



May Day Celebrations



Join us on Eaton Socon Village Green for a traditional May Day Celebration with May Pole Dancers and other entertainment, stalls, BBQ, refreshments and a local history exhibition in the church.

Entertainment is being booked so if you have some talent and wish to share it with others on Monday afternoon please let us know ASAP. It is not too late to book your stall for this year's May Day or to offer some entertainment. If you wish to book a stall, offer entertainment or be a volunteer helping please contact Muriel Ralph, ESCA, 367 Great North Rd, Eaton Socon, Cambs, Tel 01480 383317 or email: esca@freeuk.com

May Day Celebration Schedule

- Stalls open from 12 noon
- 2pm - Crowning of the May Queen
- 3pm - Award of the Eatons Community Cup

Monday May 3rd 2010 on Eaton Socon Green 12 noon – 4pm

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Term Times:
 Fridays 1.30pm to 3.00pm
 Jubilee Hall, Eaton Socon
 Contact Cherie
 01480 394150

Eatons Local History Exhibition

★ Sat May 1st & Mon May 3rd ★
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★ Eatons Open Gardens ★
 13th June 2010
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Copy date for the next edition of ESCAN for news, adverts and information – July 1st 2010.

Please send ESCAN Letters & Adverts to: 8 Linton Close
Eaton Socon, St Neots PE19 8GY - Email escan@freeuk.com



Dog Walkers

If you are a dog owner please think of others and pick up your dogs mess and dispose of the bag either at home or in a dog bin. We have had complaints that some owners are being particularly unkind and leaving the bags in the bushes or in someone else's garden. Please keep the Eatons clean and tidy.

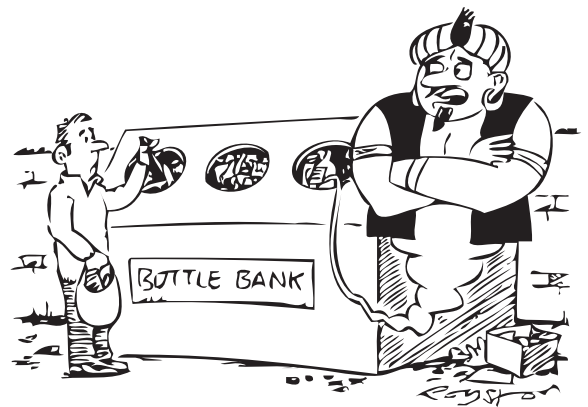


This popular event is now in its seventh year with Eaton Ford winning three times and Eaton Socon winning three times. It is now time to enter your street for this years competition so get together with your neighbours and enter for Neat Street 2010. Streets will be judged on the (1) absence of weeds on kerbs and gutters, (2) no litter, (3) maintained front gardens or frontages and (4) unobstructed pavements. Contact ESCA by phone or email and enter your street. Longer streets can be split into smaller sections.

DON'T BIN IT - BANK IT

Recycle Your Bottles at Tesco Express, Eaton Socon

Remember that all profits from the bottle bank are distributed to local organisations right here in Eaton Socon and Eaton Ford. Less bottles means less money to share out!



"I'll grant you three wishes if you can get me out of here"

ESCAN delivery

Have you a little spare time and do you like walking? Then why not volunteer to deliver a few of these newsletters? The exercise is great and you may get the chance to look around a new area of the Eatons. Even a few will help us, so please contact ESCA if you think you can help. In particular delivery is needed in parts of the Queens Gardens estate.

Welcome to ESCAN

Welcome to another edition of ESCAN, your free community newsletter from the Eatons Community Association (ESCA). Are you new to the area and are wondering about what ESCA does and why we began ?

ESCA began as the Eaton Socon Community Association in the 1970s when Eaton Socon was still a village and very much smaller. The A1 bypass had not been open long and there were still many fields between St Neots Rd, the Great North Rd and the A1. Welcome meetings were held to welcome newcomers to the village and it was decided to run events for the villagers and to record the history of this small rural community.

As you can see, life has altered considerably since those early days. Thousands more people live in Eaton Socon and Eaton Ford but we still try to keep the village feel by putting on events such as Carol Singing around the Christmas Tree and May Day Celebrations.

Why not come along to our May Day Celebrations and Local History Exhibition over the first May Bank Holiday and enjoy yourselves. We also have the Village Lock Up open on some Sundays in the summer, a walk around the Village and Castle grounds in May, Open Gardens in June and the Church BBQ on Eaton Socon Village Green in July. Great village events for everyone to enjoy, hope to see you there!

Jude, ESCA Chairman

St Neots in Bloom

St Neots has entered the competition once again and judging will take place in July. After last years completion of the flood defences near the Riverside Park we are very pleased to see that the work is now finished and instead of concrete and diggers at work we now have well planted beds and new trees. Planting has already happened in Priory Park with lots of snowdrops being planted so why not help out by brightening up your street and make the Eatons look colourful.

As last year there will also be competitions for front gardens in June, the best decorated pub and shop and other competitions within the town. Let us all make an effort and impress the judges. For more information please keep an eye on the local newspapers and the St Neots Priorities. If you do not receive the Priorities leaflet please let the Town Council know and they will monitor the situation carefully to ensure that all residents receive their free copy.

Cleaning up your area

Do not leave it to others but why not take a little time to smarten up your road. We are not asking you to clean up your entire street but why not spend a little time tidying up your garden and perhaps the kerb area in front of your house. A little brush along the pavement after mowing and perhaps clearing a little litter caught in a nearby bush will keep the Eatons tidier and will hopefully encourage others to look after their gardens and roads. We all know how we feel when we see a scruffy street or a tidy street. Let us all be proud of the Eatons.

Church BBQ

BBQ @ St Mary's Eaton Socon
Sunday 11th July @ 12.45pm.
Tickets: Adults £5, children
(under 12) free.

If it's wet, we'll do it all in the church!

All enquiries to the Vicar
(01480) 212219



Talking to Tim

What do you think of when you hear the word 'Education'? My guess is that for many people, the first things that come to mind are places such as schools and other places of learning. But have you ever thought of the church as a place of learning - a place of education - a place where people can bring any and every question?

Here at St Mary's Eaton Socon, we want the church to be a place where people can come and ask questions – questions about the meaning of life – questions about God – questions about what it means to be a Christian in today's world? But perhaps the most important question is to ask who is Jesus?

These are all big questions and here at St Mary's, there are different opportunities to ask these and other questions. Whether it's over a drink and chat after the Sunday morning services (where we serve 'real' coffee!); or during the week at our mid-week events such as Alpha (a course that explores what Christianity is about – accompanied by great food!), or other small groups, we welcome all to come along and join us.

These occasions are opportunities for all of us to learn together, because we are all called, irrespective of creed or gender, to be life-long learners. For as we learn together, we grow together as a community, and can reclaim that sense of belonging together, so that people do not feel isolated and lonely.

So why not come and visit us at St Mary's Eaton Socon? At the very least, you can enjoy a cup of great coffee! Food for thought.

With every blessing

Tim

Tim Robb
Vicar, St Mary's Eaton Socon

St. Neots & District Gardening Club

All Open Meetings at St.Mary's Church Hall
Brook Street, St.Neots at 8pm.

April 22nd - Beekeeping and the Gardener *Mr.Poyser*

Competition: Decorated egg

May 27th - News from the Garden Centre Shelves *Chris Thorne*

Competition: Spray from flowering shrub

June 13th - Trip to Savill and Valley Gardens,Windsor Great Park

Approx.cost £19.00 per.person

June 24th - Hardy Ferns to Grow in East Anglia *Margaret Nimmo-Smith*

Competition: A Rose

July 22nd - Open Forum or something similar

Competition: A pot plant ,max size 6"

Aug 14th - Summer Show Little Paxton Village Hall - 2pm

Aug 26th - Visit to Scotsdales Garden Centre,Gt.Shelford

Talk on Care of Houseplants 6pm

Contact - Chairman David Usher Tel: 01480 476671



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News from the Pightle

As I sit here writing this in February I am sure that we are longing for Spring after these cold winter days. The days are drawing out and on odd occasions, there is a touch of Spring in the air. Catching one of these moments one afternoon walking the dogs, really gave me a lift. It is one of the blessings of having dogs, and going out daily, I see sights and hear sounds that energise me, and make me smile, even laugh! Yes I know it isn't as great when it is pouring down with rain, and cold, but even on those days the walk is good. We are told there is a decline in the number of sparrows, well I think they must be all in the hedgerows in the Ouse Meadows, along the back lane, and in 'The Pightle' the noise they are making is astonishing, I looked into the bramble bushes and there appeared to be hundreds of little brown birds, twitter, tweeting, in very high spirits, ready for nest building. All over The Pightle' the birds are active, finding mates and preparing their nests, I have seen Ring Doves carrying nesting materials.

In January we were honoured to have four new trees planted in The Pightle. 'Celebration Trees' were planted to celebrate the 'Golden Anniversaries' of Sue and Barry Durham (a Cherry Tree) and for Joan and Roy Foley (a Rowan Tree). A Cherry Tree was planted for Miriam and Tony Ingle who have celebrated their 'Diamond Anniversary'. On the same day a fruiting Pear tree was planted to replace the mature fruiting pear tree cut down when the flood defence work started near the Barley Mow in Eaton Ford. We have been informed by the Environment Agency that three Pear trees were planted near the Barley Mow but these will not produce pears so a fruiting tree was donated and planted in The Pightle. All of the trees planted will flower and are fruiting, so will provide food for birds and insects in 'The Pightle'. We are developing quite a beautiful arboretum to the front of 'The Pightle' and it will be wonderful as the trees bloom and mature.

We will once again be having a 'Trim and Tidy' in May and we hope that you might like to come along and help out. This is not hard work and you can meet new people and help to maintain this natural area for everyone to share. The Pightle is along the back path, near the Cricket Field so why not wander through the field, enjoy the natural area and sit by the river.

Joan Foley Chairman.

**Pightle
Trim & Tidy
Day**
Saturday May 8th
10am - 1pm

Bring your secateurs
and rakes and trim and
tidy the Pightle with us



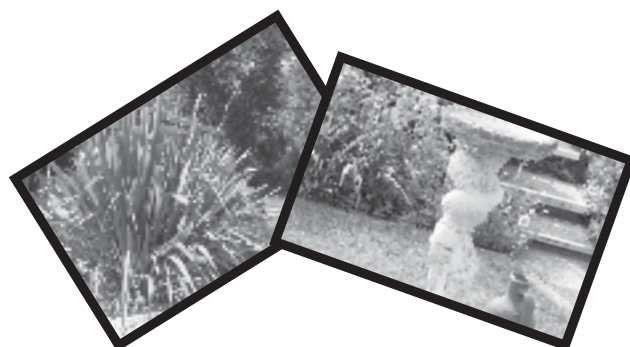
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Open Gardens 13th June 2010

Last year's Eatons Open Gardens was a great success and we raised money for childrens groups within the Eatons. We are still looking for more gardens to make this event bigger and this year the date has been set for the afternoon of Sunday 13th June. If you would like to open your garden in aid of charity please let ESCA know at 3 Collingwood Road, Eaton Socon, Cambs or email esca@freeuk.com. Tickets and programmes will be available nearer the time. Watch out in the local newspapers and noticeboards for exact times nearer the event.

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The Girl Guides

Once again I would like to thank ESCA for its support of Guiding in St.Neots in the build up to our Centenary, we are most grateful.

In the last ESCAN the Community Association highlighted the younger members, but we must not forget the Senior Section. These are girls of 14 and over who are Rangers, Young Leaders, or both. Several of whom are training to be the Leaders of the future and some have already completed Leadership Training. On 5th December a small number of guiding members, from 7 to 70, braved the cold weather to attend the ceremonial planting of the tree, in the Riverside Park, to commemorate the guiding centenary this year. We were also able to plant 300 trees in 45 minutes as part of the B.B.C Tree O'clock challenge. We were ably helped by staff from the District Council and it was later reported in the local press.

The Trefoil Guild meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 2pm to 4pm at the United Reformed Church in St.Neots. We do crafts, have speakers, go on trips and generally have fun and fellowship. Why not join us? To find out more please phone me on 01480 212485, or come and see us on our Stall at the May Fayre.

Finally – DO look out for our Centenary Flower Bed as you drive into the Riverside Park!!

Jeannette Cadney, St Neots Trefoil Guild.



St.Neots Town Youth FC Under 9's

Already this season we have had some highs and lows. A fantastic win over Baldock, considered to be one of the stronger teams in our league, and an away win at Sawbridgeworth to name but a few. Both teams gain strength and confidence each week, playing some great football.

St.Neots Town F.C has just launched its own website, so check it out at www.stneotstownyouthfc.co.uk to see what's going on.



Tiddlers & Toddlers

Do you know that there's a children's Group running every Friday morning?

Term-time at the Jubilee Hall Eaton Socon

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CLAIRE & KERRY

Black & White Female and Tabby Female. Very friendly cats. They came in together and are 4 years old. They are sisters. Very pretty and affectionate girls. Ready now and waiting for that special second chance home.



BARBARA & PEACHES



Peaches came to the branch as a semi-feral kitten and was tamed by one of our specialist fosterers.

When she went to our re-homing pens, she very quickly became very attached to one of our other residents and we now feel it is best that they find a new home together. Barbara is 6 months old, Tabby & White and Peaches is Ginger and 18 months old. Best to go to home a home with no other cats.

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Huge thanks to ESCA from the Children of Eaton Socon Pre-School!



Late last year Eaton Socon Pre-School of Queens Gardens were lucky enough to be awarded an unexpected donation from ESCA through recycled bottles.

This kind donation went towards buying a new water tray which the children are really enjoying. "Such equipment for our school is integral to the environment and education we provide to our children." said Caroline, Senior Supervisor.

"It's toys like this which have helped us receive comments from Ofsted such as 'highly stimulating environment' and in turn support our provision being awarded 'outstanding'".

Eaton Socon Pre-School, who are also celebrating their 30th year, were delighted with this award and glad the provision got the recognition it deserves. Other highlights from the report include:

"Children's care and welfare are exceptionally well-supported and they make excellent progress given their age, ability and starting points; they relish the time they spend in this pre-school."

"The committee, manager and staff team demonstrate an utmost commitment"

"Children benefit enormously from the highly stimulating environment."



Eaton Socon Pre-School

"Risk assessments are thorough...designated Health and Safety Officer oversees all aspects relating to safety...and ensures that this remains a priority...As a result, children play in a very safe and secure environment... All children's needs are exceptionally well-met through well-established partnerships between staff, parents and their children."

It is fantastic that the Eatons has an Outstanding Pre-school when you consider that only 3% of schools across the whole country have been awarded this, so we can all rest assured that our children are being given the opportunity for the best start in life.

Thanks again to everyone at ESCA and of course to everyone that recycles their bottles at Tesco Express!

St Neots Sunday Riders Group

Local Volunteer Rangers from Sustrans organise cycle rides around our countryside monthly on Sunday mornings. Participation in our rides is free and fund raising is optional. We are just keen to encourage more people to cycle more often. Riders of all ages are welcome, though children must be accompanied by adults.

The pace is easy so no one is left behind.

Normal 10:30 start from outside the Ambiance Café in the Riverside Park.

For more information contact Richard Cooper (Volunteer Liaison Ranger) Tel 01480 889171

* A NEW GROUP OPENING * WEDNESDAY 21ST APRIL

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Eatons Local History Exhibition / Sale of History Booklets and Research of Eatons Archives

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Place – St Mary's Church, Eaton Socon
Times – 10am – 4pm

Exhibition also includes a small display on 100 years of Girlguiding.

Cage Opening – and St Marys Church, Eaton Socon Free admission

Sun May 9th 2pm-4pm
Sun Jun 27th 2pm-4pm
Sun Jul 25th 2pm-4pm



Built in 1826 when Eaton Socon was in Bedfordshire this Lock Up in School Lane served as a useful parish prison for short term wrongdoers or until they could be taken to Bedford for trial.

St Neots History Open Day 10am-4pm Priory Centre

On September the 4th find out about the radar survey on the St Neots Priory and meet local history groups

St Neots Local History Society

Monthly meetings at Eynesbury C of E School Hall, Montagu Street, Eynesbury at 7.30pm

May 7th Buckden Palace to Buckden Towers by Ievan Evans
June 4th Confessions of a Pyrotechnic Reverend by Rev Lancaster
July 2nd – Visit to Great Gidding Church
Sep 3rd Call My Bluff by The Norris Museum

Chairperson – Nell Marshall - 01480 472495

Colmworth & Neighbours History Society

Monthly meetings at Colmworth Village Hall at 7.30pm

May 21st 'The Rise and Fall of Leather Making on Bedfordshire and Northamptonshire' by Walter Landmann
June 18th 'The Battle of Waterloo' by Martin Deacon
July 16th 'Bedfordshire Boffins: Some Aviation History' by Barry Tomlinson
Aug 14th Saturday Day trip – Church Crawl around Northants led by Roger Willson
Sep 24th 'What was Bedfordshire Really Like 1685-1735 by James Collett-White

Chairperson – Stephen Smith - 01234 376487

Roxton & District Local History Group

Monthly meetings at Roxton Parish Hall at 7.30pm

May 6th The History of the Harpur Trust to the Present Day
By Suzanne Sharpe & Richard Wildman
Jun 3rd A Historical Look at Turvey by Alan Richardson
July 1st Visit to Turvey - contact chairman for details
Sep 2nd The Paines of Tempsford Hall & St Kitts by Angela Hillyard & Stella Gibbs

Chairperson – John Rogerson - 01234 871150

Postage Stamps

Do not forget to collect your stamps and either take them into the Cat Protection Shop in Cross Keys Mall or post them to ESCA, 3 Collingwood Rd, Eaton Socon, Cambs, PE19 8JQ

St Neots Local History Month - May

Talks and walks are being planned so contact the St Neots Museum for more information for events during May. Do not forget ESCA's local exhibition in Eaton Socon Church on 1st and 3rd May when there will be an exhibition on local men who lost their lives in the two world wars, local archives for research and local history books for sale.

Walks with Peter Ibbett

Peter is once again planning regular walks around St Neots during the summer months. Why not join him for a gentle stroll to learn about the history of St Neots. Walks start at the Day Column in St Neots Market Square. Find out more from pjibbett@aol.com or call 01480 218756.

**** Ask about special walks & talks for your group ****

House Deeds – how important are they ?

Once again houses deeds have proved invaluable in the research of the Eatons buildings. If you have your house deeds – do not hide them away but let us have a peek and use them in our researches. In many cases the deeds will tell us the owners and occupiers of that particular property and of those nearby which is obviously extremely useful when sorting out details of houses.

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Local History Books and Information

All these booklets are available for reference in the St Neots and Huntingdon Reference Library and the County Archives offices in Bedford and Huntingdon. They are also available to buy at St Neots Museum.

The ESCA books are written by ESCA for anyone with an interest in the Eatons. All profits are used to support ESCA projects within the Eatons and no profits go to Committee members. If you wish to buy these books they can be obtained from "ESCA", 3 Collingwood Road, Eaton Socon, St Neots, Hunts, PE19 8JQ using the form below.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Eaton Socon at Work | £2.50 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> A Year in the Life of the Eatons (1992) | £2.50 |
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Eaton Socon Censuses and Electoral Registers are available on request

(Postage and Packing free to Eatons and St Neots residents)



Limited Edition Eaton Glasses
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New Booklet
(Launch date 1st May
at Eaton Socon Church)



To the Glorious Memory (Eaton Socon War Memorial)

Have you ever wondered about the lives and families of the soldiers listed on the Eaton Socon War Memorial and those linked to Eaton Socon Parish? Read about the agricultural labourers who went off to fight and die abroad, the men born in Ireland, Moscow and those who were born into families owning land and property. Find out about the young men who emigrated to Canada from Eaton Socon and are listed in the Peace Tower in Ottawa. This book contains information on more than 120 soldiers, and what happened to their families before and after the two World Wars.

Eatons Community Centre

This new centre in the Eatons is now open and if you have had a chance to look around there is a large hall and a variety of smaller rooms. In April the rooms upstairs were named after our local hero, Matthew Rosamond, who won one of the very first Victoria Crosses. Matthew grew up in Eaton Socon in a poor family, joined the Indian Army and won the Victoria Cross during the Indian Mutiny. An achievement we should all be proud of.

For more information & bookings contact the St Neots Town Council

Cambridgeshire Community Archives Network

This website is still expanding with local photographs and other items of interest. Why not log onto www.ccan.co.uk and see what you can find. Recently we have added photographs of shops – some have already closed and reopened as another shop. The St Neots Community Archives website is increasing weekly with more than 1000 photographs and memories. ESCA is actively involved in this project so if you have any old photos, videos or memories then why not share them with others. All photos will be scanned and returned to their owners so this is a good way to share those memories with others and keep our history live. Phone Sue Jarrett on 216065 if you have any information or photos you would like to share or come along to St Marys Eaton Socon Church Hall over the May Weekend.