



Stathern Star

September - October 2021



**See inside for the full list of winners from the
Horticultural Show**

What's On in Stathern

September

Date	Event	Location and Time
Sun 5th	Family Service	St. Guthlac's Church at 10:30am
Wed 8th	WI talk - A day in the life of a Pantomime Dame	The Plough Inn Function Room at 8.00pm
Sat 11th	Ride and Stride for Churches	see Church article
Sun 12th	Family Communion with baptism.	St. Guthlac's Church at 10:30am
Sun 12th	Dove Garden Party and Family Fun Day	Dove Cottage Hospice from 11am until 3:30pm
Tues 14th	Parish Council Meeting	The Plough Inn Function Room at 7.00pm
Sun 26th	Choral Evensong	St. Guthlac's Church at 6:30pm

October

Date	Event	Location and Time
Sat 2nd	Guitar Concert	St. Guthlac's Church at 7:30pm
Sun 3rd	Harvest Festival Family Service	St. Guthlac's Church at 10:30am
Sun 3rd	Lord Granby Open Morning	Stathern Lodge, Canal Lane at 10:30am to 12:30pm
Wed 6th	Horticultural Society - Quiz and Social	The Plough Inn at 7.30pm
Sun 10th	Holy Communion	St. Guthlac's Church at 10:30am

Tues 12th	Parish Council Meeting	The Plough Inn Function Room at 7.00pm
Wed 13th	WI - Cookery Demonstration	The Plough In Function Room at 8.00 pm
Sun 17th	Harvest Lunch	WMI at 12:30pm
Sun 24th	All Souls Day Service	St. Guthlac's Church at 6:30pm
Tues 29th	WI Fashion Show	WMI - time to be announced

Future events can be found on the Parish website www.stathernparish.co.uk

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THE RED LION COMMUNITY GROUP – STATHERN

Do you remember when the Red Lion was open? Our award-winning pub drew people from far and wide to enjoy the high quality of dining it provided.

Sadly the Red Lion has now been closed for a few years and whilst we continue to enjoy our other pub, The Plough, we miss the very different offering from the Red Lion.

The owner has now offered it for sale. Some residents have formed the Red Lion Community Group to help ensure that this Asset of Community Value re-opens as a viable business for the benefit of the local community and visitors.

Our first step is to gauge wider interest through a questionnaire, which will also help us to access consultancy and funding. We are hand-delivering printed questionnaires throughout the village and collecting them personally. If you have missed our volunteers or would prefer to complete the questionnaire online, please use this link <https://forms.gle/YMCYdkjcPNXvk5Vv7>. We would like to hear from everyone living in Stathern, whether a long-time resident or new to the village as your views will help us on our journey to revitalise this part of Stathern.

We would appreciate receiving your response by 15th September.

Alternatively please contact one of the following to request a printed or electronic copy of the questionnaire:

Peter Jordan Tel: 01949 860230

Sally Fagan Tel. 07967 699614

Or send us an email on RedLionCommunityGroup@gmail.com

Many thanks for your interest and support.

Red Lion Community Group - (Chair Bridget Green)

Stathern Show : 4th September 2021

How lovely to be able to hold the Show once more, allowing the village and its new residents to come together and socialise after the difficult times we have all been through. The sense of community that we all felt and appreciated so much during the pandemic came to the forefront during the Show. The sun shone and we were able to relax in the lovely surroundings of St Guthlac's Church and gardens; music played, cakes were eaten, games took place and conversation flowed.

Unfortunately, entry numbers decreased - our variable weather conditions during the year affected our crops and we had fewer items to harvest and exhibit. In addition, several residents were "escaping" and holidaying after the restricted lives we've been living. The men of the village continued their competitive spirit with an array of tempting chocolate cakes which they had made for the Show, with the winner awarded the John Deave Trophy. This new trophy was bought in memory of John Deave, a dear and respected gentleman who worked tirelessly in many ways for the church and village. It was fitting that Toity, his daughter, was with us to present it.

The quality of exhibits was maintained and the judges, especially the Art and Handicrafts judge, had to work hard to select the winners. Best in Show was won by Sally Fagan.

Stathern Primary School teamed up with the Horticultural Society again and in their "bubbles" still managed to produce colourful artwork including bunting flags (themed "Plant for the Planet"), potato print pictures, paintings and drawings of animals and birds, plus posters to advertise "Our World".

Adam Leathborough was awarded both the Cup for Most Points in the Children's Section and the Shirley Keir Cup for Children's Best in Show with his wonderful animal made from a cauliflower.

The auction of produce was very lively with swift bidding from children and adults and it was noticed how generous people were. Mrs Karen Lambert (Headteacher of Stathern Primary School) presented the children's prizes and the trophies. The Grand Prize Draw rounded off the day.

The joint committee of the Horticultural Society and the Church would like to thank everyone who participated or contributed in any way towards making this event such a success. Expenses are being finalised but the amount raised is likely to be in excess of £2,500, of which 90% will go to the church to cover the cost of improvements to the lighting and the remaining 10% will go to the Horticultural Society.

Thanks go to our sponsors: Bentons Estate Agents, the Melton Building Society, C & C Plants, The Potting Shed, EMP Accident Repair Centre of Melton Mowbray, Stathern Garage, Brooker Flynn Architects, B.Allsop & Sons Scrap Metal Recyclers and to Leisure Bench, Café Allez, Sam mobile hairdresser, Long Clawson Dairy and members of the Horticultural Society for their generous support of our Grand Prize Draw.

Thanks also to volunteers for their work in preparing the refreshments, the church and grounds for the Show and ensuring everything was back in place for Sunday's service!

Judges were: Debbie Hollingworth, Mike Salotti, Nathan Bateman, Mary Bridge-Collyns, Katie Pyke and Kate Jordan.

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Kate Jordan, Show Secretary

WINNERS OF CUPS AND TROPHIES 2021

_Cup for fruit and vegetables : Colin Ramsay

Sue Wadsworth Culinary Cup : Ewa Woods

John Deave Trophy : Paul Luger

WI Cup for Floral Section : Mary Briant

Art Cup : Elaine Mills

Handicraft Cup : Angela Canham

The Martin Fagan Shield for Photography : Martin Fagan

Cup for most points in the Children's Section : Adam Leathborough

Shirley Keir Cup for Childrens' Best in Show : Adam Leathborough

Silver Salver for Best n Show : Sally Fagan

STATHERN | HOUSING | MATTERS

A quick-fire round-up of housing matters in Stathern

1 STAT1 Land West of Main Street - 74 houses (Davidsons) - [19/01302/FUL](#)

Pre-commencement conditions are now coming forward for comment and decision. Search '19/01302/FUL' in <https://pa.melton.gov.uk/online-applications/> to find them.

2 Blacksmith End – 9 houses – [19/01193/OUT](#) Melton BC's s.288 statutory challenge at the High Court is a public hearing on Thurs 7th Oct at [Birmingham Civil and Family Justice Centre](#).

3 Levesley Gardens, 5 - Single storey rear and side extension -

[21/00862/FULHH](#) The new owner has applied to further extend the property which was already the largest property on the original STAT2 application site.

4 Red Lion Inn - single dwelling plus 7 to the rear - [20/01482/FUL](#) The Red Lion Community Group has now formed to consider purchasing the pub and a village questionnaire to discover the support for The Red Lion as a community venture is circulating. Group chair, Bridget Green, has invited anyone interested in joining to get in touch with her (Tel 07570 813212).

5 Hill Top, Mill Hill - Proposed Extensions and Alterations - [21/00828/FULHH](#)

This property is not listed, but is attached to Vale View – a Grade II listed building. The original application was withdrawn by the applicants and this revised application put forward in response to comments.

6 Tofts Hill/Field OS 5000 – Lawful development certificate for the addition of steel supports internally to help maintain the existing roof and cladding

- [21/00397/CL](#) The applicant's previous appeal against MBC's refusal to build a house was dismissed (20/01095/FUL). This new application is 'not classed as development' <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1990/8/section/55> and has been approved.

7 New garage and workshop area with associated parking, Long Lane -

[21/00061/FUL](#) This is to relocate Stathern Garage away from the village centre. There are currently 22 public comments online: 8 objections and 14 in support. A planning committee date is awaited.

8 Baileys Farm Mill Hill – erection of a single dwelling - [21/00411/VAC](#) ([18/01119/FUL](#)) This application has been approved. It simplifies the original proposal for a 3-bed farmhouse, taking the form of a barn conversion built in local stone and oak. It replaces a static caravan which has been there for over 10 years.

9 Greensmith Cottage, 8 City Road – new dwelling within curtilage - [21/00554/FUL](#) ([21/00555/LBC](#))

There are two applications as one is a Listed Building Consent. There are currently 2 public comments – one objecting, one in support. LCC Highways comments on issues regarding [site access](#).

10 Summerhouse and Yoga Studio - 2 Water Lane - [21/00570/FULHH](#) A revised plan for this family-use-only building shows a reduction in height to 3.4m from 3.97m and there are still no public comments.

11 Stathern Neighbourhood Plan (NP) <https://www.meltonplan.co.uk/stathern>
See the draft NP (Latest version Reg 16) on the above link, which is updated by MBC. The comments to date by the inspector, MBC and the Parish Council can be seen on the Examination section, however, the inspector's final report, is 'paused' until the outcome of the Blacksmith End s. 288 challenge is known (see 2).

12 Melton Borough Council house building progress

12.1 [Housing Land Supply](#) for 2021 is 11.6 years. See www.meltonplan.co.uk/5yhls for more info and the [Five-years' housing land supply and housing trajectory report July 2021](#). Only a 5-year supply is required.

12.2 [Housing Delivery Test](#) predicted 175% for 2021/22 This annual measurement of housing delivery across the country, is split into planning areas. It is calculated by dividing the 'Net homes delivered over a 3-year period' by the 'Number of homes required over a 3-year period'. The 2020/21 figure was 141%.

12.3 [Windfall allowance](#) Homes are built on either Allocated Sites named in the Melton Local Plan (STAT1, STAT2 etc) or on windfall sites which come forward randomly as infill or on the edge of villages. The MLP has a windfall allowance of 29 dwellings per annum across the whole of the borough to meet the borough's target. When approved applications are taken into account, no windfall is needed until 2025/26.

12.4 Melton Borough Design Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) “*The Design (SPD) provides additional guidance on the design related policies in the Melton Local Plan.* The final version is awaited. A copy of the draft document, on which two consultation events took place via Zoom in July 2021, can be found on <https://www.meltonplan.co.uk/design-spd>.

13 Planning Applications <https://pa.melton.gov.uk/online-applications/>

- **Search online using the above link** using either the reference numbers listed or using ‘Stathern’ to find the applications and supporting documents.
- **MBC Duty Planning Officer:** 01664 502427 (M-F 9 – 5pm) or email developmentcontrol@melton.gov.uk
- **Commenting** on applications can be made online via the application, or by post. Whilst there is a stated deadline for public comment, they are often taken into account right up until the final report when the decision is produced. Post to Development Control at: Parkside, Station Approach, Burton Street, Melton Mowbray LE13 1GH or by email developmentcontrol@melton.gov.uk
- **Note:** the items above all relate to buildings but there are still a number of tree applications (which can be seen under a search for ‘Stathern’ as above: an application to MBC is required for any tree work in the Conservation Area.

14 Stathern Parish Council www.facebook.com/Stathernparish

www.stathernparish.co.uk

See Stathern Parish ‘online’ for regular updates on housing www.stathernparish.co.uk/planning-applications and parish matters or see the notice board on Main Street opposite the WMI Village Hall. A copy of the latest Stathern Housing Matters newsletter is usually found on www.stathernparish.co.uk

Stathern Housing Matters is an informal, voluntary email newsletter set up to share information on housing related matters in Stathern. To join the SHM database, contact Alison Shelton on 07801 970883 or email Stathern.Housing.Matters@gmail.com. All recipients are blind-copied for confidentiality. *NB: Any opinion expressed in SHM newsletters is my own and does not reflect the position of any other person or organisation.*

WAR MEMORIAL INSTITUTE



Stathern WMI Village Hall

"The Little hall with a Big heart"

News from the WMI this issue includes the upgrading that the committee, and our fantastic community, have been making to our lovely hall. The room has been painted a new, neutral colour, and the floor has now been newly renovated - sanded and re-lacquered. We are currently investigating upgrading the heating to make it more welcoming in winter.

Our Connect sessions, which offer IT help to the village, have got off to a successful start, thanks to our team of knowledgeable volunteers. These are free drop-in sessions for those who need a little help with IT and add a new drumbeat to our ongoing weekly activities: Art, Belvoir Dance Academy, Line Dancing, Pilates, Playgroup, Tai Chi and Yoga classes. Our thanks also go to Dave Worth and Neil Westley who volunteered to enhance our audio-visual capabilities – our Sony AV system now links via Bluetooth or audio jack to all four speakers and we can connect the speakers, a laptop and the projector to run presentations and films on the big screen. Social sessions with films, activities and refreshments to suit all ages are on the horizon, watch this space!

The make-up of our fabulous WMI committee, the life blood of any charity, has continued to flux as life and commitments change. We were sad to say goodbye to Lorraine Hallett and Daniella Kozak who have generously supported the WMI over many years but have welcomed new members who all volunteer their time in a number of ways.

For the coming year our committee group members are Clare Calder, Sam Campbell, Sarah Cross, Kate Farmer, Emma Fillingham, Jenny Hendry, Cllr Paul Jackson, Karen Lambert (Stathern Primary School Headteacher), John Shaw, Alison Shelton (Secretary and Bookings), David Shelton (Honorary Treasurer), Nicky Tansley (Chair) and Alice Tranfield. Stathern Parish Council owns the building and has the role of Custodian Trustee.

We held our AGM in the middle of August and made special note of our thanks to Carrie Fryer, who successfully led the application for developer contributions associated with the new housing development STAT1 (also called section106 funds). This secured a £92,376 contribution to the potential extension of the

WMI, to be paid 'before 50% of the development is occupied'. Although this is some years away, we will be starting to look at possible options and potential funding in the year to come.

One of the most important and heartfelt announcements at the AGM was the retirement of Janet Jopling, our long-standing treasurer. Janet and her family have been at the heart of the WMI for many decades. We are very grateful for the legacy she has left and the committee will do their very best to maintain it and further grow it as a community treasure. Thank you, Janet, from all at the WMI.

For details of classes or the next event at the Stathern WMI Village Hall see the Notice Board outside the hall or www.facebook.com/StathernWMI or contact us direct on: wmiquery@gmail.com 01949 833508 or 07801 970883.

STATHERN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

This year, as all of us have found, has been quite challenging, in different ways for different people notwithstanding the WI in finding ways to come through these challenges, but it does seem that there is some light at the end of that very long tunnel.

In August we were very kindly invited to the lovely garden of our member Anne in Harby for our August Social Meeting. Several members set off from The Plough Inn and walked there, with the rest taking the easier way. The weather was kind to us and we enjoyed a really friendly social evening with supper outdoors. We were joined by new members joining the WI who hopefully found new friends amongst us.

On the 8th September, we return to our 'home' at The Plough Inn for 'A day in the life of a Pantomime Dame' by Stuart, proprietor of Scarborough Fayre Seafood, which promises to be a fun evening!

On the 13th October we are being treated to a Cookery Demonstration by our President, Mary Hughes, this will be a treat for us all as Mary is a very competent cook.

Our annual (apart from last year) 59's Lunch will be held in the Autumn and invitations with information will be sent out when appropriate.

We have a thriving and wonderful WI in our village which we should be proud of as sadly there are a number of local villages which have lost theirs.

Keep safe everyone!

Any queries or questions about joining please contact:

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STATHERN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

STATHERN GARDENING CLUB

(Stathern Horticultural Society)

Stathern Gardening Club has a variety of events during the year including, speakers, quiz, suppers, garden visits, member's garden party, the annual show and a coach trip. The many new residents in the village may enjoy the monthly meetings which give members a chance to share experiences and offer advice, especially for new gardeners. The monthly meeting is on the first Wednesday of the month at the normal time of 8.00 pm in The Plough Inn, Stathern. The programme for the remainder of the year at The Plough Inn is:

- 6th October - Quiz and Sausage & Mash Supper 7:30pm,
- 3rd November - Speaker Corin Tomlinson 'Bonsai Trees'
- 1st December - Christmas Dinner 7:30pm

The club would love to welcome you to join us and take advantage of the expertise available. The annual membership fee of £5 offers extremely good value and all you need to do is contact one of the Secretaries, (Trish) on 01949 729820 or (Sarah) 01949 861259.

ST. GUTHLAC'S CHURCH
West Vale of Belvoir Group of Churches

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Stathern St Guthlac's Church Services for September and October

We have now relaxed our Covid restrictions, but we recognise the need to continue to be cautious. For services, sanitiser is provided, masks are optional and social distancing is respected for those who need it. The good news is that we are now able to sing hymns again and can provide refreshments after the morning services. Everyone is welcome at St Guthlac's.

Our September and October services are:

Sunday 5th September 10:30am Family Service

Sunday 12th September 10:30am Family Communion with baptism.
Revd Jamie Mackay

Sunday 26th September 6:30pm Choral Evensong. Revds Jamie Mackay & Paul Towns

Sunday 3rd October 10:30am Harvest Festival Family Service

Sunday 10th October 10:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 24th October 6:30pm All Souls Day Service

Horticultural Show, 4th September

By the time this edition of the Star is printed, the Horticultural Show will be over. The preparation of this event takes much time and effort and the organisers wish to thank all the helpers who made the show possible, and of course, all the exhibitors at the Show without whom the event would not be possible. Congratulations to them if they won rosettes and certificates. Thank you to everyone who contributed plants, prizes, cakes, bric-a-brac, and helped at all the stalls, and for selling raffle tickets. And also, thank you if you came to the Show and spent a bit of money! It's all used in support of our Horticultural Society and the village church.

Ride+Stride for churches, Saturday 11th September

The annual 'Ride+Stride' event takes place on Saturday 11th September organised by the Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust. It's a great way to spend a day getting out and about and raising funds for churches and chapels within Leicestershire. Over £1,190,000 has been raised in the county since the first Ride+Stride in 1990. Last year's event raised more than £37,900, with nearly 300 churches and chapels taking part - a wonderful total considering the difficult circumstances, and a fantastic tribute to everyone who took part - a long list that includes area and local organisers, cyclists, walkers, and horse-riders, welcomers, and those who ensured that the churches that opened did so safely; and especially everyone who sponsored an individual participant or donated via the Trust's JustGiving page. 50% of everything we raise at Stathern through those participating comes directly back to our church. If you would like to take part, there are details and sponsorship forms in the church, or contact Linzi Shaw on linziashaw@tiscali.co.uk who is organising Stathern's participation. Linzi has also set up a JustGiving page for this event on the Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust (LHCT) charity JustGiving page, should you wish to donate, thanks.

**Concert in the church, Saturday 2nd October 7:30pm by virtuoso
Brazilian guitarist.**

We are delighted to announce that we have arranged a concert at St Guthlac's on Saturday 2nd October, 7:30pm, by the brilliant Brazilian classical guitarist Estevao Devides. He graduated with a music degree from the Conservatory of Tatui in Brazil and was selected by the Brazilian Ministry of Culture to be part of a cultural exchange with the UK which included performances in schools. For the concert Estevao will play a selection of pieces from his extensive repertoire showing off the versatility of the guitar from the 18th century to The Beatles. The cost will be £15 to include a drink, canapes and programme. Full details are printed elsewhere in this edition of the Star. Come and join us to celebrate the first entertainment event for many months to be held in the church.

**Harvest Lunch, War Memorial Institute, Sunday 17th October
12:30pm for 1:00pm**

We are holding our annual Harvest Lunch in the WMI on Sunday 17th October. This is always a happy event and the proceeds will be given to a charity. It will consist of a 3-course meal and coffee. A wine bar will be available and there will be a raffle for charity. The cost will be £12 for adults and £7 for children – always excellent value. Please watch for posters and further announcements giving details on how to book your tickets.

Alphabet Quiz, Saturday 20th November, 7:30pm,

Following on from our successful 'European' quiz in the Institute in November 2018 (yes – it was that long ago!) the Church Events Committee has arranged another quiz, but with a further twist. It will be on Saturday 20th November commencing at 7:30pm chaired by guest quizmaster Brian Thompson who was runner-up in the BBC Radio 4 *Brain of Britain 2018* and winner of BBC Radio 4 *Counterpoint* in 2019. Tickets will be £15 to include a supper, and teams of up to 6 are allowed. There will be a licenced bar and music from our resident DJ Tom Watkinson. Full details to follow.

Revd Paul Towns

Revd Paul, our new benefice priest, who has joined Revd Jamie and Revd Simon, was licensed on 5th August by the Bishop of Leicester as Minister for Harby at a joyful ceremony in Long Clawson Church. Paul has already taken one service at Stathern and we hope to see him fairly frequently in the future. Revd Jamie leads the team and any enquiries for weddings, baptisms, funerals, visits, and further information should be made to him.

Chancel wall cracks

The saga continues! The Diocesan Advisory Committee, who we consulted about the loose chancel wall plaster and discovery of possible painting under the limewash, has recommended we obtain an appraisal and full report from a plaster conservator. The PCC has accepted this recommendation and a consultant, who specialises in plaster repairs and conservation, has been appointed. She will undertake the investigation in late October. We do not anticipate an interruption to services although a portable scaffolding may be used to undertake the work.

Farewell and thanks to Jim and Eileen

Jim and Eileen Codrington are moving from the village to be near their family in Staffordshire. Over many years both have done much for the church and the village. We thank them for their help and friendship and send our best wishes for many happy years in their new home.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME



STATHERN NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME is dedicated to improving community safety through the exchange of information relating to criminal and antisocial behaviour. We are in contact with the police, the Parish Council and other NHW schemes throughout the Vale and therefore receive information as to what is happening in and around our surrounding area.

HOW TO SIGN UP FOR EMAIL ALERTS: Please consider signing up for the email alerts and updates sent by Stathern NHW scheme. All emails will be sent 'blind' to keep your email address confidential.

Email stathernnhw@gmail.com

Checklist for securing your home when you leave it

It's vital to leave your home secure whenever you leave it. Getting into an 'exit routine' can help ensure that you don't forget obvious, important things, like not leaving your valuables near windows, or no lights on if it will be dark before you get home. Here's what you should do just before you go out.

Become a creature of habit

Try to get into the habit of following your own course of action when you lock up your home. This will ensure that you don't forget anything.

Here's what we recommend you do before you go out:

- Close and lock all your doors and windows, even if you're only going out for a few minutes.
- Double-lock any door.
- Make sure that any valuables are out of sight.
- Keep handbags away from the letterbox or cat flap and hide all keys including car keys, as a thief could hook keys or valuables through even a small opening.
- Never leave car documents or ID in obvious places such as kitchens or hallways.
- In the evening, shut the curtains and leave lights on.
- If you're out all day, then it's advisable to use a timer device to automatically turn lights and a radio on at night.
- Set your burglar alarm.
- Make sure the side gate is locked.
- Lock your shed or garage.
- Lock your bike inside a secure shed or garage, to a robust fitting bolted to the ground or wall, like a ground anchor.

Going away?

Here are five tips to help you keep your home and belongings stay safe while you're away:

- If you're off on holiday and wish to post anything on social media, make sure your posts aren't public and that they're only seen by your friends.

- Leave lights and a radio on a timer to make the property appear occupied.
 - Get a trusted neighbour to keep an eye on your property or join a Neighbourhood or resident Watch Scheme.
 - Consider asking your neighbours to close curtains after dark and to park on your drive.
 - Remember to cancel newspaper and milk deliveries.
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RECYCLING IDEAS:

Stathern Chat can be a great source for keeping us informed of village activities, events etc plus offering items for recycling and re-use.

Here are some suggestions though for...

Recycling the UNRECYCLABLE whilst also helping some charities

Check them out!

WHAT	WHERE
Plastic bread bags/vegetable/fruit bags	Tesco in store
Books	Village Library-Sally Fagan 860167
Bras	againstbreastcancer.org.uk
Coins – old /foreign	Dove Cottage Hospice
Cooking oil – min. collection is 100 litres	Bioukfuels.co.uk
Crisp packets – washed and scrunched	Co-op stores
Ferrero Rocher chocolate boxes	Terracycle
Ink cartridges – known brands	Dove Cottage Hospice
Medicine blister packs	Superdrug stores
Paint – if good and reusable	communityrepaint.org.uk

Plastic tops from plastic milk bottles	Dove Cottage Hospice
Plastic plant pots/plant trays/compost bags	QD (Melton)
Stamps	Dove Cottage Hospice
Wood – large amounts from extensions/loft conversions etc.	communitywoodrecycling.org.uk

Why not club together with other households in the village to make bigger/more viable collections...anybody willing to start?

Digital Detoxers

Olio (olioex.com) connects neighbours and communities in order to reduce food waste across the country.

Freecycle (freecycle.org) A free swap shop that links you up with people in your area who need things or want to get rid of them. Non – profit, and now also with local lending networks for lending large, rarely used items e.g. long ladders, saws or chisels that are better to lend out rather than buy new.

Gumtree (gumtree.com) The online marketplace where you can buy or sell anything.

Weee Charity (weecharity.co.uk) collects most electrical items free; the charity trains young people to mend electronic equipment and then sells or gives the mended items away, donating profits to charity.

Know of other useful addresses to add to this list? Contact the Stathern Star



Garden Party & Family Fun Day

Sunday, 12th September

11am - 3.30pm

@ Dove Cottage Day Hospice, Canal Lane, Stathern, LE14 4EX

Hospice tour



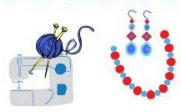
Live music



Bouncy castle



Art & craft stalls



Treasure trail



Glitter tattoos



Teddy tombola



Refreshments



Sweet stall



Visit www.dovecottage.org for more info and follow our
FB page for updates



In 1996 the vision of a local young woman was brought to life through a lot of hard work, dedication, faith and - most importantly - support of the local community.

Dove Cottage was born and 25 years on is now a much-loved source of support for families living with life-limiting illnesses in the local area.

We want to continue providing this support but we need YOUR help!

Introducing...



CAN YOU HELP US TO CELEBRATE OUR 25TH ANNIVERSARY BY RAISING £25,000??!

Create your own challenge and raise money for Dove Cottage – it can be ANYTHING you want it to be, as long as it's themed around the number 25.

For more information and ideas visit
WWW.DOVECOTTAGE.ORG/CHALLENGE-25



Eastwell Village Hall events

LIVE@EASTWELL

For tickets go to www.eastwell.org.uk/concerts or call John on 07890 118002.

MORGANWAY

Sat 9th October 7:45pm - Doors open 7:00pm - Tickets £16

Striking six-part harmonies, energetic rhythms, catchy songs and a fiercely formidable live act, Morganway have made quite an impression on the UK's rising Americana scene.

CONNOR SELBY

Sat 30th October 7:45pm - Doors open 7:00pm - Tickets £14

Recently voted the Young Artist of the Year in the 2020 UK Blues Awards, the young bandleader-guitarist-vocalist draws on influences as diverse as B.B. King, Ray Charles, Free and Nick Drake, creating a soulful blend of hard-hitting blues and emotional, introspective song writing, which, at times, evokes a modern take on the best of the British blues boom of the 1960s.

NOBLE JACKS

Fri 26th November 7:45pm - Doors open 7:00pm - Tickets £16

With the fiddle leading the charge, Noble Jacks are out to take no prisoners with their high-energy footstompin' rhythms, which have taken crowds by storm across the UK.

Lord Granby Open Morning - Sunday 3rd October

After all these months of lock-down there will be an 'open morning' for interested members and supporters to visit the workshop to view the progress made with the conservation of the former Eastwell Iron Ore Co. locomotive 'Lord Granby' to static exhibit status. This will take place on Sunday 3rd October from 10:30am to 12:30pm at Stathern Lodge, Canal Lane, Stathern LE14 4EX. There will be the opportunity to discuss the conservation challenges with the volunteers who have been working on the project for the past five years and more. For some images of the progress see www.facebook.com/lordgranby

The Future of Eastwell History Group

Eastwell History Group was originally established by the Stanley family in the 1980s and has worked hard to record the historical and present-day activities of Eastwell whilst providing meetings, presentations and activities. Like any such body it relies on volunteers to keep it in operation.

The group has now reached a stage in its life cycle where it faces major concerns, which need to be addressed. Both the Lord Granby project (see above) and the day to day work of a local history society doing research and organising meetings are proving increasingly difficult for the current committee to keep going. We want to do some succession planning so the Group needs some new people to get involved in the Group.

The committee has decided that action is needed to safeguard the future of the group whilst retaining the benefit of the previous thirty years' hard work.

The annual general meeting of Eastwell History Group is due to be held on Wednesday 24th November. We believe that the conservation of 'Lord Granby', with the support of the 100 Club and other means is capable of self-support. If, however, we have been unable to receive, by 5th October, indications of people willing to take on some of the administrative responsibilities a motion will be put to the AGM that we should seek a merger with, or transfer of activities to, another similar body willing to take on the work of the group. If no such body can be found, then the options may be to wind-up the group or put it into abeyance for others to pick up in the future.

If you feel you can contribute to the continued success of Eastwell History Group and would like more information, please contact

John Wood, Hon Secretary, on 07970 987810 or at johnrwood46@gmail.com.

Future Events

The Romans - A further presentation by Jed Jaggard will be given on Wednesday 29th September at 7:30pm in Eastwell Village Hall. This time, Jed's subject will be The Romans reflecting the significant Roman activity in this area. There will be a £3 charge to non-members. Free to paid-up members.

The following article has appeared on the Vale Medical Group website

Vale Medical Group - Open Access surgeries

After much deliberation and discussion, the Practice has concluded that Open Access surgeries are no longer sustainable and will not be returning.

Although well liked, even prior to the pandemic they were proving difficult to sustain. In Long Clawson for example there were often 30-40 patients in the waiting room and wait times could be 1-2 hours. In view of this, we are shortly launching a new way to access help and advice from your GP Practice.

If you contact the Practice, either online or by telephone, before 11:00am, Monday to Friday, your request will be directed to the most appropriate person or we will give you information or advice which will best address your concerns. Face to face appointments, on the day if necessary, will continue to be offered if the clinician feels it appropriate.

We ask you to provide us with as much information as you can, as this allows us to deal with your request more efficiently.

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<p>PILATES Stathern Village Hall (WMI) <i>Friday 9:00am – 10:00am</i> <i>£7 per class (£5 for those doing online deal).</i> <i>Limited spaces, bring own mat.</i> <i>Weekly pre-booking</i></p>	<p><u>Arts and Crafts</u> ART CLASS <i>Wednesday 10:00am - 12noon</i> <i>Stathern Village Hall</i> <i>£5 incl. tea/coffee and biscuits!</i> <i>Beginners welcome.</i> Contact Erica on 07805 206976</p>
<p>Online Zoom Classes <i>Monday 5:00 – 6:00pm</i> <i>Wednesday 9:30 – 10:30am</i> <i>Saturday 9:30 – 10:30am</i> <i>£6 per class (£10 weekly unlimited)</i> For more info call Alice on 07756 686682</p>	<p><u>Mums and Toddlers</u> PLAYGROUP <i>Every Friday during term time from 10:30am – 12:30pm.</i> <i>Babies to school age; £2.25 per family</i> <i>Stathern WMI</i> Contact Alice Tranfield on 07756686682 or alicetranfield@hotmail.com</p>
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