

### Bingo with Fish and Chips



Eyes Down at 6.30pm prompt on Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup> in Ellastone Parish Hall for Fish and Chips and Bingo, with plenty of prizes and a raffle.

Adults £8 and Children £5, with all proceeds for St. Peter's Church roof repairs.

Please bring your own drinks. As we have to pre-order the food, would you please book in advance with Rose Barker on 01335 324466, Hilda Tideswell on 01335 324203 or Barbara Butler on 01335 324859.

(Donations of raffle prizes would be most welcome, thankyou.)

### Ellastone Parish Hall Special Centenary Celebration

These days, hospital closures aren't celebrated – just ask the residents of Belper, Bakewell or Leek – or going back, in Ashbourne, which has lost the Victoria Memorial Cottage Hospital (now a wreck on Buxton Hill just above St John's Church), the Maternity Hospital in Cokayne Avenue and the original St. Oswald's Hospital in Belle Vue Road (which was designed and built by Ellastone's William Evans, uncle of George Eliot).

But in 1915, the closure of Ellastone's WW1 Hospital led to huge celebrations. The closure was for the best of reasons of course, and local people were very happy that the Hall was no longer needed to treat injured soldiers and help them to recover; but they also celebrated getting their Hall back.

What an achievement for the local community to have treated 345 injured soldiers! It is also a tribute to people's hard work that, 100 years on, we are able to celebrate the Hall's continuity. Indeed, it has recently been benefitting from a programme of refurbishment and modernisation.

All readers are invited to our special free event on Saturday morning, 6<sup>th</sup> April from 10.30am. Do take the opportunity to view a newly assembled exhibition of local historic photographs. The climax of the event will be at 12.00 noon when we shall have a re-creation of the handover of the Hall by the Red Cross to the community.

Refreshments will be served and we hope to collect some money to donate to the Red Cross. Do please come along.

### Stanton Spring Fair



Gilbert Sheldon Hall  
2pm to 4pm  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April



There will be a range of stalls selling work by local artists and craftspeople and will include handmade items for the house and garden, Easter gifts, jewellery, wooden bowls and hand stitched and felted work. There will also be a plant stall, books and a raffle, as well as delicious homemade cakes and refreshments.

Money raised from the event will go to Ellastone and Mayfield First Responders, the Defibrillator Fund and the Village Hall.

If anyone has any spare seedlings or plants that they would like to donate to the plant stall, please bring them along on the day, or contact Nicola Stubbing on 01335 324093

Stanton Village Hall committee will be serving tea and cakes at the Spring Fair and running a cake stall. We will be very grateful for cakes to serve or sell. They can be delivered to Jean at Sallyfield House (324190) or brought in on the day. Thank you.

### Norbury & Roston Women's Institute

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April "Resolution"

Pam & Joyce entertain. The competition is 'Spring flowers in a teacup'. Hostess is Jean and teas provided by Tina/Margaret. The mystery prize supplied by Anne.

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April W.I. Norbury & Roston Annual Litter Pick - Meet at the Old Rectory at 6.00pm if you would like to join in.

The WI meet at Mary Clowes (Norbury) Village Hall. DE6 2EG at 7.30pm. Visitors are always welcome (£2 to include refreshments)

Contact [fay.whitefield@yahoo.com](mailto:fay.whitefield@yahoo.com) Tel. 01335 324980 for more info.

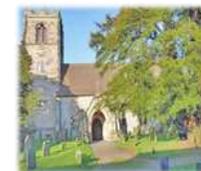
### Stanton Village Hall (The Gilbert Sheldon Hall)

The Village Hall is available to hire; it will only cost £6 per hour for Stanton residents / £8 for others, or £60 per day.

To book, or for further information, please contact Maureen Marshall on 07763142835 or 324481.

## Parish Newsletter

April 2019



### St Peter's Church Ellastone

### St Mary's Church Stanton

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| 7th  | 9.15am                | 10.00am               |
|      | Holy Communion        | Family Service        |
| 14th | 10.45am               | 6.30pm                |
|      | Family Service        | Evensong              |
| 21st | 9.15am                | 9.15am                |
|      | Easter Holy Communion | Easter Holy Communion |
| 28th | 6.30pm                | 9.15am                |
|      | Evensong              | Holy Communion        |

### Church Contacts:

Vicar – Rev Brian Leathers 01538 702469

Churchwardens-

Ellastone – Barbara Butler 01335 324859

Stanton – Ken Elias 01335 324496

### Quiz night

In order to raise funds for the Parish Hall in Ellastone, a quiz will be held on Friday 26 April in the Parish Hall, starting at 7.30pm, cost £2.50 per person, including light refreshments, but, as usual, please bring your own drink. Teams of four ideally, but we can be flexible! Please book with Hilary Dowson on 324350, or Kaye Burnett 324750 and we look forward to seeing you there.

### Canasta Club

Following a successful "Introduction to Canasta" meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup>, it was agreed to establish a Canasta Group to meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month in the Ellastone Parish Hall for a 2.30pm start. A charge will be made to cover the cost of using the Hall and will be based upon the number of attendees.

All are welcome - either beginners or experienced players.

The next session will be on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April in Ellastone Parish Hall at 2.30pm.

Contact: [jim.murdock15@gmail.com](mailto:jim.murdock15@gmail.com)

Tel. 01335 624979

### Badminton



In the recent survey, a number of people expressed an interest in playing badminton in the Parish Hall. This will start on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April from 10am to noon, initially at a cost of £3 per session. Shuttlecocks will be provided, but please bring your racquet if you have one. This should be a fun activity and is open to all, so we hope to see you there. Rose Barker and Hilary Dowson

### Weather

February started off cold (max. 2°C on the 1<sup>st</sup>) but finished with almost summer like conditions with a max. of 18°C being recorded on the 26<sup>th</sup> and record February temperatures being recorded across the country. Rainfall totals were relatively low at 50mm. As we go to press there has been a glorious week of sunshine in late March. However, I'm not sure that 'May' holds much promise of better things...!

### Ellastone Bowls Club – Open Day Sat 4<sup>th</sup> May

We would like to invite you to come along to the club in Church Lane between 2pm and 4pm to learn about how the game of bowls is played. Members will be on hand to tutor anyone who would like to learn, with tea and biscuits. We don't play in any leagues, but have friendly games with teams in and around the area on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons. All we ask is that you wear flat shoes

### Ellastone Monday Club

#### Attention all those interested in local history!

This to be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April in the Parish Hall at 2.30pm, admission £2 to include refreshments and a raffle ticket. The meeting will also include the AGM. Our speaker is Anthony Poulton-Smith - freelance journalist and author, on a subject of interest to all historical enthusiasts-



Talking Butts: the many odd ideas, often accepted as a part of history, which have no basis in fact. The title comes from the many minor place names, found most often for fields or narrow lanes, seen as 'The Butts' or similar and commonly thought to show where medieval villagers honed their skills with the long bow. Yet it is easy to see this could never be true, as the name nearly always appears several centuries before the law allowing the male villagers to miss church on Sundays in order to practise. Many other 'facts' are given an airing, and shown they could never stand up to scrutiny.

### Lent Lunch at Stanton

The Lent Lunch which was held at Stanton Village Hall on Friday 15 March, was very well attended and enjoyed by all. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way.

A profit of £244.50 will be divided equally between 'The Bishop Lichfield's Lent Appeal' and 'Mayfield and Ellastone Community First Responders'.

# NEWSRAC

## April 2019

This newsletter is available **free** to homes in Northwood, Ellastone, Wootton, Stanton, Ramshorn and Calwich.

Contributions and news about events and local organisations are welcome from anyone in the community - by the 21<sup>st</sup> of the month please for inclusion in the next issue.

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