

## Ellastone Tennis Club

If you are interested in using Ellastone village tennis court you will need to become a club member, this is a great time to sign up. There is an initial joining fee and an annual subscription fee.



This is very reasonably priced as the court is run by volunteers and all subscription fees go towards the running of the club and court maintenance.

To those supporters of the Tennis club who pay a smaller membership fee and do not play, we very much appreciate your valuable support in helping to maintain the court, thank you so much for your continued help.

### New members

The initial joining fee is £20 per family (up to 2 adults and 2 other family members under 18 years of age) or £10 per individual.

### Annual subscriptions – existing and new members

£25 per year for a family (up to 2 adults and 2 other family members under 18 years of age).

- £10 per year for individual membership.
- Membership commences from 1<sup>st</sup> April until 31<sup>st</sup> March.

For more details or an application form please contact us via: [ellastonetc@gmail.com](mailto:ellastonetc@gmail.com)

### **Ellastone Parish Council**

Do you have any opinions about what happens in your area? We currently have a vacancy for a councillor on the Parish Council. We would welcome anyone who lives or works within the Parish. We meet 6 times a year, usually on a Weds evening in the Parish Hall. If you are interested in joining us, please contact the Clerk on (01335) 324692 or email [js.ellastonepc@gmail.com](mailto:js.ellastonepc@gmail.com) by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

### **Weather**

The month's high was **24°C** on 20<sup>th</sup> April and the low **-3°C** on 14<sup>th</sup> April. Total rainfall amounted to 59.18mm, half of which fell on one day! (27<sup>th</sup> April). Rainfall in general has been sparse during April and May, are we heading for an early drought?

### **Stanton Parish Council**

After over 30 years on the Parish Council Ann Sellers and Cliff Adams have retired. The Parish Council would like to thank them both for their long service to the community.

### **Chuffers in Church**

Railways around Wolverhampton (Simon Dewey)  
7.30pm Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June at St Mary's Parish Church Uttoxeter. Refreshments included.

Admission: Free – Donations welcomed!

### **Ellastone Monday Club**

Our Next meeting on 3rd June will be held in the Parish Hall at 2.30pm, usual admission of £2 to include tea, biscuits and a free raffle ticket. The speaker is James Gallimore: "People of Wootton's Past". The Gallimores were Blacksmiths in Wootton for generations (up to 1905). James' great-grandmother was of the Walker family, who were wheelwrights, carpenters and coffin makers at the Lane Farm, Wootton. Accounts books of both families are now held by the Staffordshire Record Office within a Gallimore archive, which contains other material that may be of interest to anyone interested in Ellastone or in particular, Wootton history. James has researched his family history extensively, he says that there are stories to tell – e.g. of the circumstances of the suicide of Samuel Gallimore in 1750 and how he is linked to the early history of the Shire Horse, or of Jacques Rousseau observing Mr. Gallimore the blacksmith at work in the 1760s!  
**EVERYONE WELCOME**

### **Stanton Monday Club**

The Monday Club is having a Summer break until Monday the 2nd of September. New Members are always made very welcome so why don't you come along then, to see what we do, have a cup of tea or coffee and a good chat.

### **Ellastone Church Flowers**

Thanks to those donating flowers in June:-  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> – Mrs N Lawson  
16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> – Mrs G Key  
30<sup>th</sup> and July 7<sup>th</sup> – Mrs B Butler

### **Canasta Group**

The next session will be on Monday June 10<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm in Ellastone Village Hall.

## Parish Newsletter

June 2019



### St Peter's Church Ellastone

### St Mary's Church Stanton

2nd	9.15am	10.00am
	Holy Communion	Family Service
9th	10.45am	6.30pm
	Family Service	Evening Prayer
16th	9.15am	9.15am
	Holy Communion	Holy Communion
23rd	6.30pm	9.15am
	Evensong	Holy Communion
30th	9.15am	9.15am
	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion

### **Church Contacts:**

Vicar – Rev Brian Leathers 01538 702469  
Churchwardens-  
Ellastone – Barbara Butler 01335 324859  
Stanton – Ken Elias 01335 324496

### Stanton Spring Fair

The beautiful sunny weather on Sat 6<sup>th</sup> April brought many people to the Stanton Spring Fair where there were a range of stalls selling work by local artists and craftspeople including paintings, jewellery, turned wood, Easter gifts and hand sewn items along with willow garden pieces. A plant stall, books and raffle as well as delicious home-made cakes and refreshments all helped to raise £376.90 which has been divided between the Ellastone and Mayfield First Responders, Stanton Village Hall and the Defibrillator Fund.

Many thanks to all those who supported the event and helped to make it an enjoyable occasion.

### Norbury & Roston WI



Speaker – Steve Cooke from **Eggheads !** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June - to hear about serious quizzing and perhaps a quiz and themed Raffle.

Visitors (including gentlemen are welcome to this meeting, but please phone Gill on (01889) 591346 or e-mail Fay [fay.whitefield@yahoo.com](mailto:fay.whitefield@yahoo.com) in order that we know how many to cater for.

£2 for WI members / £3 for non-members and this includes refreshments.

### Love your Churchyard

During June, Lichfield Diocese are promoting 'Love your Churchyard'. This is to encourage keeping Churchyards restful places for anyone visiting to remember loved ones or just to find peace and quiet. St Peter's churchyard is particularly lovely in spring with the snowdrops, crocus and daffodils and we are fortunate with the view to the East. We hope that everyone using the churchyard will help keep it looking good all year round for people to visit and enjoy. In the church porch there is a brief summary of Church Yard rules and regulations regarding memorials vases and flowers. Full details may be found on the web site:

[www.lichfield.anglican.org/documents/churchyard-regulations](http://www.lichfield.anglican.org/documents/churchyard-regulations)

### Beetle Drive

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm a beetle drive will be held in Ellastone Parish Hall to raise funds for the bell tower. The band of bell ringers ring before each church service and practice on Monday afternoons. There has not been a band in Ellastone for many years, so there is some essential maintenance to be carried out.



A beetle drive is great fun and no prior knowledge is required! Please come along, bring your friends and something to drink and enjoy yourselves.

Cost £2.50 per person. Light refreshments will be provided, so please contact Hilary on 01335 324350 or Rose on 01335 324653 to help with catering. We look forward to seeing you there.

### Ellastone Church Roof

Work has now commenced on the first of the major repairs needed to the roof of St. Peter's Church. This phase is to the south-facing roof, which you see as you walk up from the Lych Gate. With full scaffolding required, this is obviously an expensive undertaking and the Church is very grateful to all who have made donations or supported our various fund-raising events over the last couple of years.

### Ellastone Horticulture, Produce & Handicraft Show

This annual event takes place on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August in the Parish Hall and Reading Room. Classes for flowers, vegetables, photographs, cookery, handicrafts and a children's section. Schedules will be available shortly. More details in the July edition of NEWSRAC.

### Ellastone Village Fete

This year's village fete will again be held in the lovely gardens of Lychgate House. It will be on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July - see the July edition of NEWSRAC for more details.

# NEWSRAC

## June 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.

### IMPORTANT REMINDER

As in previous years the next issue of NEWSRAC will be for July and August

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