

Village & Community Magazine

AUGUST 2024

Keeping All Our Villages Connected and United



Some Upcoming Events in August

- Flower Festival - Warslow Village Hall - Fri 2nd to Sun 4th - 10.00am to 5.00pm
"Warm Welcome" - Tea/Coffee Morning - Butterson Church - Tues 6th - 10.30am to 12.30pm
Pilates Class - Butterson Village Hall - Every Tues - 6th / 13th / 20th / 27th - 1.00pm
Friendship Club - Talk by Ashley Franklin - Alstonefield Village Hall - Wed 7th - 6.00pm
Pilates Class - Butterson Village Hall - Every Thurs - 8th / 15th / 22nd / 29th - 6.00pm
Manifold Agricultural Show - The Arboor, Ilam Moor Lane - Sat 10th - All Day
Moorlands Repair Café - Warslow Village Hall - Sat 17th - 10.00am to 2.00pm
Ilam Sunday Lunch - 'Dog Trial Marquee', Blore Cross Roads, Ashbourne - Sun 18th - 12.30pm
'Kids' Holiday Club' - Elim Church, Ashbourne - Tues 20th to Fri 23rd - 10.00am to 3.00pm
"Warm Welcome" - Tea/Coffee Morning - Butterson Church - Tues 20th - 10.30am to 12.30pm
Jam Jar Festival - Butterson Church - Sat 24th - 10.00am onwards
Scarecrow Festival - In & Around Butterson Village - Sat 24th to Sun 1st September
Butterson Wakes Summer Festival - Sun 25th - 1.00pm to 7.00pm

DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER EDITION IS 6am on WEDNESDAY 28th AUGUST

Input from you all would be gratefully received. At the end of the day, if you don't contribute then there is no magazine. Talking of which, a lot of you believe that you cannot send items until the deadline time and date. A deadline has to be set but you can send your information/pictures/jokes anytime and it really helps me to put things together the earlier you send your items to me. So please feel free to submit any article. It's your magazine and just so long as it is Legal, Decent and Appropriate in my eyes, it will be inserted of course.

Please remember I can only accept word documents and NO PDF's or Photocopies.

Call me on 01538 304560 if you need any help. Don't be late, the old rule still applies. Absolutely nothing will be accepted after 6am on the above date. **Editors decision on layout and inclusion is final.

Goodbye to the Swifts



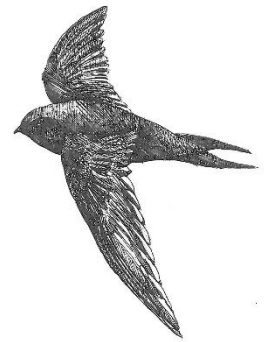
Swifts are one of our most enigmatic birds, and if you live in an area where they are still nesting then the last three or four months may have been characterised by their breathtaking aerodynamics and their shrill screams.

Cuckoos and swifts are the earliest of our migrants to leave the UK but whilst cuckoos do not rear their young, swifts do so quickly, starting to breed in May, feeding young until they fledge in July or August, at which time adults and young head south!

By August most are en-route for the warm south stopping to refuel in southern Europe and they will travel about 7,000 miles to Equatorial or even Southern Africa. Swifts are fantastic fliers, living entirely on the wing apart from when nesting. Swifts feed on tiny flying insects and spiders, often going to great heights to find them and bringing back a ball or *bolus* of food in a throat pouch for their young. They have been known to fly high and fast, travelling up to 70 mph and soaring over the Himalayas in Ladakh when on migration. They eat, sleep, bathe and mate on the wing and cannot take off from the ground as their legs are small and set far back on their bodies. Instead, they launch from a high-up hole or ledge, swooping straight into flight. In nature they nest in holes in tall trees or cliffs and our buildings make a good alternative with churches and chapels particularly good for swifts as they are tall and have space around the building for the swift to launch in to. Swifts can nest on the top of the wall under the eaves or within the tower or spire, perhaps in a swift box behind the louvres of the tower windows or in a small hole or crevasse.

It is quite possible that swifts nest on your nearest church without anybody knowing, as unlike swallows and martins (with which they are often confused), they rarely visit their nests and leave no droppings below. Swifts will fly around screaming as the evening draws in and then quickly swoop into their nests in a split second and so sharp eyes and patience is required to spot them.

Swifts need our help, they have reduced in number by over 60% since 1995, in part due to improvements in our buildings, making them more weather-tight and better insulated. This good work can have the unfortunate effect of removing swift nesting sites so installing nest boxes is a great idea. If your church does not have swift boxes in the tower and you know that there are swifts in the area then perhaps you might try and arrange for a box to be installed over the autumn and winter, in time for next year's epic migration. You'll find information on swift boxes on the Caring for God's Acre website and take a look at the website of Swift Conservation to learn more.



Moorlands Connect is a Demand Responsive Door-to-Door bus service connecting villages throughout the Staffordshire Moorlands with Leek, Ashbourne, Buxton and Cheadle.

For workers, shoppers, walkers, cyclists, visits to the area's market towns and major attractions, or simply a trip to your favourite hotel, restaurant or

pub. **Leave the car (or motorhome) behind and make your journey with us!** Cycles and dogs welcome please mention when booking.

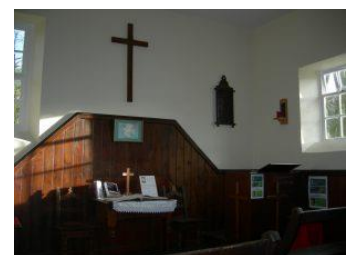
Booking: Booking is simple and can be made up to 2 hours before travel time. Monday - Saturday by phone or text and 24 hours in advance by email (to ensure availability). **Call: 01335 342951, Text: 07946 365256, mail: bookings@moorlandsconnect.co.uk**

!!!! Use it or we Will Lose it !!!!

Milldale Chapel

Please join us at the lovely little chapel in the valley for our Summer Service at 7.00pm on 7th August.

All are welcome





WARM WELCOME



**AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH,
BUTTERTON**



DATES THIS MONTH:

Tuesdays 6th & 20th August

POP IN FOR A CHAT AND A COFFEE / TEA

NO CHARGE, BUT DONATIONS TO CHURCH FUNDS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED, THANK YOU

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



Thank You

Nancy would like to thank everyone who made her 105th Birthday so lovely with best wishes, cards, flowers, plants, presents and for people visiting all day. How good it was to talk to everyone. A truly Happy Day. Thank you one and all.
Nancy.

Did you Know that.....

Pilates classes are held at 1pm on Tuesdays and 6pm on Thursdays at Butterton Village Hall Contact Louise at Podium Pilates for more details.

Or that

Dog Training at Butterton Village Hall is every Sunday, run by Karen Landon of Churnet Valley Dog Training.. Contact Karen if you wish to enrol your dog on her courses. Classes for Adults & Puppies.

Warm Beautiful Private Swimming Pool

Butterton Moor House, Parsons Lane, Butterton Moor ST13 7PD

Our private pool is ideal for families, mothers and babies / toddlers, individuals or groups swimming together.

There's now a great opportunity for a small group of family or friends to book a regular every other weekly swim on Friday mornings at 11am – 12pm



Birthday / Celebration Pool Parties – ask for details

Located in the beautiful Peak District approx. 7 miles from Ashbourne
5 miles from Leek.

For more details please contact:

Diane on 07870 380375 or email dianemlatham1@gmail.com

Butterton Moor House, Parsons Lane, Butterton Moor ST13 7PD



**St Lawrence Church
Warslow
Flower Festival**

2nd–4th August

10.00am—5.00pm

refreshments, raffle & tombola

**“All Creatures of
our God and King”**



**Festival Service
Sunday 4th at 4.00pm**



Derbyshire Life

and Countryside

Wednesday 7th August; Alstonefield Village Hall
6.00pm

My Derbyshire Life

A talk by Ashley Franklin

Ashley illustrates his work as a writer and photographer for *Derbyshire Life* magazine, looking back over 15 years of his popular monthly articles about towns and villages in mid-to-south Derbyshire. This is a highly entertaining presentation packed with historical tit-bits, fascinating facts, funny stories and stunning photos - a wonderful celebration of Derbyshire.

**Cost £6.00- Includes meal of lasagne, salad and dessert
“Fruit Surprise!”**

Phone or message Mandy (07779899860) or Anne M (07721048968) to book a place. Members do not need to book.

This talk has been organised by Alstonefield & District RVS Friendship Club

Everyone is invited to the

Ilam Sunday Lunch

Sunday 18th August 2024



To be held at
The Dog Trial Marquee,
BLORE PASTURES, Nr Ashbourne, DE6 2BS

Doors Open 12.30pm Lunch Served 1pm

Tickets:

Adults £20

Children aged 11 and under £10

Free Drink on Arrival

Available from PCC members:

Richard 01335 310005

Joan 01335 350475

Ellen 01335 350437



MOORLANDS REPAIR CAFE



**WARSLOW VILLAGE HALL
SATURDAY 17TH AUGUST
10AM-2PM**

Repairs need to be booked in by 1.30pm

WHAT WE FIX

- Domestic mechanical appliances
- Electrical appliances (no microwaves)
- Clothing & textile repairs-not alterations
- Computer hardware and software
- Toys & Teddies
- Minor bike repairs & safety checks

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT



Grab some refreshments while you wait, have a chat and be part of this award winning community led project.

FREE

Repairs are free, voluntary donations welcome. If replacement parts are required you will need to cover costs.



Scan the QR code to join our Facebook group
www.moorlandsclimateaction.org.uk
repaircafe@moorlandsclimateaction.org.uk



Organised by Moorlands Climate Action and supported by the Staffordshire Moorlands District Council Community Climate & Nature Action Fund, Warslow Parish Council and District Cllr. J Kempster.

SURF'S

Kids holiday club

UP

20-23 AUGUST

GAMES

CRAFTS

FUN

10AM - 3PM | LUNCH INCLUDED | 5-10 YEARS

FREE
SPACES LIMITED

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK ONLINE VISIT
ASHELIM.CH/SURF

BOOK NOW!

Ashbourne
Elim
Church

Marvellous Monday Munches

Free Lunch & Kids Bible Activities

Ashbourne Elim Church
every Monday for five weeks
starting the 22nd July until 19th August
12 - 2pm

Come and enjoy a fun, family-friendly church

Ashbourne
Elim
Church

For more information message Mike@ashbourneelim.church

platform
housing group

BUTTERTON SCARECROW *Festival*



24th Aug - 1st Sept

THEME: TRADES & PROFESSIONS

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE FROM THE BLACK LION PUB
FOR A MINIMUM DONATION OF £1**

**FREE TO ENTER. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE
CONTACT MAIL@KJKIRBY.CO.UK 07816840486**



1PM - 7PM SUNDAY 25TH AUGUST

BUTTERTON WAKES SUMMER FESTIVAL

**1PM Crowning of the Wakes Queen and
service at St. Bartholomew's Church**

**2PM Village Hall- BBQ, bouncy castle,
Tug O War, family entertainment, live
music, beer festival and grand prize
draw.**

Everybody welcome

Butterton Village Hall ST13 7ST For more information, contact
mail@kjkirby.co.uk or Butterton Wakes Facebook Event
page.

Card Payments Accepted

THE LAST NIGHT OF THE
PROMS



Rolls-Royce (Derby) Band

Musical Director: Adrian Lacey

Guest Soloist to be invited

Compare: Julian Hackett

Saturday 21 September 2024

7pm (Doors open at 6:15)

St. Peters Church, Alstonefield

Church Street, Alstonefield, DE6 2FX

Tickets can be purchased from Julian @
07396498754

OR

MutteringProductions@outlook.com

Tickets £12.50 each

Peak District National Park – Ecton Copper Mines



The conservation of a unique Peak District mining structure has been recognised in a celebration event at historic Ecton Copper Mine.

Completion of work to the Ecton balance cone has allowed the wider, nationally important, Ecton Copper Mine site in Staffordshire to be removed from the UK's Heritage at Risk Register.

Partners in the project came together to cut a ribbon and thank everyone involved. Mining songs were performed by members of two choirs - West Bridgford Social Singers and Everyone Can Sing, led by musical director Simon Thompson.

The project was achieved thanks to grants totalling £145,000 through the Defra-funded Farming in Protected Landscapes programme.

Archaeologists from the Peak District National Park Authority worked alongside partners, including Ecton Mine Educational Trust, Ecton Hill Field Studies Association and Historic England to guide the conservation project. Funding allowed a multi-disciplinary feasibility study to understand the structural integrity of the Ecton balance cone, its archaeological complexity and its importance for wildlife.

The Ecton Mine balance cone is a complex structure, both above and below ground. A scheduled monument, falling within two Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), Ecton was once the deepest mine in England, using cutting edge 18th century technology to extract copper ore from depths of up to 300 metres below the River Manifold.

The balance cone housed a counterbalance to support some of the weight of the winding rope and reduce the load on the Boulton and Watt steam-powered winding engine which, in 1788, was only the sixth ever commissioned in the world.

Anna Badcock, cultural heritage team manager at the Peak District National Park Authority, said: "It is fantastic to see the removal of Ecton copper mines from the national Heritage at Risk Register".

"This project is a perfect example of a complex site that delivers important benefits for cultural and natural landscapes and really shows what can be achieved through working in partnership".

"It is the final piece in the jigsaw to get this site removed from the Heritage at Risk Register. Previous work – led by the National Trust and the partnership – included repair of the engine house and powder house."

New interpretation is planned for the Geoff Cox Centre on Ecton Hill and at nearby Hulme End – at the start/finish of the Manifold track – to improve people's understanding of the history of lead and copper mining here and elsewhere in the Peak District.

For over 20 years, the interests of the Ecton Copper Mine have been overseen through the collaborative efforts of a partnership of several organisations, with landowner support. The partnership includes the Ecton Mine Educational Trust, Ecton Hill Field Studies Association, Peak District National Park Authority, Historic England, National Trust and Natural England.

ALSTONEFIELD



Vicar: In Vacancy
Church Warden(s): Position(s) Vacant
Contact & Reader: Clare Day 01538 381773

Sunday Services in August

4 th	11.00am	Holy Communion
25 th	11.00am	Morning Worship

St Peter's Alstonefield

Community Larder Open 24hours a day in the porch of St Peter's Church, Alstonefield
St. Peter's PCC Community Larder supports people experiencing difficulties in the current cost of living crisis. Anyone needing food or other household items, please help yourself from the box in the church porch. All donations of dried food and toiletries, to benefit others, are welcome. Please place them in the boxes in the church porch. Every two weeks or so excess items will be donated to the food banks in Leek or Ashbourne.

ALSTONEFIELD EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Are you a young person or do you know a young person, under the age of 25, who is currently or about to be undertaking some form of learning?

Well, the trustees of the Alstonefield Educational Charity are interested in receiving applications for grants to assist in the education of children and young people, under the age of 25 and resident in the parish of Alstonefield or its neighbourhood.

Grants are not restricted to young people in further or higher education but are available to all children and young people for educational purposes where a need for some financial support can be shown – for instance: extracurricular, leisure or out of school activities.

Grants could also be available for organisations or groups involved in sponsoring educational activities for our children or young people.

Each application will be considered by the Trustees at their meeting in October 2024 and grants will be awarded at their discretion.

Applicants in Year 7 and above are required to complete an application form, which is available via www.alstonefield.org. Applicants below year 7 or groups should submit their application by letter, giving details of what the grant is required for and how it would be of benefit to the individual or group.

Please forward all applications to:

Application/Alstonefield Education Trust, Carver Cottage, School Lane, Alstonefield, Ashbourne, DE6 2FR, to arrive no later than 30th September 2024.

“AVETS Remember”

In an emergency you should always dial 999 first.

If you need help before the emergency services arrive, you could call the Alstonefield Village Emergency Telephone System (AVETS) on 01335818911.

AVETS aims to connect you direct to speak to a local volunteer who may be able to assist.

If you would like to know more about what we do, please call Meg on 488 or Carrie on 009

Alstonefield Parish Council

Clerk to the Council – Martin Jinks **Next Parish Council Meeting:** Contact Clerk for details.

Email: clerk@alstonefield-pc.org.uk c/o The Village Hall, Alstonefield, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. DE6 2FR

Chair: Mr R Hignett (07904 187785) **Vice Chairman:** Mr G Campbell (07919 353800)

Mr A Hayes ([Tel:01335 310057](tel:01335310057)), Mrs S Jeffery ([Tel:07465 217269](tel:07465217269)), Mr C McIlroy ([Tel:07930 001374](tel:07930001374)).

Mr M Newman (mn821268@gmail.com), Mrs R Longdon (07870 731389).

Alstonefield Village Hall

Chair: Kevin Stockton **Treasurer & Bookings Officer:** Jo Griffin

Committee members: See Below.

Liz Power

Duncan Scroggs

Mark Smith

Martin Snodin

Dave Littlehales

Val Littlehales

Charlotte Jordan

For date of next meeting contact any of the Parish Council Members.

If you would like to hire the Hall or have any queries, please email: alstonefieldvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk

Could you help with our book-keeping?

The Village Hall's Treasurer is looking for a bit of help - around an hour a week, perhaps two. You won't need any accounting experience, just reasonable numeracy and common-sense. If you think you might be able to help, you'd make a busy lady very happy! Contact Joanna by email at alstonefieldvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk (or call/message 07812 606790).

Alstonefield & District RVS Friendship Club Welcomes New Members and Visitors

Wednesday 7 th August 6.00pm	Alstonefield Village Hall £6.00	Ashley Franklin- This Derbyshire Life 6.00pm Event includes a meal: lasagne, salad and for dessert “Fruit Surprise”
Wednesday 21st August - Trip to Llandudno- CANCELLED!		
Wednesday 4 th September 3.00pm	Alstonefield Village Hall £6.00	Bring and Share picnic Entertainment- TBA
Wednesday 18 th September 12.00 noon	Denstone Farm Shop £5 for Bus	Lunch out and shopping trip (Bus from Alstonefield) Please let Fiona know 2 weeks in advance for the bus and café. (01335 310200)
Wednesday 2 nd October 3.00pm	Alstonefield Village Hall £6.00	AUTUMN FUN AFTERNOON- An afternoon of games, prizes and seasonal soup and rolls.
Wednesday 6 th November 2.00pm	Alstonefield Village Hall £6.00	Lisa- our very own Post Lady- has another “string to her bow” Please join us to hear Lisa play her bagpipes. Event includes our traditional cream tea
Wednesday 4 th December 12.00pm	Venue to be confirmed	Christmas Dinner.
Wednesday 1 st January	No meeting	

Please join us at one or more of the events in our programme.



What's happening with The George in Alstonefield?

After a number of years as a restaurant only business followed by a period of closure, the George Pub in Alstonefield re-opened early this year under the care of a temporary landlord, Nick Gentleman.

Nick is proving very popular with locals and visitors alike and we are seeing our village pub coming back to life. Nick who is an experienced landlord, would love to see the full potential of the George realised. However, Marston's PLC, who own the property, have placed it on the market for sale, and this limits

Nick's ability to invest and develop the business to its full potential.

The local community have taken the decision to form a Community Benefit Society with the intention of attempting to raise enough capital to purchase the freehold. They have done this to ensure that the long-term future of the George remains as a public house and for it to be there for the whole community in perpetuity. The Society will very shortly be launching a share ownership and fundraising scheme on a wide scale.

If they are successful in purchasing the pub, the long-term intention is for the pub to be run by a professional landlord. In essence, the community will replace the brewery as owners of the freehold and it would be leased to a tenant, but with the simple restriction that it is operated as a public house that is accessible to everyone in the community. To find out more about the community plan and also information about the George current opening times, menus, etc. please visit the new website.

<https://thegeorgealstonefield.co.uk/>

BUTTERTON



St. Bartholomew's Church

Revd - Jane Held:
01538 262116

Church Warden:
Maggie Risby 304115
Rachael Hopper

Deputy:
Lily Hambleton-Plumb

Services in August

11th 3.00pm Evening Worship
25th 1.00pm Wakes Service

August Altar Flowers: Maggie Risby
August Cleaning Rota: Lily H. Plumb

P.C.C. Members: Secretary: Maggie Risby 304115 **Treasurer:** Patrick Bailey
Maurice & Barbara Woodward, Dorothy Glaister, Sheila McDermott, Jackie Sumerling, Maggi Rowland.

St. Bartholomew's

I write this newsfeed following a three-hour stint at church, sorting out the shed and kitchen. It was very satisfying but hard work. Finding items you never knew you had, teabags from 2018, signs for events held years and years ago, Christmas tree decorations that must be antique..... The Bus Shelter benefitted from a few items....

Church matters have been a bit on the quiet side (for a change). An electrician has been booked to finish off a few jobs but apart from that....fingers crossed.

Warm Welcome, every other Tuesday is going very well. 28 attended the last one on Tuesday 23rd July. The next meet ups are Tuesdays 6th, 20th August and Tuesdays 2nd, 17th September, 10.30pm – 12.30pm. Everyone is welcome. Come and sample the cakes as the cooks are excelling themselves.

We have three groups of bell ringers visiting us mid-August and another group in September.

Ringling for Sunday services is much appreciated. If anyone is interested in becoming a part of a group of Butterton Bell ringers, learning how to ring our six bells, please contact Chris Hopper (husband of Rachel, one of our Churchwardens.)

Butterton is gearing up for the Wakes on Sunday 25th August. Following the crowning of the new Wakes Queen at the service in church at 1pm, there is a procession to the Village Hall grounds where all the usual fun can be enjoyed....Children's entertainment, Stalls and Games, Craft stalls, Refreshments, a Bar and a live group will be there to entertain you.

The 'Jam Jar' Festival will take place again as it is a lovely way to decorate the Church for Wakes. Bring a jam jar of garden flowers with a dedication to a family member/loved one dearly departed and place in Church on Saturday 24th August from 10am onwards.

Prior to this is the Scarecrow exhibition round the village. This year's theme is 'Occupations and Trades'. Maps will be available nearer the time.

A date to put on your calendar is Saturday 7th September. Cheese master extraordinaire Alan Salt is coming to talk cheese. Wine is also on the menu! Exact times need to be firmed up but the event will be held in Church on that evening.

After the two-day History Group event in Church comes to a finish on Sunday 6th October there is a Songs of Praise Service at 3pm. Everyone welcome.

Harvest this year will be celebrated in Church at 6pm on Sunday 20th October. Following this is Harvest Pie and Pea Supper at the Village Hall on Monday 21st October.

With all the above happenings, details will be given nearer the time.....

St Bartholomew's Church Lottery Winners for July

1 st	Peter Gibbs	(59)	£40.00
2 nd	Michelle Renshaw	(116)	£20.00
3 rd	Gordon Bartley	(94)	£10.00

The next draw will be held on Saturday August 10th in Church at 11.00 am.

**Maggie is looking for prizes for the Crazy Card Game.
If you have any unwanted gifts, small toys, sweets, anything new etc,
she would be so grateful.....**

Don't Forget

'Warm Welcome' Tea Coffee Mornings at St. Bartholomew's Tuesday's 6th & 20th August, 10.30am 'til 12.30pm,

Message From the Community Bus Shelter



At last the Bus Shelter in Butterton is enjoying some warm weather. Our produce department has been doing good business, so if you have surplus produce or flowers, do think about sharing them with the community by leaving them at the Shelter and help to raise money for local causes; if possible, please label or identify plants.

Your donations this year have been amazing; we have already hit our target for the Memorial Garden in the church, and are only waiting for the necessary permissions from the Diocese. We have made grants of £250 to the Air Ambulance and Manifold Pre-School which is vital to ensure we have a new generation living and working in our villages. We will continue to update you on our fundraising in the Community Magazine, and on the Butterton Village Facebook page.

Meanwhile, the Shelter needs good quality items, in a clean and working condition. Sadly, when inappropriate items are left in the Shelter, it just creates a job for the Shelter Elves who must remove and dispose of them. If you have something special or bulky please give us a call (01538 304408) or use email (buttertonbusshelter@gmail.com) or Facebook, or just ask one of us at the Bus Shelter. Remember, we are a local charity, with no overheads, so all the money goes towards fulfilling a local need.

Customers who do not have the ready cash to make a donation can pay by bank transfer to the Bus Shelter bank account or by Paypal (the QR Code is in the Shelter). The bank account details are:

Account name: Butterton Community Giving Sort Code: 82 11 07 Account No: 40308265

More details about the charity can be found on the village website (<http://buttertonmoorlands.co.uk/village-organisations/butterton-bus-shelter/>).

**Please make sure items left in the Bus Shelter are CLEAN and intact.
Electrical or Mechanical items should work (label them 'WORKING ORDER').
We will be obliged to remove anything which is inappropriate or potentially dangerous.
PLEASE don't leave:
Clothing, knives, paint, anything flammable or toxic, Alcohol, DVDs & CDs
Jam jars, egg boxes, out of date travel books, encyclopedias etc.**

Butterton History Group

Butterton History Group dates for your diaries.....Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th October for the next event in Church. The theme is '1841 – 1939 and Beyond'...How the Village has changed over the years. We are always pleased to receive your dusty old documents relating to Butterton's history. Please, **DO NOT THROW THEM AWAY. Even the smallest newspaper cutting or photograph will be welcomed.**

Looking forward to 2025. On Friday 5th September the History Group will be staging an event to Commemorate the end of WW11 (on 2nd September 1945). The 'Rockabilly Dolls' are already booked to entertain us with their rendition of wartime songs. More as the plans unfold.....

Butterton Village Hall

Chairperson: Hilary Bassett (Chairperson) 422314, Marjorie Renshaw (Minutes Secretary), Sheila McDermott (Secretary), Maggie Risby (Treasurer and Bookings Clerk) 304115, Gwen Bagshaw and Dianne Wint.

Following a successful Summer Fayre, Car Boot and Table top Sale, we continue to work hard to raise funds to increase/replace the services we offer. A larger cooker and freezer are top of the list.

Pilates classes are held at 1pm on Tuesdays and 6pm on Thursdays. Contact Louise at Podium Pilates for more details.

Dog Training is every Sunday, run by Karen Landon of Churnet Valley Dog Training. Again, contact Karen if you wish to enrol your dog on her courses.

Hilary Bassett will be hosting the annual Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 27th September.

Butterton Parish Council

C/O Clerk: Maggie Risby, 01538 304115. Email buttertonpc@live.co.uk

Chairperson: Jenny Land 304265, **Vice Chairperson:** Mike Stone 304455

Committee Members: Karen Salt 304543, Peter Tomlinson 304560, Mike Stone (Website Manager) 304455, Tracey Perkin 304781, John Hewitt 07976266459, Darren Kirby 07779121210.

Again, this year, the Parish Council will be providing the prizes for the Scarecrow Competition.

Further Meetings for 2024 are 10th September, 22nd October, 3rd December.

Butterton Annual Village Wakes – Sunday 25th August 2024

The plans are in full swing for the annual Butterton Village Wakes Summer Festival, the event will have all our traditional favourites – we are delighted to welcome back the Warslow Silver Band, new family entertainment & of course our traditional games. We have a fabulous live band lined up which is guaranteed to get you up and dancing. We will have a bar kindly run by The Black Lion Inn, stocking real ale and ciders with all profits going towards our Wakes fundraising.

We are also delighted to repeat the family fun Tug-o-War to the Wakes, hosted by our very own Vic Astle - come try your hand, no experience necessary – prizes for the winning team and a fun Tug-o-War for the kids.

There is also a fabulous array of stall holders onsite selling beautiful crafts & gifts. Nor can we forget our food from burgers to cream teas/cakes – something for everyone to enjoy.

We are really look forward to welcoming you on the day – come rain or shine (fingers crossed for the sunshine) There is plenty of parking and there is no entry fee, we just want you to come along and enjoy our local tradition and support us in raising funds for our community.

We are very pleased to announce this year's Butterton Wakes Queen will be Isabelle, we asked Isabelle to say a few words to introduce herself;



“Hi my name is Isabelle and I’m 12 years old. I can’t wait to be queen! As it’s been my dream ever since I was a little girl and I saw all the other queens at the wakes over the years.

I enjoy playing football for my school and Buxton FC and I also like to get my groove on doing dance once a week with my friends.

I’m looking forward to doing some fundraising for my chosen charities with my friends and family by my side, I’m sure I’ll smash it and hopefully you can support me too!”

We will see the retirement of our current Butterton Wakes Queen Aurora who has done a great job with her fundraising. Thank you, Aurora for all your hard work. We will update you on the grand totals post this year’s Wakes.

STOP PRESS - Grand Prize Draw tickets are now available from any of the committee with some fabulous prizes up for grabs...

As you know the Wakes requires volunteers, cake/scone donations, donations of auction, tombola, or raffle prizes to make the day successful and the more the merrier so please could I ask if you would be willing to volunteer even for an hour – on, before or after the day or can donate then please let any of the committee know.

Alongside our Wakes Festival we also run our village scarecrow trail and if anyone would like to take part, please let Kim Kirby or Jenny Land know. This year’s theme is trade and professions, prizes are up for grabs too. Please also check out our events page on Facebook – Butterton Wakes, where we will be providing regular updates.

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ELKSTONES



St. John the Baptist:
Vicar: Father John Baines

Services in August

18th 3pm Holy Communion

Flowers & Cleaning for August: Margaret Grant



At the time of writing we are actually having a few days of proper summer weather, and it is lovely to see the harvesters mowing the fields and getting the hay in while the sun is shining, a really welcome sight after all the rain that we have had this summer. Let's hope the weather stays fine for our great local Manifold Show at Ilam, which this year takes place on Saturday 10th August. We are lucky in that in spite of all the rain earlier this summer, the birds in Elkstone seem to be flourishing. Jane and Paul Prince's barn owls have produced chicks again, which have been duly checked and ringed by the Barn Owl Action Group.

St John's Church August Dates:

Sunday 18th August, Holy Communion at 3pm: Please come along and take part in the service, and enjoy the good company afterwards with a cup of tea and a piece of cake.

It will soon be time to give thanks for this year's harvest at our annual Harvest Festival, which will be held on Sunday the 15th September at 7.p.m., so please put the date in your diary.

Ilam

Vicar: In Vacancy
Contact & Reader: Clare Day 01538 381773

Sunday Services for August

11th 10.30am Holy Communion

August Flower and Brass Rota

2 nd	Mrs W Hudson	Flowers & Brasses
9 th & 16	Mrs V Nottage	Flowers & Brasses
23 rd & 30 th	Ms C Hibbert-Foy	Flowers & Brasses

August Services

The August service at Ilam Church will take place at 10.30am on Sunday 11th August 2024 and will be taken by Rev Arthur Hack. All welcome.

Church Lunch - Sunday 18th August

The Church Lunch will take place on Sunday 18th August on the Dog Trial Field at Blore Cross roads. Tickets available from Ellen, Joan and Richard. We look forward to seeing you there.

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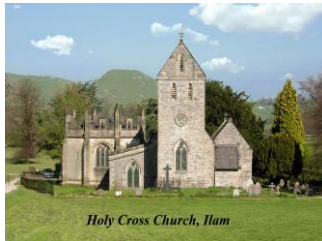
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The next meeting is Tuesday 10th September 7pm at Ilam School.

All welcome and please send any questions you may have to the Clerk, so they can be passed on to the council for discussion.

Parish Council Meetings 2024 at Ilam School 7pm

- Tuesday 12 November



Ilam C of E (VA) School

We've had the most amazing close to the school year here at Ilam primary School!

We ventured off to Parwich for the last of our Primary stars sporting events! We all absolutely loved the sports day event and very much look forward to joining all the participating schools again next year for more sporting fun! We also held our own sports day in school and had so much fun competing and celebrating the amazing sportsmanship that we have! As the children completed their final lap of honour proudly wearing their medals our hearts burst with pride! Well **done** Ilam!

To mark their learning of travel and transport, the Hedgehog and Squirrel classes enjoyed a day at Manchester airport exploring aircraft including the very famous Concorde! The children loved every moment and returned truly inspired by all that they'd discovered! The children continued their learning at home of their own accord writing fact files and books all about the history of aircraft! What a wonderful way to round off this exciting area of learning! The children also enjoyed a visit in school from a pilot! As they listened and learned intently, Captain could not believe how much our children knew about the amazing world of aircraft! A proud moment!

We also hosted our last Muddy Ducklings playgroup of the year with a beach theme! The sun even made an appearance as we paddled and splashed the morning away! We look forward to Muddy Ducklings returning again next year!

Our Kingfisher class disappeared off for three days on their annual residential trip! This time, to Laches Wood! With many activities embraced, from riding BMX bikes through the woods, to canoeing on the canal and swinging at height on the high ropes, our children loved every moment. Embracing their fears in the caves and clinging to the climbing wall, they made us proud at every available opportunity. Spending this time with the class was both a joy and a privilege. The children were exemplary and a wonderful representation of our school. Well done!

Upon our return, we lit up the school with our wonderful art work in our art exhibition. Inspired by artists and their work, the children produced beautiful landscape pieces which we proudly framed and displayed. I hope that all the work now has pride of place in your homes!

Our final week of the school year was packed with fun! We kick started it with three amazing performances of our whole school play 'Joseph'. The children sang, danced and acted in true spectacular fashion. With solos too, we were blown away by this display of courage and talent. A true spectacle and a privilege to be a part of!

Our year 6 children ventured off to climb Bunster as part of our leaver's traditions. We stood out in the yard and waved as they waved back from the amazing height of this wonderful hill that sits behind school. As they continued off on their hike for around eight miles, the rest of us had a wander down to Dovedale in the sunshine before returning for a Miss Lisa picnic lunch! When all back in school we had a special visit from one of our parents in her ice cream van which usually sits down in the village of Ilam. With ice creams as big as ourselves we sat in the sun and revelled in this treat! Thank you, Lisa! We definitely recommend that you visit her van if you get the chance over the summer! What wonderful summer days!

To round the week off we had a summer disco outside before sponging the teachers! Yes, that's right, soak the teachers was a huge hit! I think poor Miss Rouse was the most popular target! If only she hadn't taught PE so well perfecting those aims! As the afternoon drew to a close, we also watched our ducks swim down the field in our duck race and announced the lucky winners! Enjoy your winnings!

After the year 6 parents joined us one last time for lunch, our final afternoon was celebrated in Church with the pleasure of Reverend Jane joining us. As we said goodbye to our leavers, we celebrated their achievements and memories. A tricky event for staff because it's so hard to say goodbye to our wonderful children. That being said, we are filled with excitement as we watch them move into their next chapters knowing they will achieve great things. We wish them every success and happiness in their next schools although they will be dearly missed!

We've had the most amazing year in school and all feel truly blessed to have had the amazing opportunities that have filled our days. As we rest over the next few weeks, we will start to plan our next set of adventures and as always, we promise it to be truly wonderful!

Happy holidays everyone! As always, please do get in touch if you'd like to come and see for yourself just why we are such a special school!

Miss Emily Johnson, Acting Headteacher, Ilam C. E. (VA) School

WARSLOW



St. Lawrence

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Rev'd John Bains
01298 83411

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Judy Prince
01298 84351

August Services

4 th	4pm	Flower Festival Service
18 th	11am	Holy Communion

Do come and join us, you will be very welcome

Flower Rota: Rachel Moorcroft

St. Lawrence

Flower Festival 2nd, 3rd, 4th August



The theme of our flower festival is the first verse of the hymn "All creatures of our God and King"

Sponsorship, donations, gifts of cakes, jams, tombola and raffle prizes are very welcome. If anybody would like to bring a vase or jar of flowers to add to the colourful displays that will be lovely. Also, if you can spare a couple of hours to be in church to welcome visitors, please add your name to the rota in church. We look forward to seeing you!

The Festival Service will be on Sunday 4th August at 4pm.

We are pleased to hear that the Revd. Nicola is now back at home recovering after her long spell in hospital, and we send all our very best wishes from St. Lawrence's.

We congratulate and send our best wishes to Michael and Janice Riley on reaching their Ruby wedding anniversary recently.

Warslow and Elkstones Parish Council

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Repair Café

As previously advertised, The Repair Café will be holding an event in Warslow Village Hall on Saturday, 17th August 2024 from **10.00 am until 2.00 pm**. Repairs need to be booked in by 1.30 pm.

The service involves volunteers offering their skills, free of charge, to provide a repair service on defective items. A donation towards each repair is welcome, plus the payment for any necessary parts is required.

Repairs on a wide variety of items may be considered, including small electrical items but not microwaves, minor bicycle repairs and safety checks, clothing and textile repairs but not alterations, toys and teddies.

In addition to the repair service being offered, the event provides an opportunity for social cohesion in the parish and also reduces the number of items potentially going into landfill. It is also hoped that some skills can be passed on.

Refreshments will be available during this event and also provides an opportunity for a chat.

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Sunday Services in August

18th 11.00am Holy Communion

St Margaret's Church 50/50 Lottery Results

The lucky winners in the July draw were:

1 st Prize	Roger Broughton	£48.00
2 nd Prize	Ann Prince	£32.00

You can join the lottery by paying £5 cash to Margaret Hodgkinson at Manifold Cottage.
The next draw will take place on Friday 16th August 2024.

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