



ECKINGTON PARISH NEWSLETTER

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News from the Parish Council

At the June meeting of the Parish Council Cllr Brian Ridgway announced that he would be resigning as Chair of the Council at the conclusion of the meeting. Brian is an elected member for Renishaw and has been Chair for almost 15 years. A familiar face around the parish Brian has been involved in the summer festival, supported local campaigns and is very active at Renishaw and Spinkhill Community Hall. He has steered the Council through challenging times and we thank him for the unstinting time, help and support he has given over the years. Cllr Ridgway will continue as the elected member for Renishaw ward.

At the July meeting the Council appointed Cllr Christine Gare as Chair of the Council. Christine was elected as a Parish Councillor for the Eckington North ward of the Council and has served as Vice Chair of the Council since 2015.

We were sorry to receive the resignation from the Council of Sam Beecher. Sam was co-opted to the Council in 2015 and has been instrumental in organising the 'Eckington Arches' and the 'Eckington Goes Green' project. Sam also helped with the refurbishment funding project for the Civic Centre. The Council would like to thank Sam for his hard work and wish him well in the future.

Parish Council By-election in Eckington North Ward

A vacancy in the Eckington North ward of the Parish has been created and an election has been called. The by-election will take place on Thursday 6 September 2018.

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Eckington Summer Festival 2018

The summer festival in Eckington has become a fixture in the calendar and this year it did not disappoint. Visitor numbers diminished just before 3pm because of the England v Sweden match but those remaining enjoyed a wide range of community and craft stalls, and live entertainment from S21 music group,



Eckington's Got Talent and later on in the evening, the guitarist Steve Delaney. The dog show was as popular as ever, and previous Best in Show, the Newfoundland, Millie helped to open the festival. A new feature this year was the Pub Quiz. Congratulations to the Festival Organising Committee for a successful event.



Where can I find a Parish Newsletter?

Newsletters are available free of charge in a range of shops, pubs and community centres throughout the Parish. We aim to hand deliver at least 1,000 copies to households across the Parish

Allotments in Eckington Parish



These are some of younger tenants from Eckington Junior School.

The Parish Council has also provided an allotment for adults with learning difficulties who attend Renishaw Day Centre and another allotment for adults with learning disabilities and mental health issues who attend Newfield Resource Centre on Peveril Road, Eckington.

The Parish Council runs 4 allotment sites, 3 in Eckington and 1 in Marsh Lane. Allotments are allocated using a waiting list which is open to residents of Eckington Parish. To join this waiting list, visit our website and fill in the online form www.eckington-pc.gov.uk

Renting an allotment can be a great way to grow your own organic produce, enjoy the open air and get regular exercise. Apparently just 30 minutes of work on your allotment can burn around 150 calories, the same as doing low impact aerobics.

Much better than being stuck in a sweaty, soulless gym, some may think!

Forget old men in sheds, these days owners are younger and more diverse than ever.



Natural Eckington Calendar 2019

The community group Natural Eckington has teamed up with Eckington Parish Council once again to produce a 2019 calendar featuring photographs of the local area taken by members of the public.

Last year, thirty-six photographs were submitted to Natural Eckington's Facebook page and they were then displayed at the Eckington Civic Centre Open Day and in Eckington Library. The twelve winning entries for the calendar were selected by

public vote. Eckington Parish Council is funding the project with the proceeds from sales going to charity.

The closing date for photographic entries has now past but look out for the calendar in outlets around Eckington; it makes a perfect Christmas gift! Meanwhile you can follow Natural Eckington on Facebook to see all twelve winning entries, and more fabulous images of the Eckington area, its buildings and wildlife.

Bird Ringing Activity in Eckington Cemetery

Bird ringing has taken place in Eckington Cemetery on six occasions since obtaining permission in October 2017. The numbers and types of birds are set out in the table below.

The type of birds caught are typical for an open woodland site. The Redwing caught on 21/12/2017 is worthy of note as it is a winter migrant to this country. All the rest of the birds caught are resident species.

Ringling was suspended in the cemetery during the breeding season but resumed at the end of June when the young had fledged. The young will be rung and as their exact age will be known and noted, studies can be undertaken on species longevity using this data.

All information gathered is sent to the British trust for Ornithology (BTO) and is used for analysis of data trends to aid conservation.

	10/10/2017	08/11/2017	21/12/2017	11/01/2018	17/02/2018	13/03/2018
Blackbird		3				
Blue Tit	3	6				1
Bullfinch						
Coal Tit						2
Duncock						1
Goldcrest	1	5	3	2	1	
Goldfinch						
Great Tit	2	4	1	1		
Long-tailed Tit	3	3				1
Nuthatch	1					
Redwing			1			
Robin		1	1	1		
Song Thrush	1	1				
Treecreeper	1					
Wren				1		1
SESSION TOTAL	12	23	6	5	1	6

Follow the 'lead'

Eckington Parish Council has had several complaints about dogs being off their leads in public places. There appears to be an increase in this area which is causing distress not only to other responsible dog owners who keep their dogs under control, but to the general public at large.

Many councils are now enforcing a little known law known as the 'Dog Control Order'. This effectively bans dogs from roaming free in most public places, including all council maintained pavements and roads. The fact is that it has been illegal to allow any dog to be off their lead on a public road under the Road Traffic Act 1988. The law says "no actual harm need take place for an offence to have taken place. The offence has taken place if the dog causes reasonable apprehension".



Many owners flout this law which causes distress to owners who keep their dogs on a leash. Dogs off the lead will often try to attack a dog on the lead or worst still should a dog cause a road traffic incident the results could be catastrophic.

Eckington Parish Council would appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Eckington Together

Eckington Civic Centre

Friday 14th September

10:30am - 3pm

Ages 55+



Come along and find out what groups, clubs, services and opportunities are available for you to get involved in within your community!

Presentation of Grants July 2018

Councillor Jacqueline Ridgway is proud to have been appointed as Chair of North East Derbyshire District Council for 2018/2019. As a local member and parish councillor the Parish Council is also proud to support the Chair's appeal charity The Chesterfield Royal Hospital Charity.



Wings

North East Derbyshire LGBT+ Youth Group

For some time now I have realised there was not a lot going on in the area for young people who identify as LGBT, after getting together with Eckington MAT team we have started a weekly group for young people. It is a youth group just like any other, except more fun!!!

The activities are led by the group and what they want to do, we've had tie-dye t shirt design, music jam nights, bowling, bingo, and in recent weeks BBQ!

At Wings we welcome anyone aged 11-17 who identify as LGBT and who want to make friends in a safe, space without fear of judgement or discrimination – no questions asked!

Please get in touch with Esther Fisher for more details, on 07474228303 or email wingslgbt@gmail.com

ECKINGTON CIVIC CENTRE

FRIDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 10:30AM – 3PM

AGED UNDER 55? – DON'T WORRY THERE WILL BE SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Rykneld Homes	Using the Internet in the Library	Parish Council	Wings - LGBT
Domestic Abuse	Scam Watch	Safer Neighbourhood Team	Fire Service
Eckington Town Team	Focus Group and Marsh Lane Tara	Live Life Better Derbyshire	Helens Trust
Homeless Café, Renishaw	Counselling	Rethink	Alcohol Advice
Sight Support/Hearing help	Derbyshire Carers Association	Street Cars Taxis	Bromehead Trust
Derbyshire Family Law Group	Derbyshire Domestic Abuse helpline	Elm Foundation	

BNED Leader Fund Completion of Refurbishment of the Civic Centre

The Parish Council try to keep the increase of the precept to a minimum so instead of passing the costs onto the electorate they have been looking for funding to complete the makeover of the Civic Centre.

An application was sent to BNED Leader Fund in 2017 and the Council received £32,400 for new Audio Equipment, Lighting, refurbishment of the Disabled Toilet, a new Baby Changing facilities and new Kitchen equipment.

The refurbishment is now complete. Please contact the Parish Council Office if you would like to visit the Centre and see the changes



September Parish Council Meeting 4 September 2018

7.00 pm in Eckington Civic Centre

Members of the public are welcome to attend and 15 minutes is allocated at the beginning of the meeting for residents to raise matters with the council.

Council and Committee Agendas and Minutes can be found on the Parish web-site.

**VOLUNTEER FOR THE
POPPY
APPEAL**

TO HELP THE ARMED FORCES COMMUNITY

We are looking for volunteers to support the
Poppy Appeal in ECKINGTON

Call Lilly Clements: 07918 562 624
Email: lclements@britishlegion.org.uk

We are only contact you if you wish with the British Legion community call your help.
For more details on how to volunteer or for more information on the Poppy Appeal, visit www.britishlegion.org.uk
and to see the poppy collection, visit www.britishlegion.org.uk

Registered charity number 20259

NOW HIRING

Eckington Civic Centre is now hiring for relief staff.

Eckington Parish Council is looking for individuals to work within our team. Candidates will ideally have some practical experience in kitchen/waiting on/bar work. Must be flexible and able to work weekends.

For an application form contact the Parish Clerk, Roz Bullimore clerk@eckington-pc.gov.uk
uk Tel No 07715668815

Derbyshire County Council Action Grant Programme

If you're involved with a community organisation like a sports club or a neighbourhood watch group, if you arrange activities for local people or are planning an event for your town or village you may be interested to know that a total of 2,000 grants are available from our Action Grants Programme until May 2020 for projects to promote the following themes:

- **community activity**
- **community safety**
- **youth activity**
- **physical activity and sport**

If you are a fully constituted group you can apply for a small (£500 max), medium (£5,000 max) or large (£10,000 max) grant.

More information on how to apply and closing dates is available of the Derbyshire County Council website www.derbyshire.gov.uk

Renishaw and Spinkhill Community Hall

For some time Cllr Ridgway has been keeping the Community Hall in Renishaw up and running almost single handedly, but has decided that he can no longer carry out this role. Thanks Brian for your work in keeping the Community Hall running smoothly and efficiently.

Currently the management of the Hall has been taken over by the Parish Council while we see if we can find enough people to form a Management Committee. All current users of the hall have been contacted with the new arrangements and there will hopefully be a seamless changeover. The Parish Council will continue to work with the Renishaw community to ensure that the Hall meets their needs.

All enquiries and bookings should be made to the Parish Council Office or visit www.facebook.com/RenishawandSpinkhillCommunityHall

Councillors' Surgeries

District & County Councillors will be available on the following days/times.

Eckington Library

10.00 am to 11.00 am
Saturday 1 September
Saturday 6 October
Saturday 3 November
Saturday 1 December

Green Lawns Community Centre

11.00 am to 12.00 noon
Saturday 8 September
Saturday 10 November

Ridgeway Sports and Social Club

11.00 am to 12.00 noon
Saturday 6 October
Saturday 8 December

There will no longer be a specific representative from the Parish Council at these sessions but any Parish Council related issue will be passed on.

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Events at Eckington Civic Centre



The Greatest Showman Sing-Along movie screening

Friday 7th September 7pm.

£5 adults, under 12's £2.50, under 5's free.

Drinks/sweets/popcorn and ice cream available. Tickets available from the Civic Centre

Grease Sing-Along

Saturday 29th September 7pm.

£5 adults, under 12's £2.50, under 5's free.

Drinks/sweets/popcorn and ice cream available. Tickets available from the Civic Centre



80's Themes Disco!

Saturday 3rd November

£5 adults, under 12's £2.50, under 5's free.

Time to get the shoulder pads and leg warmers out and step back to the 80's! All tickets £5 available from the Civic Centre



WWI themed lunch for over 55's, a celebration and remembrance of WWI with food and entertainment. More details to follow



Krystalite Productions presents
'An evening of Burlesque'
**Saturday 17th
November 2018**
Ages 18+7.30pm
Tickets £8 pp from Eckington
Civic Centre £9 pp online via
PayPal
from either krystalrouge12@gmail.com or Facebook
Krystalite Productions on
[https://www.facebook.com/
krystaliteproductions/](https://www.facebook.com/krystaliteproductions/)

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