



Thorngate Benefice Newsletter

Thank you to The Lockerley Walking Group for sponsoring this issue of the Newsletter
The next issue of The Newsletter will cover May 2023 (deadline is 15th April 2023)

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Lockerley Walking Group Tuesday April 4th

Meet at Butts Green at 9.30am to share lifts, or meet at Canada Common Car Park at 10am. Please join Joan and Anthea for an approx 6 mile morning walk around Canada Common, West Wellow. The final route will be determined by the walking conditions underfoot. Please contact Joan on 01794 341268 or joandewatt@gmail.com for final details.

Garden Club Plant Sale

This annual event will be held on Saturday 13 May, at 10am at 'Little Dean' which is across the Green from Lockerley Stores. Plant donations of all sorts may be left with Dot at this address in the preceding Week.

We very much hope that, as this is our first 'proper' sale since the pandemic, it will be a resounding success and we will all be able to find the plants we want, both veg and flowers, for the coming season.

Many thanks for your contributions and looking forward to seeing you all on Saturday 13th May. Bring your friends.



200 Club Results

The winners of the 200 Club Draw for January 2023, drawn on Monday 27th February were:-

Susan Greenwood £20
Jack Needell £20

The winners for February 2023, drawn on Monday 13th March were:-

Charlotte Champion £20
Malyn Newitt £20

Both draws were made at the Memorial Hall Coffee Shop. The Memorial Hall Committee is pleased to announce that all 200 places were taken and paid for before the January 2023 draw took place.

Any recent new member who agreed to pay in future by Standing Order, please remember to let Carole know soon, by phone (340867), when you have done it. Carole sends her thanks to those who have already let her know.

Bluebell Walk & Cream Tea

Raising funds for UNICEF

Saturday 22 April

Set off from Cyclops Cottage between 2pm-3pm for a 2 mile stroll and return for a cream tea and cakes in the garden.

Generous donations and offers of help and cake welcome.

Call 01794 340993 to book your place!



King Charles III Coronation Weekend
East Tytherley Village
8th May - Bank Holiday Monday

'Big Help Out' 11-1pm
'Big Lunch' 1-3pm

As part of the King's Coronation we are joining the community day of 'helping out', and as such are looking for volunteers to help out around the playground and church yard with some tidying and maintenance jobs, refreshments provided. This will then be followed by a village picnic, where everyone is invited to bring along a picnic and chat with neighbours. We are hoping to be able to present the children with a commemorative memento of the occasion. Further details please email Joannen-ash@east-tytherley.co.uk

West Tytherley Fete – Saturday 20th May from 12 Noon

We're all SOOO excited about the Fete! James our Vicar will officially open proceedings at 12 noon after which there will be the usual range of stalls and activities PLUS we've got some brilliant new ideas this year!! Make a day of it and remember that ALL money raised goes to support the great local organisations and activities 😊

- Beat the best to win at the Strong Person stand!
- Let your dog watch a demonstration of dog agility training then see if you can do better!
- Your pet isn't a dog? - watch this space for further info as we're hoping to arrange a Pet Show!
- Have a go at Fly-fishing, find out what our local businesses have to offer, quench your thirst with a wide range of drinks, fill your tum at the BBQ and cake stalls while you listen to the Brass Band!
- Wang a Welly, Splat a Rat, buy some beautiful Plants, get your Face Painted, throw an Egg, admire the Vintage Vehicles!

All this and more - so come and have fun at one of the events that makes this village such a great place for us all to live. Don't forget to bring cash on the day as we won't have electronic payment.

THEN

And the fun doesn't end at 4pm! Killer Skittles bowls off at 4pm in the Black Horse Skittle Alley as the main Fete closes - a knockout competition with prizes!! Registration on the Fete field from 3pm.

Tony's Frying Machine will be serving his top-class Fish and Chips outside the Black Horse from 6pm, Lin's got some great guest ales and wines lined up to wash your chips down and there's live music to serenade you as you eat 😊

BUT BEFORE ALL OF THAT.....

Here are two things to keep you busy:

>>>> get your thinking caps on and get making beasts - from fleas to elephants - for the Scarecrow Wildlife Safari. They need to be on display before Saturday 13 May - entry details to follow. Prizes for the Best Beasts and the Champion Wildlife Hunter!

>>>> we would love to see your Fete History photos. Post your fave pic from previous fetes on the Fete History event on the Village Square Facebook page.

Requests:

> we need someone to grab the Fete History pics and create a display at the Fete

> we need another 3-ish people to help for an hour or so each as a relief stallholder so the main stallholders get to play

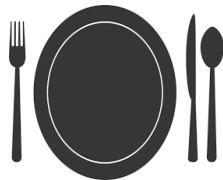
> you can't be there on the day but want to support the Fete? Become a Fete Patron for a donation of £30 or more

> if you are a local business that we haven't yet contacted, please let us know if you'd like to be involved
Email us on wtvillagefete@gmail.com or speak to a committee member - Liz Sparrow, Jane Elliott, Jane Rimmington, Alison Kent, Fiona Collier to get involved or help out.

Fete programmes and final details will be in the May Parish Newsletter, on Facebook Village Square and in the West Tytherley email newsletter.

VILLAGE LUNCH CLUB

Lockerley Memorial Hall



This is proving to be a popular get-together held in Lockerley Memorial Hall for all locals from all four villages. The next Lunch Club is on

Friday 21st April 12 Noon

at Lockerley Memorial Hall.

New members welcome. Please let Diana (340236) or Liz (340993) know if you would like to come.

Thorngate Village Care Group

Our local support network of volunteers ready to help, all DBS checked, insured and ready, willing and able to help in so many ways – essential shopping, prescriptions, friendly phone calls.

The Care Group is affiliated to the Good Neighbours Network and covers Lockerley, East Dean, East and West Tytherley and the Hampshire residents of West Dean

REQUESTS FOR HELP contact any Co-ordinator

Diana	07464956759
Fiona	341098
Julie	340850
Liz	340993
Peggy	340084

British Red Cross Registered Charity Number: 220949

Fundraising shop at rear of North Baddesley Village Hall SO52 9DT

We are now open as follows: Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm

Every 3rd Saturday of the month 10am to 1pm

Telephone number – 02380 735089

Bargains each week

We accept good quality ladies, men's and children's clothes, household, Bric-a-Brac and books. Unwanted Birthday and Christmas gifts are gratefully received.

We cannot accept large items of furniture (space restrictions). We cannot accept shoes, cushions, duvets, curtains, baby clothes or CDs

Wool always wanted (no cones) for our many projects

We would like some wrapping paper to be donated – to keep customers bric-a-brac safely wrapped.

LOCKERLEY AND EAST DEAN MEMORIAL HALL had a fund raiser just before Xmas and it should not go without a big thanks to Amy Boiles and Harriet Bennet who organised it all. The final tally was £487.20, which was happily banked by treasurer Peter Ashby. It's a pleasure to report that their enthusiasm has generated these funds for the Hall. Whilst we have some reserves, our energy bills are going to triple next July, unless energy prices fall. Windfalls like this will help the hall to survive.

Amy organised this voluntarily. If anyone else wishes to get involved in helping the Hall run smoothly on a voluntary basis, please contact Dave White. His email is dave@toggs.org

Test Villages u3a

Thursday 6th April at 2pm Chilbolton Village Hall

'A Conspiracy History of the World'

Andy Thomas explores why people believe in conspiracy theories and investigates the evidence to support them. Test Villages u3a meets on the first Thursday of every month in Chilbolton Village Hall.

Doors open at 1.45pm for the presentation, followed by refreshments
New members are very welcome, and we look forward to seeing you at one of our meetings. u3a provides the opportunity to socialise and learn for fun.

Find out more at u3asites.org.uk/test-villages

The Houghton Trail Event

4/11K Run: 11K Canicross:14/32K MTB

At Houghton Village Hall

Sunday 14th May

Registration 9am Start 1015am

www.houghton-trail-event.org.uk

Bentley Wood Conservation Volunteers - Bean Pole Celebration at the BW Barn - Sun 16th Apr – 10-1

Tea/coffee and biscuits plus demonstrations of woodland crafts using hazel.

Come and take away coppice products from the wood – bean poles and pea sticks – for a modest donation

Bean poles (7-foot, or cut to your preferred length) – bundles of 5 or 10 (and singles)

Pea sticks – bundles of 10 (and singles)

You are welcome to arrive any time during the event, and do bring the family

Enter at Livery Gate entrance (off Livery Road) or Tytherley Road entrance

Greetings from Lockerley Baptist Church

We meet each Sunday at 10.30am for morning worship. Anyone is welcome to join us for this service which is followed with tea or coffee and biscuits.

Our next Coffee Morning is on Wednesday 19th April which will be held in the back hall from 10am to 12 Noon.

Please come and join us. Light refreshments including home made cake and savouries will be available.

If you would like any further information or help please phone Brian or Marion on 01794 340695

Welcome folder copies (for those new to the area) may be obtained from:

Lockerley : Bob Stileman 01794 340452

East Dean: Nicky Bell 341228

East Tytherley: Rob Scoones 341269

West Tytherley: Julie Neilson 340850

All contributions for future editions of The Newsletter should be sent to

newsletter@lockerley.org.uk by the 15th of the preceding month.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Visit the website www.lockerley.org.uk and www.easttytherleyvillage.com

for up to date diary and news entries.



St Winfrid's, East Dean



St Peter's, East Tytherley



St John's, Lockerley



St Peter's, West Tytherley

The week before Easter (3rd to 7th April) is called Holy Week and is there to help people prepare for Easter. In our churches we are planning for:

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday – Simple Evening Communion Services at different churches around the Benefice

Maundy Thursday – A simple Communion Service and 'Princes of the World' – a play voiced by members of the congregation' at **Lockerley**

Good Friday – a 3-hour vigil remembering the 3 hours that Christ spent on the cross (with a procession from Lockerley Green to East Dean Church, starting at 11am). This will be a service where all ages can come and go, arriving and leaving when they please. There will be quiet, music and words to help our reflections. In the evening come to **Lockerley** (6pm) where the choir will be leading 'The Cross of Christ' - the story of Jesus' suffering and death on the cross told through hymns, anthems and bible readings. (Duration about 1 hour).

Easter Sunday - The early morning service combines: a Vigil (waiting for Dawn outside the church); with the Service of Light (with procession and lighting of new 'Paschal Candle'); a reminder about Baptism (in the early Church Easter was the only time for baptisms) and an Easter Communion. This will be followed by a light, celebratory breakfast.

Please take the opportunity to come and prepare for Easter.

Then, in April, we have the Annual Parochial Church Meetings (all in Church) when we can elect 2 churchwardens for each parish church and vote on important matters, as well as hear about what has been going on over the last year. (Lockerley & East Dean 1145am on Sun 23rd April; West Tytherley 7.30pm on Tues 18th April; East Tytherley 7.30pm on Thurs 20th April).

Your Vicar, James

Facebook page and access to Services: www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateChurches/

Monday to Saturday: 9am Online Morning Prayer and 9pm Online Night Prayer



	2 nd Apr	Holy Week	9 th Apr	16 th Apr	23 rd Apr	30 th Apr
East Dean	1030am (BCP) Matins	Weds 7pm Simple Communion Fri Noon-3pm Vigil	9am (BCP) Easter Communion	9am (BCP) Communion	8am (BCP) Communion	1030am Joint Eucharist at East Tytherley
East Tytherley	-	Mon 7pm Simple Communion	6am Dawn Vigil and Communion	1030am Eucharist	-	
Lockerley	8am (BCP) Communion 1030am Celebration	Thursday 7pm Communion and 'Man Born to be King' Play Friday 6pm Cross of Christ	1030am Easter Eucharist	1030am Celebration	1030am Eucharist	
West Tytherley	9am Eucharist	Tues 7pm Simple Communion	1030am Easter Eucharist	9am (BCP) Matins	9am (BCP) Communion	
Sherfield English	11am Communion	-	11am Easter Family Service	11am Family Service	11am Morning Prayer	11am Service
Wellow	9.15am Holy Communion	-	9.15am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	8.15am Communion 9.15am Matins	9.15am Communion

*Notes: BCP – Traditional services from the Book of Common Prayer, all other services are Modern Language from Common Worship
There are 20 minute mid-week Communion Services every Wednesday in Lockerley at 9am*

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East Dean Nicky Bell 01794-341228 Diana Ayles 01794-340236	East Tytherley Rob Scoones 01794-341269 Val Austin 01794-301580

Items for the **May** Newsletter to be sent or given to:

The Vicar
(contact details on the left)
Or
email
newsletter@lockerley.org.uk

**By 12 Noon Latest
15th April**