it up. If you use it we can keep it. The joy and happiness it has brought to so many residents makes it all worthwhile and the librarians are delighted. Many thanks for your letters and e mails.

Knit and Natter are back, and Eton Wick First School are also visiting again. Plus summer activities are organized for families and children.

A new lease agreement was established with Ginger Jolley's who finally got OFSTED approval to open at Easter this year and are doing holiday clubs etc. They work well with the Library and kindly allow the youth club to continue. The ground floor of the hall is alive and buzzing.

The entertainment team have been busy with the opening of the library event, the Easter Egg event, and planning a VJ afternoon tea in September plus Christmas events as well!!!

Our main aim is to ensure the wonderful village hall we have is used to full capacity and is kept in tip top condition.

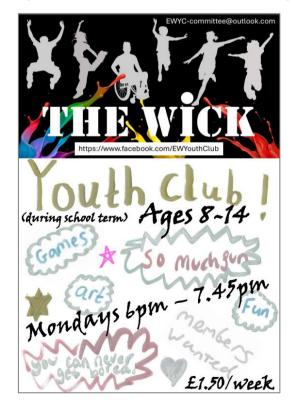
Thank you for your support.

Lindsay Pardoe Chair of Eton Wick Village Hall



We have been delighted to welcome some new members since summer term commenced on 2 June. The last club before breaking for the summer holidays will be Monday 21 July, and autumn term will start on Monday 8 September.

At the beginning of summer term, our members designed a double-sided flier to promote membership and attract rising 8's at local schools. Hopefully you will agree that it is really fab!





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 on 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 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 <a href="https://example.com/EWYC-Committee@Outlook.com">EWYC-Committee@Outlook.com</a> or message on FB, thanks.

https://www.facebook.com/EWYouthClub

#### Helen Branscombe-Davies, EWYC



Eton Wick Football Club start training now on Wednesdays on our pitch at Haywards Mead. 7.15pm meet to start at 7.30pm. If anyone is interested in joining our team please feel free to turn up, you will all be welcome. Colin is our manager, Ed our assistant manager, assisted by our coaching team Ash and Orren.

Look forward to meeting you.

Helen Beckett
Club Secretary

# **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

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

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

# Stacey Ray Club Treasurer



# **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 <a href="https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/">https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/</a> 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. <a href="https://ewva.org.uk/ew-neighbourhood-watch">https://ewva.org.uk/ew-neighbourhood-watch</a>

John Connor EW NHW



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 - 25/01422/FULL - application validated 3 June 2025 - awaiting decision

27 Queens Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6NA

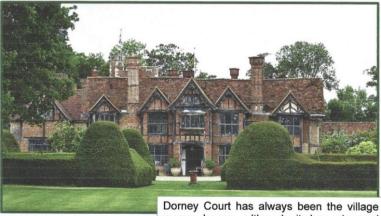
Single-storey rear extension with infill, including three rooflights; a two-storey side extension; and alterations to the rear fenestration following the demolition of the existing single-storey rear extension and outbuilding (used for storage), which is proposed to be used as dining room.

Reference - 25/01487/FULL – application validated 10 June 2025 – awaiting decision 47 Eton Wick Road, Eton Wick, Windsor SL4 6LX Single-storey side/rear extension.

# **Eton Wick History Group**

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 7.30pm in Eton Wick Village Hall





Dorney Court has always been the village manor house, although it has changed dramatically since first mentioned in the Domesday Book (1086).

Today, it is regarded as "One of the finest Tudor Manor Houses in England." Speaker ~ Karen Townsend

Entrance Fee £4 which includes light refreshments. Raffle ~ £1 per strip. Cash only for both please.

Sue Evans EW History Group





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 April 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 - <a href="https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/">https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/</a> 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

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

# **Eton Wick Allotment Association Village Show**

Saturday 6th September 2025 in Eton Wick Village Hall



The Eton Wick Allotment Association is pleased to stage the annual Village Show again this year. The following schedule lists the rules and exhibit classes, please keep it for reference. Entrance to view the exhibition is free and it is hoped the whole community will join in the event.

The timetable, rules, and full list of classes/categories are available on our village website. <u>EWAA Village Show</u> 2025.

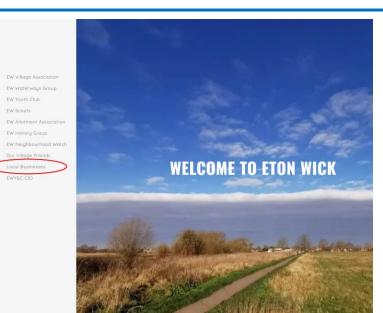
Remember it's just a bit of fun and open to all. Don't be put off thinking "Mine aren't good enough". If you grew it and you're going to eat it, then it's good enough for the show!

PLEASE NOTE: All classes are open to all Eton Wick, Eton and Dorney residents to exhibit garden or allotment produce and/or flowers, plus home-made culinary or art & craft items.

# David Cardoe EWAA



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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 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 07791 346 298			The History Group 7.30pm (5 events per year)  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  unior Musical theatre 1~6 years) 3.45 ~ 4.15pm  enior Musical theatre 1~10 years) 4.30 ~ 5.15pm  enior Cheerleading 1~10 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: <a href="www.etonwickvillagehall.com">www.etonwickvillagehall.com</a> 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.

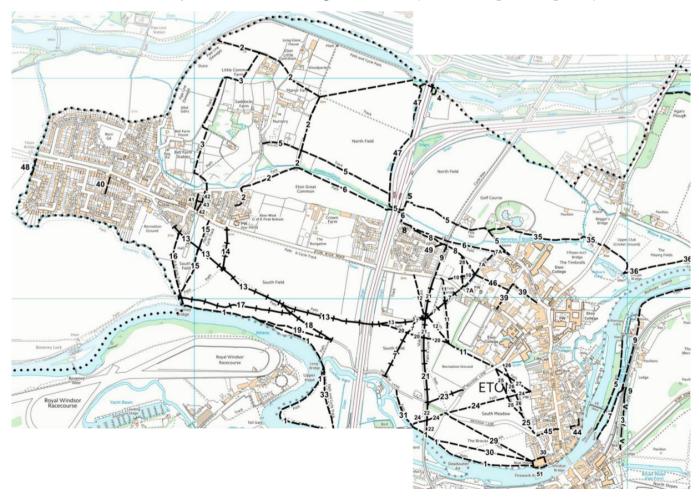
# **Eton Wick Scouts**



Cubs (age 8yr to 10.5yrs) Tuesday 6.45pm to 8.15pm - Beavers (age 6yr to 8yr) Thursday 6pm to 7pm For more information visit the village website <a href="https://ewva.org.uk/ew-scouts">https://ewva.org.uk/ew-scouts</a>

# Footpaths and Rights of Way, Eton and Eton Wick

To see the map in detail visit our village website. <a href="https://ewva.org.uk/village-maps">https://ewva.org.uk/village-maps</a>



**Notice of forthcoming footpath closure in Eton** – from midnight on 16 July for a period of six months, footpath no. 39 will be closed from its juction with footpath no. 46 to its junction with the B3026 Eton Wick Road. The closure is to facilitate refurbishing works at properties ajacent to the footpath.

# **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/



If you have a neighbour who is not online, please let them know they can collect paper copies of this newsletter from several locations in our village centre including the Library. 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 <a href="https://one.network/">https://one.network/</a>

### Household Waste Collection Information + Bin Collection Day

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

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. <a href="https://www.gov.uk/report-an-environmental-incident">https://www.gov.uk/report-an-environmental-incident</a> - 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. <a href="https://www.actionfraud.police.uk">www.actionfraud.police.uk</a> – or call 0300 123 2040

