

the NewsLetter

Lockerley,
East Tytherley,
East Dean,
West Tytherley



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March 2021

Change of Post Office opening hours at Lockerley Village Hall with immediate effect.
Monday 9 – 12 & Thursdays 9 - 12

Thorngate Village Care Group

The Care Group has over 50 volunteers all DBS checked, insured and ready, willing, and able to help in so many ways – essential shopping, prescriptions, friendly phone calls. Many of us have now been vaccinated too! Just ring/email one of the Coordinators below to arrange. We are back providing lifts for those needing help to get to **vaccination centres as well as doctors, hospitals, oncology, and other important appointments.** Please remember to wear your face mask! And sanitise your hands. *Thorngate Village Care Group part of Good Neighbours Network covers Lockerley, East Dean, East and West Tytherley.*

REQUESTS FOR HELP

Please contact any Co-ordinator:

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Volunteers are also willing to help with completing the Census form if needed

Census day is here. With March 21st just around the corner, Census 2021 is in full swing in Hampshire. The letters, with your unique access codes, have all gone out and responses are already coming in. For more information visit census.gov.uk

The Sarah Rolle Trust

The Trust next meets on the 23rd of March 2021. Applications for a grant for educational purposes are invited from individuals and groups who must be under twenty-five years of age. They must now reside, or their parents now reside, within the ecclesiastical parish of Lockerley (with East Dean) or East Tytherley. Application forms are available from Lockerley and West Tytherley Primary Schools; also, from Greg McCann (Secretary) at Mount View, East Dean Road, Lockerley, SO51 0JQ (01794 340698). Forms are available on line at <http://www.lockerley.org.uk/social-groups/sarah-rolle-trust> to be returned to the Secretary (gregg.mcann70@yahoo.co.uk) by the 8th March 2021. Any requests not received in time, may be held over until the next meeting in October.

The Background to the Sarah Rolle Trust

In 1718 Sarah Rolle built a school in East Tytherley. She funded it with the rents from School Farm, Lockerley, which she bought for the purpose, and with other rents. The trust deed (1736) provided for a schoolmaster and schoolmistress to teach reading, writing and the “casting of accounts”, as well as the teaching of the Church of England. There were to be six poor girls and four poor boys to be chosen equally from the parishes of East Tytherley and Lockerley. The children were to be clothed and, each day they came to school, given a halfpenny of bread and a halfpenny of cheese. The master was permitted to take boarders and, in addition, was required to teach all the poor children of the two villages. A separate school (Lockerley School) was founded in Lockerley in 1870. It was built on land belonging to the charity and built partly at its expense. The East Tytherley school was closed in 1933 because of a fall in numbers. The Sarah Rolle Foundation continues to contribute to Lockerley and West Tytherley Schools, besides providing educational benefits for the children of the parishes of Lockerley with East Dean and East Tytherley.

200 Club

200 Club Winners

The winners for January were:

Mrs Penny Funnell £20

Mrs Peggy Milsom £20

Dun Valley Walks Book

As Spring approaches, it is time to explore some new walks and footpaths. A local walks book, including walks in East and West Dean, the Tytherleys, Lockerley, Mottisfont, Dunbridge and Carters Clay, has been revised and updated by members of Lockerley Walking Group, with some new walks added. The walks in the book vary from 2 - 9 miles in length and are very varied, from minor roads and paths, to footpaths through woods, downland, meadows and by streams. Copies are **on sale now at £6** from Lockerley Stores, West Tytherley Shop, Hansards Pet Centre, and Romsey Tourist Information.

All profits from sales will go to Lockerley Memorial Hall, our local Churches and Shelter.



Gravestones and Lichens

Are you a lichenologist or have an interest in the miniscule plants? Or do you know anyone who is? It is hoped that a study of the lichens on the gravestones in the churchyards can be undertaken this year. To do this properly it would be helpful to have an expert, semi expert or keen amateur on the team. There is currently no plan in place so you could get involved from the very beginning and ensure that proper records are kept and that samples are kept in the correct manner. For more information contact Vicar James, contact details on the back page.

Lockerley Primary School is situated on the edge of the beautiful Test Valley. The school retains some of the original Victorian buildings, along with more modern extensions, to create 4 full time classrooms, a music room, a well-stocked library, a multi-purpose hall and, the latest addition to the building, the 'Monarch Room' used for small group work and the home of the Breakfast and After School clubs. All children have access to Chromebooks, laptops, and iPads. There is a well-equipped playground, a sports-field, and a beautiful garden.



Our desire is to offer our children a rich and meaningful learning experience that enables them to develop their self-esteem and maximise their potential as young people. We have close links with St John's Church in the village, and the Parish Vicar plays an active part in the life of the school. The school uses the church frequently for special assemblies. If you are looking for a school place locally we do have some spaces for year R in September 2021 and currently a few places in years 1, 3, 4, 5 & 6. For further information please call the school office on 01794 340485 or email

adminoffice@lockerley.hants.sch.uk

There is a video on our school website:

www.lockerleyprimary.co.uk/keyinformation/admissions

Snowdrops Wanted!

Everyone loves snowdrops. They show up year after year, in the freezing cold of winter, and they seem to grow so well round here. You can see wonderful drifts in East Dean churchyard and next to East Tytherley church. Snowdrops spread easily, if you dig up a clump when they have finished flowering and re-plant elsewhere. The late, much missed David Smith planted some round trees on Lockerley Green and they look lovely now. I'd like to plant some outside Lockerley church where they can be seen from the road, or maybe by the trees near the Scout Hut. So please get in touch, with offers of snowdrops, offers of help planting or ideas where more would look good.

Barbara Needham

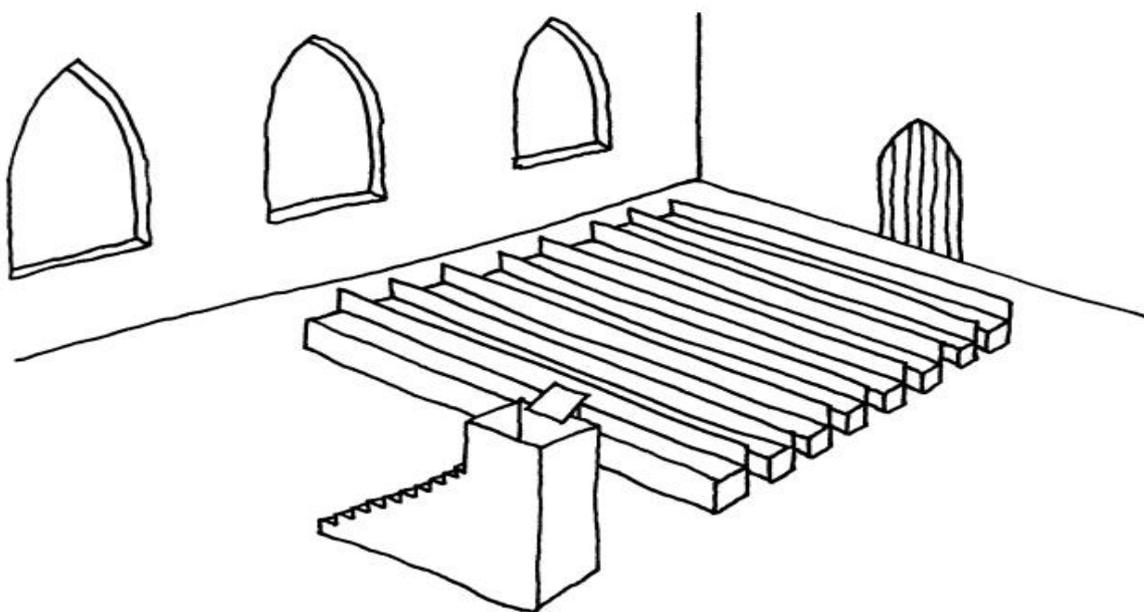
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Down on the Farm at Lockerley Estate.

Another busy month on the farm has passed to which we remain very thankful it is almost business as usual for us. Annual training courses, red tractor and leaf marque food standards audits, importing of farmyard manure from Lockerley Hall farms in exchange for straw, hedging, fencing, out loading crops, processing timber, machinery servicing etc... the team have been busy preparing for the spring workload that will soon be on us, and with the snowdrops putting on a great show in our woods and the daffodils getting ready to bloom, we can start to get a little excited for spring. We have formulated an ambitious estate wide plan to create lots of new areas to improve biodiversity. We will create areas of winter bird food, pollen, and nectar strips, develop graded woodland edges, grass field margins, and restore a significant area of wood pasture in our 'wilding' area at the south of the estate.

The wilding area has created some excitement this month as our small herd of English Longhorns produced our first Lockerley Estate born calf at the start of the month, a heifer calf born into the coldest weather all winter but taking it in her stride! This period also sees the start of a new five-year management plan covering the 570 acres of mixed woodland we have on the estate with more detail on this to come next month. Spring has definitely sprung in the polytunnel and the seedlings are appreciating all the extra light & warmth. The peas and beans sown back in January are looking particularly strong and the beds filling up with beautiful seasonal produce. March continues to be a busy seed sowing time of course. We have added three new beds for this season, plus a large fruit cage earmarked for delicious raspberries, gooseberries, and currants. Another exciting development is the design and build of the new "Veg Shed" where you will be able to purchase a variety of Lockerley Estate produce from May.

THE CHURCH IS EMPTY



THIS IS BECAUSE EVERYONE IS BUSY



HELPING AT THE
FOOD BANK



DELIVERING
PRESCRIPTIONS



CREATING
ONLINE WORSHIP



RUNNING THE
DEBT ADVICE CENTRE